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Quarterly Newsletter - October 2019

From the President

Autumn greetings to everyone.

The Friends are having a bit of the changing of the guard. Our July/August Newsletter was the last one compiled by Ramona Kiehne.

She has been skillfully doing it for as long as I can remember. Unfortunately her husband, Fred, died unexpectedly in July. Talk about turning your world around. Next year they would have celebrated their 50 anniversary... I say celebrate the 49 years together now and forever! She decided to take the newsletter off her plate, as he was her computer know-it-all. She will remain part of the Friends and we wish her well enjoying those handsome grandsons.

With that, we hope to add more input from members. If you read a good book and want to write a few lines about it, send it our way. Ramona always highlighted books or media you could pick up in Onalaska and we will continue that emphasis. If you want to create a persona and contribute regularly, we can look into that also.

Tim Boyle has agreed to be our new newsletter editor. He has published newsletters throughout his career. Tim also hosts our Adult Coloring program and has helped with our big book sales. We are thankful he is on board.

We have established an email address for the Friends group on Gmail:
friendsonalaskalibrary.wi@gmail.com

Please include it in your contact lists so that our emails don't get lost in your junk or spam folders. **See you at the Book Sale on October 25 and 26.**

- Kathy O'Driscoll, Friends President



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Friends Host Author Victoria Houston

The Friends hosted Wisconsin author Victoria Houston in a well-received event September 23 at the Onalaska Library.

A crowd of over fifty people were on hand to enjoy her casual, positive attitude and an interesting presentation which chronicled her life's journey, leading to the penning of her popular Loon Lake Mystery Series books. She expressed that many of her earlier non-fiction works were the result of events and experiences learned from a long career in publishing. "Like any author, you don't just write a book and have the publishers swoon. It is a journey," she quipped.

Ms. Houston is again enjoying living in Wisconsin's Northwoods after moving back to her home town of Rhinelander to write and enjoy the outdoors.

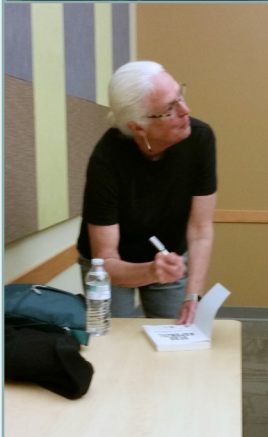
"Like any author, you don't just write a book and have the publishers swoon. It is a journey." - Victoria Houston

Victoria Houston

Victoria Houston is the author of the popular Loon Lake Mystery Series books, set in the Northwoods of Wisconsin. She has written eighteen books in this series, with the latest, titled "Dead Big Dawg," published in June 2019.

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

Ms. Houston has written more than seven non-fiction books, with her highly recommended book "Alone After School - A self-help guide for latchkey children and their parents" becoming a national bestseller. She has worked as a feature writer for magazines and newspapers, and in public relations alongside many notables including Abigail Van Buren, Erma Bombeck and Gary Trudeau.





Friends News & Hot Topics!

- ◇ Our **Bi-Annual Book Sale** will be held Friday, October 25th, from 9 AM to 5 PM, and Saturday, October 26th, from 9 AM until noon in the Onalaska Library Meeting Rooms. A sign up sheet for volunteers is available at the library circulation desk. Please look at your calendars and consider donating a couple hours or more to help with setting up the event on Thursday afternoon, October 24th, assisting during the sale, or with event take-down, starting Saturday at noon. We have far more books this time than usual, so all help is appreciated! Plus you get “book money” for your volunteer time and first pick of all the book offerings before the public sale begins.
- ◇ The Friends Board is looking for a volunteer to fill our Secretary position. If you or someone you know would like to help out as our group’s secretary, let us know at a meeting (6:30 PM every 4th Thursday of the month in the Onalaska Library Meeting Room) or contact [Kathy O’Driscoll](#).
- ◇ We are now accepting nominations for our:
2019 Friend of the Year Award
Email friendsonalaskalibrary.wi@gmail.com with a brief reason why you feel this person is worthy of the award or drop it off as a letter at the library’s circulation desk. Nominations are due by November 8, 2019.
- ◇ The Friends are looking for ideas for a new logo! Submit your ideas, sketches, and notes regarding a new logo to: friendsonalaskalibrary.wi@gmail.com. We can discuss and brainstorm at the next meeting.

