

VOICE-Buffalo
SUGGESTED READING LIST

7/3/07

1. The Politics of Decline by Jay Gallagher; a chronicle of New York's descent and what you can do to save your state
2. The Death and Life of Great American Cities by Jane Jacobs; "Perhaps the most influential single work in the history of town planning...a work of literature."
-The New York Times Book Review
3. Doing Justice by Dennis A. Jacobsen; an introductory theology of congregation-based community organization rooted in the day-to-day struggles and hopes of urban ministry
4. Three Men in a Room by Seymour P. Lachman; the inside story of power and betrayal in an American Statehouse
5. Bowling Alone by Robert D. Putman; the collapse and revival of American community
6. Inside Game Outside Game by David Rusk; winning strategies of saving urban America
7. Suburban Sprawl by Andres Duany, Elizabeth Plater-Zyberk and Jeff Speck; the rise of sprawl and the decline of the American Dream
8. Amazing Grace by Jonathan Kozol; the lives of children and the conscience of a nation
9. Ordinary Resurrections by Jonathan Kozol; children in the years of hope
10. Where We Stand by Bell Hooks; the "elephant in the room" – the unnamed subject we all know is central to our culture and its problems
11. A Theology As Big As The City by Ray Bakke; a biblical theology that will constantly surprise and challenge as you get a glimpse of how big God's view of the city really is
12. The Haves and Have-Nots, edited by Barbara Solomon; 30 stories about money and class in America
13. Empowering the Poor by Robert Linthicum