Boulder Great Books Discussion Group 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM 2016 Schedule. Alfalfa's Market Community Room – 1651 Broadway

January 6, 2016 * Duong Thu Huong, Paradise of the Blind (272 pages)

January 20, 2016 Ivan Illich, **Toward a History of Needs** (172 pages)

February 3, 2016 * Abraham Lincoln, 2nd Inaugural Address and Martin Luther King, Jr. - Letter from Birmingham Jail (34 pages)

February 17, 2016 Chinua Achebe, **No Longer at Ease** (194 pages)

March 2, 2016 Brian Doyle, <u>The Plover</u> (1st half (through Chapter V))
March 16, 2016 Brian Doyle, <u>The Plover</u> (2nd half (Chapters VI - VIII))
(Roughly 160 pages per meeting)

(4 weeks – Note: this is the 2nd Wednesday, to avoid conflicting with CU's Conference on World Affairs)
April 13, 2016 Kathleen Grissom, <u>Kitchen House</u> (384 pages)

(1 week)

April 20, 2016 * Isak Dinesen, **Sorrow Acre** (42 pages) and Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, **The Headstrong Historian** (20 pages at http://sackett.net/AdichieHeadstrongHistorian.pdf)

May 4, 2016 Laura Esquivel, <u>Like Water for Chocolate</u> (256 pages)

May 18, 2016 * Wole Soyinka, **Kongi's Harvest** (111 pages)

June 1, 2016 Rheinhold Niebuhr, <u>The Irony of American History</u> (198 pages)

June 15, 2016 * Thucydides, **The Melian Dialogue** (17 pages)

(3 weeks)

July 6, 2016 Pearl Buck, <u>The Good Earth</u> (Chapters 1 - 20, 200 pages) July 20, 2016 Pearl Buck, <u>The Good Earth</u> (Chapters 21 - 34, 150 pages)

August 3, 2016 * William Shakespeare, Julius Caesar

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(Questions only for Paradise of the Blind and Age of Iron).

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August 17, 2016 * Amos Oz, Longing (87 pages)

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Sept. 7, 2016 Selection from **Confessions of Lady Nijo** (288 pages)

September 21, 2016 Daniel Chamovitz, What a Plant Knows (174 pages)

October 5, 2016 Selection from Elisabeth Bumiller,
Chapters 1, 5-7, 9-10, and 12 (167 of 306 pages)

May You Be the Mother of a Hundred Sons:
A Journey Among the Women of India

October 19, 2016 Miriama Ba, **So Long a Letter** (90 pages)

November 2, 2016 * J. M. Coetzee, <u>The Age of Iron</u> (208 pages)

November 16, 2016 Jürgen Habermas, <u>Knowledge and Human Interests</u> (Part I – 64 pages)

Note: The Habermas meeting was cancelled, due mainly to the impenetrable nature of the text (for us anyway).

(3 weeks)

December 7, 2016 Angela Carter, Nights at the Circus (304 pages)

December 21, 2016 * Lao-tzu, **Tao Te Ching** (25 page selection) and H.D., "**Tribute to the Angels**" in <u>Trilogy</u> (51 page poem)

Note: The Dec 21st meeting is from 6PM to 8PM in the Arapahoe

Conference Room of the Main Boulder Public Library.

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