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ANNOUNCING THE 2015 OHIOANA BOOK AWARD WINNERS

The Ohioana Library is pleased to announce the 2015 Ohioana Book Award winners! The awards, established in 1942, honor Ohio authors in the categories of Fiction, Nonfiction, Poetry, Juvenile Literature, and Middle Grade/Young Adult Literature. The fifth category, About Ohio, may also include works by non-Ohio authors. The awards will be presented at the Ohio Statehouse in Columbus on October 9, 2015. We hope to see you there!

Fiction



Anthony Doerr. *All the Light We Cannot See*. Scribner, 2014.

In France, blind Marie-Laure lives with her father in Paris near the Museum of Natural History, where he works as a locksmith. When the Nazis invade, they flee to Saint-Malo, taking the museum's most valuable jewel with them. In Germany, the orphaned Werner becomes an expert at building and repairing radios. When the Nazis discover his talent, they send him to a Hitler Youth academy and then on a special assignment to track

the resistance. When the stories of Marie-Laure and Werner converge, Doerr shows us how people can find light and hope against all odds.

Anthony Doerr is the author of the story collections *Memory Wall* and *The Shell Collector*, the novel *About Grace*, and the memoir *Four Seasons in Rome*. He has won numerous prizes both in the U.S. and overseas, including the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, four O. Henry Prizes, three Pushcart Prizes, the Rome Prize, the New York Public Library's Young Lions Award, the National Magazine Award for fiction, a Guggenheim Fellowship, and the Story Prize.

The Director's Chair

Dear Friends,

It's always an exciting time for us when we announce the winners of the Ohioana Book Awards. This year our jurors selected thirty finalists from nearly 400 eligible books. To make it to this short list is, in itself, recognition of excellence. We congratulate all the finalists. As for the winners—you can see that it is truly a stellar list.

Since our last newsletter, a new state budget has been passed. We are grateful to both the Governor and the legislators for their continued support of the Ohioana Library.

In his proclamation honoring Ohioana's 85th anniversary, Governor Kasich recognized us "for promoting and celebrating Ohio literature, and for collecting and preserving for future generations the rich literary heritage of our State." On October 9 we will again celebrate Ohio literature with the presentation of the 2015 Ohioana Awards at the Ohio Statehouse. We hope you will join us.

David E. Weaver
 Executive Director

Nonfiction



THE INVISIBLE SOLDIERS



Ann Hagedorn. *The Invisible Soldiers: How America Outsourced Our Security*. Simon & Schuster, 2014.

Not too long ago, only mercenaries provided military services for hire. During the Iraq War, however, private security contractors eventually exceeded U.S. troops. Private contractors now not only assist the military,

but guard our embassies, provide police training, and perform intelligence analysis. In this book, former *Wall Street Journal* reporter Hagedorn examines the difficulties of monitoring these companies and the potential risks of U.S. dependence on their services.

Ann Hagedorn is the award-winning author of four previous books: *Wild Ride*, *Ransom*, *Beyond the River*, and *Savage Peace*, and has been a staff writer for *The Wall Street Journal*. She has taught writing at Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism, Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism, Xavier University, and Miami University. She holds an M.S. in journalism from Columbia University and an honorary doctorate in humane letters from Denison University. Hagedorn divides her time between New York City and a small Ohio River town, which she discovered during her research for *Beyond the River*.

Poetry



Stuart Friebert. *Floating Heart*. Pinyon Publishing, 2014.

The poems in this collection are by turns gritty, delightful, and disturbing as they “take both poet and reader to unexpected places.”

Born in Wisconsin, **Stuart Friebert** earned a B.A. at Wisconsin State College/

Milwaukee and an M.A. and a Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin/Madison in German Language & Literature. He taught at Mt. Holyoke College, Harvard,

and finally settled at Oberlin College, where he taught German and founded and directed Oberlin's Creative Writing Program until retiring in 1997. He co-founded *Field Magazine*, the Field Translation Series, and Oberlin College Press. Friebert has published a dozen books of poems (including volumes in German), ten volumes of translations, anthologies, and more recently prose (stories, memoir pieces, and critical essays). He has held an N.E.A. Fellowship in poetry and received numerous awards for poems and translations, including the Four Way Book Award for *Funeral Pie*.

