

**Thank you for your interest in joining an adult book club at the Andover Public Library!**

*The mission of our book clubs is to encourage reading and enlightenment, open members up to new genres and authors, create discussion and provide an opportunity to meet new people in the community. I try to remind members that they may not like every book chosen for discussion, but on the other hand, might find a new author or genre to enjoy reading. Book clubs offer a chance to try new things.*

*Our book clubs meet the second Monday night, third Tuesday morning and third Thursday evening of each calendar month in our library conference room. Occasionally, a book club may have to be moved to a different date due to a holiday when the library is closed. If the library is closed due to inclement weather on the day of your book club, then I will send out an e-mail to reschedule. I usually try to send out a reminder e-mail a few days before the first group meets each month as well as update you on future discussion titles.*

*Our Monday PM Book Club is dedicated to lighter, cozier material and meets from 6:30-7:45pm.*

*Our Tuesday AM Book Club is open genre and meets from 10:00-11:30am.*

*Our Thursday PM Book Club is open genre and meets from 6:30-7:45pm.*

*Andover Public Library adult book club is free, but you must have an Andover Public Library card to participate. Each club is limited to 12 members. Participation is key to a successful book club, therefore members must attend 7 out of 12 discussions per calendar year. If you join after the calendar year begins, your attendance requirement will be adjusted so that you must attend at least 58% of discussions for the remainder of the calendar year. A sign in sheet will be provided at each meeting for tracking attendance. If for any reason you are no longer able or want to participate in book club, please let me know so that I may open your spot to another interested patron.*

*The books are provided by the library through our interlibrary loan (ILL) service or our own collection. Any fines on your account must be paid before picking up your next book club book. If for any reason a book is damaged or lost while on loan to you, then you will be responsible for the replacement cost of the book. I will have your next discussion book available to pick up around the time of your book club meeting so that it will be convenient to drop off your old book and get your new book.*

*We encourage each member to be a discussion leader at least once during the year. Discussion leaders are responsible for providing 3 titles/authors they are interested in as their discussion book, and we will locate enough copies for at least one of those titles. The titles must be at least 6 months old in order to get them through our ILL service.*

*Feel free to check our website at [www.andoverlibrary.org](http://www.andoverlibrary.org) and click on Book Clubs under APL Services for information and current or previous discussion titles. If you are interested in joining, please fill out the sign up- form, detach and turn it in to a staff member at our front desk. I will contact you shortly to get you started.*

*Sincerely,*

*Janelle Heaney*

*Andover Public Library Liaison for Adult Book Clubs*

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**Adult Book Club Sign-Up Form**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Library Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name you want printed on your name tag (first name only): \_\_\_\_\_

Club you are interested in joining (circle one):

2<sup>nd</sup> Mon. PM (Cozy)

3<sup>rd</sup> Tues. AM (Open Genre)

3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. PM (Open Genre)

Type of material you prefer (circle one):

Regular Print Book

Large Print Book

Unabridged Audiobook (CD)

Questions, Comments or Concerns:

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