2019 FALL MOVIE DATES FOR ONALASKA, HOLMEN, & WEST SALEM

FREE MOVIES &
FREE POPCORN!

Rated PG-13: Parent/guardian must be present for all minors

Rated R/NR: Minors under 18 will not be permitted

Movie titles & dates subject to change; visit www.lacrossecountylibrary.org for the most current information.

The Public

PG-13 | 122 min | Drama

Onalaska*	Thurs., Sept. 12, 6:30pm
Holmen	Mon., Sept. 23, 6:00pm
West Salem	Thurs., Sept. 26, 2:15pm

Plus One

NR | 98 min | Comedy, Romance

Onalaska*	Thurs., Oct. 3, 6:30pm
Holmen	Mon., Oct. 7, 6:00pm
West Salem	Thurs., Oct. 10, 2:15pm

Rocketman

R | 121 min | Drama

Onalaska*	Thurs., Oct. 17, 6:30pm
Holmen	Mon., Oct. 21, 6:00pm
West Salem	Thurs., Oct. 24, 2:15pm

Late Night

R | 102 min | Comedy

Onalaska*	Thurs., Oct. 31, 6:30pm
Holmen	Mon., Nov. 4, 6:00pm
West Salem	Thurs., Nov. 7, 2:15pm

Long Shot

R | 125 min | Comedy

Onalaska*	Thurs., Nov. 14, 6:30pm
Holmen	Mon., Nov. 18, 6:00pm
West Salem	Thurs., Nov. 21, 2:15pm

Maiden

PG | 97 min | Documentary

Onalaska*	Thurs., Dec. 5, 6:30pm
Holmen	Mon., Dec. 9, 6:00pm
West Salem	Thurs., Dec. 12, 2:15pm

On the Basis of Sex

PG-13 | 120 min | Biography

Onalaska*	Thurs., Dec. 19, 6:30pm
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**Freshly popped popcorn provided in Onalaska by The Friends of the Onalaska Library*

Calendar of Upcoming Events 2019

UPCOMING FRIENDS EVENTS INCLUDE:

- A HUGE Book Sale
- Movie Nights
- Flower Arranging
- Coloring Nights

The Annual Friends Meeting is November 21st at 6:30 PM. All Friends members are welcome and encouraged to attend the annual meeting. Stop by, say hi, meet the board and bring ideas for things YOU would like to see happen at the library.

The Onalaska Library is also planning to provide display space for 'art' created at the Friends Adult Coloring Night Events! It's not too late to have your coloring skills admired in public - join us on an upcoming Coloring Night and CREATE!

