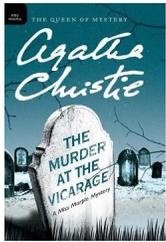


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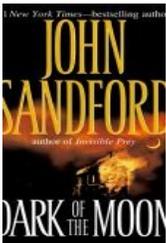
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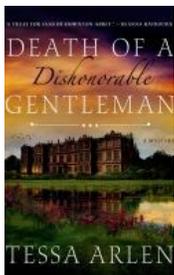
Meeting the first Wednesday of each month at 1:30 pm



January 8: "Murder at the Vicarage" by Agatha Christie. Colonel Protheroe, local magistrate and overbearing landowner, is the most detested man in the little English village of St. Mary Mead. Everyone, even the Vicar, wishes he was dead. And very soon he is--shot in the head in the Vicar's study.



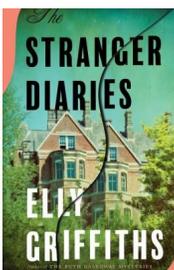
February 5: "Dark of the Moon" by John Sandford. Virgil Flowers is sent to Bluestem, a small town where everyone knows everyone else, to investigate the murders of a man burned to death in his home and a doctor and his wife, unaware that he is tracking a murderer who may be targeting Virgil as his next victim.



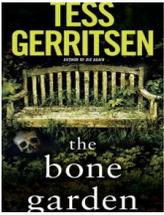
March 4: "Death of a Dishonourable Gentleman" by Tessa Arlen. Lady Montfort has been planning her annual summer costume ball for months, and with scrupulous care. But when her husband's degenerate nephew is found murdered, it's more than the ball that is ruined. In this enchanting debut sure to appeal to fans of *Downton Abbey*, Tessa Arlen draws readers into a world exclusively enjoyed by the rich, privileged classes and suffered by the men and women who serve them.



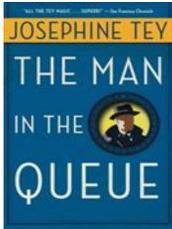
April 1: "The Perfect Alibi" by Phillip Margolin. A young woman accuses a prominent local college athlete of rape. Convicted on DNA evidence, the athlete swears his innocence. When a second rape occurs, DNA evidence again points to the imprisoned athlete. As young lawyer Robin Lockwood searches for answers, she finds herself enmeshed in a tangled web of buried secrets, lies, and violence.



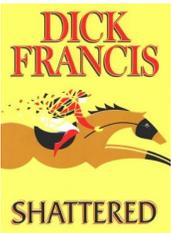
May 6: "The Stranger Diaries" by Elly Griffiths. Death lies between the lines when the events of a dark story start coming true. Clare Cassidy is no stranger to murder. A high school teacher specializing in the gothic writer R. M. Holland, she even teaches a course on him. But when one of Clare's colleagues is found dead, with a line from Holland's iconic story "The Stranger" left by her body, Clare is horrified to see her life collide with her favorite literature.



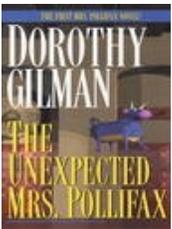
June 3: “The Bone Garden” by Tess Gerritsen. The discovery of the skeleton of a woman murdered two centuries earlier sends medical examiner Maura Isles on the trail of a long-dead serial killer who terrorized Boston with crimes in which Norris Marshall, a Harvard Medical School student, had become the prime suspect.



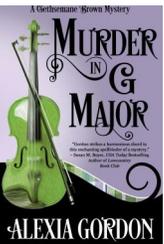
July 1: “The Man in the Queue” by Josephine Tey. Inspector Alan Grant of the CID, travels deep into the theatrical world in his efforts to build up a picture of the nameless stranger found stabbed to death in the queue outside a theatre. A stabbing which occurred in a dense crowd of theater-goers, none of whom saw anything.



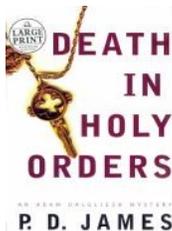
August 5: “Shattered” by Dick Francis. When jockey Martin Stukely dies after a fall at Cheltenham, he accidentally embroils his friend Gerard Logan, a glassblower on the verge of widespread acclaim, in a perilous search for a stolen videotape. Logan is suddenly faced with terrifying threats to his business, his courage, and his life.



September 2: “The Unexpected Mrs. Pollifax” by Dorothy Gilman. A widowed matron decides to pursue her lifelong desire to be a spy, finds herself useful to the CIA, and successfully completes an assignment which takes her from New Jersey to Mexico City to Albania.



October 7: “Murder in G-Major” by Alexia Gordon. With few other options, Gethsemane Brown accepts a less-than-ideal position turning a group of schoolboys into an award-winning orchestra. Stranded without luggage or money in the Irish countryside, she figures any job is better than none. The perk? Housesitting a lovely cliffside cottage. The catch? The ghost of the cottage's murdered owner haunts the place.



November 4: “Death in Holy Orders” by P. D. James. In *Death in Holy Orders*, we find Commander Adam Dalgliesh returning to an isolated, windswept, religious college to informally look into the death of a young ordinand -- and to visit a place where he spent many happy summers as a youth.



December 2: “The Body in the Sleigh” by Katherine Hall Page. Caterer and minister's wife Faith Fairchild is back to solve the latest perfect puzzler. Set on Sanpere Island in Maine's Penobscot Bay, this holiday whodunit is chock-full of suspense, surprises, real heart, and small miracles.