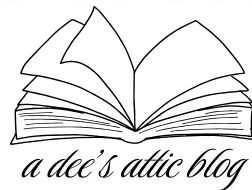


All About BOOKS



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Well, lads and lasses, we're thinking 'what' these days – I'm having a good time still living in the poem I mentioned the last time I had a few words to share – "Inhabiting Wonder." Around the US is a time for celebration or being disappointed and in our Northern Neck we've got a great warm place to hang out in - our "Best Bookstore" and of course, our Lancaster Community Library. As you walk in our doors, you will note Dee's Attic Bookstore off to your right and in front of you – the library!! Those of us who either work or volunteer here in these environments are yes, "inhabiting wonder." So when YOU glide/walk in – how do you 'feel'? Whether it's to pick up a book, browse in and around the library or the bookstore for a particular book, be a part of a group meeting where you learn something new, read the news or magazines, or bring your children to the children's library, those doors offer each of you unmistakable opportunities to wander through wonder, too. We also hear great stories from those who visit/wander into our 'neck' of the woods about our bookstore and library.

So here's a great story to further expound on WONDER and if you will allow yourselves to take a minute or two to read about it here:

<https://freedomreads.org/> YOU will not be disappointed because there are now over 500 NEW libraries in prisons across the US assisting both men and women because of the choice Reginald Dewayne Betts made. Feeling as we do that there are possibilities in the pull to 'wonder' and 'wander' in our lives and the opportunities we offer for YOU here is our own way to say to each of you, we are very grateful for all of your wondering and wandering – visiting/coming to our programs, READING, DONATING - thank you one and all, you are important to us. Happy Thanksgiving!!

What's next – it's just around the corner – Dee's Attic Bookstore

Winter/Gift BOOK SALE – starting Saturday, NOVEMBER 15, 2025!! We're excited – can't wait to see all of YOU!! YEA! The book sale is coming!! Yahoo!!

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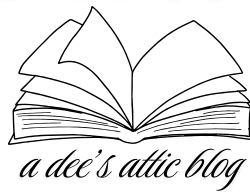
In the interim, as I was perusing one of my favorite blogs “Chrysalis BREW Project” I came across this paragraph – “Stories leave marks that science can measure. There are studies in psychology that show reading fiction can increase empathy by helping us step into another person’s perspective, while nonfiction often sharpens critical thinking through exposure to evidence and argument. From childhood fairy tales to modern novels, books act as both mirrors and windows—reflecting our own experiences and opening doors to new ones. As George R.R. Martin once wrote, “A reader lives a thousand lives before he dies. The man who never reads lives only one.” But what exactly makes certain books resonate so deeply that they change how we think, act, or even live?”

Pondering/wondering after we read something that resonates with us also allows each person the ability to move through the world with a more open and understanding of so much more in the ways of how to treat other humans and enjoy our world. Yes, a little deep here...just wondering what you think about these ideas? YOU can go there here:

https://thechrysalisbrewproject.com/2025/10/31/what-experts-read-horror-books-shaping-views-on-fear-human-nature-and-resilience/#Frankenstein_Teaches_Ambition_Balanced_with_Moral_Responsibility

In another genre – we are sharing Stephen Colbert and Michelle Obama from a recent YouTube visit – there’s a great segment on his show with Michelle Obama’s NEW book “The Look” around fashion in the East Wing and beyond with Mrs. Obama quipping, “Remember that!” It’s her story on why she chose new and diverse designers, her personal style team, etc. AND lots of info about how she saw her part in being the First Lady. She’s so real and elegant at the same time!! (Our humble opinion.)

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One last thing though certainly not the least, were you aware November is Native American Heritage Month, so thought we'd expose you to some authors from this genre with a couple of favorites first, like husband and wife W. Michael Gear and Kathleen O'Neal Gear and then Anne Hillerman. And for historical fiction fans, Pulitzer Prize nominee Margaret Verble flashes back to a 1950s Cherokee community in Stealing. Mi'kmaw author Amanda Peters details a tragic missing person's case with her debut mystery, The Berry Pickers. On the nonfiction front, Yale University author Ned Blackhawk takes a high-altitude historical approach in his exhaustively researched inquiry The Rediscovery of America.

That's all folks! Happy Thanksgiving!! Until we blog again, lads and lasses, we look forward to seeing all you lovely humans...come and visit our...

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