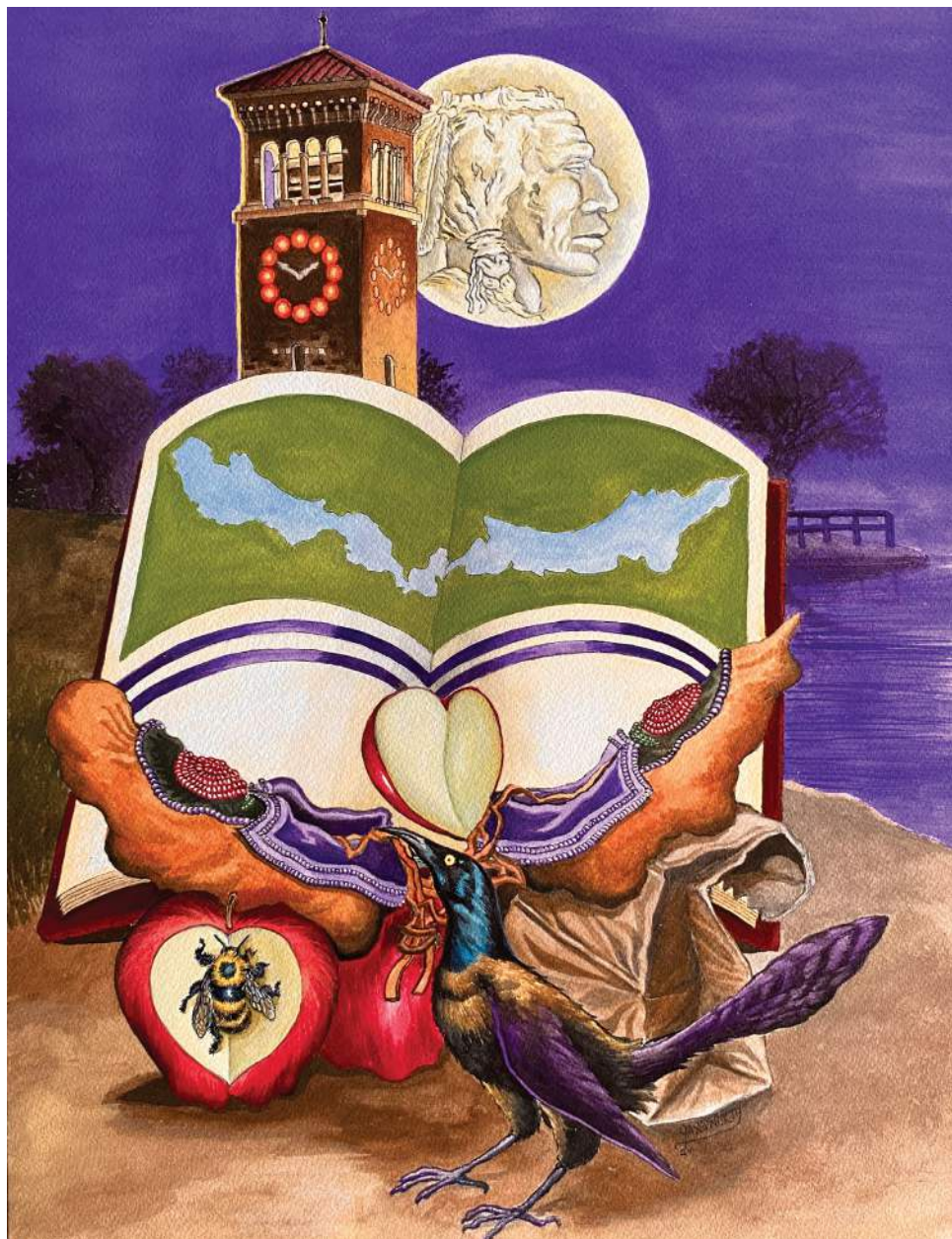


# CHAUTAUQUA LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC CIRCLE

*Founded in Chautauqua, New York, 1878*

**Book List 1878–2024**





# A Brief History of the CLSC

**“Education, once  
the peculiar  
privilege of the  
few, must in  
our best earthly  
estate become  
the valued  
possession of  
the many.”**



**Bishop John Heyl Vincent**

These are the words of Bishop John Heyl Vincent, co-founder with Lewis Miller of Chautauqua Institution. They are from the opening paragraphs of his book, *The Chautauqua Movement*, and represent an ideal he had for Chautauqua. To further this Chautauquan ideal and to disseminate it beyond the physical confines of Chautauqua Institution, Bishop Vincent conceived the idea of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle (CLSC). He founded it in 1878, four years after the founding of the Institution.

At its inception, the CLSC was a four-year course of required reading. Its original aims were twofold.

**To promote habits of reading and study in nature, art, science, and in secular and sacred literature**

**and**

**To encourage individual study, to open the college world to persons unable to attend higher institutions of learning.**

On August 10, 1878, Dr. Vincent announced the organization of the CLSC to an enthusiastic Chautauqua audience. Over 8,400 people enrolled the first year. Of those original enrollees, 1,718 successfully completed the reading course, the required examinations, and received their diplomas on the first CLSC Recognition Day in 1882.

