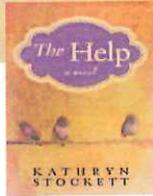
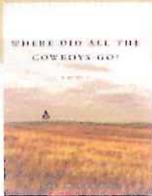
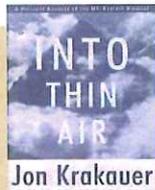
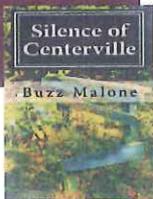


# Novel Year 2012



Join the Novel Year Book Club and make new friends, experience new places, and embark on new journeys.

Novel Year is a series of programs featuring six novels throughout 2012. Programs consist of:

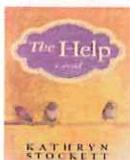
- Discussing the book with a facilitator
- Watching the movie version of the books or meeting the author
- Enjoying a program related to the book

Advanced Registration is required. Registration forms are included and available at our website:

[www.ci.norwalk.ia.us/departments/library.aspx](http://www.ci.norwalk.ia.us/departments/library.aspx)

## Novel Year Book Club 2012

### February



*THE HELP* (2009)  
by Kathryn Stockett

**Tuesday January 31, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Book Discussion**

A young woman in the early 1960s in Mississippi becomes interested in the plight of the black ladies' maids that every family has working for them. She writes their stories about mistreatment, abuse, and heartbreaks of working in white families' homes, all just before the Civil Rights Movements



**Tuesday February 7, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — The Help (2011)**  
Starring: Emma Stone, Viola Davis, and Octavia Spencer

**Tuesday February 14, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Guest Speaker (TBA)**

Our guest speaker will talk about the major people, organizations, and events in Iowa's African-American history with an emphasis on the Norwalk / Des Moines

### April



*SILENCE OF CENTERVILLE* (2011)  
By Buzz Malone

**Tuesday March 27, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Book Discussion**

Frankie Schantz emerged into a near perfect life in Centerville, Iowa. He believed that his life would always be so. He was wrong. Everything would change in the summer of 1945 when meningitis would leave him permanently deaf.

**Tuesday April 3, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Meet the Author: Buzz Malone**

Buzz Malone will be here to discuss his writing style, how he comes up with topics, and other books he has written. Please come and meet an Iowa Author.

**Tuesday April 10, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Guest Speaker (TBA)**

We will have a speaker come talk about growing up deaf in today's culture and about Sign Language as a form of communication

## Novel Year Book Club 2012

### June



*INTO THIN AIR* (2004)  
by Jon Krakauer

**Tuesday June 5, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Book Discussion**  
*Into Thin Air* is the definitive account of the deadliest season in the history of Everest by the acclaimed journalist, Jon Krakauer. The novel takes the reader step by step from Katmandu to the mountain's deadly pinnacle.



**Tuesday June 12, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Into Thin Air: Death on Everest (1997)**

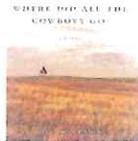
Starring: Peter Horton, Christopher McDonald, Nathaniel Parker, Richard Jenkins, Tim Dutton

**Tuesday June 19 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Guest Speaker (TBA)**  
We will have a speaker on mountain climbing.

### August

*WHERE DID ALL THE COWBOYS GO?* (2011)  
by Joe Millard

**Tuesday August 7, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Book Discussion**  
From the perspective of Gene Millard, this memoir reveals the experiences of what life was like growing up in rural Iowa in the 1940s.



**Tuesday August 14, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Meet the Author: Joe Millard**

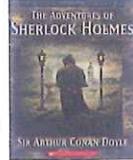
Joe will read short sections of his work, share memorabilia related to those sections, discuss why he became interested in writing, and his writing and publishing processes. The last 10 to 15 minutes of a presentation will be open the discussion up to questions the audience

**Tuesday August 21 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Guest Speaker (TBA)**

## Norwalk Easter Public Library

### October

*THE ADVENTURES OF SHERLOCK HOLMES (1892)*  
By Sir Arthur Conan Doyle



**Tuesday October 2, 2012, 6:30 P.M. — Book Discussion**  
A collection of twelve short-stories by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle featuring his famous detective Sherlock Holmes. These twelve stories were originally published originally published as single stories in the Strand Magazine from July 1891 to June 1892.



**Tuesday October 9, 2012, 6:30 P.M. — Sherlock Holmes (2009)**  
Starring Robert Downey Jr., Jude Law, and Rachel McAdams

**Tuesday October 16, 2012, 6:30 P.M. — Murder Mystery Dinner Party**  
An interactive party where guests witness and try to solve a fictitious murder that occurs at the party. More details to come.  
Registration Required.

### December

*THE COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO? (1844)*  
BY ALEXANDRE DUMAS



**Tuesday December 11, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — Book Discussion**

A tale of love and revenge in the post-Napoleonic era. Edmond Dantes, is soon to be a captain of his own ship and marry his beloved. However, his enemies have him arrested and condemned to life in prison. This is a story of suspense, intrigue, love and a battle between good and evil.



**Tuesday December 18, 2012, 6:30 p.m. — The Count of Monte Cristo (2002)**  
Starring: Jim Caviezel, Guy Pearce, and Richard Harris

## Registration

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### **Please Register me for the following programs:**

- The Help — January 31, February 7th and 14th
- Silence of Centerville — March 27th, April 3rd and 10th
- Into Thin Air — June 5th, 12th, and 30th
- Where did all the cowboys go? August 7th, 14th and 21st
- The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes — October 2nd, 9th, and 16th
- The Count of Monte Cristo — December 11th and 18th

Please Indicate if you would like the library to purchase a copy of the book or if you would like to purchase your own copy: \_\_\_\_\_

**Programs are at 6:30 P.M. in the library's meeting room.**