

# FRIENDS OF THE ONALASKA LIBRARY



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**Spring Movie Session starts March 16<sup>th</sup>** —all movies that will be shown in the upcoming weeks were nominated for Best Picture for Academy Awards. Listed below are the movies and dates they will be shown. All movies are shown on a Thursday. The movies will be shown in the Onalaska Library Meeting Room. Movies start at 6:30 PM. Come, bring a friend, relax and enjoy watching some good movies. The movies are free and popcorn will be served. Listed below are the movies, showing date and their rating:

“Manchester by the Sea”	March 16 <sup>th</sup>	R
“Hell or High Water”	March 30 <sup>th</sup>	R
“Arrival”	April 6 <sup>th</sup>	PG-13
“Moonlight”	April 13 <sup>th</sup>	R
“Hacksaw Ridge”	April 20 <sup>th</sup>	R
“LaLa Land”	May 4 <sup>th</sup>	PG-13
“Lion”	May 11 <sup>th</sup>	PG-13
“Hidden Figures”	May 18 <sup>th</sup>	PG
“Fences”	June 1 <sup>st</sup>	PG-13

Besides the nine highly acclaimed films listed above, the Friends are also proud to sponsor Onalaska author, Bill Leonard on Monday evening, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Leonard is the author of “Baseball, A Love Story.” See page 3 for more info on this program.



**Meet Sherri Sinniger Onalaska Public Library's Branch Manager**

---Sherri was born and raised in LaCrosse. She graduated from Central High School and went on to receive her Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education at UWL. In 1989, with a young family at home, she took a part-time position as a Library Clerk at the South Community Library/LaCrosse. That position led her to do story times, expanded to where she implemented a grant to do story times at daycares around LaCrosse. She was holding story times twenty-three times a month. Beside the library she would do story times at Head Start, Salvation Army, Wic and home and corporate daycares. She became known as the "Library Lady". In 1999, Sherri accepted a full-time position with the Main Library in the Children's Room. In 2003, she became Youth Service Programmer, which involved all of the scheduling and execution of Children's programs. Sherri commented that she "loves sharing the love of literacy with the little people"

Sherri started an online program to obtain her Master's Degree. The program was called "Leep" and was out of the University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign. At least once, each semester she was required to take the long six hour drive to meet at the campus. In 2006, she graduated with her Master's Degree in Library and Information Services.

In February 2015, she accepted a position with the LaCrosse County Library System as Branch Manager of the West Salem Library. In December 2016, she became the Branch Manager of the Onalaska Library.

Sherri enjoys reading non-fiction. Her favorite book is "After Party" by Anton DiSclafani.

The book is about the friendship between

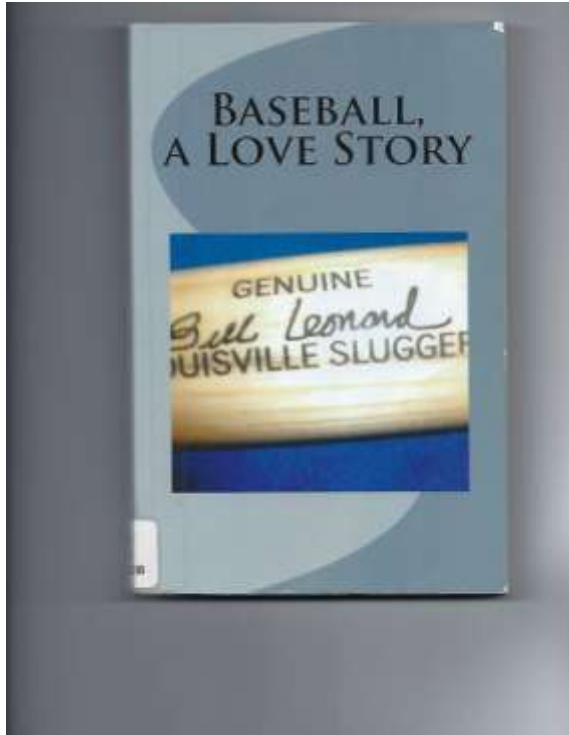


women. She also enjoys card making and says the "most fun is shopping for the stuff". Another interest she enjoys is going to auctions with her husband.

She is on the Board of Directors of "Everybody Can Dance". The group puts on a dance twice a year for anyone with disabilities. In the spring, it is a celebration dance and in the fall, they reveal who the Special Fester is for LaCrosse's Oktoberfest Royalty.

Sherri's husband David teaches 4<sup>th</sup> grade at Blessed Sacrament School. Her oldest son Tim works for LHI and younger son Joe lives in Mankato and works for Mayo and for Sprint.

Sherri is a member of the Valley View Rotary, Onalaska Business Assn. and Celebrate Onalaska. She emphasized to me that she is very honored to be the Branch Manager of the Onalaska Library and to be working with our Friends group. We are certainly fortunate to have the expertise of the "Library Lady" at Onalaska. ---Ramona K.