### **The idea spreads and reading circles form.**

As the summer session closed in 1878, Chautauquans returned to their homes and involved themselves in the CLSC reading program. Many introduced the CLSC idea to their friends and neighbors and, in turn, additional groups were established for the purpose of studying and discussing the CLSC course of instruction. The concept of local CLSC Reading Circles spread and, by the turn of the century, over 10,000 circles had been formed.

Clearly, the rapid and widespread growth of the CLSC filled a deeply felt need for a structured program of reading and learning. As such, its importance both to the Chautauqua Movement and to the spread of education was significant to the history of our country. Arthur E. Bestor Jr., president of the Institution 1915–1944, wrote in his Chautauqua Publications: “Through the home reading courses of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle, it (Chautauqua) reached into innumerable towns, especially in the Midwest, and made education a powerful force in American life.”

### **The CLSC becomes a role model.**

With the success of its program of planned reading, book selections and local circles, the CLSC became a prototype for book clubs, study groups, and university extension courses. According to the World Book Encyclopedia, the CLSC was “an example to American universities when they developed their extension programs, and influenced adult education leaders in such countries as England, Japan and South Africa.”

### **Dr. Vincent’s ideal yields nationwide results.**

From 1878 through the 1920s the CLSC maintained a preeminent position in the field of adult education and augmented the general support for learning. This then prompted the spread of libraries in small communities, the extension of adult education, the growth of book clubs, the availability of book review services, the increasing opportunities for enrollment in institutions of higher learning, and the involvement of people in community life and social organizations in general.

### **More nationwide reading opportunities result in a period of decline.**

The accumulated effects of the Great Depression, spread of libraries in small communities, extension of adult education, growth of book clubs, availability of book review services, increasing opportunities for enrollment in institutions of higher learning and involvement of people in community life and social organizations steadily detracted from the influence of the CLSC. By the 1960s and 1970s, participation had declined, and a dedicated group of Chautauqua’s administrators and Alumni Association members united to rebuild it.

**The CLSC is experiencing a renaissance.**

Presently, the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle is thriving and remains at the heart of the Chautauqua experience. The CLSC is closely identified with Chautauqua itself, and has greater meaning on and off the grounds as Chautauqua proclaims its past and reclaims its future.

Since 2000, class size has averaged 100 each year. The number of books honored each season has increased to at least nine, so that a contemporary author visits the grounds at least once each week. Book choice has become more relevant to the weeks' theme, and a variety of genres are honored throughout the season. Recognition Week, with its traditional banner parade, marching band, golden gates and arches, is the most photographed event in the nine-week season. The Alumni Association of the CLSC has incorporated recognition and honor for advanced levels of reading.

The CLSC has always provided Chautauqua outreach beyond the Chautauqua grounds. Currently, there are CLSC circles in Nagasaki, Japan; Harare, Mutare and Bulawayo, Zimbabwe; and cities and smaller communities throughout the U.S.

If you are interested in forming one in your community, please email [clsc@chq.org](mailto:clsc@chq.org) or call 716-357-6293 June–Aug., 716-357-6310 Sept.–May.

**The CLSC is a vital program of the Chautauqua Institution.**

Chautauqua Institution is a community on the shores of Chautauqua Lake in southwestern New York state that comes alive each summer with a unique mix of fine and performing arts, lectures, interfaith worship and programs, and recreational activities. As a community, we celebrate, encourage and study the arts, treating them as integral to all of learning. We convene the critical conversations of the day to advance understanding through civil dialogue.

Further literary arts programming at Chautauqua includes summer-long interaction of published and aspiring writers at the Chautauqua Writers' Center, the intensive workshops of Kwame Alexander Writers' Lab & Conference, lectures by prominent authors on the art and craft of writing, the publication of the literary journal *Chautauqua*, and the Chautauqua Janus Prize and the Chautauqua Prize.

# CLSC-related buildings at Chautauqua



**Pioneer Hall** – Originally built as a class building by the 1882 Pioneer Class, the hall is maintained by the Alumni Association as a museum of early Chautauqua memorabilia. During the Summer Assembly, the hall is open to the public for docent tours Mondays and Wednesdays 1:15–2 p.m.



**Octagon Building** – Originally an 1883 class building, it is now used as a Special Studies classroom and the meeting house for the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). Since 2019, it has been the home of the CLSC summer office. Its staff provides information about the CLSC, its function, membership, and graduation requirements. All current literary arts books and the historic book lists are featured on display and available for purchase.



**Alumni Hall** – Built in 1892 — when it became clear that if each CLSC class were to build its own class building the Institution would soon be crowded out — Alumni Hall became the home of all CLSC classes. Remodeled in 2007 to preserve its history while enabling a broader expanse of programming, the Literary Arts Center at Alumni Hall now houses Alumni Association memorabilia and meeting spaces on the first floor; a ballroom and classrooms on the second floor; and apartments for the Writers' Center faculty on the third floor.



