

## **Kathleen's Recent Reads—June**

\*Titles read on Cloud Library

Adult Non-Fiction

*The Education of an Idealist* by Samantha Power

Although her back story—emigrating from Ireland as a child, working as a freelance journalist during the Bosnian War—is certainly interesting, this memoir by the former U.N. Ambassador is most engaging when she recounts her time at the United Nations, and details what life was like working in the White House under President Obama.

Adult Fiction

*Death in a Strange Country* by Donna Leon\*

One in a series of atmospheric mysteries set in Venice, a great choice for lovers of Louise Penny's Inspector Gamache series.

*Long Bright River* by Liz Moore

The bonds of family, strained by addiction and betrayal, connect the well-drawn characters at the heart of this increasingly suspenseful, literary police thriller.

*Swimming Lessons* by Claire Fuller

A novelist finds a letter from his presumed-drowned wife tucked into a used book, just before he looks out a window and thinks he sees her. The story alternates between the present day, when the writer's children have come home to care for him, and a series of letters written by the wife just before she disappears. A twisty and tense examination of a marriage.

*Such a Perfect Wife* by Kate White\*

The Adirondacks and Lake George are the setting for this moody offering in the Bailey Weggins mystery series. Lots of red herrings, especially enjoyable if you like trying to figure out whodunit.

Audiobook

*Women of the Dunes* by Sarah Maine

An archaeologist has a chance to examine her family's history while exploring an historic site on the Scottish shore. Alternates between present day, first millennia and Victorian Scotland, with an excellent reader!

Youth Fiction

*Allies* by Alan Gratz

Fast-paced, exciting historical fiction tells the story of multiple characters in France on D-Day. Note: some graphic descriptions of battle.

