

BETWEEN THE COVERS



How Does Your Garden Grow?

Spring is right around the corner! On Sunday, March 13, we “spring forward” our clocks. Suddenly, the light in our minds reflects the light of the extended day, and the world around us starts to shake off that heavy, snowy blanket. The birds start to sing a little more clear, and the buds of the first spring blooms start to push through the remnants of the frozen winter landscape. I enjoy the beauty and uniqueness of all seasons, even winter, but once that time changes I get that unavoidable itch to start getting my hands in the dirt once again. Now it’s finally time to start thinking about preparing flower beds and planning out the garden, in hopes of a wonderful bounty come summer.

This spring marks the 6th year since we first started the seed library here at the Fennville District Library. What is a seed library, you ask? A seed library is a place where community members can borrow or exchange seeds for free. Local gardeners and farmers may borrow seeds with the agreement that they attempt to grow them, then return some of the next generation seeds to the library for others to borrow. The FDL Seed Library is available to all patrons, not just library cardholders.

The process is easy, fun, and free! BORROW... Visit our seed library and use the small brown envelopes provided to collect the seeds that you would like to borrow. GROW... Find the provided instructions for your seeds and start planting. You can find basic seed planting information in our gardening section. Remember to save the seeds from the harvest! SHARE... Fill out a pre-labeled donation envelope (found in person or on our [website](#)) and place your seeds in the prepared envelope. Drop off your seeds at the circulation desk for next year’s growing season.

Donations of seeds are also welcome to help continue our efforts. The more seeds in the library, the more others can experience growing their own vegetables, herbs, and flowers! Seed saving is something humans have done for over 10,000 years. Rejoin the ritual... Participate in our seed library and create a culture of sharing, sustainability, and abundance in our community.

~ Michele Spans, Fennville District Library

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Monday - Thursday 10 am - 8 pm
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Saturday 10 am - 2 pm
Sunday 2 - 4pm

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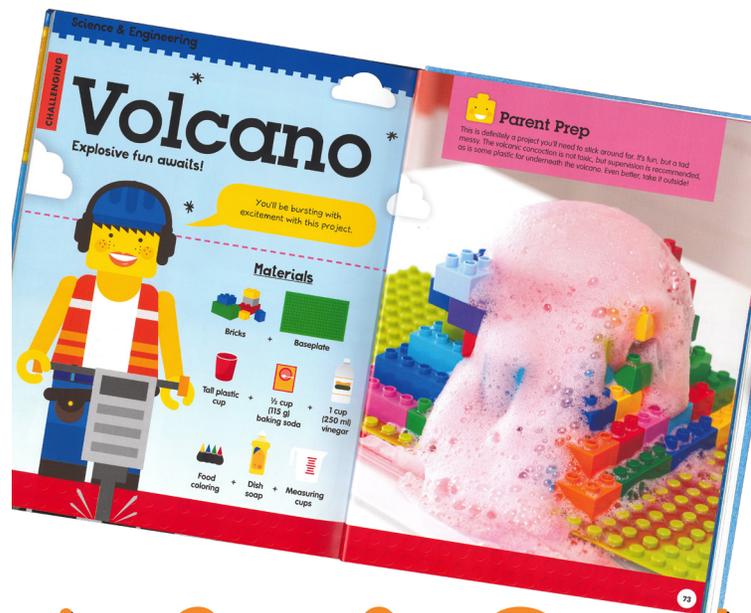
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think spring!

Children's Craft Day!

Each year, National Children's Craft Day on March 14th unleashes a boost of creative energy right in the middle of National Craft Month. By opening children's eyes to the world of crafts, we spark their imagination, and from there, the possibilities are endless.

Use recycled materials to start your craft supplies. Paper tubes, plastic bottles, cardboard boxes, egg cartons, old t-shirts, and many more items make excellent project starters.

Make crafts with a purpose. A birdfeeder, picture frame,

or magnet for the fridge gives their creation additional meaning.

