



Mission

The Milford Library endeavors to encourage and support the development of local book clubs. We are happy to provide the services listed in this brochure to book clubs as requested.

Current Book Clubs

- **Open Book Discussion Group**

Meets at the library the third Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Milford Memorial Library.

- **Friends of Books**

Meets the third Tuesday of each month in private homes. This is a private group.

- **Calvary Book Club**

Meets the fourth Tuesday (September-May) at 2:00 p.m. For more information contact Betty Naab at 332-5194.

- **Pearls Book Club**

Meets the first Wednesday of every other month (October-May). For more information contact the Union Memorial Church office at 338-4642.

- **C.O.R. (Community of Readers)**

Meets the second Tuesday of each month at the First Lutheran Church at 7:00 p.m. Contact Jolene Leu for more information at 338-2494.

Location

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Email: info@milfordlibrary.net

Website: www.milford.lib.ia.us

Hours

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m.

Wednesdays 9:30 a.m.—8:00 p.m.

Saturdays 10:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

Sundays Closed

Get Social



Book Club Services



Picking a Book

Follow these tips to help guide your book club selections.

- Find a book that offers food for thought and topics for discussion. Romance and mystery generally do not offer the kind of depth needed for good discussion.
- Look for books outside of the mainstream, ultra-popular circles — try something new and different.
- Check the new books under the “What’s New” tab on our catalogue.
- Remember, it is not about everyone “liking the book.” It’s about lively discussion and broadening your reading experience.



Requesting books

The library will attempt to acquire multiple copies for book club members. Please keep the following in mind:

- Select titles from the multiple copies list at <http://www.statelibraryofiowa.org/ld/k-p/multiple-copies>
- If the library unable to get books from the multiple copies list we will provide up to 5 individual copies of a particular title.
- Please give the library at least two weeks notice to get copies. An advance list of titles is best.
- New and popular titles are often checked out at the lending libraries, making it difficult to obtain copies.



- Copies of books will be located on the designated book club shelf area at the library and can be checked out by individual patrons for two weeks.
- Please appoint an individual book club contact person and provide the library with their email and phone number.
- Check the library holdings to see what is available at <https://milford.biblionix.com/catalog/>
- Provide Milford Memorial Library with the day and time you plan to meet.
- The library staff is happy to help you with any questions or concerns.

Resources For Title Suggestions and Discussion Questions

Title Suggestions

(Also on milford.lib.ia.us)

- Random House Publisher Website <http://www.randomhouse.com/rgg/>
- Harper Collins Publisher Website <http://www.harpercollins.com/>
- Penguin Group Website <http://www.penguin.com/>
- Simon and Schuster Publisher Website <http://www.simonandschuster.com/>
- Tracks the 100 most popular book club selections nationally. <http://www.bookmovement.com/>
- 70 Books listed with excerpts, reading questions, character guide and author interviews or essays <http://www.oprah.com/app/books.html>



Discussion Questions (Also on milford.lib.is.us)

- <http://www.litlovers.com/reading-guides>
- <http://www.readinggroupguides.com/>
- <http://bestsellers.about.com/od/bookclubquestions/>
- https://www.bookbrowse.com/reading_guides/index.cfm?