

The Mark Twain Library  
**BOOK GROUP**

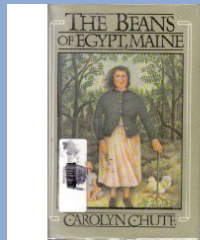
meets

the 2nd Monday of each month, 7 to 8:30 pm

discussion leader is Catherine Riordan

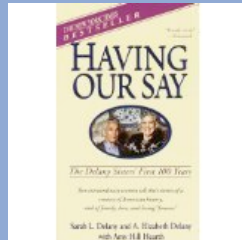
Redding resident and Ph.D. in English Literature

**SPRING THEME: First Person Narratives**



**THE BEANS  
OF EGYPT,  
MAINE**  
by  
Carolyn  
Chute  
January 12

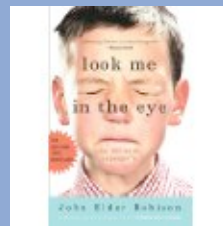
"Chute's novel pulses with kinetic energy. It seizes the reader on its opening page with a rhythm, a language, a knockabout country humor unmistakably its own."  
NEWSWEEK



**HAVING  
OUR SAY**  
by the  
Delany Sisters  
February 9

"I felt proud to be an American citizen reading HAVING OUR SAY...the two voices, beautifully blended...evoke an epic history...often cruel and brutal, but always deeply humane."

NY TIMES BOOK REVIEW



**LOOK ME  
IN THE EYE**  
by John Elder  
Robison  
March 9

"Robison seems likable, honest and completely free of guile, qualities well served by writing that is lean, powerful in its descriptive accuracy and engaging in its understated humor."

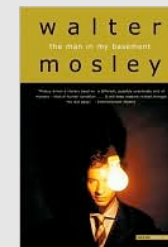
CHICAGO TRIBUNE



**ON  
BORROWED  
WINGS**  
by  
Chandra  
Prasad  
April 13

"Written in spare, elegant prose, this gem of a book is both rhetorically and dramatically compelling. It is, in short, a finely crafted page--turner."

NPR: ALL THINGS CONSIDERED



**THE MAN  
IN MY  
BASEMENT**  
by  
Walter Mosley  
May 11

"This is an eerie book, the more so for making no obvious attempt to creep out its readers. It hovers between the prosaic world of the genre writer and the spooked parables of Kafka...the novel turns out to be a mystery after all, but one that Mosley is far too good a writer to solve for us."  
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