# VCCPBC 2008 READING LIST

### **February: Love and Lust**

Delta of Venus by Anais Nin

The May Trees by Annie Dillard

Virgin: The Untouched History by Hanne Blank

The Collected Works of Jane Austen

The Poems of Robert Burns

The Way Forward Is with a Broken Heart by Alice Walker

## March: Crete and Minoa: [Bobbie]

Bull from the Sea The Persian Boy The King Must Die Gates of Fire

### **April:China** [Lynne]

The Painter from Shanghai by Jennifer Epstein

Wild Swans: Three Daughters of China

The Joy Luck Club

The Kitchen God's Wife Shadow of the Silk Road

Snow Flower and the Secret Fan

### May: Abraham Lincoln [Rayna]

Manhunt: The 12-Day Chase for Lincoln's Killer by James L. Swanson

The Inner World of Abraham Lincoln by Michael Burlingame

Lincoln's Melancholy: How Depression Challenged a President and Fueled His Greatness by Joshua Wolf

Shenk

### **June: The Future from the Past [Pam]**

1984 by George Orwell

From the Earth to the Moon by Jules Verne:

This Perfect Day by Ira Levin

Galapagos - Kurt Vonnegut

The Complete Stories by Isaac Asimov

Atlas Shrugged by Ayn Rand

Brave New World by Aldous Huxley

Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury

The Scarlet Plague- Jack London

### July: Europe 1350 AD [Mary Margaret]

The House on the Strand by Daphne du Maurier

A Distant Mirror: The Calamitous 14th Century by Barbara W. Tuchman The Black Death 1346-1353: The Complete History by Ole J. Benedictow

The Master of Verona by David Blixt

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### **August: Rome [Bobbie]**

I, Claudius: From the Autobiography of Tiberius Claudius by Robert Graves

Masters of Rome series by Colleen McCullough

1. The First Man in Rome (1990); spanning the years 110-100 BCE 2. The Grass Crown (1991); spanning the years 97-86 BCE 3. Fortune's Favourites (1993); spanning the years 83-69 BCE 4. Caesar's Women (1997); spanning the years 67-59 BCE 5. Caesar (1998); spanning the years 54-48 BCE 6. The October Horse (2002); spanning the years 48-41 BCE

7. Antony and Cleopatra (2007); spanning the years 41-27 BCE

Are We Rome?: The Fall of an Empire and the Fate of America by Cullen Murphy:

# September: Slavery Issues in the American Civil War [Kathy]

The Known World by Edward P. Jones [Pulitzer Prize for Fiction: 2004]

Beulah Land series by Lonnie Coleman

Beulah Land

Look Away, Beulah Land

Legacy of Beulah Land

The Widow of the South by Robert Hicks

Andersonville by McKinley Kantor

## October: Western Expansion in the US [Julie]

Land of many hands: women in the American West by Sigerman, Harriet.

My Antonia by Cather, Willa [Call Number: PS3505.A87 M8 1993]

Pioneer women: the lives of women on the frontier by Peavy, Linda S. [Call Number: F596.P4

Texas tears and Texas sunshine: voices of frontier women

True women and westward expansion by Caughfield, Adrienne

With Custer's cavalry by Fougera, Katherine Gibson

Women of the western frontier in fact, fiction, and film by Lackmann, Ronald

Women teachers on the frontier by Kaufman, Polly Welts

Eight Women, Two Model Ts, and the American West by Joanne Wilke

The Cowboy Girl: The Life of Caroline Lockhart by John Clayton

#### **November: The Great Depression [Molly]**

Little Heathens: Hard Times and High Spirits on an Iowa Farm During the Great Depression by Mildred Armstrong Kalish

Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck

The Worst Hard Time: The Untold Story of Those Who Survived the Great American Dust Bowl by Timothy Egan

Daily Life in the United States, 1920-1940: How Americans Lived Through the Roaring Twenties and the Great Depression by David E. Kyvig

Spencer's Mountain by Earl Hamner

### **December: British Colonial India [Tami]**

Kim by Rudyard Kipling

The Raj Quartet by Paul Scott

The Jewel in the Crown

The Day of the Scorpion

The Towers of Silence

A Division of Spoils

A Little Princess by Frances Hodgson Burnett

A Time for Tea: Women, Labor, and Post/Colonial Politics on an Indian Plantation by Piya Chatterjee and Piya Chatterjee