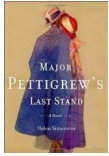


September's Books Plus Discussion



Both a British comedy of errors and a sweet love story, *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* has

enough to please a wide range of readers. Major Pettigrew is retired and living a quiet widow's life in a small town in Sussex. As his friendship with Mrs. Ali, the Pakistani shopkeeper, becomes something more, complications - both large and small, funny and serious - arise. Join us to discuss Simonson's first novel next week during our monthly Books Plus book discussion.

For more details of this and future programs, please see below.

Books Plus meets the first Sunday of each month. All are welcome. Join the discussion or simply come to listen.

2 p.m., First Sundays

September 5 -- Major Pettigrew's Last Stand by Helen Simonson

Discussion Leader: Sarah Bowman

"There is a great deal going on in these pages--sharply observed domestic comedy, late-life romance, culture clash, a dash of P. G. Wodehouse, and a pinch of religious fundamentalism. First novelist Simonson handles it all with great aplomb, and her Major, with his keen sense of both honor and absurdity, is the perfect lens through which to view contemporary England." -- BookList

October 3 -- Half Broke Horses: a True-life novel by Jeannette Wall

Discussion leader: Dory Lynch

"Told in a natural, offhand voice that is utterly enthralling, this is essential reading for anyone who loves good fiction - or any work about the American West." - Barbara Hoffert, Library Journal

November 7 -- Miracle at St. Anna by James McBride

Discussion Leader: Wendy Rubin

"In *Miracle at St. Anna*, James McBride, author of the bestselling memoir *The Color of Water*, tells a war story that, like all great tales of conflict, connects the enormous tragedy of war with the intimate stories of individual soldiers." - Paul Ford

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