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September 26
Shakespeare Was a Woman and Other Heresies: How Doubting the Bard Became the Biggest Taboo in Literature
by Elizabeth Winkler

The theory that Shakespeare may not have written the works that bear his name is the most blasphemous subject of English literature. In this provocative investigation, Winkler explores the role politics, myth, gender, and class biases have played on the literary world’s reluctance with determining the truth about Shakespeare’s life.

Reviewer:
Gregory Foran, Professor of English and Chairperson of the English & Communication Department at Nazareth University

October 3
A Fever in the Heartland: The Ku Klux Klan’s Plot to Take Over America and the Woman Who Stopped Them
by Timothy Egan

Egan’s riveting story of the Klan’s rise to power in the 1920s focuses on the roles of Indiana Klan Leader D.C. Stephenson and Madge Oberholtzer, whose deathbed testimony—after Stephenson abducted and raped her—played a critical role in the Klan’s decline in the Midwest.

Reviewer:
Jamie Spiller, Professor of History, SUNY Brockport

October 10
Poverty, by America
by Matthew Desmond

The Pulitzer Prize-winning author of Evicted reimagines the debate on poverty, offering a provocative argument that it persists in America because a significant part of the population benefits from it. Poverty, by America is “a hands-on call to action.”

—The Nation

Reviewer:
Megan Norris, PhD, Executive Director of the Rochester Area Community Foundation’s data initiative

October 17
Look for Me There: Grieving My Father, Finding Myself
by Luke Russert

“Look for me there,” news legend Tim Russert would tell his son, Luke, when confirming a pickup spot at an airport, sporting event, or rock concert. When Tim died unexpectedly, Luke followed family tradition and became a journalist. Eventually he sought to discover his own personal purpose and embarked on a 3+ year journey worldwide.

Reviewer:
Bonnie Garner, retired educator. Recently widowed, Bonnie was married to Jack Garner, national film critic, for 50 years.

October 24
The Joy of Politics: Surviving Cancer, a Campaign, a Pandemic, an Insurrection, and Life’s Other Unexpected Curveballs
by Amy Kobuchar

Senator Kobuchar shares insider stories about her professional and personal life: how during the 2020 Democratic presidential primary campaign she suspended her candidacy to support Joe Biden; her experience with cancer; watching her father succumb to Alzheimer’s; and her perspective on January 6 (when she believes we came close to losing our democracy).

Reviewer:
Monroe County Clerk Jamie Romeo

October 31
The Diamond Eye
by Kate Quinn


—The Wall Street Journal

Reviewer:
Douglas Jones, a retired prosecutor and civil litigation attorney with a military background.

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