



# BETWEEN THE COVERS



*There are some great special events coming to the library this October!*

First up, it's Goose Festival time in Fennville again. While the festivities start downtown in the evening of Thursday, October 12th, the library doesn't get in on the fun until Saturday the 14th. In part, this means that the library has extended hours—on Saturday, we're open from 10 AM to 3 PM and on Sunday, we're open from 11 AM to 3 PM. You're welcome to visit just to use the library during these extended hours, but we also have a couple of special events.

As always, the Fennville Friends of the Library are holding a book sale during the library's open hours. Jump to [page 5](#) for details.

In addition to the fantastic book sale, there will be a temporary exhibit featuring the library's collection of artwork by Steve French, who, for many years, hosted wildlife painting demonstrations during Goose Festival. The exhibit is hosted by two personal friends of the artist who are more than happy to share stories, as well!

After Goose Festival, we also have some great events coming for Halloween. The day before the holiday, we have a special program just for the teens—Franken-toys! Teen participants will deconstruct old, donated toys, and then build monstrous creations using the pieces. The library invites you to donate your old, damaged, and unused toys for this project that you no longer want for this project as well.

Also, after the success of last year's one-day-only Halloween Escape Room, we're doing another on Halloween this year! Rather than escape from Dracula's castle this year, participants are invited to solve puzzles in order to help Dr. Frankenstein bring his monster to life. Similar to last year, participants get half-hour slots to solve the room, and slots are first-come first-serve. While you wait for your turn in the escape room, you can do one of the library's fun Halloween crafts. If you don't want to hang around, though, make sure you still stop by and tell us "Trick or Treat" to get some goodies!

Whether it's at Goose Festival, Halloween, or any of our other programs, we hope you enjoy the great things the library has to offer this October!

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Monday - Thursday 10 am - 8 pm  
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# NEW! YOUTH READS>>>

## i'M JUST ME because

The entire month of October focuses on promoting individual development, creating environments that break down stereotypes, and embracing who we really are. By doing so, we also recognize the diversity around us, and we move beyond simple tolerance to celebrate humanity. Our movement starts by giving voice to the things that make us unique and outstanding and recognizing that acceptance helps change the culture.

The *I'm Just Me Movement* reminds us the concept of diversity encompasses acceptance and respect. It means understanding that each individual is unique and recognizing our individual differences. These can be along the dimensions of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, age, physical abilities, religious beliefs, political beliefs, or other ideologies. Understanding diversity is the exploration of these differences in a safe, positive, and nurturing environment. It is about understanding each other and embracing and celebrating the rich variety contained within us.

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## be yourself!



# NEW! TWEEN READS>>>



## Boo!

PICTURE BOOK  
*Ghosts in the House!*  
by Kazuno Kohara

MIDDLE GRADE  
*Just South of Home*  
by Karen Strong

YOUNG ADULT  
*I Am the Ghost  
in Your House*  
by Mar Romasco Moore

# SHOW ME THE MONEY!

Financing a college education is a daunting task no matter your circumstances. We help you take control of your experience by helping you:

- Maximize your aid eligibility
- Start preparing now
- Explore strategies to reduce college costs and avoid expensive mistakes
- Complete questions on aid applications to your best advantage
- Compare offers and learn how to appeal them if necessary

## i'M JUST ME because

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Expressing who we are also goes a long way to improving and maintaining mental wellness. When we are confident in our voice and uniqueness, we share those qualities with others. We build upon a foundation that we can fall back on in times of crisis. Our mental wellness overcomes many obstacles life throws at us. October and ***I'm Just Me Because Month*** provides an opportunity to grow and experience understanding in ways we never have before and build resilience.

During ***I'm Just Me Because Month***, we can express our strengths, talents, and achievements. Some may choose to define themselves by their challenges or appearance; others emphasize their inner beauty or unique features. ***I'm Just Me Because Month*** provides endless conversation starters from hair color to where a person was born. But we don't have to be defined only by our circumstances, mistakes, or by address. Remember, identify the connection of the world's greatest you, and be THAT! As Tina, founder of the movement, says, "Live life forward."