Juvenile Literature



J. Patrick Lewis. *Harlem Hellfighters*. Creative Editions, 2014.

The 369th Infantry Regiment—the first African American regiment to serve as part of U.S. forces in WWI—became known as the “Harlem Hellfighters” due to their ferocity in battle.

However, they were equally well known for the regimental band that, under the leadership of famed bandleader and lieutenant James Reese Europe, took the sounds of jazz, blues, and ragtime overseas. Lewis's text and Gary Kelley's powerful illustrations combine to tell the regiment's story from its federalization in 1916, through training in the deep South and battle in France, to their homecoming and Europe's death in 1919.

J. Patrick Lewis is the 2011 winner of the NCTE Award for Poetry and is a former Children's Poet Laureate. He has written more than sixty books for children and adults, including *Spot the Plot: A Riddle Book of Book Riddles* and *Please Bury Me in the Library*. His poetry has won him many awards, including the NCTE Notable Children's Books in the Language Arts, the IRA Notable Books for a Global Society, and the Eureka! Children's Nonfiction Book Award. Before becoming a full-time writer, he taught business, accounting, and economics at Otterbein College. He lives in Westerville, Ohio.

Middle Grade/Young Adult Literature



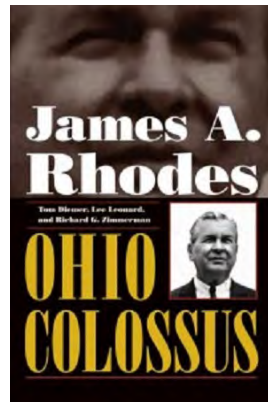
Jacqueline Woodson. *Brown Girl Dreaming*. Nancy Paulsen Books, 2014.

In this collection of free-verse poems, Ohio native Woodson describes what it was like growing up alternately in South Carolina and New York during the 1960s and 1970s. The poems not only describe her feelings of being only “halfway home”

in each place, but also share her joy as she discovered writing.

Jacqueline Woodson (www.jacquelinewoodson.com) is the winner of the Margaret A. Edwards Award for lifetime achievement in writing for young adults, the recipient of three Newbery Honors for *After Tupac and D Foster*, *Feathers*, and *Show Way*, and the winner of the National Book Award for *Brown Girl Dreaming*. Other awards include the Coretta Scott King Award and Los Angeles Times Book Prize for *Miracle's Boys*. Her recent books are her novel *Beneath a Meth Moon* and her picture books *Each Kindness* and *This Is the Rope*. She lives with her family in Brooklyn, New York.

About Ohio



Tom Diemer, Lee Leonard, and Richard G. Zimmerman. *James A. Rhodes: Ohio Colossus*. Kent State Univ. Press, 2014.

This book, written by journalists who covered Rhodes' political career in overlapping terms, documents his upbringing in a single-parent home, his education (which did not include a college degree), his four terms as Ohio governor, and two decades as a political elder.

Tom Diemer teaches in the Washington program of Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism. He covered Rhodes for more than a decade as a reporter for The Associated Press and as the Columbus bureau chief for the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*. Diemer is the author of *Fighting the Unbeatable Foe: Howard Metzenbaum of Ohio, the Washington Years* (The Kent State University Press, 2009).

Lee Leonard reported at the Ohio Statehouse for UPI and the *Columbus Dispatch* for thirty-six years until his retirement in 2005. Leonard contributed the chapter on James A. Rhodes' second eight years as governor for *Ohio Politics* (The Kent State University Press, 1994). He also compiled *A Columnist's View of Capitol Square*.

The late **Richard G. Zimmerman** was the author of *Call Me Mike* (The Kent State University Press, 2003) and *Plain Dealing* (The Kent State University Press, 2006). Zimmerman, who died in 2008 while still working on this book, reported in Columbus for Horvitz Newspapers and the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*.