**“Baseball A Love Story” by Bill Leonard**

Bill Leonard played sandlot, recreation department, high school, American Legion, college and town team baseball. He coached the game and he umpired it.

This book is a work of three major sources. One is Bill’s memory. The second source is interviews that he conducted with several local baseball people and the third is the archives. Facts and statistics coming from recognized print sources.

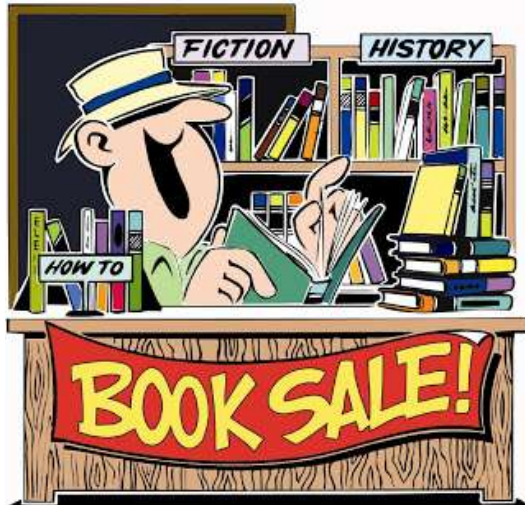
This is not a history of local baseball. The book is meant to be part memoir, small part history, and most part recognition and adulation of people who have meant so much to baseball especially in

this area. Above review was taken from book and Tribune interview.  
**April 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Onalaska Library Meeting Room, at 7:00 PM, Mr. Leonard will do a reading, commentary and question-answer session covering playground baseball through the major leagues.** Program is sponsored by the Friends and everyone is invited to come and enjoy.

**“Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any one thing.” ---Abraham Lincoln**



**Milk Moola –Kwik Trip Program---**A reminder to save the cap and bag tops from specially marked Nature’s Touch products from Kwik Trip and they will give us \$.05 for each cap/bag top. Only caps with the official Milk Moola symbol or bag tops with the official Milk Moola symbol qualify for redemption. Boxes are right inside the front lobby at the library to deposit the caps and/or tops. Proceeds go to library.



## Book Sale---Friday, April 28 & Saturday April 29<sup>th</sup>

It's that time again! Please put aside any gently used books you are willing to donate to the Friends' Spring Book Sale. Personally, I usually keep a box in my basement and as we finish reading a book, it goes in the box to be brought to the library for the Friends resale purposes. As you know, all proceeds from the spring and fall sales, plus the money from the sale of the books on our ongoing shelves goes to help fulfill our library's needs.

Besides the book donations, we will need volunteers to set-up for the sale the day prior (Thursday) and to work the sale on Friday and Saturday and also help is needed to take down/clean up after sale closes on Saturday. Signup sheets will be available to volunteer, as the time gets closer. Check at the circulation desk.

### BOOK SALE HOURS

**FRIDAY, APRIL 28<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup> 9:00AM TO NOON**



Doctor-Doctor---

Mother: Doctor, doctor, my little boy has swallowed a bullet?

Doctor: Well, don't point him at anybody.

Doctor: Breathe out three times. Patient: So you can check my lungs?

Doctor: No, so I can clean my eyeglasses.

Patient: Doctor, doctor, my stomach hurts! Doctor: Stop bellyaching!

Patient: Will you treat me? Doctor: Absolutely not! You'll have to pay like everyone else.

Patient: Doctor, doctor, I feel like a cup of coffee. Doctor: Oh, perk up and don't be a drip.

Patient: Every bone in my body hurts. Doctor: Be grateful you not a sardine.

Doctor: Are you a light sleeper? Patient: No, I sleep in the dark.



In the picture, Bill O'Driscoll is presenting the "DNA Program" on February 23<sup>rd</sup> that the Friends sponsored. The program focused on types of DNA tests, major testing services and what to do with your results once you received them.

**WHAT DID THE SILLY MAN NAME HIS PET ZEBRA? SPOT**

**Following is a note from Kathy O'Driscoll, 2017 Membership Drive Chairperson:** We would like to thank our loyal and devoted Friends, who year after year renew their membership. New Friends are welcomed with open arms and invited to get involved at some level. A New Year's resolution would be to consider attending one meeting a year or Larry's movie series, come to a program; help at book sales or Chicken Que. We'd love to meet you and connect your name with your face. Our membership runs January 1 to December 31. *Here are our 2017 Friends so far this year:*

