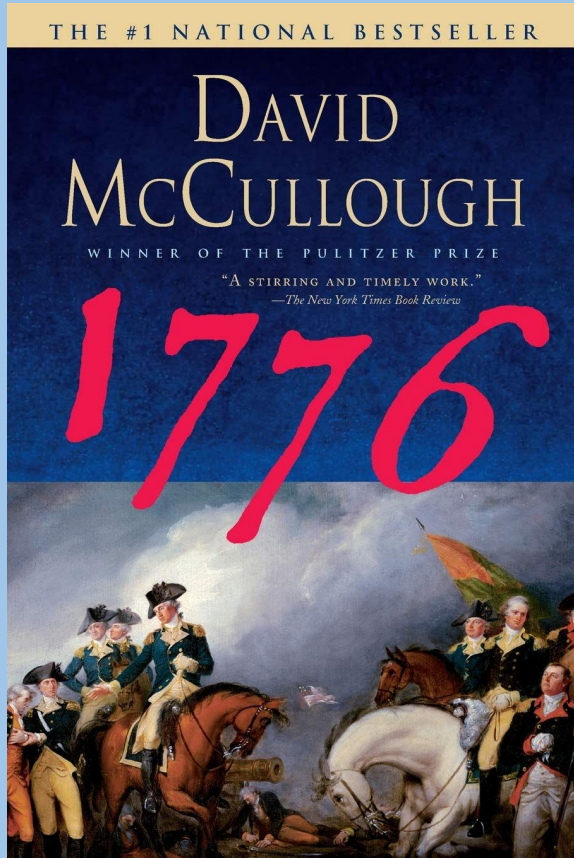




**Awesome US History  
Books I Have Read or  
Have to Read!**



# 1776

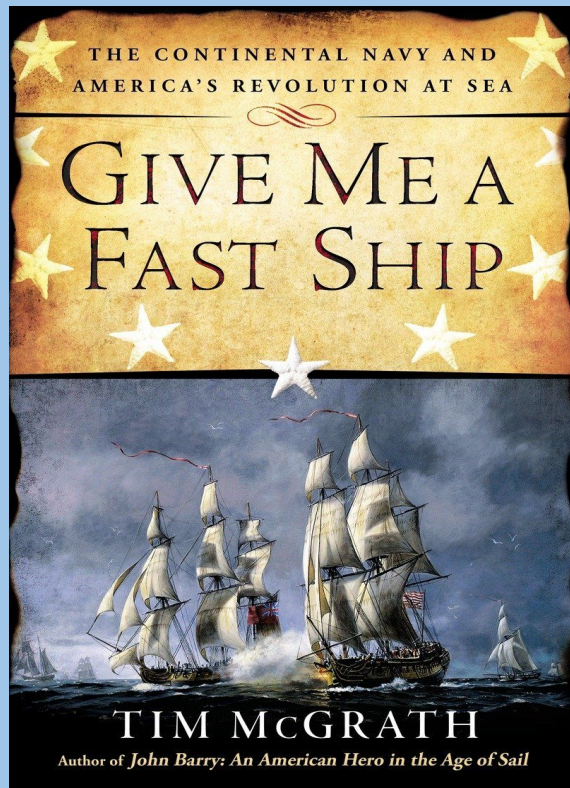
*David McCullough*

This is one that I have read and loved! It is not that long of a read (386 pages), but it goes into great detail about behind-the-scenes events of the American Revolution. The book takes you from the Battle of Long Island, to the Battle of Trenton, to the signing of the Declaration of Independence (the best break up letter ever), and so much more. It also focuses on leaders like George Washington, King George III, and Henry Knox.

Favorite Quote- “There are no people on earth in whom a spirit of enthusiastic zeal is so readily kindled, and burns so remarkably, as Americans”

# GIVE ME A FAST SHIP: THE CONTINENTAL NAVY AND AMERICA'S REVOLUTION AT SEA

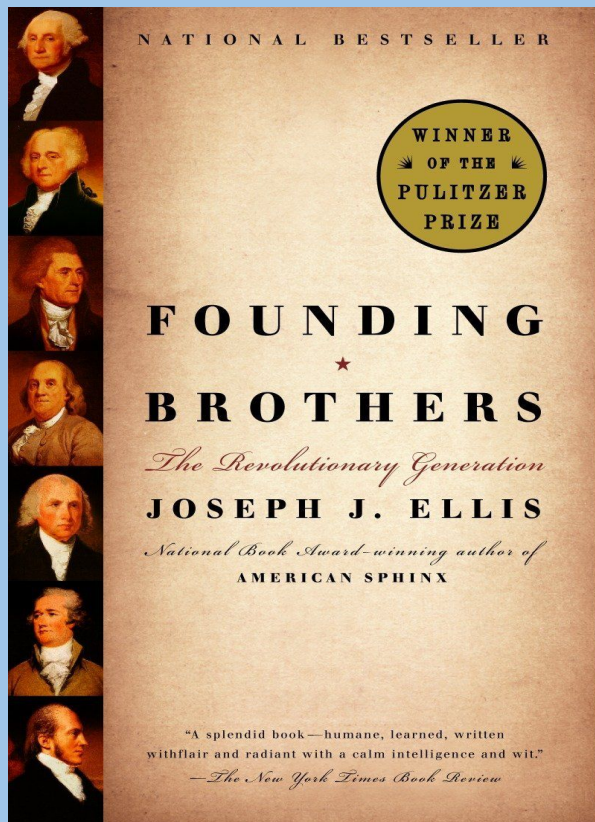
*Tim McGrath*



I have read this book, and I could say I loved it as someone obsessed with the Navy. However, this may not be the book for you if you are not into military history. The book goes through the war at sea, focusing on heroes like (my favorite) John Paul Jones. The reader sees, almost firsthand, the scrappiness and determination of the colonial navy against the formidable Royal Navy.