14	OCT, MON	● All day	Columbus Day (regional holiday)
17	OCT, THU	● 6:30 – 8:30pm	Movie Night: "Rocketman", Rated R, Drama, 121 min. Onalaska Public Library - Meeting Rooms
21	OCT, MON	● 6:30 – 8:30pm	Coloring Night: 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM
24	OCT, THU	● 1 – 4pm ● 6:30 – 8pm	Book Sale Setup - Noon - 4 PM - Volunteers Needed Onalaska Public Library FOPL Meeting - 6:30 PM Onalaska Public Library - Meeting Room
25	OCT, FRI	● 9am – 5pm	FOPL Book Sale: 9 AM - 5 PM Onalaska Public Library - Meeting Room
26	OCT, SAT	● 9am – 12pm ● 12 – 2pm	FOPL Book Sale: 9 AM - 12 PM Book Sale Takedown: 12 PM > Done - Volunteers Needed Onalaska Public Library
31	OCT, THU	● All day ● 6:30 – 8:30pm	Halloween Movie Night: "Late Night", Rated R, Comedy, 102 min. Onalaska Public Library - Meeting Room
3	NOV, SUN	● All day	Daylight Saving Time ends
11	NOV, MON	● All day	Veterans Day
14	NOV, THU	● 6:30 – 8:30pm	Movie Night: "Long Shot", Rated R, Comedy, 125 min. Onalaska Public Library - Meeting Room
18	NOV, MON	● 6:30 – 8:30pm ● 6:30 – 8pm	Coloring Night Onalaska Public Library - Meeting Room Holiday Card Making Program
21	NOV, THU	● 6:30 – 8pm	FOPL Annual Meeting - 6:30 PM Onalaska Public Library - Meeting Room
28	NOV, THU	● All day ● All day	La Crosse County Libraries are Closed Thanksgiving Day
29	NOV, FRI	● All day ● All day	La Crosse County Libraries are Closed Black Friday
3	DEC, TUE	● 6:30 – 8pm ● 6:30 – 8pm	Flower Arranging Program by Floral Visions Onalaska Public Library - Meeting Room Pre-registration Required \$10
5	DEC, THU	● 6:30 – 8pm	Movie Night: "Maiden", Rated PG, Documentary, 97 min. Onalaska Public Library - Meeting Room
16	DEC, MON	● 6:30 – 8:30pm	Coloring Night Onalaska Public Library - Meeting Room
19	DEC, THU	● 6:30 – 8:30pm	Movie Night: "On the Basis of Sex", Rated PG, Biography, 120 min. Onalaska Public Library - Meeting Room
24	DEC, TUE	● All day ● All day	La Crosse County Libraries are Closed Christmas Eve
25	DEC, WED	● All day ● All day	La Crosse County Libraries are Closed Christmas Day
31	DEC, TUE	● All day ● All day	La Crosse County Libraries Close at 5 PM New Year's Eve
1	JAN, WED	● All day ● All day	La Crosse County Libraries are Closed New Year's Day



Floyde's *Senior* Moments



Onalaska Public Library

741 Oak Ave. South, Onalaska

Generously funded by the Ben and Floyde Sias Foundation
Learning and entertainment for adults over age 50

Select Wednesdays, August 28 - December 4, 10 a.m.

Floyde and Ben Sias were prominent members of the Onalaska community and in 1985 founded a trust with the goal of promoting lifelong learning of area citizens.

The Floyde's Senior Moments program continues that legacy with a series of interesting and entertaining speakers presenting their research and experiences on a myriad of topics.

Often eclectic and always interesting, these free sessions have inspired and educated many about a wide variety of subjects: history and folklore, food and nature, local landmarks, art, antiques, music and many other interesting topics.

These fun, informative programs take place at our Onalaska Library on select Wednesday's through December 4th, beginning at 10 a.m. and lasting about an hour.

October 9

Musical Memories with Hans Mayer and Sue Hauser

October 16

The Lost Art and Symbolism of the Cemetery
Adrian Lee

October 23

Norwegian Silver
Vesterheim Museum

October 30

"We Were Here"
Enduring Families: Early African American Residents
Denise Christy

December 4

Holiday Voices with La Crosse Carolers



"Maple Swirl" photo by Tim Boyle

Plans are underway for a special event on Monday November 18th at 6:30 PM.

Both Meeting Rooms at the Onalaska Library will be opened together as we combine a special HOLIDAY CARD MAKING CLASS with that month's scheduled Monday Night COLORING EVENT!

All materials and instruction will be provided free of charge, and all are welcome to attend.

Join us and make a special holiday card for your friends or family this year.

Friends of Onalaska Library

"The purpose of this organization shall be to work cooperatively with the library staff to promote and improve library services, materials, and facilities for the Onalaska community. Specifically, the Friends provide volunteer services, encourage the broadest possible use of the library, host meetings, workshops, and programs, and address special library needs."

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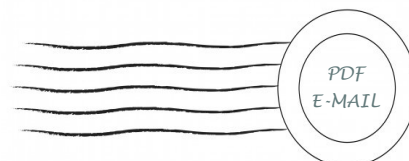
Library Hours

Monday	9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Tuesday	12:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Wednesday	9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Thursday	9:00 am - 9:00 pm
Friday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am - 2:00 pm



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