**Hall of Philosophy** – Modeled after the Parthenon, the Hall of Philosophy is used for CLSC author presentations and Department of Religion lectures. The hall was renovated in 1965.



**The Veranda** – Once home to the CLSC summer office, it is now the Poetry Makerspace, located on the Brick Walk between the Amphitheater and Bestor Plaza. The Veranda was renovated in 2019.



# CLSC Book List: 1878–2024

## 1878–1879

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- Green, J. R. .... *A Short History of the English People*  
**This book was the first CLSC book selection.**
- Brooke, Stopford A. .... *English Literature*
- Hurst, John F. .... *Outline of Bible History*
- Larned, Augusta .... *Old Tales Retold from Grecian Mythology*
- Mahaffy, J. P. .... *Old Greek Life*
- Peirce, Bradford K. .... *The Word of God Opened*
- Steele, J. Dorman .... *Fourteen Weeks in Human Physiology*
- Vail, A. D. .... *Greek Literature*
- Vincent, John H. .... *English History* (re-selected in 1882, 1883)
- Vincent, John H. .... *Greek History* (re-selected in 1882, 1883, 1884)
- Warren, Henry W. .... *Studies of the Stars* (re-selected in 1882)
- Warren, Henry White .... *Recreations in Astronomy* (re-selected in 1886)

## 1879–1880

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- Blaikie, William .... *How to Get Strong and How to Stay So* (re-selected in 1883)
- Hughes, James L. .... *Canadian History* (re-selected in 1883)
- Hurlbut, Jesse L. .... *American History* (re-selected in 1883)
- Lawrence, Eugene .... *Primer of Latin Literature*
- Merivale, Charles .... *A General History of Rome from the Foundation of the City to the Fall of Augustulus B.C. 753- A.D. 476*
- Richardson, Charles F. .... *Primer of American Literature* (re-selected in 1883)
- Ridpath, John Clark .... *A Popular History of the United States*
- Vincent, John H. .... *Christian Evidences* (re-selected in 1883)
- Vincent, John H. .... *Roman History* (re-selected in 1883, 1885)
- Walker, James B. .... *Philosophy of the Plan of Salvation* (re-selected in 1883, 1887)
- Wythe, J. H. .... *Biblical Biology*
- Wythe, J. H. .... *The Science of Life*

## 1880–1881

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- Abbott, Jacob .... *Histories of Cyrus the Great and Alexander the Great* (re-selected in 1885)
- Arthur, William .... *The Tongue of Fire*
- Fish, Henry C. .... *Primitive Piety Revived or The Aggressive Power of The Christian Church*
- Hurst, John F. .... *Outline of Church History*
- Kingsley, Charles .... *Hypatia*
- Thalheimer, M. E. .... *An Outline of General History*
- Townsend, L.T. .... *The Art of Speech, Vol. I Studies in Poetry and Prose* (re-selected in 1884)



**1881–1882**

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- Abbott, Lyman ..... *Hints for Home Reading*  
Alden, Isabella Macdonald ..... *The Hall in the Grove*  
De Forest, Julia B. .... *A Brief Outline of The History of Art*  
De Forest, Julia B. .... *A Short History of Art* (re-selected in 1948)  
Mackenzie, Robert ..... *The 19th Century: A History*  
Quackenbos, John D. .... *Illustrated History of Ancient Literature:*  
*Oriental and Classic*  
Terry, M. S. .... *Man's Antiquity and Language*  
Townsend, L. T. .... *Art of Speech, Vol. II Studies in Eloquence and Logic*  
Vincent, John H. .... *Outlines of General History*

**1882–1883**

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- Armstrong, M.F. .... *Hampton Tracts: A Haunted House*  
Griffis, William Elliott ..... *Asiatic History: China, Corea, Japan*  
Harris, Elisha..... *Hampton Tracts for the People*  
Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth ..... *Evangeline, and the Building of the Ship*  
Packard, Alpheus S., Jr ..... *First Lessons in Geology*  
Timayenis, T. T. .... *A History of Greece, Volume 1*  
Wilkinson, William Cleaver ..... *Preparatory Greek Course in English* (re-selected in 1884)

**1883–1884**

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- Gilmore, J. H. .... *English Literature*  
Hawthorne, Nathaniel ..... *Biographical Stories*  
P., J..... *Good Manners: A Few Hints About Behavior*  
Timayenis, T. T. .... *A History of Greece, Volume 2*  
various authors,  
ed. Coleman E. Bishop ..... *Pictures from English History by the Great Historical Artists*  
Vincent, John H. .... *The Sunday School Normal Class*  
Wilkinson, William Cleaver ..... *Preparatory Latin Course in English* (re-selected in 1885)  
Wythe, J. H. .... *Easy Lessons in Vegetable Biology*

