Recipe of the Month:

**Blonde Brownies** by Lorraine Avena

- 1 Yellow Cake Mix
- ½ cup soft butter
- ½ cup water
- 2 eggs
- ½ cup brown sugar (packed)
- 12 oz. chocolate bits
- ½ cup nuts (optional)

Mix in 350° 20-25 minutes. 15X18 pan or 2 cake pans (greased & floured)

Add other ½ of cake mix. Mixture will be thick. Spread in pan.

**Did you know...**

We have a great selection of New York Times Best Sellers Books in the Reading Room.

Here is a list of the most recent acquisitions:

- *Your Heart Is a Muscle the Size of a Fist* by Sunil Yapa
- *My Name Is Lucy Barton: A Novel* by Elizabeth Strout
- *The Longest Night: A Novel* by Andria Williams
- *Bad News: Last Journalists in a Dictatorship* by Anjan Sundaram
- *Not My Father’s Son: A Memoir* by Alan Cumming
- *The Argonauts* by Maggie Nelson

**Upcoming Events:**

- Feb. 2: Book Talk - Struggling for Air: Power Plants and the "War on Coal"
- Feb. 4: Movie Night @ YLS – Pussy Riot: A Punk Prayer
- Feb. 10: Rare Book Room presentation and film screening – Amistad
- Feb. 17: Film screening – Racing Extinction

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