Book Selections for Adelante 2016-2017

Adelante Book Discussion Group currently meets the third Wednesday of most months at 6:30 PM, Satterthwaite Conference Room, Urbana Free Library.

September 21

The Distance Between Us by Reyna Grande: Memoir telling of her life as a child left behind by parents crossing the border between Mexico and the U.S. for work and her later experience living in the U.S. with her father. C-1, U-1

October 19

White Trash: The 400 Year Untold Story of Class in America by Nancy Isenberg: A retelling of American history with the weak, the powerless, and the stigmatized placed front and center. C-4, U-1 + 3M cloud version @ CPL

December 7

Soldier Girls: The Battles of Three Women at Home and at War by Helen Thorpe: The story of three women's lives over 12 years in the United States military. C-2, U-1 + eBook and audiobook @ CPL

January 18

Becoming Nicole: The Transformation of an American Family by Amy Ellis Nutt: The story of a family who adopted identical twin boys, one of whom transitioned to female. C-2, U-2

February 15

Florence "Flo" Kennedy: The Life of a Black Feminist Radical by Sherie M. Randolph: Biography of the vibrant leader of the Black Power and feminist movements C-1, U-1

March 15

The Notorious RBG: The Life and Times of Ruth Bader Ginsberg by Irin Carmon and Shana Knizhnik: Playful biography of the Supreme Court justice who transcends generational divides. C-2, U-1 + audiobook and eBook @ CPL

April 19

What is Visible: A Novel by Kimberly Elkins: A novel based on the true story of Laura Bridgman, a woman who lost four of her five senses at age two and blazed the trail for women with disabilities. C-2, U-1

May 17

Red Kimono by Jan Morrill: Historical fiction set during WWII and centering on the internment of Japanese-American citizens. C-2, U-1

June 21

The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware: Summer reading! A suspenseful mystery set on the high seas. C-5, U-1

July 19

The Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins: More summer reading! Bestselling psychological thriller. C-25, U-8 + audiobook @ CPL

August 16

Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption by Bryan Stevenson: A memoir of a lawyer dealing with the flawed American justice system. C-34, U-2 + eBook @ CPL