

# FRIENDS OF THE ONALASKA LIBRARY

## BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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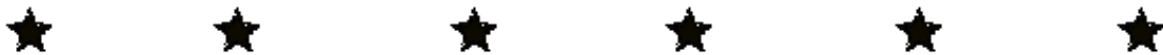
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**Free Movies –Free Popcorn.** There is still time left to see some great movies. All four movies left in the Spring Movie Session were nominated for Best Picture for the Academy Awards. The movies will be shown in the Onalaska Library Meeting Room. All movies are shown on Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM; and of course, popcorn is served.

Showing:	May 4 <sup>th</sup>	“LaLa Land”	PG-13
	May 11 <sup>th</sup>	“Lion”	PG-13
	May 18 <sup>th</sup>	“Hidden Figures”	PG
	June 1 <sup>st</sup>	“Fences”	PG-13



**Impressive Totals---Volunteer Hours at the Onalaska Library--- 1,100.55 volunteer hours for the year 2016 were recorded.**

**Thank you to everyone for volunteering your time and talent!**



**May Program---**mark your calendars for **Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**. At **7:15 PM** that evening, Vickie Walley will speak about her volunteer work with the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife & Fish Refuge located at Brice Prairie. As many of you remember, Vickie was a reference librarian at the Onalaska Library. She retired in December 2013. Vickie is also a member of the Friends. This program is sponsored by the Friends and open to everyone. At 6:30 PM that evening (before the program), we will hold our monthly Friends’ meeting at the library.





**Baseball Program presented by local author Bill Leonard on April 3<sup>rd</sup>.**



No baseballs flew, but the opening of the baseball season was celebrated on April 3<sup>rd</sup> with Bill Leonard's talk about local baseball. Bill spoke to a full meeting room about his playing days, coaching triumphs and local legends.

A young middle school boy came home and told his mom how much he and his dad enjoyed listening to Bill. A couple came from Wisconsin Rapids to see Bill and had to drive back that evening.

Bill Leonard's books are available in the library catalog: [Baseball a Love Story](#), [A Tale of Two Fires](#) and [Growing Up in Goosetown](#). ---article and pictures by Kathy O'Driscoll

**"How does a sheep protect its driver's license?" It gets it lamb-inated.**

**"What happens when you eat rotten bubble gum?" You get gum disease.**

**Summer Programs**—again this summer the Friends are sponsoring two youth programs. The first will be on Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:30 PM at the Onalaska Library.

**“International Owl Center: Build an Owl with Uhu”** program. There’s more than stars in the night sky—a real Eurasian Eagle Owl will be visiting the library. Visit with the owl, Uhu, and help “build” an owl” to illustrate different owl characteristics and adaptations. Best for ages 5 to adult.



**Driftless Stargazing: Great American Solar Eclipse**

The big eclipse is on August 21<sup>st</sup>, and this is your chance to learn all about it! John Heasley, pictured, is an experienced teacher and stargazer. He will prepare us for how to view, what to expect, and the science behind this rare event! Best for ages 5 to adult.

**Looking back---1999---**recently I was going thru old newsletters from the early years of the Friends. In the August 9, 1999 edition of the Friends newsletter, there was a listing of nine new members being welcomed to the group. I would like to recognize Pat Blanchard and Winnie Solberg who were new members at that time and who are still active members with our group. Thank you ladies for all the support and many hours of help you have volunteered thru the years for the Friends of the Library.

Our membership is what keeps us going. If you have not renewed your membership for 2017, I urge you to do so now.

**Friends Upcoming Monthly Mtgs ---Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, and Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Meetings start at 6:30 PM in the Onalaska Library Meeting Room.**

## FROM THE SHELVES OF THE ONALASKA LIBRARY

### **“My Two Elaines” by Martin J. Schreiber with Cathy Breitenbucher**

“Learning, Coping, and Surviving as  
an Alzheimer’s Caregiver”

I checked this book out because I  
have a “dear friend” with  
Alzheimer’s. I found the book to be  
an enlightening and realistic read.