**1884–1885**

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- Appleton, John Howard ..... *Beginner's Hand-Book of Chemistry*  
Bushnell, Horace ..... *The Character of Jesus* (re-selected in 1888)  
Field, Mrs. James T. .... *How to Help the Poor*  
Hurst, John F. .... *Short History of the Reformation*  
Wilkinson, W. C. .... *College Greek Course in English* (re-selected in 1888)  
various authors,  
ed. J. Dorman Steele,  
Esther B. Steele,  
John H. Vincent.....*Brief History of Greece*

**1885–1886**

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- Abbott, Lyman ..... *A Study in Human Nature*  
Browning, Robert ..... *Pomegranates from an English Garden*  
Hale, Edward Everett ..... *In His Name and Christmas Stories*  
Shumway, Edgar S. .... *A Day in Ancient Rome*  
Steele, George M. .... *Outline Study of Political Economy*  
Steele, J. Dorman and  
Steele, Esther B. .... *Brief History of Rome*  
Townsend, L. T. .... *The Bible and Other Ancient Literature in the  
Nineteenth Century* (re-selected in 1889)

**1886–1887**

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- Beers, Henry A. .... *An Outline Sketch of English Literature*  
Fisher, George Park ..... *The Christian Religion*  
Hurst, John F. .... *Short History of the Early Church*  
Macaulay, Lord ..... *Warren Hastings*  
various authors,  
ed. Arthur M. Wheeler. .... *Sketches from English History*  
Wilkinson, William Cleaver ..... *Classic French Course in English* (re-selected in 1890)  
Winchell, Alexander ..... *Walks and Talks in the Geological Field* (re-selected in  
1890, 1894, 1898 - some editions revised and edited  
by Frederick Starr)

**1887–1888**

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- Beers, Henry A. .... *An Outline Sketch of American Literature*  
Hale, Edward E. .... *History of the United States*  
Hatfield, Marcus P. .... *The Physiology and Hygiene of the House in Which  
We Live*  
Hurst, John F. .... *History of the Medieval Church*  
Washington, Irving..... *Readings from Washington Irving*  
Wilkinson, William Cleaver ..... *Classic German Course in English* (re-selected in 1891)

**1888–1889**

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- Hurst, John F. .... *Short History of the Modern Church in Europe*  
Steele, J. Dorman and Jenks, J.W.P. *Popular Zoology*  
Vincent, John H. and Joy, James R. *An Outline History of Greece*

**1889–1890**

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- Ely, Richard T. .... *An Introduction to Political Economy*  
Steele, J. Dorman ..... *The Chautauqua Course in Physics*  
Van Dyke, John C. .... *How to Judge of a Picture*  
Vincent, John H.  
and Joy, James R. .... *An Outline History of Rome*  
Wilkinson, William Cleaver ..... *Preparatory and College Latin Courses in English*

## 1890–1891

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- Beers, Henry A. .... *From Chaucer to Tennyson*  
Hill, Adams Sherman ..... *Our English*  
Hurst, John F. .... *Short History of the Church in the United States*  
Joy, James Richard ..... *An Outline History of England*

## 1891–1892

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- Beers, Henry A. .... *Initial Studies in American Letters (re-selected in 1895 & 1899)*  
Bryce, James ..... *Social Institutions of the United States*  
Mitchell, Murray and  
Muir, Sir William ..... *Two Old Faiths: Essays on the Religions of the Hindus and the Mohammedans*  
Montgomery, D. H. .... *The Leading Facts of American History*  
Thorpe, Francis Newton ..... *The Story of the Constitution*

## 1892–1893

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- Church, Alfred J. .... *Callias: A Tale of the Fall of Athens*  
Curtis, William Eleroy ..... *The United States and Foreign Powers*  
Fisher, George Park ..... *Manual of Christian Evidence*  
Joy, James Richard ..... *Grecian History (re-selected in 1900)*  
Redford, George ..... *Greek Sculpture*  
Smith, T. Roger ..... *Greek Architecture*  
Wilkinson, William Cleaver ..... *Classic Greek Course in English*

## 1893–1894

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- Ely, Richard T. .... *Outline of Economics*  
Goodyear, W. H. .... *Roman and Medieval Art (re-selected in 1897)*  
Joy, James Richard ..... *Rome and The Making of Modern Europe*  
Kinsley, W.W. .... *Science and Prayer*  
various authors,  
eds. W. D. McClintock  
and Porter Lander McClintock ..... *Song and Legend from the Middle Ages*  
Wilkinson, William Cleaver..... *Classic Latin Course in English*

## 1894–1895

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- Beers, Henry A. .... *From Chaucer to Tennyson*  
Coman, Katharine and  
Kendall, Elizabeth ..... *The Growth of the English Nation*  
Goodyear, William H. .... *Renaissance and Modern Art*  
Judson, Harry Pratt ..... *Europe in the Nineteenth Century (re-selected in 1898)*