# Founding Brothers

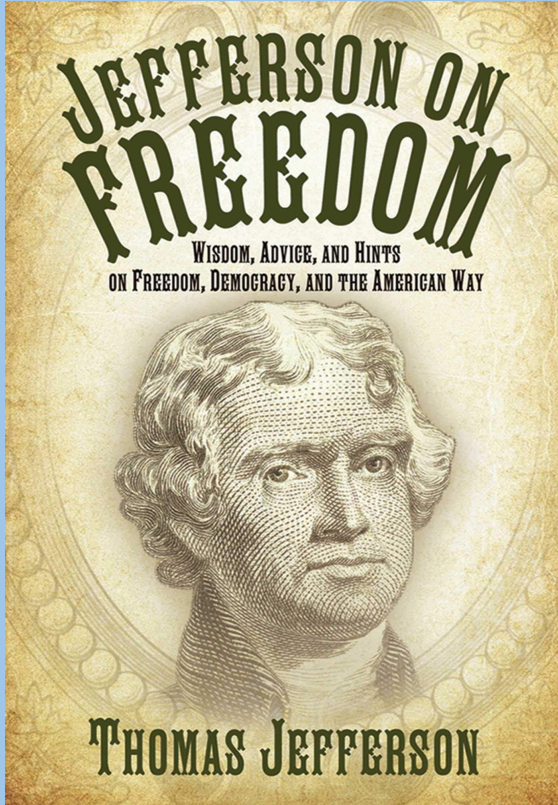
Joseph E. Ellis



This is a book I have not read yet, but it sounds amazing! It covers the lives of fathers like John Adams, Ben Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, Washington, etc. and how they are connected as “brothers.” It informs the reader about the roots of the American republic as well as our systems of politics.



# *Jefferson on Freedom*



This “book” is a compilation of Jefferson’s letters regarding his thoughts on democracy, liberty, the “American Way,” and the Constitution. I personally loved reading this, as it brought the ideas of anti-federalism (or Jeffersonianism) to life.

Favorite quote- “I believe this, on the contrary, the strongest government on Earth.”

# Uncle Tom's Cabin

*Harriet Beecher Stowe*

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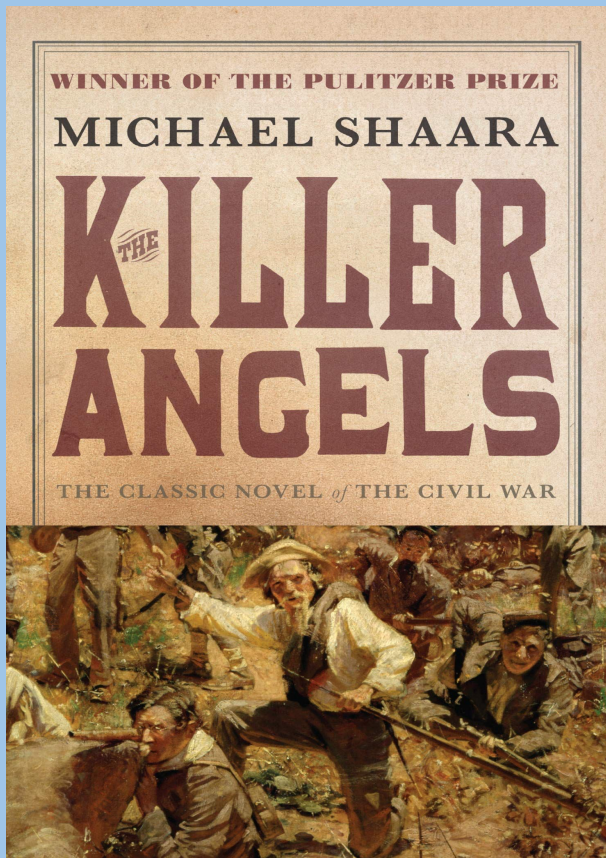
HARRIET BEECHER STOWE

This book is absolutely a must read! I had to read it over the summer going into APUSH, and I loved it. Not only is it an entertaining and heartfelt novel, it is a history-altering book. It addresses the wicked institution of slavery and how it effected the lives of those enslaved as well as slave holders. Lincoln told Stowe upon meeting her “So this is the little lady who made this big war.”

Favorite Quote- “Any mind that is capable of a real sorrow is capable of good.”

# The Killer Angels

*Michael Shaara*



I have bought this book, but am yet to read it! I heard it is a very entertaining read about the Civil War, specifically the Battle of Gettysburg. The author mentions powerfully the conflicting dreams- freedom vs. way of life- among the Union and Confederacy.

# AMERICA WALKS INTO A BAR

*Christine Sismondo*

I have recently started this book and it is super information! It explains the history and importance of alcohol throughout the span of the US. Upon reading the first chapter, clear that bars and alcohol have a more profound role in history than we think. For example, the “tavern-first method” was applied in English colonization, as they believed in settling firstly with a tavern to hold important meetings and relax with a brew.

