

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Attention Book Clubs and Literature Classes

Are you meeting in October? Participate in the statewide Domestic Violence Awareness Month #NYGoesPurpleforDV campaign by expanding your knowledge and talking about the issue. Book club members can wear purple (the awareness color) to the meeting. You can even serve purple food and drinks. Get creative! A suggested book list, including fiction, autobiographies and non-fiction, follows. For a reliable source of domestic violence information, visit our [website](#) before or during the meeting and see our victim handbook, "[Finding Safety & Support](#)."

Want to take it to the next level?

- Consider collecting money from each member and donating it to your local domestic violence program. For a list of programs: <https://www.nyscadv.org/statewide-dv-directory/>
- Other suggestions for getting involved: http://www.opdv.ny.gov/difference/donate_volunteer.html
- Be prepared to share the NYS Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline: **1-800-942-6906**.

Book List

- *A Natural Woman*, Carole King
- *An Early Frost*, Jenna Brooks
- *A Streetcar Named Desire*, Tennessee Williams
- *A Thousand Splendid Suns*, Khaled Hosseini
- *Backseat Saints*, Joshilyn Jackson
- *Bastard Out of Carolina*, Dorothy Allison
- *Batterer as Parent (The): Addressing the Impact of Domestic Violence on Family Dynamics*, Lundy Bancroft
- *Because I Am Furniture*, Thalia Chaltas
- *Behind Closed Doors*, B.A. Paris
- *Big Little Lies*, Liane Moriarty
- *Bitter End*, Jennifer Brown
- *Black and Blue: A Novel*, Anna Quindlen
- *Bloodroot*, Amy Greene
- *Blue-Eyed Devil*, Lisa Kleypas
- *Burning Bed (The)*, Faith McNulty
- *But I Love Him*, Amanda Grace
- *Casual Vacancy (The)*, J.K. Rowling
- *Chosen One (The)*, Carol Lynch Williams
- *Color Purple (The)*, Alice Walker