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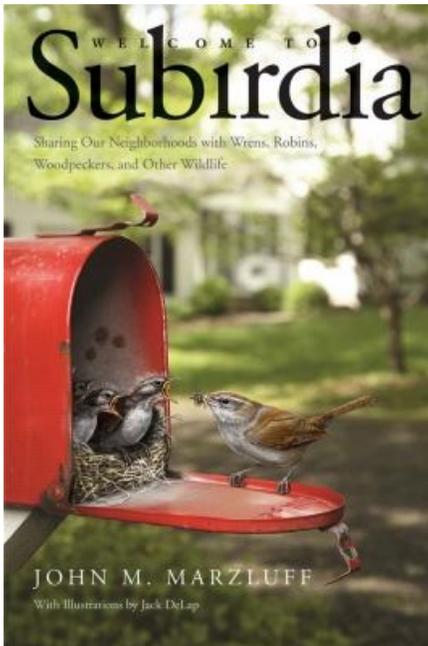
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### FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING FEBRUARY 14



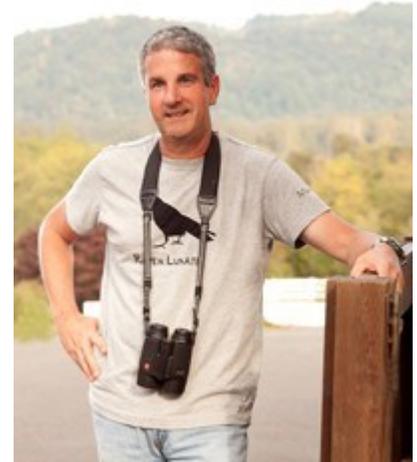
Join us on Sunday, February 14, at 2 p.m. in the Main Library Auditorium for the first annual Friends of the Everett Public Library Annual Meeting.

This very special Valentine's Day event will feature a lecture by Dr. John Marzluff on his most recent book, *Subirdia: Sharing Our Neighborhoods with Wrens, Robins, Woodpeckers, and Other Wildlife*.

In addition to hearing Dr. Marzluff, attendees will be able to enjoy Valentine's Day-themed refreshments provided by the Friends and enter a drawing for an iPad.

This will be a great event, whether you're a bird lover, gardener, library aficionado, cookie eater, or just looking for something different to do with your sweetie on Valentine's Day.

If you want to join us for a pre-event cookie-baking party, please call Eileen



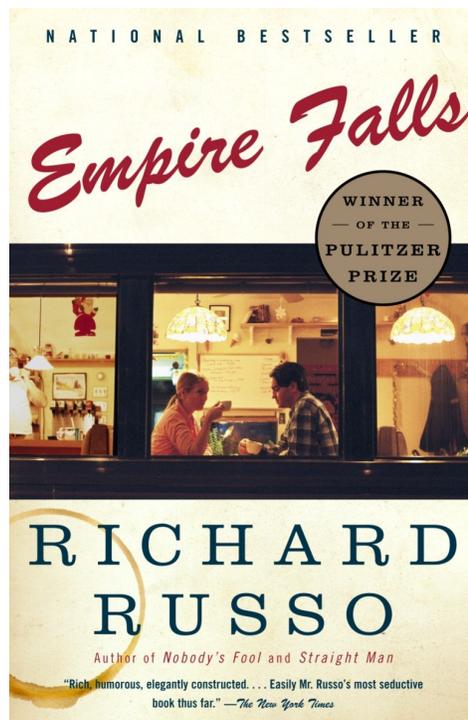
John Marzluff, PhD, Professor, School of Environmental and Forest Sciences, UW.

### EVERETT READS RICHARD RUSSO...and other authors!



Elena Seibert

Author Richard Russo



This year Everett Reads! is experimenting with multiple authors and multiple books to honor the legacy left us by Genette Brocken.

Pulitzer Prizing winning author Richard Russo's appearance kicks off this new format on Friday, February 12, 7:30 p.m. at the Everett Performing Arts Center. Although he will focus on his book, *Empire Falls*, Russo is the author of a number of critically acclaimed novels, and we encourage you to read more than one. Several of Russo's books have been made into films, and a few of them are available from the library.

*Empire Falls* is set in a small Maine town, home to now-defunct logging and textile mills, capturing the rhythms of small town life from the perspective of soon-to-be-divorced Miles Romy. Miles always thought he was destined for greater things, but now finds himself running the local diner, (cont.)

## EVERETT READS!, continued

worrying about his teenage daughter, and trying to cope with his ne'er-do-well father, and soon-to-be ex-wife, while daydreaming about a different life on Martha's Vineyard.

Please join us for what's sure to be a memorable evening with Richard Russo. Open to the public.



She's been retired for several years now, but we still like to think of **Carole Estby Dagg** as part of our library family—and we're delighted to welcome her back as part of our new format for Everett Reads to talk about her second book, *Sweet Home, Alaska*, based on the true story of 202 families

relocated to Alaska during the Depression to begin life over as farmers. The book is a Junior Literary Guild selection.

Carole will talk about her book, the history behind it, and what goes into doing historical research on February 6 at 2 p.m. in the Main Library Auditorium.



Last but not least, be sure to save Saturday, April 9, 2016 to hear **Mary Roach** at 7:30 p.m. at the Everett Performing Arts Center. Roach is a science writer whose interests and quirky sense of humor make all of her books both educational and a delight to read.

She's got a new book coming out in June, but if you haven't read a Mary Roach book yet, be sure to check one out soon. Mary's visit is funded by the Walter C. and Hazel R. Sand Fund.



## NEW: AUTHOR RECEPTIONS



Whether you've always wanted to meet a famous author or just enjoy being part of the pre-event festivities—not to mention the terrific food being provided by Melissa Norris Catering—you have two opportunities to meet our authors and enjoy hearty appetizers and a no-host bar prior to the public program.

Reserve your ticket now for a **private author reception** for Richard Russo at the Everett Performing Arts Center at **6:00 p.m.** on February 12. Tickets are \$10 for Friends members and are available at [empirefalls.brownpapertickets.com](http://empirefalls.brownpapertickets.com) or by cash or check at the Main Library in the Circulation office. Non-members pay \$25.

A similar event will be held for Mary Roach. Reservations for that event are not yet open. Look for more information in your email in March, or at the Library.

Author receptions are new to Everett Reads! this year. Your participation will tell us whether this is a good idea for the future.

## JOIN FRIENDS, WIN AN iPad?

You know you want one—so why not take a chance that yours might be the winning ticket? Join the Friends or renew your membership at the \$25 level or higher, and we'll enter your name in a sweepstakes for a 32-gig iPad Air. We'll accept entries during Everett Reads, between January 18 and April 9. The drawing will take place on or about Monday, April 10.

Friends membership forms are available at both libraries, online, and will also be available at all Everett Reads! events. This is an opportunity to do good things for the library by joining the Friends, and maybe get something special for yourself.

Contest rules are available on the Friends of the Library web page, [www.epls.org/about/friends-library](http://www.epls.org/about/friends-library). No purchase is required.



**Join the Friends; support the Library. Your contribution makes a difference.**

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