

FRIENDS OF THE ONALASKA LIBRARY

Bi-Monthly Newsletter

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Following is a letter from the Friends' President

To: Friends of the Onalaska Library

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as your President for the last few years. At this time, I believe it is time to bring some new "Blood" into this organization. Hopefully someone will step forward with the vision and new ideas to keep this organization moving forward.

I will continue to be the "movie guy" as long as the Friends want and I will be available to help with programs and fundraisers that the Friends will undertake.

I am sure that this organization will continue to grow and continue helping with the Library needs to make this the best Library in this community.

Sincerely Larry Pohja, President, Friends of the Onalaska Library

Meeting

Annual Mtg/Election of Officers--- since Thanksgiving falls on the fourth Thursday of November our annual meeting will be held one week earlier on **Thursday, November 15th**. The meeting will start at **6:30 PM** in the Onalaska Library Meeting Room. Business will be conducted as usual with election of our officers for 2019 taking place at the meeting.

Nominations are Needed---to fill the President, Secretarial and Treasurer's slots for the upcoming 2019 year. Please contact Larry Pohja at 783-1984 as soon as possible.

Proxy Vote--- soon you will be receiving a proxy ballot that may be used to cast your vote for the officer election if you are unable to attend the annual meeting. We encourage you to attend the meeting and vote in person.

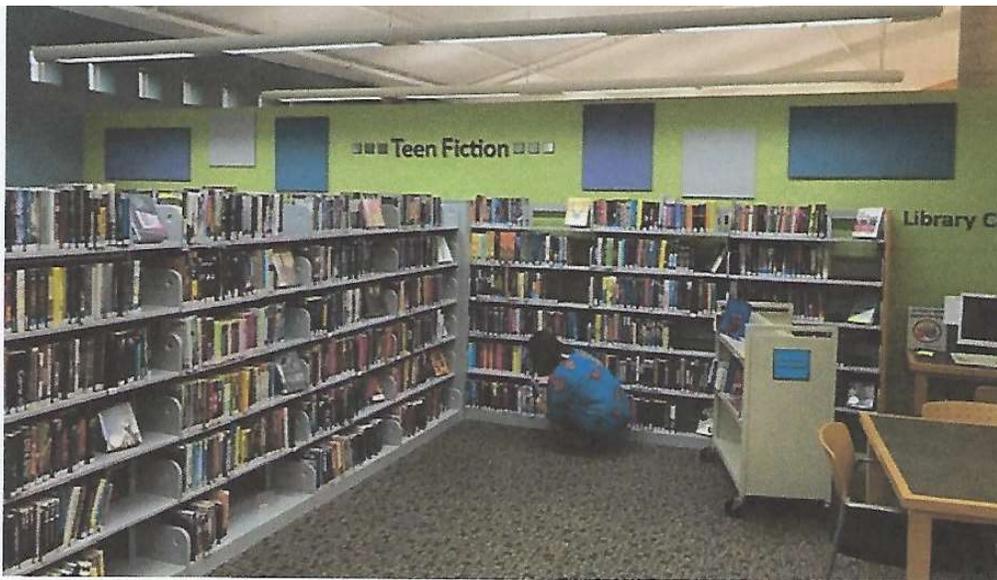


Floral Visions of Onalaska---will once again present a workshop featuring a Fall/Thanksgiving-type arrangement. Workshop is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 14th at 6:00 PM.** You will make an arrangement and take it home with you. Cost is \$10 for supplies. Friends are sponsoring this workshop. Class size is limited to 20 people. A sign-up sheet is at the circulation desk and you will need to pay the supplies fee at time of sign up. Class size is limited to 20. This workshop is open to both our members and non-members as well. Please sign up by November 8th.

Four Movie Nights Left---the Fall Movie Session will wrap up on December 13th. All movies start at 6:30 PM in the Library Meeting Room. Stop down and enjoy a free movie and popcorn.



November 1 st	“The Rider”	Rated R
November 29 th	“Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again”	Rated PG-13
December 6 th	“Won’t You Be My Neighbor”	Rated PG-13
December 13 th	“The Wife”	Rated R



Check it out---The new teen “tackable” in the youth section looks really sharp and complements the area. The tackable was purchased for the teen area by the Friends. Watch for artwork to be displayed on them soon. The Onalaska High School Art teacher is sending down some student art to put up. Plans are to contact the art teachers at our local middle school and local parochial schools to invite them to bring their art students works to the library for exhibit in the teen area.

