

Morsels For the Mind Book Group

Date: February 24, 2020

Book Title: Station Eleven

Hostess: Nancy Schellenberg

Food Served: Foraged Morels, grapes, crudités, tuna cream cheese spread, crackers, white bean dip, Squirrel on a stick (a.k.a. chicken kebobs), Cranberry Almond Tart, ginger ale, wine, coffee, and assorted chocolates.

Book Synopsis: Set in the days of civilization's collapse, the novel focuses on a Hollywood star, his wives (then ex-wives) an EMT in training, a child actress, and the traveling actors and musicians devoted to keeping culture alive in their post-pandemic world. Their travels take them to outposts in Northwest Michigan.

Review: Editorial reviews were glowing, and the novel garnered several prestigious awards. Customer reviews were all over the gamut, from 1 to 5 stars.

Highlights of Discussion: We discussed the way the author skillfully interwove the plot before and after the pandemic and civilization's collapse, and how artfully the characters were connected. The characters were fascinating and their inner thoughts and motives were deftly revealed. The King Lear - Arthur Leander comparison was tenuous at best.

Who knew that we'd be discussing global pandemics during the spread of the coronavirus?

Attendance: Nancy D., Nancy S., Anne, Ginny, Julie, Laura, and Sandy

Ginny hosts The Immortalists on March 23.