## 1895–1896

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- Judson, Harry Pratt ..... *The Growth of the American Nation*  
Scripture, E.W. .... *Thinking, Feeling, Doing: An Introduction to Mental Science*  
Starr, Frederick ..... *Some First Steps in Human Progress*  
Wright, Carroll D. .... *The Industrial Evolution of the United States*

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**1896–1897**

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- Adams, George Burton ..... *The Growth of the French Nation*  
Brownell, W. C. .... *French Traits*  
Howe, Herbert A. .... *A Study of the Sky*  
Mahaffy, J. P. .... *A Survey of Greek Civilization*  
Tarbell, F.B. .... *A History of Greek Art* (re-selected in 1905)

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**1897–1898**

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- Henderson, C. R. .... *The Social Spirit in America*  
Pellison, Maurice,  
trans. Maud Wilkinson ..... *Roman Life in Pliny's Time*  
Thatcher, Oliver J. .... *A Short History of Medieval Europe*  
Whitman, Sidney ..... *Imperial Germany* (re-selected in 1901)

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**1898–1899**

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- Beers, Henry A. .... *From Chaucer to Tennyson*  
Hale, Susan ..... *Men and Manners in the Eighteenth Century*  
Joy, James Richard ..... *Twenty Centuries of English History*

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**1899–1900**

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- Ely, Richard T. .... *The Strength and Weakness of Socialism*  
Merriam, Florence A. .... *Birds Through an Opera-Glass*  
various authors,  
ed. Carl Schurz ..... *Abraham Lincoln: The Gettysburg Speech and  
Other Papers*

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**1900–1901**

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- Capps, Edward ..... *Homer to Theocritus*  
Mathews, Shailer ..... *The French Revolution* (re-selected in 1904)  
Thorndike, Edward ..... *The Human Nature Club*

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**1901–1902**

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- Kuhns, Oscar, II ..... *Studies in the Poetry of Italy: Book 2, Italian*  
Marriott, J. A. R. .... *Makers of Modern Italy*  
Miller, Frank Justus ..... *Studies in the Poetry of Italy: Book 1, Roman*  
Starr, Frederick ..... *Some First Steps in Human Progress*  
various authors,  
ed. Elizabeth Wormeley Latimer ..... *Men and Cities of Italy*

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**1902–1903**

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- Dawson, W. J. .... *Literary Leaders of Modern England*  
Gaye, Selina ..... *The Great World's Farm*  
Hapgood, Isabel F. .... *A Survey of Russian Literature*  
Joy, James Richard ..... *Ten Englishmen of the Nineteenth Century*

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**1903–1904**

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- Brigham, Albert Perry ..... *Geographic Influences in American History*  
Burton, Richard ..... *Literary Leaders in America*  
Ely, Richard T. .... *Studies in the Evolution of Industrial Society*  
Fiske, Horace Spencer ..... *Provincial Types in American Fiction*

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**1904–1905**

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- Erckmann, Emile, and  
Chatrian, Alexander ..... *The States General*  
Hochdoerfer, Richard ..... *Introductory Studies in German Literature*  
Warren, Frederick M. .... *Ten Frenchmen of the Nineteenth Century*

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**1905–1906**

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- Lavell, Cecil Fairfield ..... *Italian Cities*  
Lawton, William Cranston ..... *Ideals in Greek Literature*  
Miller and Kuhns ..... *Studies in the Poetry of Italy*  
Tarbell, F. B. .... *A History of Greek Art*

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**1906–1907**

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- Dawson, W. J. .... *Literary Leaders of Modern England*  
King, Henry Churchill ..... *Rational Living: Some Practical Inferences from  
Modern Psychology*  
Moran, Thomas Francis ..... *The Theory and Practice of the English Government*  
Sherman, L. A. .... *What is Shakespeare? An Introduction to the  
Great Plays*

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**1907–1908**

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- Addams, Jane ..... *Newer Ideals of Peace*  
Bates, Katherine Lee ..... *American Literature*  
Commons, John R. .... *Races and Immigrants in America*  
Fiske, Horace Spencer ..... *Provincial Types in American Fiction*

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**1908–1909**

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- Baker, Ray Stannard ..... *Seen in Germany*  
Reich, Emil ..... *Foundations of Modern Europe*  
Shaler, Nathaniel Southgate ..... *Man and the Earth*  
various authors ..... *Studies in European Literature: A Series of Studies  
written for The Chautauqua Literary and Scientific  
Circle*

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**1909–1910**

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- Dickinson, G. Lowes ..... *The Greek View of Life*  
Fowler, William Warde ..... *Social Life at Rome in the Age of Cicero*  
Homer,  
trans. Andrew Lang, S.H. Butcher,  
Walter Leaf, and Ernest Myers..... *The Homeric Stories: Iliad and Odyssey*  
Martin, Martha Evans ..... *The Friendly Stars*

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**1910–1911**

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- Cheyney, Edward P. .... *An Introduction to the Industrial and Social History of England*  
Oppenheim, Nathan ..... *Mental Growth and Control*  
Scudder, Vida D. .... *Social Ideals in English Letters* (re-selected in 1922)  
various authors  
ed. Mabell S.C. Smith..... *Studies in Dickens*

