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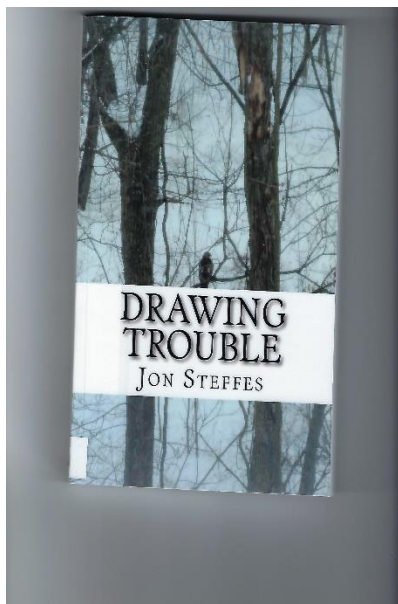
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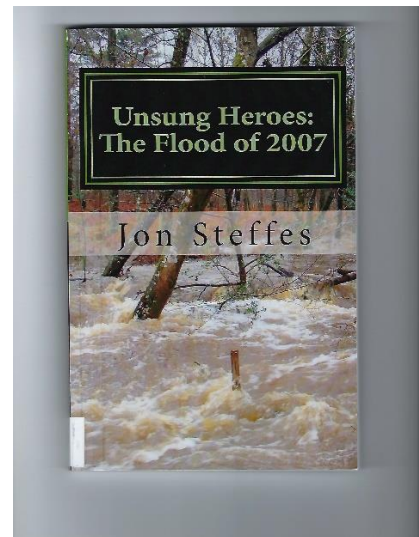
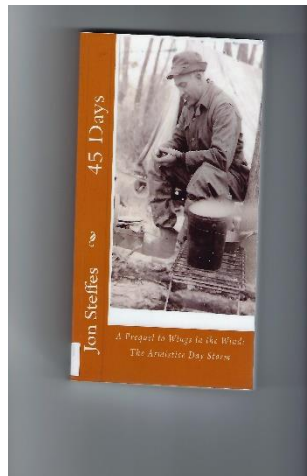


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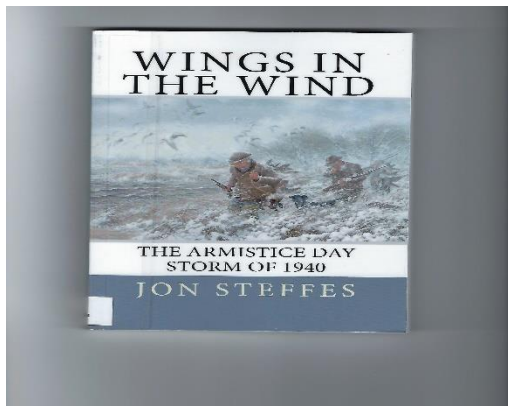
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## Two Local Authors Will be Guest Speakers of Friends

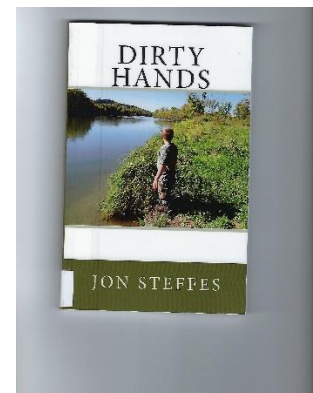


Local LaCrescent author, Jon Steffes will be our guest speaker on **Tuesday evening, May 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 PM** at the Onalaska Library. Jon is an elementary teacher at LaCrescent. He writes fictional stories based on real people in his life. Recently I found the Onalaska Library had five of his books on their shelves. "Drawing Trouble", "45 Days", "Unsung Heroes: The Flood of 2007", "Dirty



Hands" and "Wings in the Wind"

Jon's books are a mixture of fiction, historical fiction, and outdoor adventure. He is a busy man besides teaching he has a summer job as City of LaCrescent Summer Recreation Director.



Author Kathy Sullivan will be our guest speaker on **Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM** at the Onalaska Library. Ms Sullivan is from Winona. She writes science-fiction and fantasy. One of her books “Search and Rescue” is about a



rescuer who finds a stolen baby from another world. It was a 2016 Epic eBook award finalist in short works. Both of these authors’ visits are sponsored by the Friends. They are free programs—open to the public.

*What did the clock say at noon?*

*“Hands up.”*

*From the Desk of Our President Kathy O’Driscoll*

**Logo Update---** It was decided at our last meeting to update our logo. We are asking all our members to contribute their designs for the May meeting (May 24<sup>th</sup>). The only expense to this is to update the sign above our in-library book sale.

Your designs do not have to be perfect. Ideas are what we are looking for. We are not firm on the pink and blue color palette. There are two parameters:

\*It should say “Friends of the Onalaska Library”

\*We’d like to use less ink than our current logo.



