

# The Tiger Tribune

Letter from the Editor:

Spring has sprung! Welcome to the March edition of the Tiger Tribune! Within this issue we have some fascinating historical articles, book recommendations, and...well, read on....

Sincerely,  
Jannah Khan  
Editor-in-Chief  
The Tiger Tribune



## March Survey/Staff Question

By Rida Abdulwasay

“Donuts vs. Ice Cream? Which one is your favorite and why?”

Tasneem	Ice cream. Do I really need to explain?
Anaya Cambridge	100% Ice cream. There are so many flavors and even healthy versions of ice cream. I find donuts a bit too heavy for me.
Rida	Hmm...this is a pretty hard question. If I had to choose one treat, then on colder days, I guess I'd prefer hot donuts over ice cream, but on really hot days, I'd rather eat a scoop of ice cream. But if I ever have the option to eat both, why not!
Safiyah Razzak	Ice Cream..duh! You can just keep eating ice cream without ever getting sick of it; I get tired of donuts after having like one or two...and donuts are way too sweet.
Amir	I prefer ice cream dipped donuts, but if I had to choose one, it would be ice cream because of the variety of flavors.
Zahra S.	Here's the thing. I can't really choose because first of all, ice cream is supposed to be like a summer treat, while donuts can be eaten at any time of the year. That's why it depends on the weather, but I love them both equally.

## **National Women's History Month**

By Zahra Shaikh

Every event or occasion in our history connects to women in some way, shape, or form. Seems unlikely, but in reality, women have contributed countless efforts to shape America's past. Therefore, through various presidential proclamations, the month of March has been designated as the National Women's History Month. It all began in 1978 when the city of Sonoma in California began week-long celebrations of contributions of women through essay contests in schools and parades. Soon, communities, school districts, and country-wide organizations began catching on to the idea. It quickly reached President Jimmy Carter in 1980, at which time he issued the first presidential proclamation declaring the week of March 8 as the National Women's History Week. The following year, the US Congress passed a law to make the holiday a national celebration, and about six years later, the National Women's History Project petitioned Congress to expand the week to the entire month of March, naming it the National Women's History Month. As a result, today, millions of people celebrate this month by remembering their past deeds which brought America and its society to be where it is today.



## **Robert Frost**

By Melody Moy

Robert Frost was born on March 26, 1874. He is best known for being an American poet and depicting the lives of people who live in rural areas. He was born in San Francisco, California, and moved to Massachusetts. He attended Harvard and sold his first poem, "My Butterfly: an elegy." He dropped out of Harvard and later received 40 honorary degrees from multiple colleges, like Princeton and Yale. He also won 4 Pulitzer Prizes for his book New Hampshire. He also wrote three other books that he got prizes for too. He spoke in front of famous people as well. He spoke at John. F. Kennedy's inauguration. His poems were very realistic and he won a lot of awards for them. Some of his best-known poems are: "The Road Not Taken," "Birches," "Fire and Ice," and "Mending Wall." He was awarded the Congressional Gold medal. Here are two of Robert Frost's well-known quotes: "I had a lover's quarrel with the world." and "In three

words I can sum up everything I know about life-it goes on.”



## **Extraterrestrial Abductions Day**

By Amir Chermat

Have you ever witnessed an alien abduction? The term alien abduction refers to the experience of secretly being kidnapped by nonhuman figures and experimented on. Alien abductions usually involve UFOs or Unidentified Flying Objects. UFOs are often disc-shaped and feature beacons of light capturing victims and carrying them away.

The most well-documented case of alien abduction is the story of Barney and Betty Hill, an inter-racial couple who encountered aliens while driving home from a vacation in September 1961. A UFO hovered over their car when the Hills felt compelled to get out of the car and look. Barney reported seeing 8-11 humanoid figures observing him in the aircraft, and was telepathically instructed by the aliens to “stay where you are and keep looking.” Feeling as though the aliens were going to capture him and his wife, Barney got back in his car and kept driving. Not long after, the Hills entered an altered state of consciousness, and upon their “reawakening,” discovered that they had only driven 35 miles with only vague recollections of what had happened.

