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Read All About Women Detectives at Prospect Park Library Book Group

(PROSPECT PARK, PA)—The Prospect Park Public Library is among 24 Pennsylvania libraries selected to host a series of book discussion programs sponsored by the Pennsylvania Humanities Council.

“We are very pleased to be part of the ‘Read About It!’ program sponsored by the Pennsylvania Humanities Council,” said Prospect Park Public Library Director Mary Alice Walsh. “Participants will have the opportunity to read some interesting popular titles supplied by the Council, and then gather to discuss their opinions and reactions with other readers.”

Prospect Park Public Library, 720 Maryland Ave., will host “Detecting Women” for four sessions, meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 9 and Dec. 14. Drexel University Associate Professor of English Eva Thury, Ph.D., who has a specialization in the study of mystery stories, will lead participants in exploring the works of notable women mystery and detective writers. Discussion sessions are not lectures; participants’ insights and comments on the books are the focus of the evenings.

“This program features the very best of the genre,” noted Walsh,” from classic ‘whodunits’ to forensic crime-solvers.” Books in the “Detecting Women” program include: *An Unsuitable Job for a Woman* by P.D. James; *Postmortem* by Patricia Cornwell; *New Orleans Mourning* by Julie Smith, and *The Salaryman’s Wife* by Sujata Massey. Participants will receive their own copies of these books, supplied by the Pennsylvania Humanities Council.

While the “Read About It!” program is free, open to the general public and requires no special knowledge about literature, registration is required. Contact the Prospect Park Public Library at (610) 532-4643.

In addition to the “Detecting Women” series, other libraries in the “Read All About It!” program will host additional discussions on “Screening the Classics,” “Pennsylvania Writers,” “Facts in Fiction,” and “Life Stories.” The “Read All About It!” book discussion series of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council is supported in part by a grant from the William Penn Foundation.

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