If you cannot make the meeting, please drop off your design(s) at the library circulation desk...with your name and contact information. We would love to have many options to consider.



*"One changes from day to day...every few years one becomes a new being."*

*--George Sand*

On March 27<sup>th</sup>,

the Friends sponsored a landscape and gardening program. Tom Deml from River City Lawnscape was our guest presenter. Tom, pictured at right, is a landscape designer and a horticulturalist. He shared his expertise with us and answered many of our gardening and landscape questions.



On March 25<sup>th</sup>,

author Lisa David Olson was our guest speaker. She gave an interesting interactive presentation to the crowd present.

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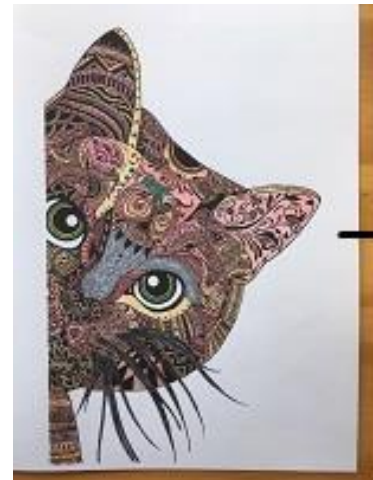
**Movie Nights Continue**----Four movies are left for the spring session. All movies are on a Thursday evening and will be shown at **6:30 PM** in the meeting room at the Onalaska Library. As always, free admission and free popcorn.

May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	“Green Book”	PG-13
May 16 <sup>th</sup>	“A Star is Born”	R
May 30 <sup>th</sup>	“The Upside”	PG-13
June 6 <sup>th</sup>	“What They Had”	R



**Floyde’s Senior Moments**---“Freedom Honor Flight” presented by Bill Hoel will be the program on Wednesday morning, **May 1<sup>st</sup>**. The program starts at **10:00 AM**. The Senior Moments are funded by Ben and Floyde Sias Foundation. This will be the last program in the spring series. The summer series will start July 10<sup>th</sup> and run thru July 31<sup>st</sup>. Stay tuned for info on the programs.

**Monthly Monday Night Adult Coloring continues**--stop down and enjoy a relaxing evening of coloring. Time is **6:30 PM – 8:30 PM** on the third Monday of the month. Supplies and projects to do are furnished or if you prefer you can bring your own. Sponsored by the Friends and held in Onalaska Library Meeting Room. **May 20<sup>th</sup> and June 17<sup>th</sup> are the next two coloring nights.**



**What’s black and white and very dangerous?**

*A zebra on a skateboard.*

**What do you call a near collision of two dresses?**

*A clothes call.*





**Kwik Trip Fundraising Program has ended---**  
 As you know Kwik Trip has discontinued their Milk Moola Fundraiser--we saved caps and bag tops from specially marked Nature's Touch products. In recent years, Merl Linder has been

doing the counting, tallying up and the paperwork for the program. Below is a bit of info I got from Merl:

*"Kwik Trip's Milk Moola Program ran for fifteen years and Kwik Trip gave over four million dollars to thousands of organizations. Our Friends group started collecting milk caps eleven years ago. We collected more than 45,000 milk caps and bag tops for a rebate of over \$2,300 we received from this program."*

It boggles my mind thinking about counting all those caps/tops. Before Merl took the job over, Dave Novitske (a former member of the Friends) did it for awhile and for a period of time the library staff helped do the Milk Moola program. We are sincerely thankful to Merl Linder, Dave Novitske, the library staff and everyone who worked on the Milk Moola Program for their time, patience and commitment to getting the job done. Also a thank you to all those who over the years faithfully saved the caps/tops and brought them in for the benefit of the library.



If a skunk wrote a book, what list would it be on? The best-smeller list.

Do barbers like to dance? No, they just like to cut in.

**Youth Summer Programs---**the theme for the programs this summer is "Go Wild". The Friends will be funding three youth programs this year. "The Unhuggables: Animals with Bad Reputations" on June 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM and again on June 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM. The third program we will fund is "Hedwig and Friends" on July 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.



----Sept. 23, 2019----

7:00 PM

---Save the Date---

How do artists become famous?

It's the luck of the draw.

What language do bees use?

Buzz words

**Friends Membership Drive**---below is a listing of our **2019 PAID MEMBERS**. If you have not already renewed, we are asking that you do so now. \$10/Individual \$20 Family \$5/Senior-Student

If you need a membership form they can be picked up at the library or you can print one up off Friends' website Fill it out and drop it off along with the dues at the circulation desk at the library or you may mail it to:

Peg Opland at 621 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. N. Onalaska, Wi 54650



Denis/Jean B.

Jackie B.

Sophie B.

Bill/Joyce B.

Pat. B.

Tim B./Sharon W.

Judy B.

JoAnn B.

Trudy D.

Donna F.

Bev F.

Dave/Audrey G.

