

News & Views from the Mindemoya Mice
Central Manitoulin Public Libraries
by Claire Cline – May 2015

Claire's Top 5 Picks

1. Underground in Berlin by Marie Jalowicz Simon
2. The Green Road by Anne Enright
3. Three Weeks in Quebec City by Christopher Moore
4. Your Next Breath by Iris Johansen
5. Blood Infernal by James Rollins

Underground in Berlin – In the winter of 1941, Marie Jalowicz Simon, a nineteen-year-old Jewish Berliner, made an extraordinary decision. All around her, Jews were being rounded up for deportation, forced labour and extermination. Marie took off the yellow star and vanished into the city. In the years that followed Marie lived under an assumed identity, forced to accept shelter wherever she could find it. This is Marie's story, told in her own voice with unflinching honesty after more than fifty years of silence.

The Green Road - This is a story of fracture and family, selfishness and compassion – a book about the gaps in the human heart and how we learn to fill them. The children of Rosaleen Madigan grow up in the West of Ireland, in a world that is about to change. This is an extraordinary and intimate story of one family and what happens in their lives.

Three Weeks in Quebec City – In 1864, thirty-three delegates from five provincial legislatures came to Quebec City to pursue the idea of unity all the provinces of British North America. The American Civil War, not yet over, encouraged the small and barely defended provinces to consider uniting for mutual protection. But there were other factors: the rapid expansion of railways and steamships spurred visions of a continent-spanning new nation. This story demonstrates that Macdonald, the future prime minister, surprisingly was not the most significant player here, and Canada could have become a very different place. This book recreates a pivotal moment in Canadian history.

Your Next Breath – Catherine has done everything she can to escape her past and create a new life, far from her rough beginnings. But someone has followed her trail and is playing a deadly game with her, using those she cares about as pawns. She has made many enemies throughout her life, and now she promises that as long as she has one breath left in her body, she will find a way to unmask the vicious murderer and protect those most precious to her.

Blood Infernal – As a scourge of grisly murders sweeps the globe, archaeologist Erin Granger must decipher the truth behind a prophecy foretold in the Blood Gospel, a tome written by Christ and lost for centuries. With the Apocalypse looming, Erin must again join forces with Jordan Stone and Father Korz to search for a treasure lost for millennia.

A reminder that the Mindemoya library is now open Fridays. Hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays 10am to 5pm and Thursdays 1pm to 8pm. Providence Bay library is open Tuesdays 6:30 to 8:30pm, Wednesdays 1pm to 3:30pm and Fridays 1pm to 4:30pm.

The Mindemoya library has a lovely resource/meeting room that is available for rent. If you are a non-profit group there is no charge to hold a meeting in the library. Otherwise the rates are ½ day or part of \$25, a full day for anytime beyond ½ day \$50. Just call the Mindemoya library 705 377-5334 to reserve your time and date.

Our Friends of the Library group are looking for volunteers to help raise money for our libraries in Central Manitoulin. There is not a lot of work involved – really! For more info please call Betty Bardswich 705 377-6256.

See you at your library!