

March BookLovers' meeting!

***The Pagan Lord*** by Bernard Cornwall, is book 7, a tale of the Saxons. In *The Pagan Lord*, "loyalties will be divided and men will fall, as every Saxon kingdom is drawn into the bloodiest battle yet with the Danes; a war which will decide the fate of every king, and the entire English nation". Book 1 of this series is ***The Last Kingdom***

Elizabeth Gilbert's ***The Signature of All Things***, a story of a man born into poverty who becomes wealthy by obtaining and selling cuttings of ornamental plants. He moves to Philadelphia where his daughter rises to prominence.

*The Bank of Fear*, an older title, by David Ignatius, concerned the startling reach that Saddam Hussein's regime had over the people of Iraq. Even those who had left the country. Political fiction.

***Words of Radiance*** by Brandon Sanderson made the reader question how far people are willing to go to support their religion, and how many people have died because of religious wars. Book 2 in the series.

***Slouching Toward Bethlehem*** is a collection of essays by Joan Didion that was first published in 1968. The title essay concerns Haight-Asbury of the late 1960s and the drug culture there.

*Wild things: Acts of Mischief in Children's Literature* by Betsy Bird will be of interest to people even if they aren't avid fans of children's books. What's the story behind that blank tombstone in *Will You Sign Here, John Hancock?* How did a little boy save the beloved picture book *Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel*? Here are the little known stories behind the stories. Fascinating!

***As You Wish*** by Cary Elwes, the story of the making of the movie *The Princess Bride*.

***Two Rivers*** by T. (Tammy) Greenwood tells the story of Harper Montgomery. Since the death of his wife, Betsy, twelve years earlier, Harper has narrowed his world to working at the local railroad and raising his daughter, Shelly, the best way he knows how. Destructive secrets and different opportunities.

***The Secret Soldier*** by Alex Berenson brings us a tale of conspiracies and spies as CIA operative John Wells goes undercover in Saudi Arabia.