

# The Library Company of Burlington's Book Club for Kids

## February's Pick



**Join Ms. Mary on Wednesday February 22nd at 6:00pm**  
**Books can be picked up at the library anytime prior to the meeting.**

Cash, Fitch, and Bird Nelson Thomas are three siblings in seventh grade together in Park, Delaware. In 1986, as the country waits expectantly for the launch of the space shuttle Challenger, they each struggle with their own personal anxieties. Cash, who loves basketball but has a newly broken wrist, is in danger of failing seventh grade for the second time. Fitch spends every afternoon playing Major Havoc at the arcade on Main and wrestles with an explosive temper that he doesn't understand. And Bird, his twelve-year-old twin, dreams of being NASA's first female shuttle commander, but feels like she's disappearing.

The Nelson Thomas children exist in their own orbits, circling a tense and unpredictable household, with little in common except an enthusiastic science teacher named Ms. Salonga. As the launch of the Challenger approaches, Ms. Salonga gives her students a project—they are separated into spacecraft crews and must create and complete a mission. When the fated day finally arrives, it changes all of their lives and brings them together in unexpected ways.

**REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!**

**PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST STAY WITH ATTENDEES <10 YEARS OLD.**

Program is limited to 10 participants, ages 8-12. Call (609) 386-1273 or visit our website at [librarycompanyofburlington.org](http://librarycompanyofburlington.org) to register. Books are purchased for each participant courtesy of the Library Company of Burlington and its friends group .

