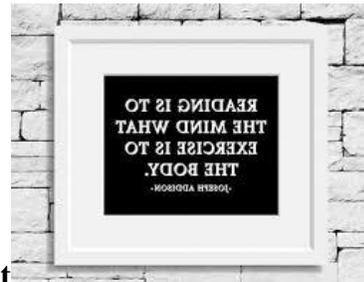
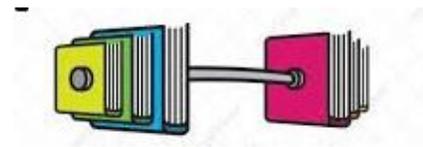


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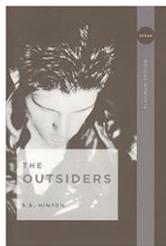
January 12th @ 2:30pm



The next meeting of

the Fenwick Book Club is on a Tuesday, 01/12/21 in Zampell. Discussion will focus on the YA classic, **The Outsider**. S. E. Hinton's story is about ostracized kids and is a timeless favorite must read for teens and preteens. Questions we'll probably spend some time talking about are "What makes a book a classic? What are classifications like Young Adult (YA) and genre assignments like "coming of age" all about? Hinton started writing **The Outsiders** when she was 15. Do you have an ongoing writing project? What does social class have to do with Ponyboy? Why do you think this book still resonates with readers after 53 years? Which format tells Ponyboy's story better, the movie or the book?

The novel tells the story of Ponyboy Curtis and his struggles with right and wrong in a society in which he



believes that he is an outsider. According to Ponyboy, there are two kinds of people in the world: greasers and socs. A soc (short for "social") has money, can get away with just about anything, and has an attitude longer than a limousine. A greaser, on the other hand, always lives on the outside and needs to watch his back. Ponyboy is a greaser, and he's always been proud of it, even willing to rumble against a gang of socs for the sake of his fellow greasers--until one terrible night when his friend Johnny kills a soc. (Goodreads)

Susan Eloise Hinton's career as an author began while she was still a student at Will Rogers High School in Tulsa, Oklahoma



Disturbed by the divisions among her schoolmates Hinton wrote **The Outsiders**, an honest, sometimes shocking novel. Since her narrator was male, it was decided that Hinton use only her first initials so as not to put off boys who would not normally read books written by women. **The Outsiders** was published during Hinton's freshman year at the University of Tulsa, and was an immediate sensation.



An important focus of the Fenwick Book Club are discussions around books that made it to the stage or movie screen. **The Outsiders** Films based on S.E. Hinton's novels Francis Ford Coppola was convinced to direct **The Outsiders** film by Jo Ellen Misakian, a librarian at Lone Star Jr. High School in Fresno, California, and her students. The



film was shot in 1982 and released in 1983. **Reminder...** The book club is student driven which means everyone is practicing leadership skills. Come with your ideas of what you like to read, your thoughts on why you read, and think about how a movie is the same and/or a very different experience than reading a book.