

Book Club, March 21, 2023

There were eight participants for this lively and fluid discussion.

Cher Terry offered two selections: *A Russian Princess Remembers* by Ekaterina Meshcherskaya (memoir, nonfiction) and *Two Nights in Lisbon* by Chris Pavone (mystery, thriller). Cher recommends both.

Peter Lattu read *A Dog Runs Through It* by Linda Pastan (poetry). The late Ms. Pastan was the Poet Laureate of Maryland. Peter enjoyed this book and recommends it.

Norma Brodsky discussed *The Maid* by Nita Prose, a work of fiction. The maid is “Molly” who is on the autism spectrum and earns her living by cleaning hotel rooms. Norma enjoyed this book and recommends it.

Louise and Robert McLean read *Homo Deus* by Yuval Noah Harari (nonfiction). This sequel to *Sapiens* looks at the future and the possible effects of new forms of intelligence such as artificial intelligence on global societies.

Carol Mattaino read *Lab Girl* by Hope Jahren, a memoir (nonfiction). Hope Jahren is a scientist and manic depressive who establishes scientific research laboratories at universities. Carol thought *Lab Girl* was interesting but said it merited a lukewarm endorsement.

Sarah Tatum read *Vesper Flights* a book of essays by Helen Macdonald. Many of these essays focus on bird behavior. Sarah enjoyed this work and recommends it.

Laurie Tracy read *Lessons in Chemistry* (fiction) by Bonnie Garmus. *Lessons...* focuses on Elizabeth Zott, a young chemist who becomes a TV cooking show host. Laurie enjoyed this book and recommends it.