

Hales Corners Library

Tuesday Evening Book Group

- Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month, February through November. The December meeting is a social gathering held at a restaurant or other venue and is on the second Tuesday of the month.
- Time is 6:00 - 7:50 p.m.
- Held in the Ben Hunt Room
- Peer-led discussions

This book discussion group is free and open to the public, no registration or reservation is needed.

To get a copy of the book being discussed:

Reserve a library copy with your Milwaukee County library card in person, online (countycat.mcfls.org), or by calling the Hales Corners Library Information Desk at (414) 529-6150, ext. 10. Many of the titles are available in large print and audio. Another option is to purchase a copy at an area bookstore.

Cancellations due to weather:

Book discussion programs will be cancelled if the library closes or if the group leader notifies the library that the group will not meet due to weather conditions. The library will make every effort to notify the members of the book groups using the contact information provided.

Questions?

Please contact Adult Services Librarian
Joey Barr, (414) 529-6150 ext. 15.

Address:

5885 S. 116th Street
(corner of S. 116th St. & Janesville Rd.)
Hales Corners, WI 53130

Hours:

Monday-Thursday	10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday	10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

(Closed Sundays during the summer,
from Memorial Day to Labor Day.)

Please call for holiday closings.

How to reach us: (414)

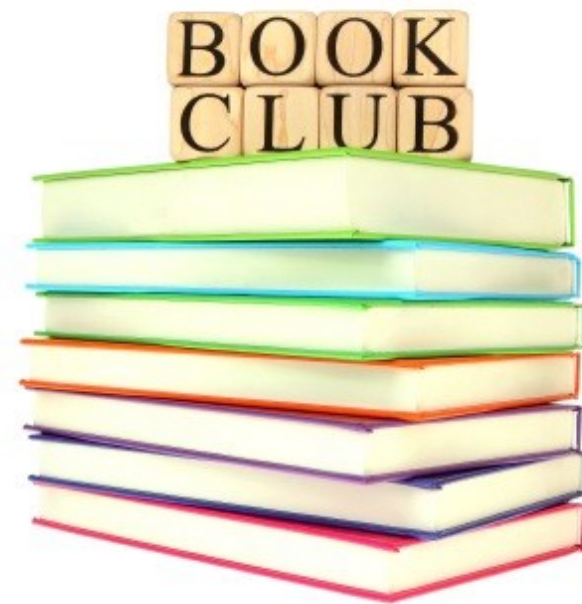
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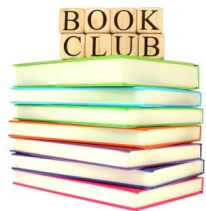
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Hales Corners Library Book Discussion Group 2025 Schedule



Our mission is to provide the community with a space dedicated to the power of knowledge and technology, the world of culture, and the joy of reading by providing excellence in library services, resources, and programs.



Tuesday Evening Book Club 2025

January 21

***The Ocean at the End of the Lane* by Neil Gaiman**

It began for our narrator forty years ago when the family lodger stole their car and committed suicide in it, stirring up ancient powers best left undisturbed. Dark creatures from beyond the world are on the loose, and it will take everything our narrator has, just to stay alive: there is primal horror here, and menace unleashed - within his family and from the forces that have gathered to destroy it. His only defense is three women, on a farm at the end of the lane.

February 18

***The Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's Shining Girls* by Kate Moore**

As World War I raged across the globe, hundreds of young women toiled away at the radium-dial factories, where they painted clock faces with a mysterious new substance called radium. Assured by their bosses that the luminous material was safe, the women themselves shone brightly in the dark. With such a coveted job, these "shining girls" were considered the luckiest alive--until they began to fall mysteriously ill. As the fatal poison of the radium took hold, they found themselves embroiled in one of America's biggest scandals.

March 18

***The Wager* by David Grann**

On January 28, 1742, a ramshackle vessel of patched-together wood and cloth washed up on the coast of Brazil. Inside were thirty emaciated men, barely alive, and they had an extraordinary tale to tell. They were survivors of His Majesty's Ship the Wager, a British vessel that had left England in 1740 on a secret mission during an imperial war with Spain.

April 15

***The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain**

Huck Finn, the friend of Tom Sawyer, has no choice but to live with his father, a drunk who has just returned to town. Due to the treatment he receives from his father, Huck fakes his own death to escape his terrible life and finds himself an unassuming friend—a runaway slave named Jim. Together, the two end up caught in their own crazy adventures.

May 20

***James: A Novel* by Percival Everett**

A retelling of The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, both harrowing and ferociously funny, told from the enslaved Jim's point of view.

June 17

***The Lager Queen of Minnesota: A Novel* by J. Ryan Stradal.**

Two sisters, one farm. A family is split when their father leaves their shared inheritance entirely to Helen, his younger daughter. Despite baking award-winning pies at the local nursing home, her older sister, Edith, struggles to make what most people would call a living. So she can't help wondering what her life would have been like with even a portion of the farm money her sister kept for herself.

July 15

***The Extraordinary Deaths of Mrs. Kip* by Sara Brunsvold**

Frustrated reporter Aidyn Kelley begrudgingly agrees to help a hospice patient prepare her obituary. But old Clara Kip has some incredible stories—and some surprises up her sleeve—that promise to make this seemingly throwaway assignment a life-changing one.

August 19

***The Measure: A Novel* by Nikki Erlick**

It seems like any other day: You wake up, pour a cup of coffee, and head out. But today when you open your front door, waiting for you is a small wooden box. This box holds your fate inside: the answer to the exact number of years you will live. In an instant, the world is thrust into a collective frenzy. Where did these boxes come from? What do they mean? Everyone faces the same shocking choice: Do they wish to know how long they'll live?

September 16

***Firekeeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulley**

Daunis Fontaine has never quite fit in, either in her hometown or on the nearby Ojibwe reservation. She dreams of college, but when her family is struck by tragedy, she puts her future on hold to care for her fragile mother. When Daunis witnesses a shocking murder, she reluctantly agrees to go undercover, drawing on her knowledge of chemistry and Ojibwe traditional medicine to track down the source of a new drug.

October 21

***The Women* by Kristen Hannah**

When twenty-year-old nursing student Frances "Frankie" McGrath hears these unexpected words, it is a revelation. Raised on idyllic Coronado Island and sheltered by her conservative parents, she has always prided herself on doing the right thing, being a good girl. But in 1965 the world is changing, and she suddenly imagines a different choice for her life. When her brother ships out to serve in Vietnam, she impulsively joins the Army Nurse Corps and follows his path.

November 18

***The Curse of Penryth Hall* by Jess Armstrong**

After the Great War, American heiress Ruby Vaughn made a life for herself running a rare bookstore. When Ruby is forced to deliver a box of books to a folk healer living deep in the Cornish countryside, she is brought back to the one place she swore she'd never return. A more sensible soul would have delivered the package and left without rehashing old wounds. But no one has ever accused Ruby of being sensible. Thus begins her visit to Penryth Hall.

December 9

Annual December dinner—location to be determined