NEW BOOKS

September Author Program—The Friends were happy to sponsor local author, Larry Scheckel on September 26th at the Library. Mr. Scheckel presented a program based on his new book “Murder in Wisconsin: The Clara Olson Case.” Those present agreed it was an interesting and informative program. Mr. Scheckel is a retired teacher from Tomah and has other books in print. Check at the Library for his new book or previous ones.

What do you call someone who steals your puppy? Doggone thief.

What did the boy say when his puppy ran away from home? Doggone!

What part of a canine helps you find your place in books? Dog ear



For the 50 & over Group ----Senior Moments HOLIDAY EVENT---join author Rochelle Pennington as she discusses the factual account of the 1914 battlefield Christmas truce, featured in her book “Christmas Gifts, Ten of the Greatest Ever Given”. The truce is remembered today as “the most extraordinary event in military history” and “the grand human moment.” This special presentation is funded by the Ben and Floyde Sias Foundation.

Senior Moments
Holiday Event
Wednesday, November 21 at 10 a.m.
WWI Christmas Miracle
Speaker: Rochelle Pennington

A book cover illustration for "Christmas of 1914: The Truce". It depicts a group of soldiers in winter uniforms standing in a snowy field, some holding small evergreen trees. The title "Christmas of 1914" is written in a stylized font at the top, and the word "TRUCE" is written in large, semi-transparent letters in the background.

Update on Chicken-Q Fundraiser---the Friends co-hosted a Chicken-Q with the Onalaska Area Historical Society on September 6th. This year, Pogy's Catering provided the dinners. We had to stop selling walk-ups just after five, so we would have enough meals for the presale tickets. The sun was shining down on all of us. --Kathy O'



“When you are finished changing, you are finished.”

---Benjamin Franklin



Wine-Tasting Fundraiser— Mary Cody did another splendid job of hosting a wine-tasting event for the Friends. Her wine consultant, Jeffrey Warr, found Old World and New

World wines to compliment Mary's servings. He told us what to look for with each food and wine pairing. Dessert was one of Mary's truffles, that melted in your mouth, with a fine Hopes End Red Blend from South Australia. Entertainment was exquisitely provided by Tom Conrad and his guitar. --Kathy O'





Book Sale Days

Oct. 26th & 27th ----

From start to finish Friday and Saturday were busy days for the Friends. A crew of workers set up for the sale on Thursday, Oct. 25th. Volunteers came in again on Friday and also Saturday morning to “work” the sale. Around eleven, more volunteers came in to

help with take down and putting the big room back to normal once again. Thank you everyone for all your help in making this another successful fundraiser. A special thanks to Margie Sheppard, Kathy O’Driscoll and Trudy Duffrin for their leadership. Thanks to all who donated books and who came down and supported our sale by buying books. Well done all!



Why did the talk show hostess discuss forest fires? It was a hot topic.

Why wouldn't the customer buy fancy rollerblades? He was a cheapskate.

Green Sheets---are used to record volunteer work hours—please fill out and return to library. Any help you have volunteered—such as volunteering at the book sales, any Friends fundraisers etc---please record the hours and turn into the circulation desk at the Library by mid-December.

Remember---Our next monthly meeting will be our annual meeting held on November 15th at 6:30 PM in the Onalaska Meeting Room. **There will be drawings held and refreshments provided.** There will be no Friends Monthly meeting in December.

From the Shelves of the Onalaska Library---

“Chickens in the Road” by Suzanne McMinn

“It was a cold late autumn day when I brought my children to live in rural West Virginia. The farmhouse was one hundred years old, there was already snow on the ground, and the heat was sparse---as was the insulation. The floors weren't even either.” --Suzanne McMinn

Thus, begins former romance writer Suzanne McMinn's wild ride into self-sustainable living halfway up a hill on one of the most remote dirt roads in West Virginia, with a cast including her children, an enigmatic partner, the “rural neighborhood” of quirky characters, and whole slew of ridiculous and uncooperative farm animals. An unlikely adventurer, the suburban-born-and bred author tackles one daunting challenge after another on her new forty-acre farm, from hatching chickens and milking a cow to herding sheep and making her own cheese. Humorous and inspirational the book is a page-turning pep talk for anyone who's ever wanted to quit their day job and do something different with their life. Non-Fiction

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