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NCC Library's What's New?

NCC's Top Books Read in 2009

(as recommended by NCC staff and faculty)

• ***The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society*** by Mary Ann Shaffer & Annie Barrows
—Recommended by
Mary Cowan, Instructor of Radiologic Technology—

• ***Outliers: The Story of Success*** by Malcolm Gladwell— Recommended by Gretchen Bartelso, Dean of Extended Learning Services—

• ***The Little Critter*** series by Mercer Mayer— Recommended by Kristi Landis, Coordinator/ Recruiter- Enrollment Management/ Advisor/Career Center/SGA/Student Activities—

• ***The Black Echo*** by Michael Connelly— Recommended by Mike Logan, Director- Technology and Information Services—

If you are interested in any of the books in this newsletter, please see the friendly library staff to learn more about interlibrary loan. Our regular hours are Monday-Thursday: 7:30am –8pm and Friday: 7:30am–4:30pm.

Best of 2009 Book Reviews (written by NCC staff and faculty)

The Glass Castle by Janette Walls— “This is one of my favorites of all time. It is the true story of four kids raised by what most of us would consider incredibly selfish parents. Once, the kids went days without food when their alcoholic father took what little money they had and spent it at the local bar. As the kids sat around trying to ignore their grumbling stomachs, one of them noticed that their mother kept ducking her head under a blanket. The daughter jumped up and yanked the blanket off, only to discover her mother eating a giant-sized Hershey’s candy bar!”— **Laurie Edwards, Director—TRIO Student Support Services**



The Book Thief by Markus Zusak— “This account of the Nazi occupation is geared toward teen readers. However, I enjoyed it today as much, if not more, than I did *Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl*. I would highly recommend *The Book Thief*.” —**Jan Snyder, Vice President— Institutional Advancement and Enrollment Services**



Team of Rivals by Doris Kearns Goodwin— “It is a biography of the entire team of personal and political competitors that Abraham Lincoln put together to the country through its greatest crisis...the Civil War.”— **Mark Brown, Executive Director--College Operations and Finance**



Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace...One School at a Time by Greg Mortenson— “I read *Three Cups of Tea* and it is now in my top five favorite books. I would recommend it to anyone” —**Joel Johnson, Adjunct Instructor**



Agincourt: A Novel by Bernard Cornwell— “I just read *Agincourt* about the battle in France on October 25, 1415. This particular battle was incredibly unique in that the French outnumbered the British six to one, but because of a combination of factors (geography, weather, the talented British archers, and the tenacity of the British leaders), the British were able to be victorious for their beloved Henry V. This is the battle that is in Shakespeare’s *Henry V*.”—**Colette Scott, Coordinator/Mentor/Trainer— ICN/ ICCOC**