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Jackie Bartz</i>       | <i>Vona Hiser</i>            | <i>Marie Rieber</i>           |
| <i>Nancy Beguin</i>       | <i>Pam Key</i>               | <i>Mary Jo Russell</i>        |
| <i>Bill/Joyce Benusa</i>  | <i>Ramona/Fred Kiehne</i>    | <i>Gail Saltz</i>             |
| <i>Karon Bichel</i>       | <i>Gloria Kubiak</i>         | <i>Karen Schultz</i>          |
| <i>Pat Blanchard</i>      | <i>Rose/Merl Linder</i>      | <i>Margie/Bill Sheppard</i>   |
| <i>Judy Brady</i>         | <i>Sharon Mahlum</i>         | <i>Don/Nancy Staats</i>       |
| <i>JoAnn Briggs</i>       | <i>Linda Maringer</i>        | <i>Russ/Jennifer Stevens</i>  |
| <i>Trudy Duffrin</i>      | <i>Charles/Nancy Nick</i>    | <i>Judy Stodola</i>           |
| <i>Ron/Julie Go</i>       | <i>Sharon Odahl</i>          | <i>Beverly Stuhr</i>          |
| <i>Jessica/Matt Gobel</i> | <i>Bill/Kathy O'Driscoll</i> | <i>Cle/Brenda Wackerbarth</i> |
|                           |                              | <i>Tom/Lois Wirkus</i>        |



**DON'T FORGET TO COME  
DOWN AND SHOP THE SALE!**  
BOOK SALE----APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup> & APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>

Upcoming Friends Monthly Meetings:      Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>      6:30 PM  
   Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>      6:30 PM

**Meetings at Onalaska Library Meeting Room**

Don't miss it----



The Academy Awards Best Picture: *"Moonlight"* is  
scheduled to be shown on April 13th. Remember all nine movies  
being shown this spring session were nominees for Best Picture  
Award. Minors under 18 will not be permitted to movies rated "R".  
Shows subject to change. Please check programming info at the

Library or at our website.

**Membership Form**--For those of you who have not yet renewed your 2017 membership, I have included a second attachment that contains the form. Just fill in, enclose membership dues and drop off at the library.



**What word is frowned on by baseball players but smiled on by  
bowlers?    Strike**

**How do baseball players keep in contact with friends?  
They touch base with them.**

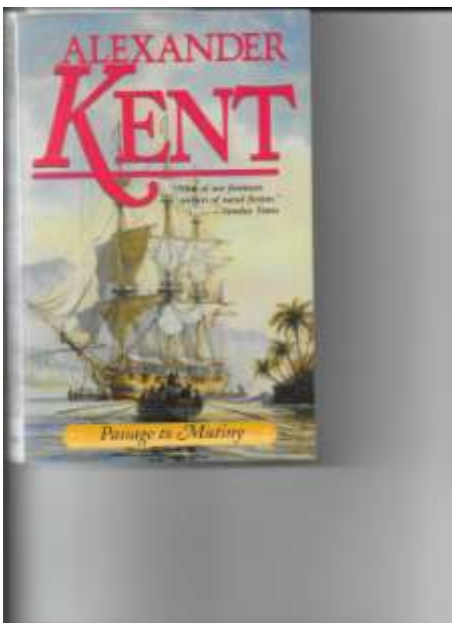
**Why do most baseball games have to be played at night?  
Because bats sleep during the day.**

**PROGRAM---    April 3<sup>rd</sup> 7:00 PM    "Baseball, A Love Story"**

**Guest Speaker---Bill Leonard**



## FROM THE SHELVES OF THE ONALASKA LIBRARY:



### **“Passage to Mutiny” by Alexander Kent**

October 1789, and war clouds thunder over Europe when Richard Bolitho steers the Tempest into the perilous waters of the Great South Sea. To protect vulnerable English shipping lanes from her seagoing enemies, he must face the hazards of fickle winds, pirates, and savage islanders. But he is menaced, too, by deeper fears—the men of the Bounty have mutinied in these same waters, and from distant France comes news of a revolution. Fiction

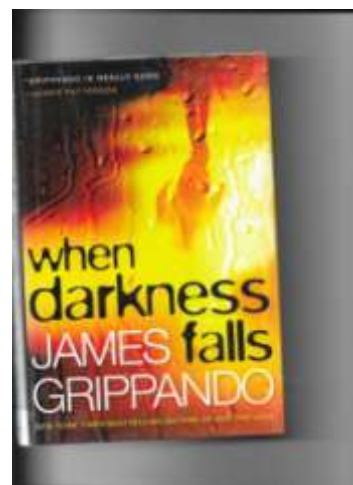
### **“When Darkness Falls” by James Grippando**

In this novel, lawyer Jack Swytek tackles a case in which the life of his best friend hangs in the balance—and in which nothing is as it seems.

The Miami criminal defense attorney is not looking for a new client, at least not one who is homeless and in jail for threatening to jump off a bridge. However, from the moment Jack is called to defend the man, who goes by the name Falcon, something is amiss. For one thing, Falcon comes up with the \$10,000 bail—in cash. Then the body of a brutally murdered woman is found in the trunk of the abandoned car in which he is living.

Panicked and on the run, Falcon takes Jack’s best friend, Theo, hostage. They end up barricaded in a motel room and Theo is not the only one at Falcon’s mercy.

What Jack does not know is that Falcon has a much bigger agenda, and that there are people behind the scenes who will stop at nothing to keep their dangerous secrets. Thus unfolds a riveting lightning-paced story, as only the author can tell it.



**How does a football coach go fishing?**

**With his tackle.**

**What do you get when you cross a fat football player with a pay phone?** **A wide receiver.**