Craft a game. While they exercise their creative skills, your children can also build on their strategic skills, too. Playing a game they create will develop those skills even more.

As your children grow, don't hesitate to utilize power tools. That includes sewing machines, staplers, sanders, and drills. Each of these will help your students with their patience and S.T.E.M skills.

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FUTURE READS >>>>>

PICTURE BOOK
First the Egg
by Laura Vaccaro Seeger

MIDDLE GRADE
The Secret Garden on 81st Street
by Ivy Noelle Weir

YOUNG ADULT
The Astonishing Color of After
by Emily X.R. Pan

A ROBIN HOOD *remix*

Jerusalem, 1192. The Third Crusade rages on. Rahma al-Hud loyally followed her elder sister Zeena into the war over the Holy Land, but now that the Faranji invaders have gotten reinforcements from Richard the Lionheart, all she wants to do is get herself and her sister home alive.

But Zeena, a soldier of honor at heart, refuses to give up the fight while Jerusalem remains in danger of falling back into the hands of the false Queen Isabella. And so, Rahma has no choice but to take on one final mission with her sister.

On their journey to Jerusalem, Rahma and Zeena come across a motley collection of fellow travelers—including a kind-hearted Mongolian warrior, an eccentric Andalusian scientist, a frustratingly handsome spy with a connection to Rahma’s childhood, and an unfortunate English chaplain abandoned behind enemy lines. The teens all find solace, purpose and camaraderie—as well as a healthy bit of mischief—in each other’s company.

But their travels soon bring them into the orbit of Queen Isabella herself, whose plans to re-seize power in Jerusalem would only guarantee further war and strife in the Holy Land for years to come. And so it falls to the merry band of misfits to use every scrap of cunning and wit (and not a small amount of thievery) to foil the usurper queen and perhaps finally restore peace to the land.

CELEBRATE *Women's History Month!*

National Women’s History Month, established in 1987, encourages us to annually honor the women who came before us and fought for equality among all races and genders.

“I raise up my voice- not so I can shout, but so that those without a voice can be heard...we cannot succeed when half of us are held back.”
-Malala Yousafzai



serves as a way to not only remember them but keep carrying their torch onward.

Take the time to learn more about women’s history this month. If you do, chances are it’ll help you truly understand and appreciate the strength

and determination of women across the country over hundreds of years.

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CHECK OUT THESE MOVIES BASED ON WOMEN WHO MADE HISTORY!

Teen LIBRARY COUNCIL

Join the Teen Library Council to help make the library the best place it can be for *you!*

Fill out the application, and the TLC staff advisor will contact you!

#WomenHistoryMonth

GRAPHICS CORNER

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING
AUTHOR DUO
 HENDRICKS AND PEKKANEN

If Avery Chambers can't fix you in 10 sessions, she won't take you on as a client. Her successes are phenomenal--she helps people overcome everything from domineering parents to assault--and almost absorb the emptiness she sometimes feels since her husband's death.

Marissa and Mathew Bishop seem like the golden couple--until Marissa cheats. She wants to repair things, both because she loves her husband and for the sake of their 8-year-old son. After a friend forwards an article about Avery, Marissa takes a chance on this maverick therapist, who lost her license due to controversial methods.

When the Bishops glide through Avery's door and Marissa reveals her infidelity, all three are set on a collision course. Because the biggest secrets in the room are still hidden, and it's no longer simply a marriage that's in danger.

ALSO BY
 HENDRICKS &
 PEKKANEN

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Movie Preview...

Titles subject to change.



KENDRA'S
 CURRENT ISSUE

In the Spring Issue of the quarterly magazine *Magnolia Journal*, you will find practical ways to create, design, and nourish your way into a new season of growth. The popular Gains duo brings visual beauty and a sense of charm to every page.



MICHELE'S
 MEDIA

As we head into March, a month set aside to celebrate women's history, I was thinking about fictional women protagonists that have given readers strong, heroic characters to connect with. Characters who we can see a little of ourselves or our loved ones in.

