

# 2018 Grand Island Public Library Book Club



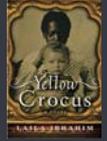
Our Book Club meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 pm. For more information, please call us at 308.385.5333 or log on to our website: [www.gilibrary.org](http://www.gilibrary.org)



## January 2

*Yellow Crocus*  
Laila Ibrahim

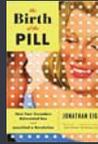
Moments after Lisbeth is born, she's taken from her mother and handed over to an enslaved wet nurse, Mattie, a young mother separated from her own infant son. Thus begins an intense relationship that will shape both of their lives.



## February 6

*Orphan Train*  
Christina Baker Kline

*Orphan Train* is an unforgettable story of friendship and second chances that highlights a little-known but historically significant movement in America's past.



## March 6

*The Birth of the Pill*  
Jonathan Eig

We know it simply as "the pill," yet its genesis was anything but simple. Eig's masterful narrative revolves around four principal characters: the fiery feminist Margaret Sanger; the beautiful Katharine McCormick; the visionary scientist Gregory Pincus; and the telegenic John Rock.

## April 3

*A Warrior of the People*  
Joe Starita

The story of a Native American woman who affectively became the chief of an entrenched patriarchal tribe, crashed through thick walls of ethnic, racial and gender prejudice, then spent the rest of her life using a unique bicultural identity to improve the lot of her people—physically, emotionally, politically, and spiritually.



**May 8**

***Circling the Sun***  
**Paula McLain**

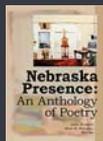
Set against the majestic landscape of early-twentieth-century Africa, McLain's powerful tale reveals the extraordinary adventures of a woman before her time, the exhilaration of freedom and its cost, and the tenacity of human spirit.



**June 5**

***Nebraska Presence: An Anthology of Poetry***

Poems by more than 80 contemporary Nebraska poets, including Pulitzer Prize winner and former Poet Laureate of the U.S., Ted Kooser, Nebraska State Poet William Kloefkorn, several poets who have had their poems read on Garrison Keillor's *Writer's Almanac* including Greg Kuzma, Marjorie Saiser, Twyla Hansen, Grace Bauer, Greg Kosmicki, as well as widely noted poets Hilda Raz, Roy Scheele, Steve Langan, and many others.

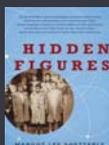


**July 3**

***Hidden Figures***

**Margot Lee Shetterly**

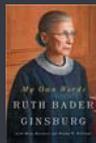
Starting in WWII and moving through to the Cold War, the Civil Rights Movement and the space race, *Hidden Figures* follows the interwoven accounts of four African-American women who participated in some of NASA's greatest successes. It chronicles their careers over the nearly three decades as they faced challenges, forged alliances and used their intellect to change their own lives, and their country's future.



**August 7**

***My Own Words***  
**Ruth Bader Ginsburg**

A witty, engaging, serious, and playful collection of writings and speeches from the woman who has had a powerful and enduring influence on law, women's rights, and popular culture. *My Own Words* is her first book since becoming a Supreme Court Justice in 1993.



## September 4

*Hillbilly Elegy*  
J.D. Vance

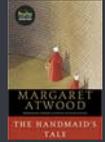
From a former Marine and Yale Law School graduate, a powerful account of growing up in a poor Rust Belt town that offers a broader, probing look at the struggles of America's white working class.



## October 9

*Handmaid's Tale*  
Margaret Atwood

Offred is a Handmaid in the Republic of Gilead. She may leave the home of the Commander and his wife once a day to walk to food markets whose signs are now pictures instead of words because women are no longer allowed to read... A funny, unexpected, horrifying, and altogether convincing dystopian tour de force.



## November 6

*America's First Daughter*  
Stephanie Dray, Laura Kamoie

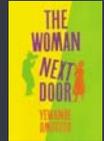
From her earliest days, Patsy Jefferson knows that though her father loves his family dearly, his devotion to his country runs deeper still. As Thomas Jefferson's oldest daughter, she becomes his helpmate, protector, and constant companion in the wake of her mother's death, traveling with him when he becomes American minister to France.



## December 4

*The Woman Next Door*  
Yewande Omotoso

Hortensia James and Marion Agostino are neighbors. One is black, the other white. Both are successful women with impressive careers. Both have recently been widowed, and are living with questions, disappointments, and secrets they have brought them shame. And each has something that the woman next door deeply desires.



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