

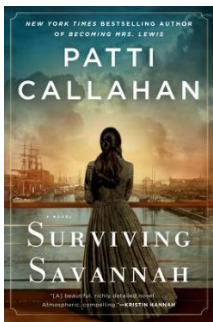


# Coffee Talk

Women's Book Group that meets the first Monday of each month at  
Church of the Redeemer

## SELECTIONS FOR OUR 2024 - 2025 SEASON (updated October 22, 2024)

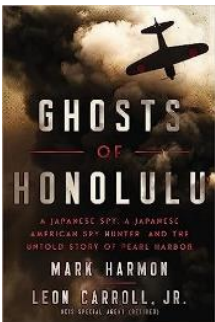
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2024 9:30 a.m.



### **Surviving Savannah** by Patti Callahan

When Savannah history professor Everly Winthrop is asked to guest-curate a new museum collection focusing on artifacts recovered from the steamship Pulaski, she's shocked. The ship sank after a boiler explosion in 1838, and the wreckage was just discovered 180 years later. Everly can't resist the opportunity to try to solve some of the mysteries and myths surrounding the devastating night of its sinking.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2024 5:30 p.m. -- CO-ED WINE & CHEESE**



### **Ghosts of Honolulu** by Mark Harmon & Leon Carroll

Hawaii, 1941. War clouds with Japan are gathering and the islands of Hawaii have become battlegrounds of spies, intelligence agents, and military officials - with the island's residents caught between them. Toiling in the shadows are Douglas Wada, the only Japanese American agent in naval intelligence, and Takeo Yoshikawa, a Japanese spy sent to Pearl Harbor to gather information on the U.S. fleet. Their dueling stories anchor *Ghosts of Honolulu's* gripping depiction of the world-changing cat and mouse games played between Japanese and US military intelligence agents in Hawaii before the outbreak of the second world war.

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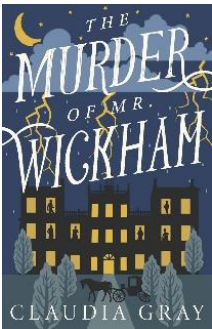
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024 9:30 a.m. *(Date changed due to conflict with Thanksgiving weekend!)*



**Last Christmas in Paris** by Hazel Gaynor and Heather Webb

August 1914. England is at war. As Evie Elliott watches her brother, Will, and his best friend, Thomas Harding, depart for the front, she believes—as everyone does—that it will be over by Christmas, when the trio plan to celebrate the holiday among the romantic cafes of Paris.

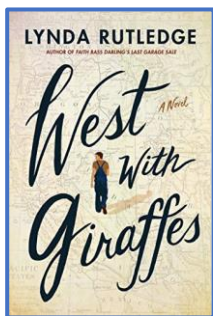
MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2025 9:30 a.m.



**The Murder of Mr. Wickham** by Claudia Gray

A summer house party turns into a whodunit when Mr. Wickham, one of literature's most notorious villains, meets a sudden and suspicious end in this mystery featuring Jane Austen's leading literary characters.

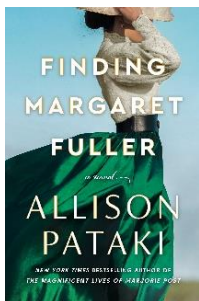
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2025 9:30 a.m.



**West with Giraffes** by Lynda Rutledge

An emotional, rousing novel inspired by the incredible true story of two giraffes who made headlines and won the hearts of Depression-era America. Two giraffes miraculously survived a hurricane while crossing the Atlantic. What follows is a twelve-day road trip in a custom truck to deliver Southern California's first giraffes to the San Diego Zoo.

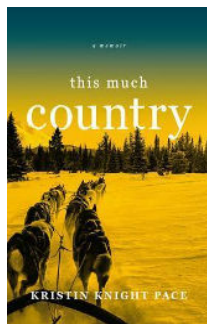
MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2025 9:30 a.m.



**Finding Margaret Fuller** by Allison Pataki

An epic reimagining of the life of Margaret Fuller—America's forgotten leading lady and the central figure of a movement that defined a nation—from the New York Times bestselling author of *The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post*.

**MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2025 5:30 p.m. - ALL PARISH BOOK GROUPS' DINNER**



**This Much Country** by Kristin Knight Page

A memoir of heartbreak, thousand-mile races, the endless Alaskan wilderness and many, many dogs is about one of only a handful of women to have completed both the Yukon Quest *and* the Iditarod. This story of renewal and transformation is about journeying across a wild and unpredictable landscape. It's about pushing boundaries and overcoming paralyzing fears and the team spirit and support required to survive a grueling race through ice and snow.

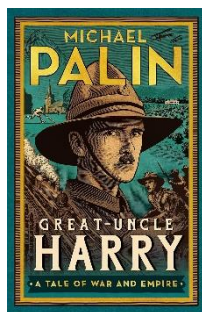
**MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2025 9:30 a.m.**



**The Frozen River** by Ariel Lawhon

Maine, 1789: When the Kennebec River freezes, entombing a man in the ice, Martha Ballard is summoned to examine the body and determine cause of death. As a midwife and healer, she is privy to much of what goes on behind closed doors in Hallowell. Martha is forced to investigate the shocking murder on her own.

**MONDAY, MAY 5, 2025 9:30 a.m.**

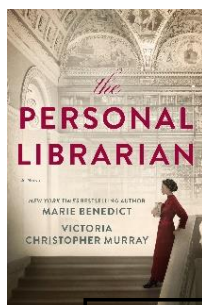


**Great Uncle Harry** by Michael Palin

From the time, many years ago, when Michael Palin first heard that his grandfather had a brother, Harry, who died in tragic circumstances during the First World War, he was determined to find out more about him.

**MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2025 9:30 a.m.**

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**The Personal Librarian** by Marie Benedict

The remarkable, little-known story of Belle da Costa Greene, J. P. Morgan's personal librarian—who became one of the most powerful women in New York despite the dangerous secret she kept in order to make her dreams come true.

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