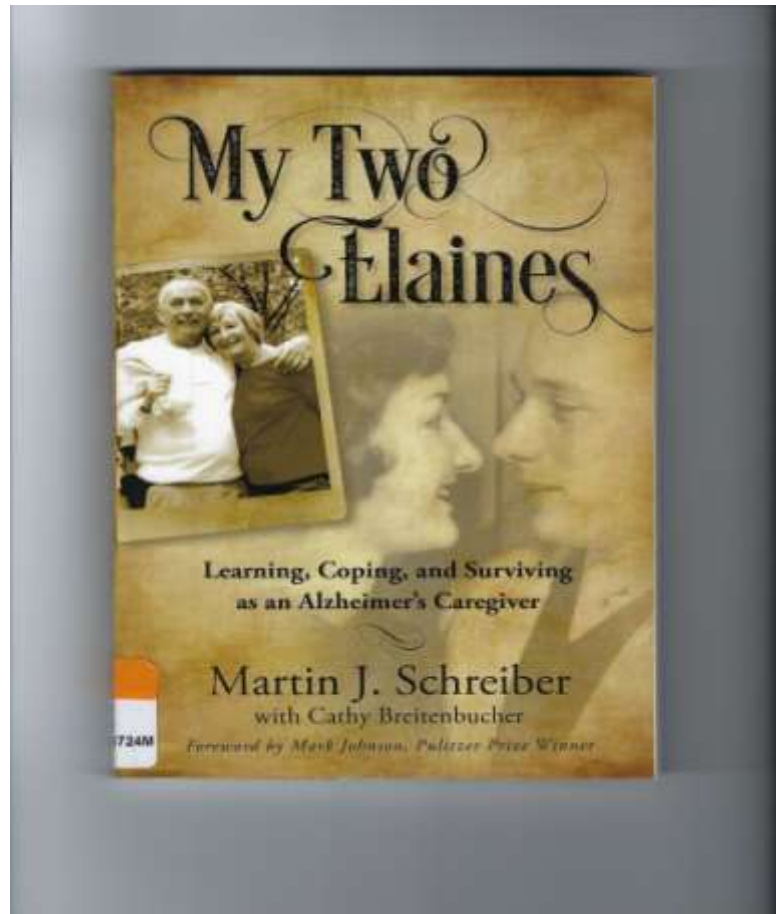
Many of you may remember the  
author, former governor of  
Wisconsin, Marty Schreiber. His wife,  
Elaine, has Alzheimer’s. His personal  
experience (and the wisdom gained)

as a caregiver is shared in such an honest and impactful way. More than just an account of Marty’s  
struggles in caring for his wife, he offers sage advice that respects the one with Alzheimer’s while  
maintaining the caregiver’s health. As two-thirds of those with Alzheimer’s are women, he offers special  
guidance for men thrust into an unexpected job. With patience, adaptability, and even a sense of  
humor, Marty shows how love continues for his Second Elaine.

Note: Throughout the book, Mr. Schreiber refers to his First Elaine (before Alzheimer’s diagnosis) and  
his Second Elaine (after the diagnosis).

This book is a fast read---larger print---only 126 pages. --Ramona

Non-Fiction



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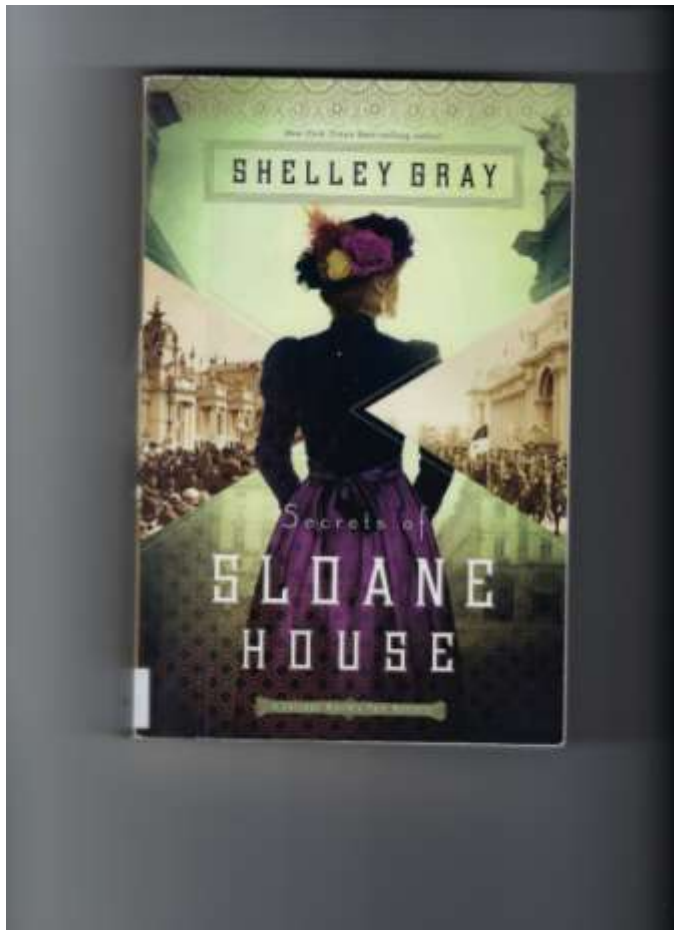
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**“Secrets of Sloane House” by Shelley Gray**

Against the backdrop of the 1893 World’s Fair, a young woman finds employment with an illustrious Chicago family---a family who may guard the secret of her sister’s disappearance.

Sloane House is among the most gilded mansions of Gilded Age Chicago. Rosalind Perry, the new housemaid, pours the morning coffee before the hard gaze of her mistress. “It’s simple, Rosalind,” she says. “I am Veronica Sloane, heiress to one of the country’s greatest fortunes. You are simply one in a long line of unsuitable maids.”

Back on the farm in Wisconsin, Rosalind’s plan had seemed logical. Move to Chicago. Get hired on at Sloane House. Discover what transpired while her sister worked as a

maid there—and follow the clues to why she disappeared.

As Rosalind continues to disguise her kinship to the missing maid—and struggles to appease her jealous mistress—she probes the dark secrets of Sloane House and comes ever closer to uncovering her sister’s mysterious fate. A fate that everyone in the house seems to know...but which no one dares to name.

Fiction



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