

**Ellis South End Neighborhood Association**  
**Book Group 2007-2008**

The Ellis Book Group meets from September through June, on the third Wednesday of the month, at 7pm, in the living room of the YWCA Berkeley Residence, 40 Berkeley Street, at the corner of Appleton Street. The meetings last about an hour.

The co-leaders are Betsy Boveroux (617-426-0989) and Trudi Kondoff (617-482-4141). Books are selected by interested book group participants at a dinner meeting at The Garden of Eden from a list generated by the group and submitted by the co-leaders. All are welcome to come either on a regular or intermittent basis. We always like to greet new participants! Please join us!

September 19th – Edith Wharton, Age of Innocence, 368 pages. (The return of beautiful Countess Olenska attracts Newland Archer, about to announce his engagement to a pretty ingénue.)

October 17th – David Quammen, The Reluctant Mr. Darwin, 253 pages. (A post “Beagle” bio written with clarity, brevity and colorful anecdotes.)

November 21st – Fyodor Dostoyevsky, Notes from Underground, 143 pages. (Imaginary author’s diary while in prison and his thoughts on existence, morality and society. Second fragment explores actual events in his life.)

December – No meeting in December. Have a Happy Holiday and join us in January!

January 16th – Mark Haddon, Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time, 240 pages. (Debut novel/who-done-it as told by an autistic 15 year old detective. Funny, too.)

February 20th – Cormac McCarthy, The Road, 241 pages. (A father and son fight their way through a post apocalyptic world reduced to ashes and ruin.)

March 19th – Irene Nemirovsky, Suite Francaise, 395 pages. (Two novellas: the second a factual account of the origins of the first. Materials recently found by the daughter of the author, who died in Auschwitz.)

April 16th – Poetry Month. Members are encouraged to bring a poem to share with the group.

May 21st – Edward Albee, Who’s Afraid of Virginia Woolf

June 18th – Allen Shawn, Wish I Could Be There: Notes from a Phobic Life, 288 pages. (Autobiography by the composer/professor son of legendary “The New Yorker” editor William Shawn and the brother of actor Wallace Shawn.)

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**For more information** or to join the group, contact Betsy Boveroux (617-426-0989) and Trudi Kondoff (617-482-4141) For more information on the Ellis, please visit [www.ellisneighborhood.org](http://www.ellisneighborhood.org)

**The Ellis Book Group is open to all members of the Ellis South End Neighborhood Association. Please join us whenever you can.**