

WOMEN'S NETWORK

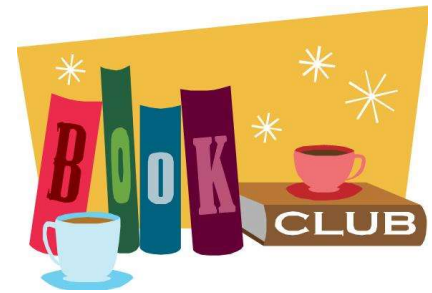
October program

The next Women's Network meeting will be 6pm Thursday October 19th at Crossing 2nd in the "Garage" (back room). It will be a gathering. No speaker. Let's get together to talk about what's on our minds. Politics? War? Killers of the Flower Moon? Health care in Bartlesville? The recent Unity Square event? Women's Network will sponsor a drinks table at this event.



Sidney Brammer and her husband **Eric Jaekel**, thank the many of you who gifted us with food, gas funds, and good wishes while Sidney was in the hospital for two weeks. She is convalescing at home now from viral encephalitis, and urges you all to always wear your mosquito repellent outdoors at all times. I'm told to expect a slow recovery, so forgive me if I miss our upcoming events.

From **Sidney Brammer**



The next meeting of the WN book group will be Sunday November 19th at 2pm at Penny Eccleston's house.

We will be reading "Tom Lake" by Ann Patchett.

In the spring of 2020, Lara's three daughters return to the family's orchard in Northern Michigan. While picking cherries, they beg their mother to tell them the story of Peter Duke, a famous actor with whom she shared both a stage and a romance years before at a theater company called Tom Lake. As Lara recalls the past, her daughters examine their own lives and relationship with their mother, and are forced to reconsider the world and everything they thought they knew.

Tom Lake is a meditation on youthful love, married love, and the lives parents have led before their children were born. Both hopeful and elegiac, it explores what it means to be happy even when the world is falling apart. As in all of her novels, Ann Patchett combines compelling narrative artistry with piercing insights into family dynamics. The result is a rich and luminous story, told with profound intelligence and emotional subtlety, that demonstrates once again why she is one of the most revered and acclaimed literary talents working today.

From **Franny Hildabrand**