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## BOOKSHOP NEWS:

- ◆ There's about to be a new familiar face at the bookshop! Say hi to our newest employee, Clare! Clare's been a voracious reader all of her life and enjoys a variety of genres of books for all ages. Swing by our website to check out all of her picks!



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- ◆ We're delighted to announce that staff member Grace F. has not *ONE* but *TWO* reviews in the Kids' Indie Next List! Stop by the store to check out what she has to say about these books:



# Elizabeth Fixmer Author Signing



**Saturday, September 18  
10am-Noon**

Fort Atkinson author Elizabeth Fixmer will be signing her debut novel,

*Saint Training!*



**10 a.m.:** A book reading and Q&A session!

### Here's what we think of Elizabeth's debut novel!

**Clare says:** This realistic fiction book, by Fort Atkinson author Elizabeth Fixmer, is about how a religion can be really important and mean a lot in a young girl's life. I really enjoyed this book because until reading *Saint Training*, I didn't realize what crazy things a very pious girl would do. I'd recommend this book for any girl 5th grade and up.

**Kerry says:** As a non-Catholic, I enjoyed learning about Catholicism through the eyes of a girl who is figuring out what she believes in a time of turmoil. Fixmer also provides a rare perspective on the war in Vietnam, exposing Mary Clare to the differing beliefs within her family and the Catholic Church. Along with being extraordinarily cute (especially in Mary Clare's letters to the Reverend Mother), this book is, simply put, delightful.

*Even if you can't attend the signing, we can reserve signed--even personalized--copies for you! Just call the store or visit us online for more information.*



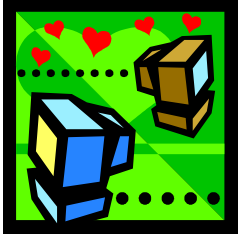
## MOCKINGJAY: What We Thought

**Grace:** Collins did a great job of developing her characters even further in the *Hunger Games* finale and the plot was fast-paced and exciting. I could barely put the book down to eat or sleep!

**Clare:** Everything I predicted about *Mockingjay* turned out to be exactly the opposite! This fact made every turn of a page that much more exciting! It was an amazing ending to the *Hunger Games* trilogy.

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## STORYTIME

**Saturday, September 11 10:30-11am**

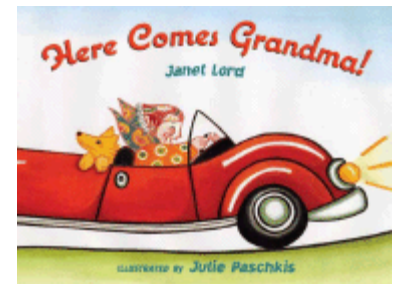
**Thursday, September 16 2-2:30pm**

The theme for September Storytime is

**Grandparents Day!**

Grandparents Day is September 12, and we're celebrating with a Storytime fun for all ages! Join Mrs. Smith as she reads stories about grandmas and grandpas, like *Here Comes Grandma* by Janet Lord!

*Storytime is always the second Saturday and third Thursday of each month--mark your calendars!  
Children of all ages are invited to attend.*



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