2015 WALTER RUMSEY MARVIN GRANT

This special prize, established by the family of Ohioana's second director, is given to a writer age 30 or younger who has not yet published a book. The 2015 Marvin Grant recipient is Negesti Kaudo of Columbus. At 22 years old, Negesti is a recent graduate of Elon University with a Bachelor's of Art in both English–Creative Writing and Psychology. Her nonfiction essays have been published several times online at NailedMagazine.com as selections in their monthly response columns and also in the sixth issue of Vagabond City Literary Journal. In the fall, Kaudo will begin pursuing an MFA in Creative Writing–Nonfiction at Columbia College of Chicago.

Look for an excerpt from Negesti's prize-winning entry in this fall's *Ohioana Quarterly*!

OHIOANA BOOK AWARD FINALISTS

The Ohioana Library would also like to congratulate the 2015 Book Award finalists! Look for these books and other titles by these authors at your local library or bookstore.

Fiction

Mrs. Lincoln's Rival by Jennifer Chiaverini
Bright Shards of Someplace Else by Monica McFawn
Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng
The Story Hour by Thrity Umrigar



Nonfiction

Shepherd: A Memoir by Richard Gilbert
Hope Sings, So Beautiful: Graced Encounters Across the Color Line by Christopher Pramuk
After We Kill You, We Will Welcome You Back as Honored Guests by Ted Rall
We Called Him Rabbi Abraham: Lincoln and American Jewry by Gary Phillip Zola



Poetry

Hearsay by Christopher Ankeny
Imperial by George Bilgere
The Accidental Garden by William Greenway
The Hive Is a Book We Read For Its Honey by Gerry Grubbs



Juvenile Literature

The Farmer's Away! Baa! Neigh! by Anne Vittur Kennedy
The Forever Flowers by Michael J. Rosen
Otis and the Scarecrow by Loren Long
This Is the Rope by Jacqueline Woodson



Middle Grade/Young Adult Literature

Park Scientists by Mary Kay Carson
The Boy on the Porch by Sharon Creech
Winterfrost by Michelle Houts
Voices from the March on Washington by J. Patrick Lewis



About Ohio or an Ohioan

Beyond Trochenbrod by Betty Gold & Mark Hodermarsky
The Chalmers Race: Ty Cobb, Napoleon Lajoie, and the Controversial 1910 Batting Title That Became a National Obsession by Rick Huhn
Gene Everlasting: A Contrary Farmer's Thoughts on Living Forever by Gene Logsdon
American Queen: The Rise and Fall of Kate Chase Sprague by John Oller



NEW BOOKS

The following books were added to Ohioana's collection between April and June 2015. Look for them at your local library or bookstore!

Nonfiction

Alt, Jeff. *Four Boots, One Journey: A Story of Survival, Awareness, and Rejuvenation on the John Muir Trail*. Beaufort Books (New York, NY) 2014. PB \$14.95.

When marathon runner Beth married hiker Jeff, she didn't really see the appeal of long treks without the comforts of home. However, together they decided to hike all 218 miles of the John Muir Trail in her brother's memory as a depression awareness campaign. Along the way they faced lightning storms, bears, and a fascinating cast of characters—and came to know each other better as well.

Bahney, Jennifer Bowers. *Stealing Sisi's Star: How a Master Thief Nearly Got Away with Austria's Most Famous Jewel*. McFarland & Company (Jefferson, NC) 2015. PB \$29.95.

On honeymoon in Vienna in 1998, thief Daniel Blanchard first saw the last remaining "Sisi Star"—one of twenty-seven jeweled stars that Empress Elisabeth wore in her hair. The jewel remained missing for nine years, until the chief suspect in a Canadian criminal investigation offered to share its location. This book tells the stories of not only an exceptional thief, but also the exceptional jewel and the empress to which it belonged.

Beckman, Wendy. *Founders and Famous Families: Cincinnati*. Clerisy Press (Covington, KY) 2014. PB \$18.95.

