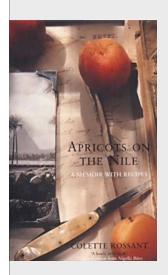
## WOMEN'S NETWORK

## **BOOK CLUB**



November
5th at Green
Country at
2 p m the
book group
is meeting
to discuss
Apricots
On the Nile
by Colette
Rossant
Cairo, 1937:
French-born

Colette Rossant is waiting out World War II among her father's Egyptian-Jewish relatives. From the moment she arrives at her grandparents mansion by the Nile, the fivevear-old Colette finds companionship and comfort among the other "outsiders" in her home away from home -the cooks and servants in the kitchen. The chef, Ahmet, lets Colette taste the ful; she learns how to make sambusaks for her new friends; and she shops for semits and other treats in the Khan-al-Khalili market. Colette is beginning to understand how her family's culture is linked to the kitchen...and soon she will claim Egypt's food, landscape, and

## **OCTOBER PROGRAM**

"GMOs: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly."

Dr. Fran Stallings will the speaker for the October 19th Women's Network program, 7:00 P.M. in the meeting room upstairs at the Bartlesville Public Library. Her topic will be "GMOs: The Good, the



Bad and the Ugly." The public is invited to meet at 6:30 for cookies and cider.

What are GMOs anyway? And what should we do about them?

Retired biology professor (more recently known as a professional storyteller) Stallings will cover as much of the science as we care to people as her own. Apricots on the Nile is a loving testament to Colette's adopted homeland. With dozens of original recipes and family photographs, Colette's coming-of-age memoir is a splendid exploration of old Cairo in all its flavor, variety, and wide-eyed wonder.

We have a couple of times started deep conversations at the end of a meeting that I think we all want to talk more about. Since our next meeting is after Halloween and in light of recent events in Las Vegas perhaps it is once again time to examine the nature of evil.- Franny

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Thank you, one and all !!! Ann

hear, and lead discussion of the relevant social, political, and economic issues.

GMO translates as "genetically modified organism." Stallings will distinguish between conventional *modification*, for instance the selective breeding that produced our domesticated crops and livestock, and the laboratory methods of genetic *engineering* which directly alter an organism's DNA.

Is that good or bad? Some genetically engineered organisms may offer wonderful benefits. Others may threaten ugly effects. Their social, political, and economic impacts help us decide. Come learn, discuss, and decide for yourself.

Dr. Stallings (Ph.D University of Wisconsin) taught biology at Kent State University in Ohio and University of Michigan before moving to Bartlesville. She keeps up to date on DNA technology by taking on-line courses from MIT, Cornell University, and University of Melbourne. Her own breeding has been entirely conventional.