Mike H.

Caroline H.

Pam K.

Ramona/Frederic K.

Larry K.

Merl/Rose L.

Linda M.

Georgia M.

Karon N-B.

Charles/Nancy N.

Sharon O.

Bill/Kathy O

Russel/Peggy O.

Wendy O.

Marcee P.

Caroline P.

Larry P.

Larry/Terry P.

James Q.

Candy/Marv R.

Mary Jo R.

Gail S.

Margie/William S.

Winnie S.

Don/Nancy S.

Russ/Jennifer S.

Gerald S.

Beverly S

Cle/Brenda W.

Ron/Vickie W.

Sandra W.

Naomi W.

Ann W.

Lois W.



Thank you to all those listed for renewing their membership.

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## SAVE THE DATE---

Victoria Houston will be at the Onalaska Library on Monday, September 23, 2019 at 7:00 PM. She is the author of the popular Loon Lake Mystery Series which are set in the Northwoods of Wisconsin against a background of fishing. She has written eighteen books in the series, the latest was out in June, "Dead Big Dawg."

Victoria was born and raised in Rhinelander. In her teens and twenties, she was the classic hometown girl who couldn't wait to leave but thirty years later she has returned to her hometown and bases her popular mystery series on the region's fishing culture.

Houston's mystery series was featured in a story on the front page of the Wall Street Journal and on NPR's "Talk of the Nation" with Neal Conan.

In those thirty years she was gone from Rhinelander she has written over seven non-fiction books; her highly recommended book "Alone After School—A self-help guide for latchkey children and their parents" was a national best seller.

She also worked as a feature writer for magazines and newspapers and in public relations working with people such as Abigail Van Buren, Erma Bombeck and Gary Trudeau.

North Wisconsin makes a great setting for Victoria's books and she enjoys the fishing as much as the writing.

This author program is sponsored by the Friends. Please help us spread the word about this very special upcoming fall program.

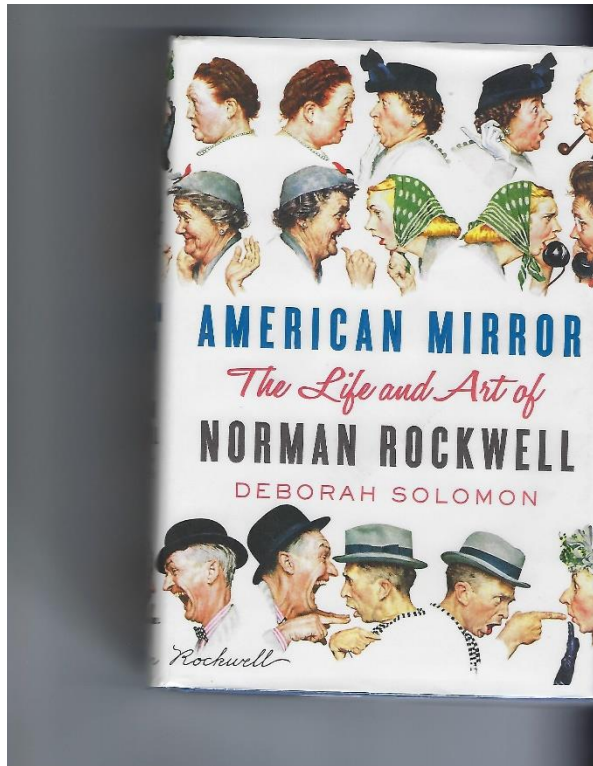
**Friends Meetings Scheduled for:** Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>      6:30 PM      Library Mtg Rm  
Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>      6:30 PM      Library Mtg Rm



Hats off to Margie Sheppard, Kathy O'Driscoll and Trudy Duffrin for coordinating another successful book sale. Thank you ladies!

Hats off to everyone who helped set up, worked the sale, and helped with takedown. Hats off to all who donated books and who came and supported our sale. Thank you.

*From the Shelves of the  
Onalaska Library---*



**“American Mirror” By Deborah Solomon  
*The Life and Art of Norman Rockwell***

This is a spirited and authoritative biography of the painter who provided twentieth-century America with a defining image of itself. As the star illustrator of the *The Saturday Evening Post* for nearly half a century, Norman Rockwell mingled fact and fiction in paintings that reflected the we-the-people, communitarian ideals of American democracy.

Who was this man who served as our unofficial “artist in chief” and bolstered our country’s national identity? His faith in the power of storytelling puts his work in sync with the current art scene. This book brilliantly explains why he deserves to be remembered as an American master of the first rank.

---Non-Fiction---

**“The Butterfly’s Daughter” By Mary Alice Monroe**

With a touch as gentle and as beautiful as the butterflies she celebrates, the author delivers a new powerful and compelling novel of self-discovery that mirrors an awe-inspiring event in nature as four very different women embark on a transformational journey across the United States to Mexico.

--- Fiction---

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