## Saddlewood Non-Fiction (and Classics) Reading Group Books

(September 2019—2024)

## 2019

1. A Walk in the Woods Bill Bryson (Rediscovering America on the Appalachian Trail)

2. Mornings on Horseback (Early Theodore Roosevelt story)

David McCulloch

## 2020

3. Einstein Walter Isaacson

4. The Captured Scott Zesch (*True Story of Abduction by Indians on the Texas Frontier*)

5. Talking to Strangers Malcolm Gladwell (What we should know about the people we don't know)

6. Sapiens Yuval Harari

(A brief history of humankind)

7. Big Wonderful Thing Stephen Harrigan (A history of Texas)

8. Splendid and the Vile Erik Larson (A saga of Churchill, Family and Defiance during the Blitz)

9. Leonardo da Vinci Walter Isaacson

10. Red Notice Bill Browder (A true story of high finance, murder, and one man's fight for justice)

## 2021

11. Alexander Hamilton Ron Chernow

12. Grant Ron Chernow

13. The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn Mark Twain 14. Code Breaker Walter Isaacson (Jennifer Doudna, Gene Editing and the Future of the Human Race) 15. Unsettled Steven E. Koonin (What Climate Science Tells Us, What it Doesn't and Why it Matters) 2022 16. Factfulness Hans Rosling (Ten Reasons We're Wrong About the World—and Why Things *Are Better than You Think)* 17. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland Lewis Carroll 18. Empire of Pain Patrick Keefe (The Secret History of the Sackler Dynasty) 19. Tempest Over Texas Donald Frazier (The Fall and Winter Campaigns of 1863-1864) 20. American Lion John Meacham (Andrew Jackson in the White House) 21. Frankenstein Mary Shelley 22. A Short History of Nearly Everything Bill Bryson 2023 23. Brunelleschi's Dome Ross King (How a Renaissance Genius Reinvented Architecture) 24. The Righteous Mind Jonathan Haidt (Why Good People are Divided by Politics and Religion) 25. East of Eden John Steinbeck

(A Tale of Madness, Medicine, and the Murder of a President)

Candice Millard

26. Destiny of the Republic

27. Hero of the Empire Candice Millard (The Boer War, a Daring Escape, and the Making of Winston Churchill) 28. American Prometheus Kai Bird and Martin Sherwin (The Triumph and Tragedy of J. Robert Oppenheimer) Dee Brown 29. Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee (An Indian History of the American West) 2024 30. An Officer and a Spy **Robert Harris** 31. Fuzz Mary Roach (When Nature Breaks the Law) 32. The Emperor of Rome Mary Beard 33. Mother Tongue: Bill Bryson (English and How it Got That Way) 34. JFK and the Unspeakable James W Douglas (Why He Died and Why it Matters) 35. The Sun Also Rises **Ernest Hemingway** 

Erik Larson

36. The Demon of Unrest

(A Saga of Hubris, Heartbreak, and Heroism

At the Dawn of the Civil War)