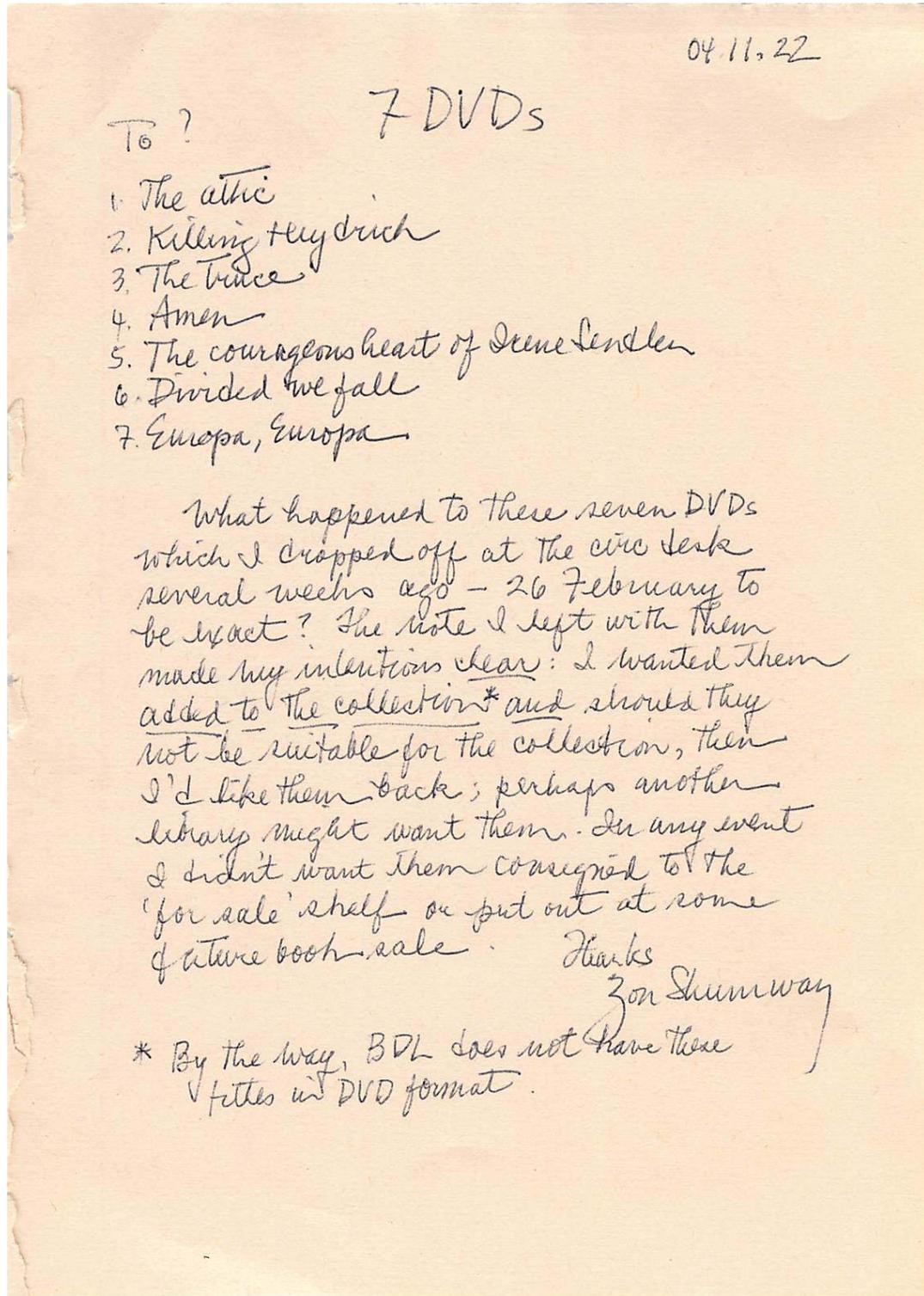


## Comments

Letter received April 11, 2022



## BDL Response



April 14, 2022

Zon Shumway  
[REDACTED]

Mr. Shumway,

My sincerest apologies that the DVDs that you donated have not yet been catalogued. It was an oversight, and will be remedied posthaste.

For any future donations, BDL does have a Gifts and Donation Policy that I've provided for reference.

Best,

Jessica Tefft  
Director of Public Services

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Submitted on Tue, 04/12/2022 - 14:31

From: Cinda May

Subject: Friends of the Library

I have been trying to find information on joining the Friends of the Library, but I do not "do" social media and cannot reach FOTL through Facebook. Not everyone wants her data gobbled up and sold by Zuckerberg et al. A link on the main library page attached to a FOTL membership information page/form would be helpful. Thank you.