This book traces the history of Cincinnati from its founding in the late 1700s to the present day, focusing on the families that helped build it from a frontier town to a city with more Fortune 500 companies per capita than New York, Los Angeles, or Chicago.

Bennett, B. Kevin. *The Civil War & Granville: An Ohio Community's Outsized Contribution (Granville Historical Society Pocket History #3)*. Granville Historical Society (Granville, OH) 2012. PB \$8.00. On the eve of the Civil War, Granville was a small community best known for education. This book documents Granville's contribution to the war, from the battlefield to the home front.

Bonner, Barbara. *Inspiring Generosity*. Wisdom Publications (Somerville, MA) 2014. PB \$19.95. In this book Bonner has collected quotes, poems, and personal stories about the nature of generosity; sources range from the Dalai Lama to Emily Dickinson to everyday, unsung heroes.

Brooks, Maggie. *By Means of Ink and Paper: The Civil War Correspondence of Edwin & Sarah Sinnet (Granville Historical Society Pocket History #4)*. Granville Historical Society (Granville, OH) 2013. PB \$8.00.

In 1861, Dr. Edwin Sinnet joined the Ohio Volunteer Infantry; he would serve a total of three years as a field surgeon and director of battlefield hospitals. The letters he exchanged with his young wife document life at camp and at home during the country's bloodiest war.

Consolmagno SJ, Guy, and Paul Mueller SJ. *Would You Baptize*

an Extraterrestrial?...and Other Questions from the Astronomers' In-Box at the Vatican Observatory. Image/Penguin Random House (New York, NY) 2014. HC \$25.00. The authors, both scientists at the Vatican Observatory, explore the title question and others, including "How do you reconcile Genesis and the Big Bang?" and "What was the Star of Bethlehem?" This book, formatted as a six-day dialogue, will not only make readers laugh, but will also make them think about science, faith, and the nature of the universe.

Darnowsky, Sabrina. *Friends Past and Present: The Bicentennial History of Cincinnati Friends Meeting (1815-2015)*. CreateSpace, 2015. PB \$18.15.

In 1811, a few Quaker families began gathering in each other's homes near the frontier town of Cincinnati. This book chronicles the history of the Cincinnati Friends Meeting from those early days through the twenty-first century, and in the process sheds light on Cincinnati and American history as well.

Footlick, Jerrold. *An Adventure in Education: The College of Wooster from Howard Lowry to the Twenty-First Century*. Kent State Univ. Press (Kent, OH) 2015. HC \$34.95. This third volume tracing the history of the College of Wooster begins in 1944, when a Wooster alumnus named Howard Lowry became president and created the college's renowned Independent Study program. Wooster's journey from a modest midwestern college to a diverse institution recognized for academics is instructive for anyone interested in higher education.

Hamlin, Kimberly. *From Eve to Evolution: Darwin, Science, and Women's Rights in Gilded Age America*. Univ. of Chicago Press (Chicago, IL) 2014. HC \$40.00. In this book Hamlin documents the lives and writing of several early women's rights activists, including Elizabeth Cady Stanton, who embraced Darwin's theory of evolution as proof that women were not inferior to men.

Heath, William. *William Wells and the Struggle for the Old Northwest*. Univ. of Oklahoma Press (Norman, OK) 2015. HC \$34.95.

Born to Anglo-American parents in 1770 and captured and adopted by the Miami Indians at age 13, William Wells moved between two cultures his entire life, but struggled to truly belong in either one. Heath's biography looks at pioneer life from both white and Native American perspectives at a time when the Ohio Valley was the western frontier.

Heffron, Joe, and Jack Heffron. *The Local Boys: Hometown Players for the Cincinnati Reds*. Clerisy Press (Covington, KY) 2014. PB \$17.95. This book provides short biographies of more than 100 Cincinnati natives who have realized the dream of playing baseball for the Reds.

Heimlich, Henry, M.D. *Heimlich's Maneuvers: My Seventy Years of Lifesaving Innovation*. Prometheus Books (Amherst, NY) 2014. PB \$19.95.

