

BETWEEN THE COVERS



What it means to be a “Friend”

The Fennville District Library is very fortunate to have an active Fennville Friends of the Library group. Our “Friends” donate their time and talents to assist the library. They are advocates and dedicated volunteers. The “Friends” spend countless hours sorting and organizing book donations for the library’s bookstore, as well as helping with special events and summer reading. In addition, the group provides funding for special programming and equipment needed by the library.



Vicki Hutchins, Fennville Friends President

For the past several years, the “Friends” group has been led by the amazing and talented Jody Martin. This year, Jody has decided to step down as President, and Vicki Hutchins has graciously agreed to lead the group. Becky Jamros, Vice-President, Kathy Loew, Treasurer, and Sue Park-Mason, Secretary, will continue to serve as officers. The library board and staff would like to thank Jody Martin for her outstanding contributions and dedication to the library. We also are looking forward to working with Vicki this year!

The Fennville Friends will be hosting a special book sale event on Friday, December 2nd from 10-5 and Saturday, December 3rd from 10-2. Creative gift baskets, crafts, corn bag warmers, vintage books, and other donated books and materials will be available for purchase.

The library is also looking for new volunteers. If you are interested in becoming a friend, please call the library at 269-561-5050. You can also email volunteer requests, questions, or ideas to fennvillefriends@gmail.com.

~ Teresa Kline, Library Director

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Current Hours:
Monday - Thursday 10 am - 8 pm
Friday 10 am - 5 pm
Saturday 10 am - 2 pm
Sunday 2 - 4pm

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YOUTH READS>>>

all ages special december events!

HOLIDAY CRAFT NIGHT

Wednesday, December 7 at 5:00 PM
Great Start Collaborative is bringing a fun craft night to the library! There is also the opportunity to win a prize when you drop-in to participate.

FAMILY MOVIE

Tuesday, December 27 at 3:00 PM
Join us for a fun movie over winter break! For this showing of *Frozen II* (rated PG), we'll provide the snacks, and you bring a pillow, blanket, or chair to sit on.



DECEMBER 27
NATIONAL
Abigail DAY

PICTURE BOOK
Abigail the Whale
by Davide Cali

TWEEN READS>>>

cook the trends!

Check out this fun book for winter break!

Pancake Cereal

One of the best food trends of 2020 was cereal food! Everything tastes better when it's cereal, and this version of things are proven to be the coolest ever.

SERVES 1

- 1 cup (packed) 1/2 cup (solid) pancake mix
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 2 tablespoons maple syrup
- 1/2 cup whole milk

- In a medium bowl, whisk together pancake mix and water. Let batter rest 5 minutes.
- Preheat a griddle to its lowest setting and coat uniformly with nonstick cooking spray.
- Pour batter into a squeeze bottle and make 1 1/2" pancake circles on griddle.
- Cook 1 minute, then flip pancakes. Cook another 45 seconds, then place in a medium bowl. Repeat with remaining batter.
- Place butter on top of pancakes in middle of bowl. Drizzle with maple syrup and top with milk.

For You Tip The key to making a fluffier trend is to use a hot griddle. Sprinkle your cereal on top of your pancakes and drizzle with maple syrup and milk.

36 | The Unofficial TikTok Cookbook

MIDDLE GRADE
The Winter of Red Snow
by Kristiana Gregory

YOUNG ADULT
Jackaby
by William Ritter

Rom Com

In the sequel to Tracy Andreen's debut romantic comedy *So, This Is Christmas*, we follow Finley and Arthur back to Barrington Academy for a swoony semester.

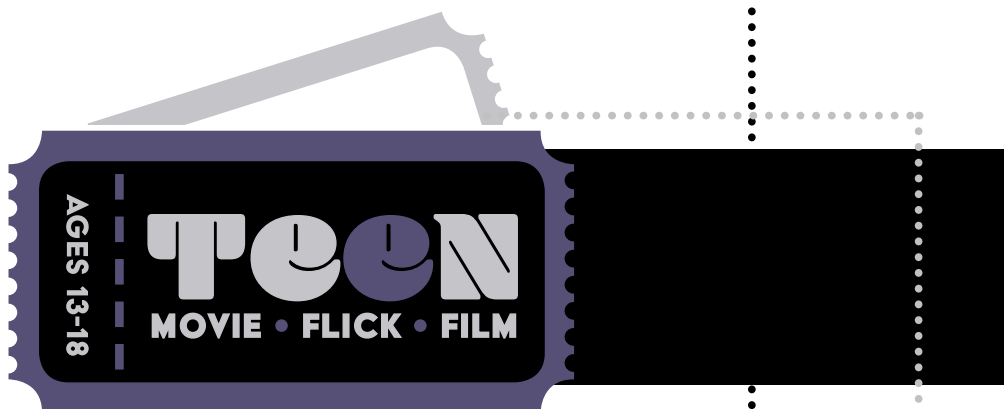
Finley and Arthur are back at boarding school and neither quite knows where the other stands--are they couple? Are they not a couple? What does one magical

Christmas Eve kiss in Oklahoma mean for their relationship status? This confusion isn't helped by the re-entry of old enemies into their school lives, especially ones that may or may not be crushing on Arthur. Finley is at a loss when navigating the complexities of her new (maybe) relationship, which could very well turn into love... if she doesn't blow it.

