

## NonFiction Book Club Reading List - 2026

Date	Book Title	Author	Description
<b>March 23</b>	<i>The Second Estate: How the Tax Code Made an American Aristocracy</i>	Ray D. Madoff	Boston University law professor Ray D. Madoff (2025, 239 pp.) argues that the wealthy use the 7,000-page tax code to evade taxes, creating a modern "Second Estate" reminiscent of the French aristocracy before the Revolution.
<b>April 27</b>	<i>1929: Inside the Greatest Crash in Wall Street History — And How it Shattered a Nation</i>	Andrew Ross Sorkin	New York Times and CNBC financial commentator Andrew Ross Sorkin (2025, 591 pp.) offers a definitive narrative of the 1929 collapse, detailing the events that led to the crash and the tragic era of economic depression that followed.
<b>June 22</b>	<i>We the People: A History of the US Constitution</i>	Jill Lepore	Harvard history professor Jill Lepore (2025, 713 pp.) explores why the US Constitution is among the most difficult in the world to amend while challenging the Supreme Court's monopoly on interpretation through the lens of originalism.
<b>July 27</b>	<i>The Gales of November: The Untold Story of the Edmund Fitzgerald</i>	John U. Bacon	John U. Bacon (2025, 430 pp.) uses more than 100 interviews to offer a fascinating account of the 1975 sinking of the doomed Great Lakes freighter, a tragedy immortalized in Gordon Lightfoot's celebrated ballad.

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<b>August 24</b>	<i>Wild Thing: A Life of Paul Gauguin</i>	Sue Prideaux	The Norwegian-born English biographer, Sue Prideaux (2025, 412 pp.), presents a highly readable biography of the Post-Impressionist painter, tracing how his complex relationships with family and colleagues influenced his revolutionary artistic legacy.
<b>September 21</b>	<i>By the Fire We Carry: The Generations-Long Fight for Justice on Native Land</i>	Rebecca Nagle	Cherokee journalist Rebecca Nagle (2024, 352 pp.) crafts a legal thriller and historical report on tribal land disputes, exposing the chasm between American institutional practices and the nation's founding ideals.
<b>October 26</b>	<i>Careless People: A Cautionary Tale of Power, Greed and Lost Idealism</i>	Sarah Wynn-Williams	Former New Zealand diplomat and Facebook executive, Sarah Wynn-Williams (2025, 385 pp.), uses a biting phrase from <i>The Great Gatsby</i> to describe a culture of leadership that Facebook's parent company actively tried to block from publication.