



Readers' Guide to Elizabeth Hay's *Late Nights on Air*



Introduction

One Book One Community is a reading program for the entire city and surrounding area. Adults and teens are invited to read a selected book and then come together for a weekend of discussion and activities surrounding the book. The book we have selected for Medicine Hat's fifth community-wide read is *Late Nights on Air* by Elizabeth Hay. Copies of the book are available at the public libraries of the Shortgrass Regional Library System, the Vera Bracken Library (Medicine Hat College), Coles The Book People (Medicine Hat Mall), and the Medicine Hat College Campus Store.

Websites of Interest

Elizabeth Hay

The Danforth Review Interview: Elizabeth Hay

http://www.danforthreview.com/features/interviews/elizabeth_hay.htm

The Write Stuff [an interview]

<http://www.cbc.ca/arts/books/hay.html>

The Spirit of Radio: The intimacy of the airwaves meets the vastness of the North in Elizabeth Hay's new novel [a review in Quill & Quire magazine]

http://www.quillandquire.com/authors/profile.cfm?article_id=7936

Go North and Prosper? [an interview]

<http://thetyee.ca/Books/2007/10/03/IdeaofNorth/>

Thomas Berger and the Berger Inquiry

Order of British Columbia: Thomas R. Berger

http://www.protocol.gov.bc.ca/protocol/prgs/obc/2004/2004_TBerger.htm

Historical Timeline of the Northwest Territories: The Berger Inquiry

http://www.pwnhc.ca/timeline/index_winIFix.asp?forward=http%3A//www.pwnhc.ca/timeline/1950/Berger_1974.html#Scene_1

CBC Digital Archives: The Berger Pipeline Inquiry

http://archives.cbc.ca/politics/rights_freedoms/topics/295-1552/

CBC News: In Depth: The Mackenzie Valley Pipeline

http://www.cbc.ca/news/background/mackenzievalley_pipeline/

John Hornby and Edgar Christian

The Legend of John Hornby: A Thelon River Tale [an article published in Above & Beyond: Canada's Arctic Journal in 2002]

www.marketbridge.ca/~davidpelly/John%20Hornby.pdf

Arctic Profiles: John Hornby (1880 – 1927)

<http://pubs.aina.ucalgary.ca/arctic/Arctic37-2-184.pdf>

Dictionary of Canadian Biography Online: John Hornby

<http://www.biographi.ca/009004-119.01-e.php?Bioid=42332&query=>

The North

Thelon River [Canadian Heritage Rivers System]

http://www.chrs.ca/Rivers/Thelon/Thelon_e.htm

Yellowknife

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yellowknife,_Northwest_Territories

Books and Media of Interest in Local Libraries

VBL – available at the Vera Bracken Library, Medicine Hat College

SHO – available in the Shortgrass Regional Library System

Books by Elizabeth Hay

Late nights on air (2007) – VBL, SHO

Garbo laughs (2003) - SHO

A student of weather (2000) – SHO

About John Hornby

The legend of John Hornby *by George Whalley* - SHO

Death in the barren ground [the diary of Edgar Christian] - SHO

Prisoners of the North *by Pierre Berton* - VBL, SHO

Tundra: Selections for the great accounts of Arctic land voyages *by Farley Mowat*
– VBL, SHO

About Radio in Canada

Nothing on but the radio: A look back at radio in Canada and how it changed the world - VBL

From coast to coast: A personal history of radio in Canada – VBL

The sound and the fury: An anecdotal history of Canadian broadcasting – VBL, SHO

About Thomas Berger and the Mackenzie Valley Pipeline Inquiry

The Inquiry Film [3-16mm films] – VBL

Learning from the North: A guide to the Berger report - VBL

Northern frontier, northern homeland: The report of the Mackenzie Valley Pipeline Inquiry – VBL, SHO

One man's justice: A life in the law *by Thomas Berger* – SHO

The past and future land: An account of the Berger Inquiry into the Mackenzie Valley pipeline – VBL

About the North

The mysterious North *by Pierre Berton* – VBL, SHO

Yellowknife: Diamond in the rough - VBL

Yellowknife, N.W.T.: An illustrated history – VBL, SHO

Thelon, the place where God began [video] - SHO

True north: The Yukon and Northwest Territories – VBL, SHO

Up here: Life in Canada's north [magazine] - VBL

Schedule of Events

Plan to attend the following activities about and discussions of Late Nights on Air. All events are free with the exception of the meals.

Thursday, February 26, 2009

Studio Theatre, Esplanade Arts & Heritage Centre

7:00 p.m.

Late Nights on Air: Radio Reflections

(Listen to a re-broadcast of CBC's Death in the Barren Ground)

Friday, February 27, 2009

Medicine Hat College Courtyard

6:00 p.m.

Dining Out in Yellowknife catered by Worlds of Women Together

(Tickets available in advance at the Vera Bracken Library and the Medicine Hat Public Library)

Medicine Hat College Theatre

7:15 p.m.

An Evening with author Elizabeth Hay

Saturday, February 28, 2009

Medicine Hat College Crowfoot Rooms

9:30 a.m.

Coffee

10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Book Discussion

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Life in the North

Medicine Hat College Courtyard

12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch catered by Worlds of Women Together

(Tickets available in advance at the Vera Bracken Library and the Medicine Hat Public Library)

Medicine Hat College Crowfoot Rooms

1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Thomas Berger: Real and Imagined

2:15 p.m. – Close

Book Discussion

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