

## **South Haven One Book, One Community asks:**

What is lost . . .

when books are feared and believed to be dangerous?

when technology takes over?

when families stop talking and sharing?

when books are burned?

when conflicting opinions and ideas are forbidden?

when people stop thinking and questioning?

*Fahrenheit 451*, a classic written by Ray Bradbury more than 50 years ago, explores the power of books in individuals' lives and for the community as a whole. While the story is set in a futuristic society, we encourage you to read and discuss its implications for our lives today.

"You don't have to burn books to destroy a culture. Just get people to stop reading them." Ray Bradbury

What happens to society when books and the love of reading no longer are important?

What are the influences in our lives today that discourage reading?

What can we do to encourage the love of reading in South Haven?