Hello book lovers! Here are some more ideas from our March meeting. We will be voting at our April 25th meeting for our summer reading titles.

Please email more of your suggestions to Renee: rnixon@htlibrary.org
Also, visit our website for current book group titles and other group updates. htlibrary.org/book-group

Group Member Suggestions

**No Accident by Laura Bates (2021)**
Thriller

In this novel, Laura Bates tells the story of a young woman named Maggie who is involved in a car accident that leaves her with amnesia. As she tries to piece together the events leading up to the accident, she discovers that her perfect life may not have been as perfect as she thought. The novel explores themes of memory, identity, and the secrets that people keep.

**What the Dead Know by Laura Lippman (2007)**
Thriller

In this novel, Laura Lippman tells the story of two sisters who disappeared from a shopping mall in the 1970s and the mysterious woman who resurfaces years later, claiming to be one of the missing sisters. The novel explores themes of memory, trauma, and the impact of the past on the present.
The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin (2014)  
Relationship Fiction, Humor

A.J. Fikry is a bookshop owner who has isolated himself from the world after the death of his wife. However, when a baby is left in his bookstore, A.J.’s life begins to change as he learns to love and connect with others. The novel explores themes of grief, love, and the transformative power of books.

Literary Fiction, Native American Author

This novel is a collection of interconnected stories that follow the lives of several members of an Ojibwe tribe. The stories explore themes of love, family, tradition, and the complexities of Native American life.

The Great Believers by Rebecca Makkai (2018)  

This novel is set in 1980s Chicago and follows the lives of several characters affected by the AIDS epidemic. The novel explores themes of love, loss, friendship, and the devastating impact of the disease on the LGBTQ+ community.
Wish You Were Here by Jodi Picoult (2022)
Contemporary Fiction/ Relationship Fiction

With everything perfectly on track, Diana O'Toole finds things going off the rails when she is quarantined during her dream vacation in the Galapagos due to a virus, forcing her to reevaluate herself and her life when she makes a connection with a local family.

Talking to Strangers by Malcolm Gladwell (2019)

In this book, Malcolm Gladwell examines why we often fail to understand the behavior of strangers, despite our best efforts to do so. Through a series of case studies, Gladwell explores the ways in which our assumptions and biases can lead to miscommunication and misunderstanding, and offers insights into how we can bridge the gap between people from different backgrounds and cultures.

Poverty, by America by Matthew Desmond (March 2023)

While the United States ranks among the richest countries in the world, it has the largest amount of poverty; the author expects that to expand. Presently, every one in three Americans work in low-paying jobs, one in eight live in severe poverty, and the wealth gap between Black and white families remains large. Pulitzer Prize—winning sociologist Desmon suggests solutions by advocating for what he calls “poverty abolitionists.”