

August 2012

# Mercer *public library news*



## Sara Rath book reading and ice cream social on August 24



Longtime Mercer cabin owner Sara Rath will visit the Mercer Library on Friday, August 24th at 7 p.m. for a book reading of her

latest novel, *The Waters of Star Lake*.

The Friends of the Library will also host an **ice cream social** at the

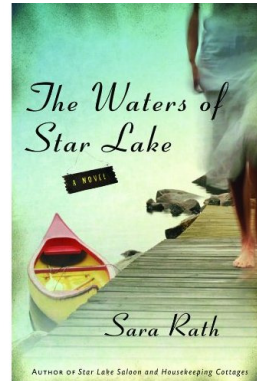
event. Ice cream and sundaes will be served, and coffee and beverages will also be available.

*Waters* follows Rath's popular novel, *Star Lake Saloon and Housekeeping Cottages*, and features the familiar setting of "Star Lake." It tells the story of newly widowed Natalie Waters as she explores the solitude of

the Northwoods, gets caught up in the Dillinger legends, and tries to understand why the local wolf population incites so much anger among her neighbors.

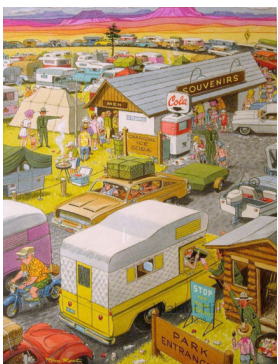
Copies of *The Waters of Star Lake* will be available for sale, and Sara will sign copies of all her books.

For more information, call the library at (715) 476-2366.



## The Outdoor Art of Tom Rost

On Tuesday, August 28 at 7pm, join Dick Thiede of Walnut Hill Art and Antiques to learn about one of Wisconsin's many hidden gems: outdoor artist Tom Rost.



Rost began his art career in the Civilian Conservation Corps and the Treasury

Department's division of fine arts. Some of Tom's earliest work includes murals

that are still on display in three Midwest post offices. He often published watercolors, pencil sketches, and illustrations in *Field & Stream* and other outdoor magazines, and it was through this work that he gained his reputation as the "Norman Rockwell of outdoor art."

Learn more about Tom, his art, and the process of printing "BC" - before computers. Several of Rost's pieces will be on display in the library before and after the program on August 28.

The program is free and open to the public, and refreshments will be served.

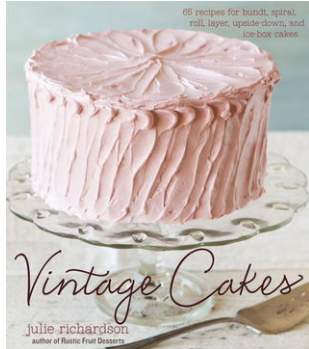
## Wisconsin Poet Laureate to visit Mercer

Wisconsin's fourth Poet Laureate, Bruce Dethlefsen, will visit the Mercer Library on October 16 to host a poetry workshop and reading. More information will be announced. Follow us at [Facebook.com/mercerlibrary](https://www.facebook.com/mercerlibrary) for the latest updates.



# August 2012 new library materials

Call us at (715)476-2366 or visit <http://mercer.wislib.org>  
to get on the hold list for any library materials.



## Vintage Cakes

by Julie Richardson

The latest addition to the library's extensive cookbook collection is a feast for the eyes, with color photos of layer cakes, cupcakes, rolls and flips.

## New Fiction

*Bones are Forever* by Kathy Reich

*The Crime of Julian Wells*

by Thomas Cook

*The Last Victim* by Karen Robards

*Odd Apocalypse* by Dean Koontz

*Sentinel* by Matthew Dunn

*Silver: Return to Treasure Island*

by Andrew Motion

*St. Zita Society* by Ruth Rendell

*Survivor* by Greg Hurwitz

*Sweet Talk* by Julie Garwood

*Time Untime* by Sherrilyn Kenyon

*Trickster's Point*

by William Kent Krueger

*Valley of Ashes* by Cornelia Read

*You are the Love of My Life*

by Susan Shreve

## New NonFiction

*Firearms of the Wild West and Firearms of World War II* by Jim Supica in association with the National Firearm Museum

*Bullied: What every parent, teacher and kid needs to know about ending the cycle of fear* by Carrie Goldman

*Saving the School* by Michael Brick

*Grow your handmade business* by Kate Chapin

*Walking on eggshells: caring for a critically ill loved one* by Amy Sales

## New DVDs

The Three Stooges

Being Flynn

The Lucky One

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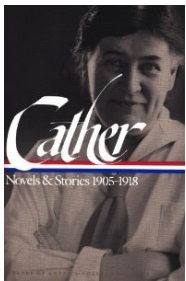
21 Jump Street

The Lorax

Hatfields and McCoys

Marley

## Mercer book club



## My Antonia

by Willa Cather

First published in 1918 and set in Nebraska in the late 19th century, *My Antonia* is a true American classic. Cather tells

the story of a spirited Bohemian girl as her family plans to farm the untamed land, with insight into both the immigrant experience and the vast, untamed nature of the prairie. The Book Club will meet on **Friday, September 7th at 1:00pm**. New members always welcome!

## Calendar of Events August 2012

Wed., August 8 at 10:30am: **Story Hour** for kids of all ages. We'll read stories and do a simple craft.

Tues., August 14 at 1:00pm: **Card-making workshop** with Vicky Meier. Pre-registration is required.

Wed., August 15 at 10:30am: **Story Hour** for kids of all ages. We'll read stories and do a simple craft.

Wed., August 22 at 10:30am: **End of Summer Party** for kids of all ages. Stories, games, crafts, and a free lunch. Last chance to cash in their Summer Reading Challenge Points for prizes!

Fri., August 24 at 7:00pm: **Ice**

**Cream Social and Book Reading with Sara Rath**, author of *The Waters of Star Lake*.

Tues., August 28 at 7:00pm: **The Art of Tom Rost** with Dick Thiede. Learn about this talented outdoor artist, often featured in *Field and Stream* and other magazines.

**Friends of the Library:** 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10am. Get to know your fellow Friends and support the library! New members always welcome.

**Knitters' Group:** 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 1pm. New members always welcome!

**Mercer Public Library**  
2648W Margaret Street  
Mercer, Wisconsin 54547  
(715)476-2366  
<http://mercer.wislib.org>

## Library Hours:

Monday—Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Closed Sunday

Winter hours begin after Labor Day!

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