

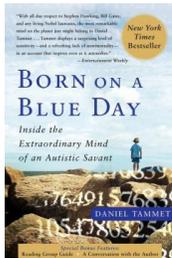
Past Evening Book Club Selections



Major Pettigrew's Last Stand

by Helen Simonson

Forced to confront the realities of life in the 21st century when he falls in love with widowed Pakistani descendant Mrs. Ali, a retired Major Pettigrew finds the relationship challenged by local prejudices that view Mrs. Ali, a Cambridge native, as a perpetual foreigner.



Born on a Blue Day : inside the extraordinary mind of an autistic savant : a memoir

by Daniel Tammet

Traces the inspiring story of an autistic savant with genius-level mathematical talents, describing how he was eschewed by his classmates in spite of his near-photographic memory and super-human

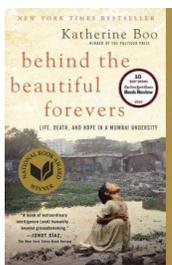
capacity for math and language, in a firsthand account that offers insight into how he experiences the world.



The Secret Keeper: a novel

Kate Morton

Withdrawing from a family party to the solitude of her tree house, 16-year-old Laurel Nicolson witnesses a shocking murder that throughout a subsequent half century shapes her beliefs, her acting career and the lives of three strangers from vastly different cultures.

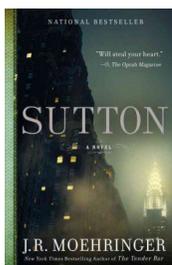


Behind the beautiful forevers : Life, Death, and Hope in a Mumbai Undercity

by Katherine Boo

A first book by a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist profiles everyday life in the settlement of Annawadi as experienced by a Muslim teen, an ambitious rural mother of a prospective female college student and a

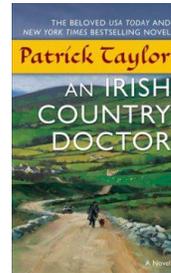
young scrap metal thief, in an account that illuminates how their efforts to build better lives are challenged by regional religious, caste and economic tensions.



Sutton

by J. R. Moehringer

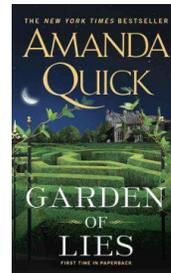
A fictionalized account of Willie Sutton, one of the most notorious criminals in American history, traces his life, his doomed romance with his first love, and his surprise pardon on Christmas Eve in 1969.



An Irish Country Doctor

by Patrick Taylor

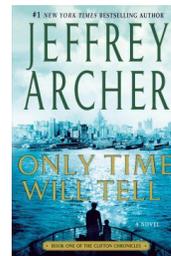
A recent medical school graduate, Barry Laverty is delighted by the opportunity to join a small rural practice in the beautiful hills of Ballybucklebo, Northern Ireland, until he meets his superior, Dr. Fingal Flahertie O'Reilly, a cantankerous older physician who has his own way of doing things.



Garden of Lies

by Amanda Quick

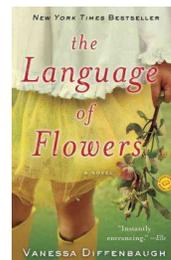
Refusing to believe that her star employee's death was suicide, Ursula Kern, the owner of a secretarial agency for wealthy clients, hires skeptical adventurer Slater Roxton to investigate the dark side of cultured society



Only time will tell

by Jeffrey Archer

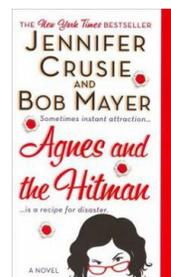
Bristol dock worker Harry Clifton's unexpected scholarship leads him to pursue a very different life while uncovering the truth about his father's identity



The Language of Flowers

by Vanessa Diffenbaugh

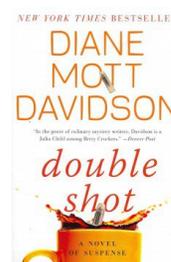
Discovering the symbolic meanings of flowers while languishing in the foster-care system, eighteen-year-old Victoria is hired by a florist when her talent for helping others is discovered, a situation that leads her to confront a painful secret from her past.



