



AGENDA

Athenian Dialogue with Dawn Michanowicz, MMC, Facilitator

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**Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of Madness, Medicine
and the Murder of a President, by Candice Millard**

Tuesday November 14 from 1pm-7:30pm

Athenian Dialogue = 3 CMC/MMC points for a total of 6 hours plus working dinner

INTRODUCTIONS [Video w/Candice Millard](#) [0.55 - 6.0 min]

- thank our sponsor, Michele Grande, Pres of NEACTC and the Ed Cmtee, Carol Anderson
- housekeeping: cell phones, Zoom etiquette (names, mute, chat)
- breaks

What is a dialogue?

- IIMC expectations: assessment for points/deadline
- my style of a dialogue
- "round robin" introductions: where are you from, family, pets, something unique...
- BIO

3pm BREAK

3:15 GROUP DISCUSSION

Did you like this book? Why or why not?

3:45 BREAK OUT GROUP: Discuss 3 leadership characteristics of your character and why they might be valid in today's world (or not).

1. James A. Garfield
2. Joseph Stanley Brown
3. Roscoe Conkling
4. Dr. Bliss
5. Alexander Graham Bell
6. Charles Guiteau

GROUP DISCUSSION - each group presents



[Click for link:](#) A view inside the Interstate Exposition Building (known as the "Glass Palace") during the convention; James Abram Garfield (center, right) is on the podium, waiting to speak.

Congressman James Garfield attended the 1880 Republican National ConConvention in Chicago not seeking the party's presidential nomination, but to nominate someone else to receive it. When Garfield himself became the compromise nominee, he returned to his Mentor, Ohio home and found reporters already waiting to talk to him. Over the next several months, nearly 20,000 members of the general public also descended on Garfield's farm to get a glimpse of the candidate.

GROUP DISCUSSION Garfield's [Campaign Speech](#) Aug 6, 1880(see photo)

Historically, what was going on at the time of Garfield's Presidency?

Why did Garfield run for President?

Tragedy unites us. How? Provide examples.

5:15pm BREAK

5:30 DINNER — BREAK OUT GROUPS to discuss:

Can you relate to one of the characters?

What makes this story so compelling?

GROUP DISCUSSION

7pm What was **your** favorite quote from this book?

GAME

ASSESSMENT: DEADLINE Dec 15th, Friday at 5pm

7:30pm CLOSING

Email your Assessment to DawnMichanowicz@gmail.com

If you are not seeking points and only need a "Participation Certificate," let me know.

Book suggestions are always welcome. Thank you!