**BDL Response:**

From: John Rucker

Subject: Re: Friends of the Library

Date: Apr 14, 2022, 7:47 PM

To: Cinda May

Hi Cinda,

You are right, this is not an optimal situation. Unfortunately, none of the Friends groups have a web presence of their own at this time, aside from their Facebook pages. I'll be happy to inquire about better publicizing ways to join the next time I meet with these groups.

We have updated the Friends of the Library page on our website to include the meeting schedules for the various friends groups. The friends group of your library branch would love to see you.

Thank you for contacting me about this, and best wishes!

Yours,

John

John Rucker, Director

Branch District Library

# Publicity

## Branch County Community Foundation, March 21, 2022



# Grants

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### Upcoming Grant Cycle: Educational Mini Grants for Bronson, Coldwater, & Quincy Application open: April 1, 2022 Submission due: April 30, 2022

Congratulations to the 2022 Youth Advisory Council Grant Recipients!



We are excited to announce the grant recipients from the 2022 Youth Advisory Council Grant Cycle. There was a total of **\$15,228.42** in funding to support youth program investments for our community. The funding was made possible by Youth Advisory Council. Learn more about the recipients below!

**Branch District Library - Teen Book Club Display**

The funds will support a display to provide patrons with a visual to their book club book options. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, BDL wants, more than ever, to be able to assist our local schools and begin to bring people back together. This book display can show teachers the many sets of popular YA book sets that they can use in their classrooms; or, this can be a visual to show patrons the books that can be used for their start-up book clubs—our librarians would also be happy to assist and lead book clubs.

**Bronson Community Schools - Therapy Dog**

The funds will be used to fully fund the therapy dog program for both the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years. It is the hope that following two years of data collection, in addition to continued grant applications, both the school district and community see the value in the program and begin to support the program financially through donations. The bulk of the program's start-up expenses (purchase of therapy K9, training, certification and initial vetting) have already been donated.

**Children's Museum of Branch County - Construction Crane**

The construction crane will be a freestanding exhibit in the museum with construction blockades. They see the exhibit being a lot of fun while engaging potential future construction workers, architects, and engineers.

**Coach Eby Youth & family Center - Friday Night Alive Monthly Planning**

The grant funds will be used to purchase items that will support their programming, such as a safety whistle, fitness items, clothing and other materials necessary to the success of the program. Funds will also be used to cover additional administrative expenses and special events.

**ProMedica Coldwater Regional Hospital Telemedicine - Birthday Bags**

*The Daily Reporter*, March 19, 2022, page B5



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*Shoppers Guide*, March 23, 2022



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*The Daily Reporter*, March 29, 2022, page A1



Stephanie and Mick Davis, Jessica Tefft and Lynnell Eash joined the “One Book One County” discussion, led by Jeanne Berg at the Bronson branch of Branch District Library. ROSALIE CURRIER/THE DAILY REPORTER

# One Book One County

## ‘Written in Bone’ wraps up with literary discussions

### Rosalie Currier

Coldwater Daily Reporter  
USA TODAY NETWORK

Each year, the Branch District Library selects a title for One Book One County. It’s designed to be a community-wide read and discussion topic.

This year the title was “Written in Bone: Hidden Stories in What We Leave Behind” by Sue Black.

The book flows like an anatomy overview — head to toe — tied into the true crime stories from Black’s years as a forensic anthropologist and anatomist.

Black aligned the part of the body she was describing with how an injury to that part of the body helped them solve a case. Or to at least add scientific evidence toward learning the identity of the deceased person. In some in-

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**Jeanne Berg, of the Coldwater Friends of the Library, and Jessica Tefft, director of public services for the district library, traveled to the various branches for group discussions with those who read the book.**

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stances, it gave the family closure, in others they debunked folk lore.

Black explained how, at times, investigators did their job very well when human remains were found. And how, at other times, they did not.

Jeanne Berg, of the Coldwater Friends of the Library, and Jessica Tefft, director of public services for the district library, traveled to the various

branches for group discussions with those who read the book. Berg provided refreshments of bone shaped cookies and candies.

While attendance at the book discussion has been lower than they would have liked, Tefft said, many patrons have checked out the selection and some used their library Hoopla account to access the title.

*The Daily Reporter*, March 30, 2022, page A3

Mentioned in article "It's Cool to Be Kind: Program connects students with volunteer opportunities" about Bronson High School.

**Installing free library boxes around town was the goal of students volunteering with Lynnell Eash at Bronson Library.**

- **Branch District Library – Bronson Branch – Little Free Libraries.**
- **Branch District Library – Coldwater Branch – Teen Advisory Council.**