The Hills were confirmed to have been telling the truth by a civilian UFO research group called NICAP, and in 1963, by a hypnotist. Despite the evidence proving Betty and Barney’s case authentic, many people doubt the existence of aliens, or that they have captured humans. There is little photographic evidence of aliens or UFOs, and what exists is blurry or comes from uncredible sources. March 20 is Extraterrestrial Abductions Day on which we celebrate the mystery that is the existence of aliens. Are there really humanoid creatures out there abducting our own kind? What do they want? We humans may never know, but the search for proof of alien life will never end.



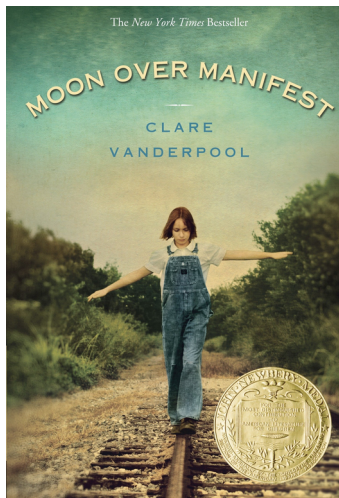
# The Book Column

Tasneem Nasim

Welcome back, CWCS students! In honor of March being National Women's History Month, this month's edition of the Book Column features two historical fiction novels with strong female protagonists (lead characters). Enjoy!

## **Middle Schoolers: Moon Over Manifest by Clare Vanderpool**

This Newberry Medal-winning novel tells the story of Abilene Tucker, a young girl who feels abandoned and lost. Her father sends her on a train to live with some old friends while he works a railroad job. She has only a few of her own treasured belongings when she jumps off the train in Manifest, Kansas, aiming to learn about the boy her father once was. But the Manifest she finds is completely different than the one described to her by her father- it's old, dusty, and tired. But when she discovers a hidden cigar box full of mementos, including some old letters that mention a spy known as the Rattler, Abilene's disappointment turns to excitement, sending her and her new friends, Lettie and Ruthanne, on an "honest-to-goodness" spy hunt. But the hunt digs up more than just a spy and the history of the town- Abilene starts to learn the story of her father and his place in this dreary town. And while she weaves the town's past with the present, she's also weaving in her own story. This novel may seem like your typical historical fiction novel, but it's so much more. This novel is a must-read!

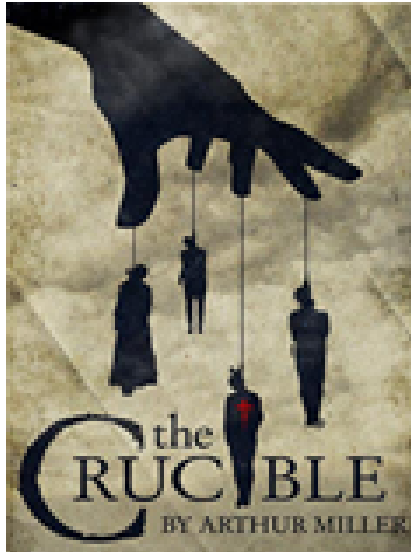


## **High schoolers: The Crucible by Arthur Miller**

This Tony award-winning play is a fictionalized version of the Salem witch trials that took place in Massachusetts in the 17th century. Salem, a rigid theocracy, erupts into mass hysteria when a young girl and her friends accuse innocent people, who have snubbed or even annoyed them, of performing witchcraft. One of these cases is against Elizabeth Proctor, a morally upright and respectable woman. The cruelty and selfishness showed by the characters of the play and the willingness of the community's religious leaders to rule with fear and violence, serve to reflect the anti-communist hysteria inspired by Senator Joseph McCarthy's "witch-hunts" in the United States during the Cold War. This haunting play will leave you terrified by the lengths people are

willing to go to seek vengeance and the destructive power of socially sanctioned violence. This play is definitely a must-read!

\*This book contains some mature topics. Please check [book review](#) before reading.



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## **How to Join:**

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3. Or just simply send us an email at [cwcsspeechanddebate@gmail.com](mailto:cwcsspeechanddebate@gmail.com)!

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