2021 Choices

Wednesday, September 15 2021

Slaughterhouse Five: Or the Children's Crusade: A Duty-Dance with Death by Kurt Vonnegut

This 1969 bestseller tells the story of Billy Pilgrim, his capture by the by the German Army and his survival of the Allied firebombing of Dresden as a prisoner of war. It goes on to follow Billy as he travels back and forth in time and during his alien abduction. Considered one of the best anti-war novel of all time it has endured despite attempts to to censor and ban it. Copies of the book will be available to pick up from August 18 to August 25.

Wednesday, October 20 2021

Pinstripe Empire: the New York Yankees before the Babe until after the Boss by Marty Appel

What is October without baseball? And what is baseball without the Yankees? Appel gives life to the team's history beginning with the muddy, uneven field at Hilltop Park in the 1900s to the evolution of today's team as an international brand. Loaded with over a century's worth of great stories, folklore, and photos, this is a treasure trove for lovers of sports, the Yankees, New York history, and America's game. Copies of the book will be available to pick up from September 15 to September 22.

Wednesday, November 17 2021

Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood by Trevor Noah Born to a white Swiss father and a black Xhosa mother at a time when such a union was punishable by five years in prison, Noah was the living proof of his parents' indiscretion, Kept mostly indoors for the earliest years of his life, he was bound by the extreme and often absurd measures his mother took to hide him from a government that could, at any moment, steal him away. With the end of apartheid, Trevor and his mother set forth on a grand adventure - living openly and freely and embracing the opportunities won by a centuries-long struggle. *Copies of the book will be available to pick up from October 18 to October 25.*

Wednesday, December 15 2021

The Reivers by William Faulkner

Awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction in 1963, this comic coming-of-age story features an eleven-year-old protagonist reminiscent of Mark Twain's Huckleberry Finn and two older companions. Together they steal a car in Mississippi and embark on a picaresque road trip filled with misadventures. *Copies of the book will be available to pick up from November 17 to November 22.*