

Date: Thursday, July 15, 1999

Book Title: Where The Heart Is by Billie Letts

Hostess: Laura Lewakowski

Food served: popcorn w/ chopsticks, payday + baby ruth candy bars, heart shaped strawberry cream cheese open faced sandwiches, pecan + raisins, biscois sundaes

Book Synopsis: 17 y.o. Novalee Nation is abandoned at a Walmart while 7 months pregnant. She ends up living in + giving birth there. She befriends + ends up living in the town. Sam Watto gives her a job at the Walmart; Her boyfriend (who dumped her at the Walmart) also has a sub-plot within the story.

Review:

We all enjoyed the book for the most part. Anne felt that Billie Letts used other authors' styles of writing. Still - the idea of living in the Walmart fascinated us all!

Highlights of Discussion:

Talked about Novalee's "safety net" of friends since she had no family; about Lexie's comment "girls like us don't get pick of the litter"; Novalee's drive to educate herself -

Attendance:

Laura, Nancy McDuto, Anne Hill, Benny Stuart, Nancy Dausman

Suggestions/Business

next meeting will be Aug 19 at Nancy Dis - Rosewood Pkbl