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Hello, fellow humans on this journey we call 'our lives' – we've recently lost quite a few noteworthy and influential individuals like Charlie Kirk, Ozzy Osborne, plus Robert Redford who shared so much of himself with his acting, producing, writing and Sundance Film Festival. AND for those of you who are as fascinated with Jane Goodall as I am, she died October 1, 2025 while on a speaking tour in Los Angeles at 91. Each loss touched a certain genre in our awareness though I could go on and on about Jane Goodall's scientific career (iconic primatologist and conservationist) though for me, she personified humility and wisdom wrapped into a unique human. There's so much info about her - like National Geographic overflows, her books are for both children and adults and she spoke her mind as well. In fact, when Goodall visited the TODAY program on her 91st birthday on April 3, 2025, she told viewers they can help make change in their personal lives by thinking more about the products they buy.

"I think the most important thing is for people to understand that every day we live on this planet, we make some impact, and we can choose," Goodall said during the broadcast. "So we should ask questions: 'This thing we're buying, did it harm the environment when it was made? Was it cruel to animals ... Is it cheap because of unfair wages or slave labor?" Definitely thought-provoking and a challenge to which products we purchase in our future. Thank you, Jane Goodall for your time here on our planet! You made us all smarter!!

What's next — to our readers' of our blog, you've made us a VERY happy bunch, in our little Northern Neck of the woods, so to speak...there has been 1,570 sets of eyes, since our May 15, 2025 inception of "All About Books!" blog. Yowser!! Thank you so much for your support. You're the best!! AND we were so happy we thought you'd be excited to know — our Dee's Attic Bookstore Holidays/Winter Book Sale is starting a bit earlier than usual — November 15th — so mark your calendar because your generosity with donations as well will make for a VERY GREAT HOLIDAY SALE this year!!

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AND, of course, we cannot send you off without a recommendation for an exploration of books and reading, can we?? No, indeed – this one will explode your concept of a blog, and since I'm such a fan of butterflies, and you will not believe, it's called "The Chrysalis Brew Project." I'm just going to share a wee bit, you get to explore and see what you think, ok??

The Chrysalis Brew Project is more than just a literary platform, the Chrysalis BREW Project is a living, breathing celebration of books, bold ideas, and beautifully diverse voices. It's where readers and writers meet—not across a divide, but within a shared space where imagination and insight intertwine. In this moment, I'm thinking we may have found 'our bright star' to emulate, you tell me.

Yes, there's one more thing, you'll like this, promise! There's a bonus, too – John Lennon's "Imagine" - you can probably hum a few bars or remember some of the lyrics. There's so much more we can ruminate about – October 9th commemorates the birth of John Lennon in 1940. Some know he went on to become a legendary musician and peace activist. Lennon was also a founding member of the Beatles and his impact on music and culture was immeasurable. A lot of us miss hearing his music, let's go on YouTube and play some of it, yes, let's do this!!

AND for you travelers, when you're in New York City, drop by Central Park a memorial to John Lennon - called Strawberry Fields. It is a 2.5-acre landscaped section that is dedicated to the memory of former Beatles member John Lennon. It is named after the Beatles' song "Strawberry Fields Forever", written by Lennon. A tidbit, the song is named for the former Strawberry Field children's home in Liverpool, England, located near Lennon's childhood home. Couldn't help myself, had to share this, too!!

That's all folks! Until we blog again, ladies and gentlemen, we look forward to seeing all you lovely humans...come and visit our...

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