

## NOTES FROM PS BOOK CLUB

The Penobscot Shores Book Club met last Friday, January 27, after a hiatus of some months. Those present: Trish Bonness, Jennifer Craig, Kay Hunt, and Brenda Smith.

Trish discussed the current guidelines plus a few suggestions from Kay. A final document will be available soon.

The group decided that going forward, meetings will take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month, except for July and August when there will be no meetings, at 11 am in the PS library. The next meeting will be February 23.

Since there are just two weeks until that meeting, the book selected for discussion in February is a short one, *Landslide* by Susan Conley, 262 pages. Here is a brief description:

“Jill and Kit Archer live on an island off the coast of Maine where Kit is a deep-water fisherman. When Kit is injured in a boating accident, Jill is faced with parenting two teenage sons, holding her marriage together, coping with financial stress, and trying to sustain her faltering film career. The story is told against the background of working-class life in Maine; its traditions and values of hard work are set in tension against the contemporary issues of land use and the collapsing fishing industry. Readers have called *Landslide* ‘smart, funny and honest’, and praised it for its ‘luminous prose’ and “insightful look at marriage and motherhood’ as well as the inner lives of teenagers.”

Books selected for future meetings in 2023 include:

1. The Night of the Living Rez by Morgan Talty (this year’s *Waldo Reads* selection)
2. The Rose Code by Kate Quinn
3. A world of Curiosities by Louise Penney
4. Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus
5. The Flag, the Cross, and the Station Wagon by Bill McKibben
6. The Marriage Portrait by Maggie O’Farrell
7. Demon Copperhead by Barbara Kingsolver

The exact order of presentation has not been finalized.

As a member of an “official” book club, you are entitled to a 15% discount on any of these you purchase at Left Bank Bookstore in Belfast. All are available online in e-book format, but not all are available in paperback yet.

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