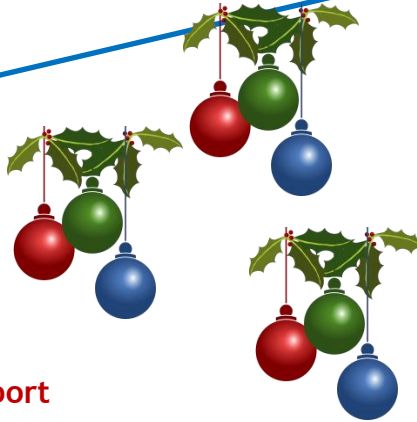




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PT ALL-TIME FAVS

[Angle of Repose](#) by Wallace Stegner
 “Beautifully written. A compelling story. This was the first book that came mind when I was asked about an all-time favorite book. I read it years ago and the story has remained with me.” ~Judy



December Book Report

- Judy: [Tin Man](#) by Sarah Winman
- Kathy G.: [Where the Crawdads Sing](#) by Delia Owens
- Peggy: [The Rosie Project \(Don Tillman, #1\)](#) by Graeme Simsion
- Loretta: [She Has Her Mother's Laugh: The Powers, Perversions, and Potential of Heredity](#) by Carl Zimmer, [Elevation](#) by Stephen King, [Nine Perfect Strangers](#) by Liane Moriarty, [How to Be Sick: A Buddhist-Inspired Guide for the Chronically Ill and Their Caregivers](#) by Toni Bernhard
- Barbara: [The Other Einstein](#) by Marie Benedict
- Sharon: [A Drinking Life](#) by Pete Hamill
- Kim: [The Summer I Met Jack](#) by Michelle Gable
- Cindy: [The Shack](#) by William Paul Young
- Kathy P.: [The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair That Changed America](#) by Erik Larson
- Deb S.: [The Wife Between Us](#) by Greer Hendricks, [I Am Not Gog](#) by Matthew James Hunt
- Lori: [Us](#) by David Nicholls

The Gift of Reading

As the holiday spirit of giving comes in full force and we struggle to find the perfect gift...well, you know where this is going. Yup...a book. What a wonderful way to give someone an opportunity to get out of themselves and into another world. How exciting that you are able to anticipate their response to your gift of a story and to find out how they were touched by characters, plot or setting. And what a special connection that may create for you. My personal touch has been to mark special places that inspired me to choose the story for that particular person. The only books I have kept are the books selected by someone especially for me. Thank you Judy Herm, for giving me *The Little Prince* 35 years ago.

More About Gifts



Everyone probably knows how much I love Page Turners @ CAMI. Every time we get to meet a new member, I think, “Wow, what a cool person.” I may be making a rash judgement but I would suspect that book club members are in the top percentage of folks are friendly, wise and charitable. Which brings me to an idea about giving. Wouldn't it be amazing if every book club would include an opportunity to for members to donate money for books to a local reading program? (I say “local” only because I have this thing about keeping communities alive.) It wouldn't have to be at the holiday season. Maybe a spring donation to help kids continue their reading during summer break. If your book club is interested in donating to organizations that are more far reaching, take a look at [10 Awesome Book Charities That Help Kids All Over the World](#) posted by the Huffington Post. Have a very Happy Holiday!