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Tiffin-Seneca Public Library is excited to announce *The Atomic City Girls* by Janet Beard as the 2019 Community Read title. The author will speak to the community on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Tiffin Middle School cafetorium.

This historical novel focuses on the everyday people who worked on the Manhattan Project during World War II. It takes place in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, where thousands of people are working in military plants but have no idea they are generating uranium to fuel the atomic bomb.

The Library has also selected companion titles so that patrons of all ages can be part of the Community Read. Local students will read *Bomb: The Race to Build -- and Steal -- the World's Most Dangerous Weapon* by Steve Sheinkin, which is also about the development of the atomic bomb. Mr. Sheinkin will speak to students at local schools on Friday, March 29th.

Elementary students will read books about Sadako and the thousand paper cranes. These books examine the effects of the bomb on the people of Japan and the message of peace that has become Sadako's legacy. Sue DiCicco, an author and illustrator and founder of the Peace Crane Project, will visit area schools on March 21st and 22nd.

Each year the Community Read encourages people in Seneca County to read the selected title and come together for special events and discussions. Dates for these programs will be announced after the first of the year. The Community Read is made possible by a number of organizations and individuals. A grant from the White Family Charitable Fund of the Tiffin Community Foundation allowed the library to purchase books for the community and schools, and the authors' speaking fees have been paid for by the Tiffin-Seneca Public Library Foundation.

For more information or to be involved with the event series, please call the library at 419-447-3751.

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