

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 - 7:45 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)

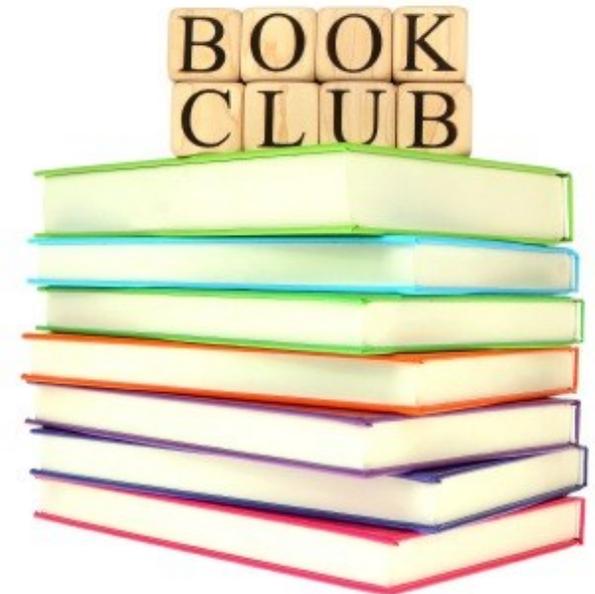
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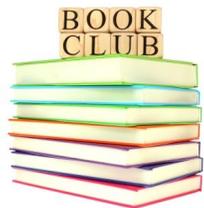
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Hales Corners Library Book Discussion Group 2026 Schedule



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 2026

January 20

***The President's Hat*
by Antoine Laurain**

Dining alone in an elegant Parisian brasserie, accountant Daniel Mercier can hardly believe his eyes when President Francois Mitterrand sits down to eat at the table next to him. After the presidential party has gone, Daniel discovers that Mitterrand's black felt hat has been left behind. Daniel decides to keep the hat as a souvenir, and as he leaves the restaurant, he begins to feel somehow different.

February 17

***Becoming Madam Secretary*
by Stephanie Dray**

Raised on tales of her revolutionary ancestors, Frances Perkins arrives in New York City at the turn of the century, armed with her trusty parasol and an unyielding determination to make a difference. But when Frances meets a young lawyer named FDR at a tea dance, sparks fly in all the wrong directions. She thinks he's a rich, arrogant dilettante who gets by on a handsome face and a famous name. He thinks she's a priggish bluestocking and insufferable do-gooder. Neither knows it yet, but over the next 20 years, they will form a historic partnership that will carry them both to the White House.

March 17

***The Hate U Give*
by Angie Thomas**

Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. What everyone wants to know is: what really went down that night? Only Starr can answer that.

April 21

***Black Cake*
by Charmaine Wilkerson**

Two estranged siblings must set aside their differences to deal with their mother's death and her hidden past. In present-day California, Eleanor Bennett's death leaves behind a puzzling inheritance for her two children, Byron and Benny: a traditional Caribbean black cake, and a voice recording. Eleanor shares a tumultuous story about how she who escapes her island home under suspicion of murder.

May 19

***When the Stars are Scattered*
by Victoria Jamieson**

Omar and his younger brother, Hassan, have spent most of their lives in Dadaab, a refugee camp in Kenya. Life is hard there: never enough food, achingly dull, and without access to the medical care Omar's nonverbal brother needs. So when Omar has the opportunity to go to school, he knows it might be a chance to change their future ...

June 16

***The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store: A Novel*
by James McBride**

In 1972, when workers in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, were digging the foundations for a new development, the last thing they expected to find was a skeleton at the bottom of a well. Who the skeleton was and how it got there were two of the long-held secrets kept by the residents of Chicken Hill, the dilapidated neighborhood where immigrant Jews and African Americans lived side by side and shared ambitions and sorrows.

July 21

***The Library of the Unwritten*
by AJ Hackwith**

Books that aren't finished by their authors reside in the Library of the Unwritten in Hell, but when restless characters who emerge from those unfinished stories escape, it is up to the Librarian to track them down...and keep the collection complete.

August 18

***Distant Sons*
by Tim Johnston**

During an investigation by detective Corinne Viegas, an irreversible chain of events is set in motion that culminates in shattering violence, and the revelation of long-buried truths.

September 15

***West with Giraffes*
by Lynda Rutledge**

'Few true friends have I known and two were giraffes ...' Woodrow Wilson Nickel, age 105, feels his life ebbing away. But when he learns giraffes are going extinct, he finds himself recalling the unforgettable experience he cannot take to his grave. It's 1938. The Great Depression lingers. Hitler is threatening Europe, and world-weary Americans long for wonder. They find it in two giraffes who miraculously survive a hurricane while crossing the Atlantic. What follows is a twelve-day road trip in a custom truck to deliver Southern California's first giraffes to the San Diego Zoo.

October 20

***West With the Night*
by Beryl Markham**

West with the Night is the story of Beryl Markham--aviator, racehorse trainer, beauty--and her life in the Kenya of the 1920s and '30s.

November 17

***The Showman: Inside the Invasion that Shook the World and Made a Leader of Volodymyr Zelensky*
by Simon Shuster**

Time correspondent Simon Shuster chronicles the life and leadership of Volodymyr Zelensky from the dressing rooms of his variety shows to the muddy trenches of Ukraine's war with Russia. Based on four years of reporting; extensive travels with President Zelensky to the front; and dozens of interviews with him, his wife, his friends and enemies, his advisers, ministers and military commanders, Shuster tells the intimate and revealing story of the president's evolution from a slapstick actor to a symbol of resilience.

December 8

Annual December dinner—location to be determined