Express the ways that make you the unique individual you are throughout October. Celebrate the person that is like no other and be you! Use the ***#ImJustMeBecause*** and tell us why by posting on social media.

Continue learning about ***I'm Just Me because Month*** by visiting this link to [nationaldaycalendar.com](http://nationaldaycalendar.com).

be yourself!

#beyourself

GRAPHICS CORNER

# AFTER *THE FIRM*

What became of Mitch and Abby McDeere after they exposed the crimes of Memphis law firm Bendini, Lambert & Locke and fled the country? The answer is in *The Exchange*, the riveting sequel to *The Firm*, the blockbuster thriller that launched the career of America's favorite storyteller.

It is now fifteen years later, and Mitch and Abby are living in Manhattan, where Mitch is a partner at the largest law firm in the world. When a mentor in Rome asks him for a favor that will take him far from home, Mitch finds himself at the center of a sinister plot that has worldwide implications—and once again endangers his colleagues, friends, and family.



## Movie Preview...

*Titles subject to change.*



### KENDRA'S CURRENT ISSUE

The October issue of *Woman's Day* will help you get into the Halloween spirit with unique pumpkin decorating ideas and scary delicious party snacks. October is a time for fun but to also check in on your health with 10 things you need to know about breast cancer.

This month, *Mother Earth News* offers up some homemade cold remedies, and how to protect your furry family members from potential poisoning.



### MICHELE'S MEDIA

*The Storyteller* by Dave Grohl has been a joyous trip back to a time in my life when music became part of my soul. I love the guitar riffs, breakout lashings on the drums, and the melancholic lyrics of the grunge bands that emerged through the 80's and 90's. I still get chills when the beat drops on *Smells Like Teen Spirit*.

If you are looking for a book that spills the tea, revealing dark secrets of icons from his life, you won't find them here. Dave has a genuinely kind heart for his former bandmates, and music acquaintances. Out of a time that brought down many, he has a very down-to-earth take on life, following his dreams for his music and family. Told with warmth, humor and honesty, this book has been a gem to listen to.

**Inheritance:  
A Memoir of  
Genealogy,  
Paternity,  
and Love**

by Dani Shapiro

DISCUSSION  
WEDNESDAY  
11.1@ 1:30 PM

*Inheritance* is a book about secrets—secrets within families, kept out of shame or self-protectiveness; secrets we keep from one another in the name of love. It is the story of a woman’s urgent quest to unlock the story of her own identity, a story that has been scrupulously hidden from her for more than fifty years, years she had spent writing brilliantly, and compulsively, on themes of identity and family history. It is a book about the extraordinary moment we live in—a moment in which science and technology have outpaced not only medical ethics but also the capacities of the human heart to contend with the consequences of what we discover.

Email questions to: [fdlbookclub@gmail.com](mailto:fdlbookclub@gmail.com)



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IN FENNVILLE OCT. 27 AT 5 PM**

While you’re having fun at all the events downtown, make sure you visit the library staff for a creative activity. Fun for the whole family!



**Fennville  
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Festival  
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SAT. OCTOBER 14  
10AM - 3PM

SUN. OCTOBER 15  
11AM - 3PM

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## let's meet Robin K. Buchler

A LIBRARY TRUSTEE

*What is your favorite book?*

The one I haven't read yet. I have been an avid reader for over 40 years. I have many, many favorites but am always excited about the potential of the next book I read.

*What are your hobbies?*

Walking my dog, reading, visiting people, travel.



*Do you have a favorite quote?*

"Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can." - John Wesley

*What do you like about serving on the library board?*

I love libraries! I believe in libraries. The value of their service to mankind is often underrated. It brings back a simpler way of spending your time. I want to do what I can to keep them thriving.

*If you were a box of cereal, what would you be and why?*

Crunchy granola raisin bran  
- bran = healthy  
- raisins = sweet  
- crunchy granola = fun  
healthy, sweet & fun = perfect!



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**The board meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 4pm, at the Library. The public is welcome to attend.**