Agnes & the Hitman

by Jennifer Crusie

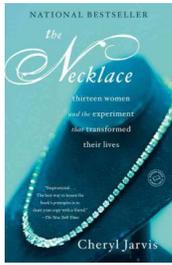
Rescued during a break-in by an unlikely hit man who has been directed by the mob to protect her, food writer Cranky Agnes finds her situation further complicated by a missing cache of money that becomes a key factor in a Southern mafia wedding.



Double Shot

by Diane Mott Davidson

Goldy Schultz becomes the victim of threats, rumor, and violence after the release of her abusive ex-husband. It escalates to the point of murder and forces her to fend off a pair of detectives and solve a crime that would tear her family apart.

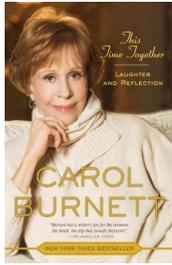


The Necklace : thirteen women and the experiment that transformed their lives

by Cheryl Jarvis

A best-selling book describes how thirteen women jointly purchased a valuable diamond necklace that they would share, with each woman holding the necklace for twenty-eight days a year, revealing how a

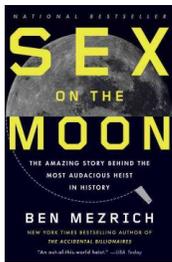
simple agreement became a study in friendship, adventure, and the power of giving back.



This Time Together : laughter and reflection

by Carol Burnett

The comedic actress best known for The Carol Burnett Show reveals a life filled with ups, downs and an undying love for making people laugh. By the author of One More Time: A Memoir.

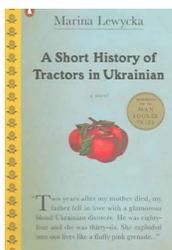


Sex on the Moon : the amazing story behind the most audacious heist in history

by Ben Mezrich

Draws on court records, FBI transcripts, NASA documents and first-person interviews to reconstruct NASA fellow Thad Roberts's theft of invaluable moon rocks,

offering insight into Roberts's personality, the nature of his accomplices and their sophisticated break-in plan.

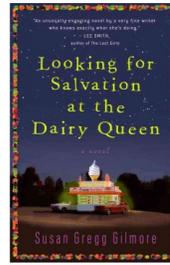


A Short History of Tractors in Ukrainian

by Marina Lewycka

Putting aside a lifetime of rivalry when they learn that their recently widowed father is planning to remarry a gold-digging woman, sisters Vera and Nadezhda find themselves outmaneuvered by their father's scheming fiancée, a situation that is compromised by

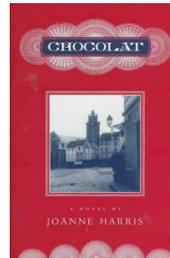
a hurricane, family secrets, and their father's obsession with tractor history.



Looking for Salvation at the Dairy Queen : a novel

by Susan Gregg Gilmore

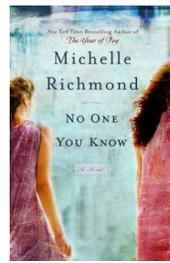
In early 1970s Riggold, Georgia, Catherine Grace Cline, the daughter of the local Baptist preacher, dreams of escaping her small town for Atlanta, but after her dream becomes reality, a tragedy transforms her perspective.



Chocolat : a novel

by Joanne Harris

A timeless novel of the small French village of Lansquenet's awakening to joy and sensuality tells the story of how bewitching newcomer Vianne Rocher and her chocolate shop arrive and begin to play havoc with everyone's Lenten vows.

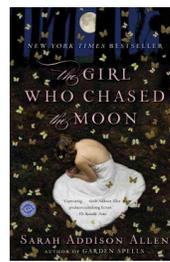


No One You Know

by Michelle Richmond

Twenty years after the unsolved murder of her sister Lila, a top math student at Stanford, Ellie's chance meeting with the man accused of the crime leads to the discovery of Lila's secret notebook, filled with mathematical equations, and to a quest to unravel a hundred-year-old

mathematical puzzle, Lila's secret lover, the fate of the man who profited from the crime, and other enigmas.



The Girl Who Chased the Moon

by Sarah Addison Allen

Moving in with the grandfather she never knew after the death of her mother, 17-year-old Emily witnesses bizarre supernatural activities in her new North Carolina community while befriending its remarkable residents.



Alice's tulips

by Sandra Dallas

An evocation of the day-to-day life of women in the Civil War era follows Alice, whose husband has left their Iowa farm for the war, as she copes with the farm life and lives normally, until suddenly being accused of murder.