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**1911–1912**

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- Addams, Jane ..... *Twenty Years at Hull-House*  
Hamilton, Clayton ..... *Materials and Methods of Fiction*  
Robinson, H. Perry ..... *The Twentieth Century American*  
Smith, J. Allen ..... *The Spirit of American Government*

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**1912–1913**

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- Ogg, Frederic Austin ..... *Social Progress in Contemporary Europe*  
Powers, H. H. .... *Mornings with Masters of Art*  
Sidgwick, Mrs. Alfred ..... *Home Life in Germany*  
Smith, Mabell S. C. .... *The Spirit of French Letters*

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**1913–1914**

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- Mahaffy, J. P. .... *Rambles and Studies in Greece*  
Miller and Kuhns ..... *Studies in the Poetry of Italy*  
Powers, H. H. .... *The Message of Greek Art*  
Schmucker, Samuel Christian ..... *The Meaning of Evolution*

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**1914–1915**

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- Alden, Percy ..... *Democratic England*  
Gruenberg, Sidonie Matzner ..... *Your Child Today and Tomorrow*  
Huckel, Oliver ..... *Through England with Tennyson*  
Johnson, Clifton ..... *Among English Hedgerows*

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**1915–1916**

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- Mabie, Hamilton Wright ..... *American Ideals, Character, and Life*  
Martin, Martha Evans ..... *The Ways of the Planets*  
Ross, Edward Alsworth ..... *Changing America*  
various authors,  
ed. Albert Bushell Hart ..... *Social and Economic Forces in American History*

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**1916–1917**

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- Bracq, Jean Charlemagne ..... *France Under the Republic*  
Fife, Robert Herndon, Jr. .... *The German Empire Between Two Wars*  
Griffis, William Elliot ..... *Belgium: The Land of Art*  
Powers, H. H. .... *The Things Men Fight For*

**1917–1918**

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- Ferrero, Guglielmo ..... *Characters and Events of Roman History*  
Fisher, Irving, and  
Fisk, Eugene Lyman ..... *How to Live: Rules for Healthful Living Based on  
Modern Science*  
Portor, Laura Spencer ..... *The Greatest Books in the World*  
Tucker, T. G. .... *Life in Ancient Athens*

**1918–1919**

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- Gleason, Arthur ..... *Inside the British Isles*  
Laut, Agnes C. .... *The Canadian Commonwealth*  
Lavell, Cecil Fairfield and  
Payne, Charles Edward ..... *Imperial Britian*  
Phelps, William Lyon ..... *Essays on Modern Novelists*

**1919–1920**

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- Blichfeldt, E.H. .... *A Mexican Journey*  
Jusserand, J. J. .... *Brothers in Arms*  
Page, Thomas Nelson ..... *The Old South: Essays Social and Political*  
Powers, H. H. .... *America Among the Nations*

**1920–1921**

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- Bates, Katharine Lee ..... *Spanish Highways and Byways*  
Davis, William Stearns ..... *A History of France*  
Slosson, Edwin E. .... *Creative Chemistry*  
Zimmern, Helen and  
Agresti, Antonio ..... *New Italy*

**1921–1922**

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- Abbott, Frank Frost ..... *The Common People of Ancient Rome*  
Gibbons, Herbert Adams ..... *The New Map of Asia*  
Marden, Philip Sanford ..... *Greece and the Aegean Islands*  
Swift, Edgar James ..... *Psychology and the Day's Work*

**1922–1923**

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- Greenbie, Sydney ..... *The Pacific Triangle*  
Stoddard, Lothrop ..... *The New Worlds of Islam*  
Strachey, Lytton ..... *Queen Victoria*

## 1923–1924

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- Adams, Elizabeth Kemper ..... *Women Professional Workers*  
Bowers, Claude G. .... *The Party Battles of the Jackson Period*  
Carpenter, Frank G. .... *The Tail of the Hemisphere: Chile and Argentina*  
Drake, Durant ..... *America Faces the Future*  
various authors,  
eds. William Peterfield Trent;  
John Erskine;  
Stuart P. Sherman;  
Carl Van Doren ..... *A Short History of American Literature*

## 1924–1925

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- Bagger, Eugene S. .... *Eminent Europeans: Studies in Continental Reality*  
Carpenter, Frank G. .... *From Tangier to Tripoli: Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Tripoli, and the Sahara*  
Fueter, Edward  
trans. Sidney Bradshaw Fay ..... *World History (1815 – 1920)*  
various authors,  
ed. Edwin E. Slosson ..... *Keeping Up with Science*

## 1925–1926

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- Blaikie, James ..... *The Life of the Ancient East*  
Fisher, Irving and  
Fisk, Eugene Lyman ..... *How to Live*  
Magonigle, H. Van Buren ..... *The Nature, Practice and History of Art*  
Schmucker, Samuel Christian ..... *Man's Life on Earth*  
Weigall, Arthur E. P. Brome ..... *The Life and Times of Cleopatra, Queen of Egypt*