So, This Is Love is a perfect read for the Valentine's Day season, or for anyone looking for a delightful romantic comedy that has just a dash of drama. Once again, Tracy Andreen has proven that no one writes a holiday rom-com like her.

TEEN EVENTS!

Check our [monthly teen events online](#) or pick up a calendar at the library.



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29 @ 3:30 PM

#CHILLoutWITHAbook

GRAPHICS CORNER

1851 MONTEREY

Ever since her husband was killed in a bar fight, Eliza Ripple has been working in a brothel. It seems like a better life, at least at first. The madam, Mrs. Parks, is kind, the men are (relatively) well behaved, and Eliza has attained what few women have: financial security. But when the dead bodies of young women start appearing outside of town, a darkness descends that she can't resist confronting. Side by side with her friend Jean, and inspired by her reading, especially by Edgar Allan Poe's detective Dupin, Eliza pieces together an array of clues to try to catch the killer, all the while juggling clients who begin to seem more and more suspicious.

Eliza and Jean are determined not just to survive, but to find their way in a lawless town on the fringes of the Wild West—a bewitching combination of beauty and danger—as what will become the Civil War looms on the horizon. As Mrs. Parks says, “Everyone knows that this is a dangerous business, but between you and me, being a woman is a dangerous business, and don't let anyone tell you otherwise ...”

LAST
HUNDRED
YEARS:
a family saga

HISTORICAL
fiction



KENDRA'S CURRENT ISSUE

Holiday magic fills the air (and pages) in these special double issues of *HGTV Magazine* and, the newly formatted, *Better Homes & Gardens* (BHG). Gift guides, tree treasures, cookie crumbs, dreamy decor, and wonderful wrappings will turn the heart of any humbug. And then to top it off is a special interview with Dolly! Really, who can deny not being lifted up after receiving a dose of her spirit!



MICHELE'S MEDIA

Even Though I Knew the End is a novella that brings together a nicely developed noir'esque, good versus evil fantasy, wrapped with mystery and romance.

Within the first few pages, I was immediately drawn in by the use of enchantments to engage with a crime scene in a setting that is a nod to the 1930-40's era that included damsels in distress looking to hire cynical detectives. Think *The Maltese Falcon* by Dashiell Hammett, and the movie of the same title—the Humphrey Bogart version, of course (which, by the way, is in my top 10 movies of all time).

This book played out in my mind like that aforementioned black-and-white movie. I imagined the characters with their hats pulled down, and trench coats pulled up as they walked the cold, lamp-lit streets of Chicago as the train rumbled above. Yet unlike the movie, C. L. Polk gives us a supernatural person lurking in the shadows of a dark alley ready to offer you the twist you thought you knew was coming.

Movie Preview...

Titles subject to change.

In the Heart of the Sea

by Nathaniel Philbrick

DISCUSSION
WEDNESDAY
1.4 @ 1:30 PM

In 1820, the 240-ton Essex set sail from Nantucket on a routine voyage for whales. Fifteen months later, in the farthest reaches of the South Pacific, it was repeatedly rammed and sunk by an eighty-ton bull sperm whale. Its twenty-man crew, fearing cannibals on the islands to the west, made for the 3,000-mile-distant coast of South America in three tiny boats. During ninety days at sea under horrendous conditions, the survivors clung to life as one by one, they succumbed to hunger, thirst, disease, and fear.

Philbrick interweaves his account of this extraordinary ordeal of ordinary men with a wealth of whale lore and with a brilliantly detailed portrait of the lost, unique community of Nantucket whalers. Impeccably researched and beautifully told, the book delivers the ultimate portrait of man against nature, drawing on a remarkable range of archival and modern sources, including a long-lost account by the ship's cabin boy.

Email questions to: fdlbookclub@gmail.com

KNIT & Crochet GROUP

1:00 PM, MONDAY • DECEMBER 5 & 19

Bring your ideas and your projects!
Beginners to experienced. Ages 18+



Grief Support

MONDAY

DECEMBER 5 AT 6:00 PM

Provided by Chappell Funeral Home

REMINDER!

Will be CLOSED on:

- ~ Saturday, 12/24 ~ Saturday, 12/31
- ~ Sunday, 12/25 ~ Sunday, 1/1
- ~ Monday, 12/26 ~ Monday, 1/2

CORNER TO THE PAST...

Meets the present.

Follow us on Instagram for Throwback Thursdays where we take a quick peak at some of the treasures that can be found in our Marlynn Starring Local History and Genealogy Collection.

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MEDIA DVD/CD .50

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FOR AVAILABILITY.

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in **one**
WORD

wicked

humorous

Look for these titles
on Libby!

escape

mesmerizing

unsolved

all ages, super sweet, winter fun!

CANDY LAND

Lollipop Lane

Ice Palace

PLUM PASS

Peppermint forest

Stop at the circulation desk to
begin your Candy Land Winter
Reading Challenge!

~ and ~

Play life size Candy Land during
the holiday school break,
starting Thursday, December 22!



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to varied materials and
services for lifelong
enrichment”

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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.