In these three novels Kristin Hannah writes with such detailed, thoughtful, description, I felt as though I was there along side each woman fighting for survival.

You will find yourself gasping for a clean breath of air in the Dust Bowl of *The Four Winds*, hearing the heart-thumping echo of the blood in your ears as you walk through the door of your Nazi invaded home in *The Nightingale*, or feeling the intersecting sensations of beauty and terror in the darkness of *The Great Alone*.

DISCUSSION:
WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 6 @ 1:30 PM

**Five Presidents: My
Extraordinary Journey
with Eisenhower, Kennedy,
Johnson, Nixon, and Ford**

by *Clint Hill*

Secret Service agent Clint Hill brings history intimately and vividly to life as he reflects on his seventeen years protecting the most powerful office in the nation. Hill walked alongside Presidents Dwight D. Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson, Richard M. Nixon, and Gerald R. Ford, seeing them through a long, tumultuous era—the Cold War; the Cuban Missile Crisis; the assassinations of John F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Robert F. Kennedy; the Vietnam War; Watergate; and the resignations of Spiro Agnew and Richard M. Nixon.

Some of his stunning, never-before-revealed anecdotes include:

- Eisenhower’s reaction at Russian Prime Minister Khrushchev’s refusal to talk following the U-2 incident
- The torture of watching himself in the Zapruder film in a Secret Service training
- Johnson’s virtual imprisonment in the White House during violent anti-Vietnam protests
- His decision to place White House files under protection after a midnight phone call about Watergate
- The challenges of protecting Ford after he pardoned Nixon

With a unique insider’s perspective, Hill sheds new light on the character and personality of these five presidents.

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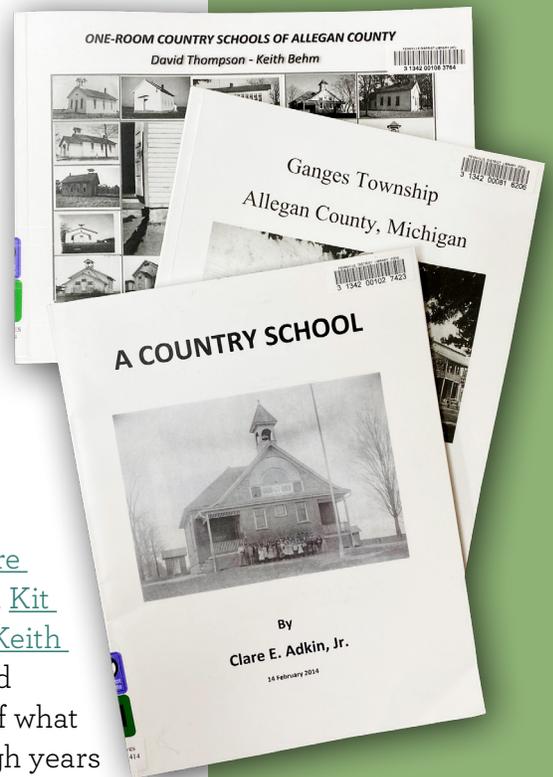
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**CORNER TO
THE PAST...
Country Schools**

One room schoolhouses started popping up all over the Michigan countryside in the mid-eighteen-hundreds. Townships set up their districts so school-age children didn’t have to walk more than a few miles to class, thus creating multiple country schools in each township, a concept that is very foreign to how schools are set up today.

The Marlynn Starring Genealogy and Local History Collection at the Fennville District Library has some great resources for the individual looking for history in regards to the upwards of 40 schoolhouses dotting the land in the surrounding townships of Casco, Ganges, Lee, Manlius, and Clyde.

Contributions by authors [Clare E. Adkin Jr](#), [Jeanne Hallgren](#), [Kit Lane](#), [David Thompson](#), and [Keith Behm](#) give historical facts and recorded personal accounts of what classroom life was like through years of war, the Depression, farming and hunting seasons, and all the time between.



teresa's picks
in **ONE
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each month at 4pm,
at the Library. The
public is welcome
to attend.