## 1926–1927

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- Dorsey, George A. .... *Why We Behave Like Human Beings*  
Guedalla, Philip ..... *Fathers of the Revolution*  
Morris, G. W. and  
Wood, L. S. .... *English-Speaking Nations* (re-selected in 1930)  
Oldham, J. H. .... *Christianity and the Race Problem* (re-selected in 1930)  
Van Doren, Carl and  
Van Doren, Mark ..... *American and British Literature Since 1890*  
(re-selected in 1930)

## 1927–1928

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- Bowers, Claude G. .... *Jefferson and Hamilton, The Struggle for Democracy in America*  
Erskine, John ..... *American Character and Other Essays*  
Lee, Willis T. .... *Stories in Stone*  
Monroe, Paul ..... *China: A Nation in Evolution*  
Thompson, Walter ..... *Rainbow Countries of Central America*



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**1928–1929**

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- Buell, Raymond Leslie ..... *Europe: A History of Ten Years*  
Darrow, Floyd L. .... *The Story of Chemistry*  
Fosdick, Harry Emerson ..... *A Pilgrimage to Palestine*  
Sedgewick, Henry Dwight ..... *Lafayette*  
Swift, Edgar James ..... *Psychology and the Day's Work*

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**1929–1930**

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- Dimnet, Ernest ..... *The Art of Thinking*  
Ferrero, Guglielmo  
trans. Christian Gauss ..... *The Women of the Caesars*  
Ludwig, Emil,  
trans. Cedar Paul and Eden Paul ..... *On Mediterranean Shores*  
various authors,  
ed. Kirby Page ..... *Recent Gains in American Civilization*

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**1930–1931**

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- Chamberlin, William Henry ..... *Soviet Russia: A Living Record and a History*  
Darrow, Floyd L. .... *The World of Physical Discovery*  
Johnson, Martin ..... *Safari, A Saga of the African Blue*  
Maurois, Andre  
trans. Hamish Miles ..... *Disraeli: A Picture of the Victorian Age*  
Strachey, Lytton ..... *Eminent Victorians*

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**1931–1932**

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- Armstrong, Karen ..... *The Spiral Staircase: My Climb out of Darkness*  
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Brooks, Geraldine .....	<i>March</i>
Grushin, Olga .....	<i>The Dream Life of Sukhanov</i>
Knight, Louise L. ....	<i>Citizen: Jane Addams &amp; the Struggle for Democracy</i>
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**2007–2008****Theme: Storytelling**

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Antrim, Donald .....	<i>The Afterlife: A Memoir</i>
Applegate, Debby .....	<i>The Most Famous Man in America: The Biography of Henry Ward Beecher</i>
Armstrong, Karen .....	<i>A Short History of Myth</i>
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Braham, Jeanne .....	<i>The Light Within The Light: Portraits of Donald Hall, Richard Wilbur, Maxine Kumin, and Stanley Kunitz</i>
Klinkenborg, Verlyn .....	<i>The Rural Life</i>
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Virgil, trans. Stanley Lombardo .....	<i>Aeneid</i>

**2008–2009****Theme: Intersection**

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Ackerman, Diane .....	<i>The Zookeeper's Wife: A War Story</i>
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Hedges, Chris .....	<i>Losing Moses on the Freeway: The Ten Commandments in America</i>
Morgan, Robert .....	<i>Boone: A Biography</i>
O'Neill, Molly .....	<i>American Food Writing: An Anthology with Classic Recipes</i>
Relin, David Oliver .....	<i>Three Cups of Tea</i>
Rosenblatt, Roger .....	<i>Beet</i>
Sandel, Michael .....	<i>The Case Against Perfection: Ethics in the Age of Genetic Engineering</i>
Van den Heuvel, Cor .....	<i>Baseball Haiku</i>

**2009–2010****Theme: Escape**

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Bowden, Mark .....	<i>Black Hawk Down: A Story of Modern War</i>
Choi, Susan .....	<i>A Person of Interest</i>
Gordon-Reed, Annette .....	<i>The Hemingses of Monticello: An America Family</i>
Lehrer, Jonah .....	<i>Proust Was A Neuroscientist</i>
Machado, Eduardo with Michael Domitrovich .....	<i>Tastes Like Cuba: An Exile's Hunger for Home</i>
Pinsky, Robert .....	<i>An Invitation to Poetry</i>
Umrigar, Thrity .....	<i>If Today Be Sweet</i>
Vreeland, Susan .....	<i>Luncheon of the Boating Party</i>
Weisman, Alan .....	<i>The World Without Us</i>

