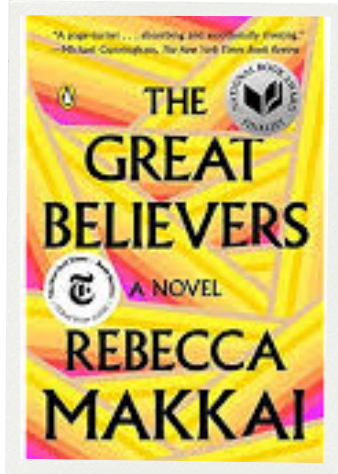




And here are the Winners, in the order we plan to read them, chosen by the members of the Harrison Township Library Tuesday Bookgroup.

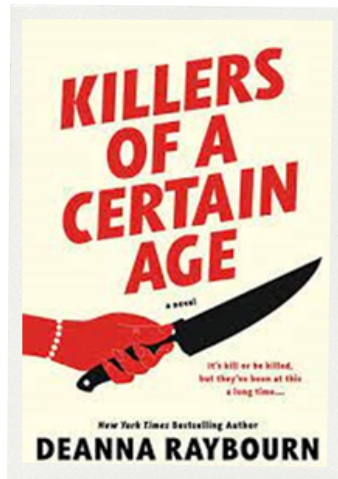
Summer



JUNE

The Great Believers by Rebecca Makkai (2018)

A National Book Awards and Pulitzer finalist, this novel is set in 1980s Chicago and follows the lives of several characters affected by the AIDS epidemic. The novel explores themes of love, loss, friendship, and the devastating impact of the disease on the LGBTQ+ community. New York Times Top ten books of 2018.

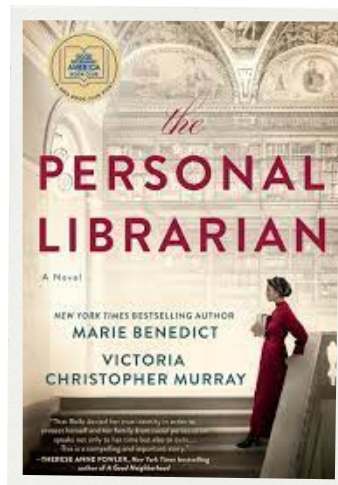


JULY

Killers of a Certain Age by Marcia Muller (2021)

Thriller, Humor

They've spent their lives as the deadliest assassins in a clandestine international organization, but now that they're sixty years old, four women friends can't just retire – it's kill or be killed in this action-packed thriller by New York Times bestselling and Edgar Award-nominated author Deanna Raybourn.



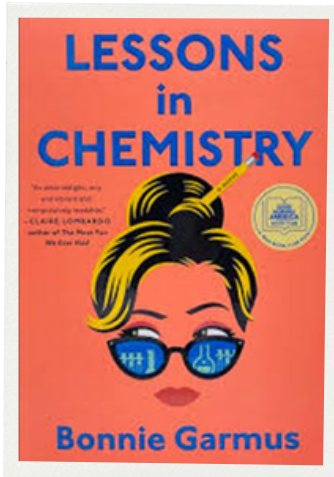
AUGUST

The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray (2021)

In this novel, Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray tell the story of Belle da Costa Greene, the personal librarian to J. P. Morgan. The novel explores Greene's life as a woman of color in the early 20th century and her role in building Morgan's extensive art and manuscript collections. The novel raises questions about identity, race, and power, and sheds light on a little-known figure from history.

September & October

We are hoping to meet with author Cari Noga, so I will wait to see when she is available before we put these in order.

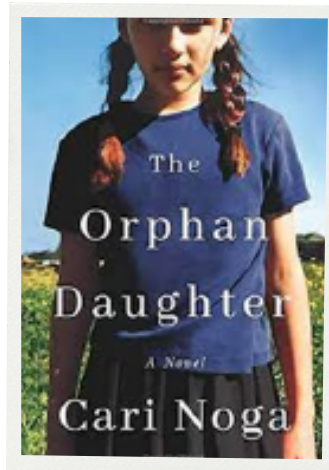


Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus (2021)

Modern Historical, 1960s, Humor

Set in the 1960s, this historical fiction follows a young woman who dreams of becoming a scientist. She faces discrimination and challenges in her field but finds her place as a chemist and a woman who challenges the status quo.

Laugh-out-loud funny, shrewdly observant, and studded with a dazzling cast of supporting characters, *Lessons in Chemistry* is as original and vibrant as its protagonist.



The Orphan Daughter by Cari Noga (2020)

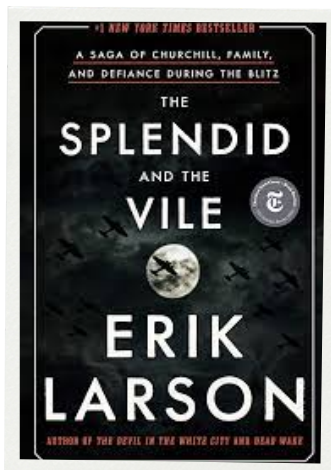
Relationship Fiction, Michigan Setting

Set on Traverse City's scenic Old Mission Peninsula, *The Orphan Daughter* follows the unlikely trajectory that joins 45-year-old Jane McArdle and her 11-year-old niece, Lucy. After the sudden death of Jane's estranged half-sister and brother-in-law, Jane learns that she is her niece's new guardian.

We are hoping to arrange a Zoom visit with this author. We have an in with her Aunt.

November or January?

We may postpone reading this title until January to give everyone extra reading time. This means we may still have a title to pick for November!



The Splendid and the Vile by Erik Larson (2020)

In this non-fiction book, Erik Larson provides a detailed account of Winston Churchill's first year as prime minister of England during World War II. The book explores Churchill's leadership during the Blitz and the personal and political challenges he faced during this time. The book offers a new perspective on a well-known historical figure and sheds light on the importance of leadership in times of crisis.