BOOK CLUB BANTER

"It is what you read when you don't have to
that determines what you will be when you can't help it."
-Oscar Wilde-

As we ease into October, thoughts of falling leaves, apple pies and Halloween festivities start entering our minds. One of the best places to get both inspiration and practical tips for carrying out these ideas is right here at your Pasadena Public Library. Just check out the gardening books, decorating books, cookbooks and costume-making books we have on hand to help make this one of the best fall seasons ever -- and don't miss out on the instructional DVDs that we have on these subjects as well! Come by the Friends Bookstore and check out the new stock that they have on hand. While you're there, enjoy the hot coffee and chocolate (coffee still only $0.50 and chocolate only $0.10) and relax in one of our cozy club chairs -- after all, you do deserve a break from all those fall activities!

The Fairmont Branch Library's First Monday Book Club will discuss The Paris Wife by Paula McLain and will meet in the Conference Room at the Fairmont Branch Library on Monday, October 7 at 6:00 p.m. Join the group as it discusses this beautiful portrait of love, ambition and betrayal in the lives of writer Ernest Hemingway and his first wife Hadley Richardson, as it happened in the city of Paris in the glittering 1920s.

The Central Library's Tea-Time Mystery Book Club will discuss Stone Kiss by Faye Kellerman and will meet on October 21 in the Board Room of the Central Library at 3:30 p.m. Coffee, tea and Halloween treats will be served as the group follows the gripping adventures of L.A. Police Lt. Peter Decker as he heads to New York to plumb a world where vile deeds, unregenerate evil and sinister secrets pit brother against brother in a deadly race to find a missing young relative.

Contact William Simpson (First Monday) at the Fairmont Branch Library 281-998-1095 X 15 or Lucy Turoff (Tea-Time Mystery) 713-475-4984 for more information regarding these two very interesting book clubs.