

BYM Women's Retreat 2011

Books and Movies

The Little Bee

The Yearling – Marjorie Rawlings

The Organic Life – Joyce Gussold

The Secret Life of Bees – Book and movie – ditto, this is an excellent book!

Movie – What the Lord Made – African American lab tech to Johns Hopkins MD Heart surgeon – true story. FABULOUS

Tender Mercies – movie

Book: Saving Fish From Drowning (Amy Tan)

Movie: The Kings Speech

True Grit – movie and book

Goose Girl, Enna Burning, River Secrets (Forest Born), The Book of a Thousand Days, Princess Academy, all by Shannon Hale – young adult novels with strong female characters learning to use their gifts.

Movie: The Fall – beautiful, haunting

Book: Cutting for Stone by Abraham Vershese – set in Ethiopia

The Help – book – fabulous characters

Hysterical! Sh*t my Dad Says (book soon to be movie)

Souless by Gail Carriger – Victorian, mystery, supernatural, humorous, steampunk, romance

Departures – academy award foreign film winner 2008 about Japan and the approach to death – Beautiful and Spiritual!

Winter Bones – movie

Book – Loving Frank – “fictionalized” biography of Frank and Mamah. Excellent but difficult ending.

Book – The Lost by D. Mendelsohn (sp?) – search for “what happened” to grandfather’s brother during WWII in Eastern Europe.

Not Me – Jewish young man dealing with his dying father and finding out his father had been Nazi and not Jewish.

The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake

The Lady Matador’s Hotel

Glass Castle -- I agree

Always Coming Home by Ursula Le Guin – a story, finely detailed about a culture arising after Hi-tech civilization destroys itself – part the story of one woman, the rest selections of their plays, celebrations, poems, etc. profoundly affirming but not sugary – grounded in non-violent core beliefs – Pamela C.

Book – Gregory Boyle, Tattoos on the Heart. Non-fiction, priest in L.A., started Homeboy Industries

Plague of Doves – Louise Erdrich’s latest – wonderful!

King’s Speech YES!

Book: Justice, what’s the Right Thing to Do by Walter Sandel

The Book Thief – about a young girl living in Nazi Germany – told from the eyes of the angel of death! Some of course disturbing but uplifting and tender. Yes! Nancy Clark

Film: Local Hero – the transformative poser of the “genius of place” – Scotland

Book: Women, Food, and God – a mindfull approach to eating

Book: (In) the Sweet Bye and Bye

Movie: Iron Jawed Angels – about suffragettes including Quaker Alice Paul

Book: Soul Sisters by Pythia Peay – about women’s circles/feminine face of courage/ feminine face of faith/ feminine face of beauty/magic, etc.

The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America’s Great Navigator Isabel Wilkerson

My Grandfather’s Blessings – book by Rachel Naomi Remen

Defending Your Life

The Dirty Life: On Food, Farming and Love by Kristin Kimball

Book: Still Alice – novel by neuroscientist who has early onset Alzheimer's

Book: Strength in What Remains by Tracy Kidder – Non-fiction account of a man who survived genocide in Burundi and Rwanda – immigrates to America and becomes a doctor.