

# Seaport Books

## Newsletter and Coming Events

May 2019

Remember May baskets that neighbor kids hung on your doorknob? It was what people did for each other – a nice reminder of the civility of past years which we seem to have lost.



Remember losing yourself in a wonderful adventure into *The Secret Garden* or *The Wind in the Willows*? We haven't yet lost our reverence for the printed and bound volumes that helped us grow up with dreams and a bit of civility of our own.

Seaport Books works every day to nourish our love of the printed word. We have excellent editions of classic, traditional, substantial books on our shelves so that readers who know their value may have them at reasonable cost.

At Seaport Books good reads abound just waiting for the right person to explore them. We hope to see you in the store soon and at one of our enticing free events.

### Celebrate Mother's Day, **May 12**, with a Timeless Story

*Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott  
*The Curve of Time* by Muriel Wylie Blanchett  
*We Didn't Ask for Wings* by Vanessa Diffenbaugh  
*Arctic Oasis* by Anne M. Will  
*Mist-Chi-Mas* by J. L. Oakley  
*Gift from the Sea* by Anne Morrow Lindbergh  
*Sense and Sensibility* by Jane Austen

## La Conner Guitar Festival, **May 10, 11, 12**

Enjoy the tranquility of string instruments

A \$20 all-day pass admits you to Maple Hall to view and experience the skill and camaraderie of the internationally known luthiers who gather in La Conner again this year. The program guides you to eleven workshops and numerous cabarets, concerts and demonstrations at venues around town. **Seaport Books** is proud to be among the sponsors of this unique international event. For more information go to [www.laconnerguitarfestival.com](http://www.laconnerguitarfestival.com).

### Meet the Author Events

**Thursday, May 16, 2019, 4:30 PM.** Candace Wellman, the author of *Peace Weavers: Uniting the Salish Coast through Cross-Cultural Marriages*, now has a second history to tell us about. *Interwoven Lives: Indigenous Mothers of Salish Coast Communities* is every bit as informative and revealing as her first book. In this volume she tells us of four Native American women who impacted our culture and history including Fort Bellingham Commander George W. Pickett's wife. Candace has more interesting stories to share with us.

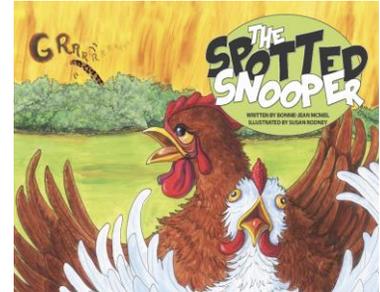
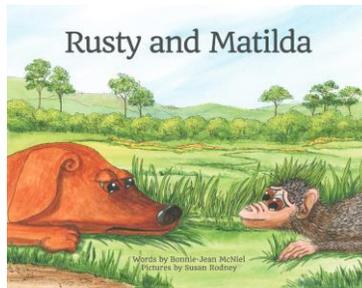
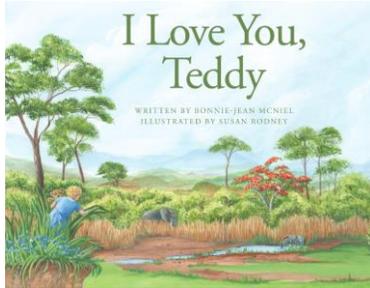
**Saturday, June 22, 2019, 12:30 PM.** Maple Hall, **A Novel Affair**, a fundraiser for a new library building in La Conner. A Novel Affair, Volume II, features a delicious catered luncheon, live and silent auctions, raffle prizes and featured speaker, **Robert Dugoni**. Dugoni is a bestselling author of crime-suspense-mystery stories set in the Pacific Northwest. Seaport Books will be on hand to sell Dugoni's lively, thought-provoking novels and those of other local authors as well.

### Celebrating Pacific Northwest Authors

**Bonnie-Jean McNiel**

Bonnie-Jean lives in Coupeville and has partnered with illustrator Susan Rodney from Mount Vernon to publish three wonderful children's picture books. Bonnie

Jean was born and raised in Angola and Malawi, Africa. Her books are vivid with African color and alive with native animals who help tell the stories. We have all three books, *I Love You, Teddy*, *Rusty and Matilda*, and *The Spotted Snooper*.



Bonnie-Jean McNeil and Susan Rodney, both older with many obligations, still found the time to pursue their idea of publishing these delightful books. They also team up to present workshops to help other seniors make their wishes come true.

## Book Groups

**The Second Thursday Evening Group**, (meets 6:00 PM at Seaport Books) has selected first, *The Music Shop* by Rachel Joyce and next, *Angle of Repose* by Wallace Stegner.

**The Fourth Monday Morning Group**, (meets 9:30 AM at Seaport Books) has selected *The Winter Brothers* by Ivan Doig.

Both groups welcome new members.

**Wishing you a month of sunshine and good reading.  
We love being your bookstore in La Conner!**

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