

WINTER BOOK DISCUSSION – GWYNEDD FRIENDS MEETING

Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm on Zoom

Mark your calendar NOW to participate in next season's JEDI book group to meet with others in our community to delve into issues of justice and equality in our society.

The Night Watchman by Louise Erdrich

A Project of the JEDI Working Group
Justice, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion

- WINNER OF THE 2021 PULITZER PRIZE FOR FICTION
- NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
- WASHINGTON POST, NPR, CBS SUNDAY MORNING, KIRKUS, CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, AND GOOD HOUSEKEEPING BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR

Louise Erdrich pays poignant homage to her grandfather in this sweeping novel about Native American dispossession in the 1950s. Like her grandfather, our titular hero is a humble night watchman, also the tribal chairman of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa in North Dakota. Initially an uneventful post, Thomas Wazhashk's life is upended when he learns that the U.S. government has earmarked them for "emancipation" (an odd term, he points out, since they were not enslaved). *The Night Watchman* follows Thomas's tireless efforts to persuade the U.S. government to honor treaties that protected what remained of their already picked-over lands.

—Erin Kodicek, Amazon Book Review

Since this book is a novel, we will be following a different format. There will only be one session, but we will break into smaller groups to allow greater opportunities for participation. This should allow readers to finish the book in time for the discussion.

To register for this book group so that we can send you updates and zoom information, please email:

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We trust that this will be a meaningful and thought-provoking read for everyone.

New participants are welcome and encouraged to join in!