**2010–2011****Theme: Walk A Mile In Different Shoes**

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Belfer, Lauren .....	<i>A Fierce Radiance</i>
Friend, David .....	<i>Watching The World Change: The Stories Behind the Images of 9/11</i>
Gormley, Ken .....	<i>The Death of American Virtue: Clinton vs. Starr</i>
Grann, David .....	<i>The Lost City of Z: A Tale of Deadly Obsession in the Amazon</i>
Heyen, William .....	<i>A Poetics of Hiroshima</i>
Hill, Lawrence .....	<i>Someone Knows My Name</i>
Jin, Ha .....	<i>A Good Fall: Stories</i>
Marton, Kati .....	<i>Enemies of the People: My Family's Journey to America</i>
Rosenblatt, Roger .....	<i>Making Toast: A Family Story</i>
Rushdie, Salman .....	<i>The Enchantress of Florence</i>

**2011–2012****Theme: Challenge**

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Ackerman, Diane .....	<i>One Hundred Names for Love: A Stroke, a Marriage, and the Language of Healing</i>
Akpan, Uwem .....	<i>Say You're One of Them</i>
Dickinson, Amy .....	<i>The Mighty Queens of Freeville: A Story of Surprising Second Chances</i>
Dove, Rita .....	<i>Sonata Mulattica: Poems</i>
Larson, Erik .....	<i>In the Garden of Beasts: Love, Terror, and an American Family in Hitler's Berlin</i>
Meyer, Philipp .....	<i>American Rust</i>
Obreht, Téa .....	<i>The Tiger's Wife</i>
Sandel, Michael .....	<i>Justice: What's the Right Thing to Do?</i>
Sides, Hampton .....	<i>Hellhound On His Trail: The Stalking of Martin Luther King, Jr. and the International Hunt for His Assassin</i>
Wilkerson, Isabel .....	<i>The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration</i>

**2012–2013****Theme: Characters**

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Ball, Jesse .....	<i>The Curfew</i>
Brooks, Geraldine .....	<i>Caleb's Crossing</i>
Collins, Billy .....	<i>Horoscopes for the Dead</i>
Eteraz, Ali .....	<i>Children of Dust: A Memoir of Pakistan</i>
Gibbs, Nancy and Duffy, Michael .....	<i>The Presidents Club</i>
Harbach, Chad .....	<i>The Art of Fielding</i>
Horwitz, Tony .....	<i>Midnight Rising: John Brown and the Raid that Sparked the Civil War</i>
Moore, Wes .....	<i>The Other Wes Moore</i>
Rosen, Leonard .....	<i>All Cry Chaos</i>
Safina, Carl .....	<i>The View From Lazy Point: A Natural Year in an Unnatural World</i>

**2013–2014****Theme: Shakespeare**

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Atwood, Margaret .....	<i>The Handmaid's Tale</i>
Castner, Brian .....	<i>The Long Walk</i>
Dostoevsky, Fyodor .....	<i>Crime and Punishment</i>
Locke, Attica .....	<i>The Cutting Season</i>
Martin, Hugh .....	<i>The Stick Soldiers</i>
Marton, Kati .....	<i>Paris: A Love Story</i>
Sandel, Michael .....	<i>What Money Can't Buy</i>
Walter, Chip .....	<i>Last Ape Standing</i>
Watts, Stephanie Powell .....	<i>We Are Taking Only What We Need</i>
Weber, Doron .....	<i>Immortal Bird</i>
Wroblewski, David .....	<i>The Story of Edgar Sawtelle</i>

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Allen, Danielle .....	<i>Our Declaration: A Reading of the Declaration of Independence in Defense of Equality</i>
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Lee, Chang-rae .....	<i>On Such a Full Sea</i>
Pelé with Brian Winter .....	<i>Why Soccer Matters</i>
Rosenblatt, Roger .....	<i>The Boy Detective</i>
Wakling, Christopher .....	<i>What I Did</i>
Walker, Frank X .....	<i>When Winter Come</i>
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**2015–2016****Theme: Truth & Consequences**

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King, Gilbert .....	<i>Devil in the Grove: Thurgood Marshall, the Groveland Boys and the Dawn of a New America</i>
Keegan, Marina .....	<i>The Opposite of Loneliness</i>
Krakauer, Jon .....	<i>Missoula: Rape and the Justice System in a College Town</i>
Larson, Erik .....	<i>Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania</i>
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McDermott, Alice .....	<i>Someone</i>
Pinsky, Robert .....	<i>The Sounds of Poetry</i>
Tobar, Hector .....	<i>Deep Down Dark: The Untold Stories of 33 Men Buried in a Chilean Mine and the Miracle that Set Them Free</i>
Wright, Lawrence .....	<i>Thirteen Days in September: Carter, Begin and Sadat at Camp David</i>

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Brooks, Geraldine .....	<i>The Secret Chord</i>
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Hart, Brian .....	<i>The Bully of Order</i>
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trans. Stanley Lombardo .....	<i>Iliad</i>
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King, Lily .....	<i>Euphoria</i>
MacFarquhar, Larissa .....	<i>Strangers Drowning: Grappling with Impossible Idealism, Drastic Choices, and the Overpowering Urge to Help</i>
McCullough, David .....	<i>The Wright Brothers</i>

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Beatty, Paul .....	<i>The Sellout</i>
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