

February 2012 Selection: **Thirteen Moons** by Charles Frazier

New Madison Library Book Club

Tuesday, February 14, 2012, 6:30 p.m.

Discussion Questions:

1. How does Frazier capture the time period so well in his writing?
2. Is this how you envisioned the Cherokee Nation? Do you feel Frazier's interpretation is authentic? Why or why not?
3. Who do you think influenced Will more? Featherstone or Bear?
4. What do you think of Will's choice to not leave with Claire? Do you empathize with Claire's reaction?
5. What is Frazier attempting to signify when Will and Bear must hunt down one of their own (Charley) in order to keep the land?
6. What was Will's greatest accomplishment? What was his greatest failure?
7. In the end, do you think Will's work for the Cherokee Nation was beneficial or futile?
8. Was there anything Will could have done differently in order to have Claire for his own?
9. Why does *Thirteen Moons* not end with the Nightland? Why does it end with the Bone Moon?