In this book Heimlich shares his life story, from his upbringing in New England through medical school to the development of lifesaving procedures including the Heimlich Maneuver.

Innis Jr., James, ed. *The Shakers of White Water, Ohio, 1823-1916*. Richard W. Couper Press (Clinton, NY) 2014. PB \$30.00

This book documents the history of the White Water Shaker Village from its founding in 1823 (the last society established in what was then the American West) to its dissolution in 1916.

Knight, Jonathan. *Classic Browns: The 50 Greatest Games in Cleveland Browns History (Second Edition)*. Black Squirrel Books/ Kent State Univ. Press (Kent, OH) 2015. PB \$18.95.

This revised and updated edition counts down the fifty greatest games of the Cleveland Browns, from victories to heartbreakers. Featuring memorable performances from Browns greats including Brian Sipe and Bernie Kosar, this book will appeal to Browns fans everywhere.

Lupica, Matt. *The Baseball Stadium Insider: A Dissection of All Thirty Ballparks, Legendary Players, and Memorable Moments*. Kent State Univ. Press (Kent, OH) 2015. PB \$29.95.

Baseball may be one of the only sports in which the ballparks take on a personality of their own. This book takes readers on a detailed tour of each baseball stadium in the U.S. and includes more than 300 quotes from players, broadcasters, and managers about special moments that took place on each field.

Neal, Catherine. *Taking Down the Lion: The Triumphant Rise and Tragic Fall of Tyco's Dennis Kozlowski*. Palgrave Macmillan (New York, NY) 2014. HC \$28.00. Dennis Kozlowski helped grow

Tyco from a relatively small New Hampshire company to a conglomerate with nearly \$40 billion in annual revenue. However, shortly after the Enron scandal in 2001, he was fired from Tyco and then indicted by Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau. In this book, business ethics professor Neal examines not only Kozlowski's greed, but also the corporate politics and prosecutorial decisions that led to his unprecedented prison sentence.

Neely, Charlotte, Ph.D., ed. *Native Nations: The Survival of Fourth World Peoples*. JCharlton Publishing Ltd. (Vernon, British Columbia) 2014. PB \$32.00. In this volume Neely, Director of Native American Studies at Northern Kentucky University, collects essays describing the strategies used by several Fourth World nations (Indigenous minorities within some of the world's wealthiest countries) to maintain their culture, sacred lands, and identity.

Overholser, Theresa. *Beneath This Sod: A Walk Through Granville's Old Colony Burying Ground (Granville Historical Society Pocket History #5)*. Granville Historical Society (Granville, OH) 2014. PB \$8.00.

A walk through Granville's nineteenth-century cemetery provides a glimpse of nearly two centuries of history, from the families buried there to the history of the cemetery itself.

Rolfes, Steven, and Douglas R. Weise. *Cincinnati Art Deco: Images of America*. Arcadia Publishing (Charleston, SC) 2014. PB \$21.99. Art Deco, with its elegant lines, was

born in the mid-1920s. This book documents not only Cincinnati's major Art Deco landmarks (Hilton Netherland Plaza, the Cincinnati Times-Star Building, and Union Terminal), but also many other examples found in neighborhoods throughout the city.

Rolfes, Steven. *Cincinnati Under Water: The 1937 Flood*. Little Miami Publishing Co. (Milford, OH) 2014. PB \$22.50.

In January of 1937, the Ohio River overflowed its banks from Pittsburgh to Cairo, Illinois. Cincinnati endured some of the greatest damage from a combination of floodwater and fire caused by overturned fuel tanks. This book chronicles the response of not only the city government, but also ordinary people who helped their neighbors in a time of need.

Shannon, Mike. *Cincinnati Reds Legends*. Black Squirrel Books/Kent State Univ. Press (Kent, OH) 2015. HC \$29.95.

In this book, best-selling baseball author Shannon profiles forty of the best Reds players in history, from the team's start as baseball's first professional team in 1869 through the turn of the twenty-first century.

Snay, Mitchell. *Freedom: The Antislavery Movement in Granville (Granville Historical Society Pocket History #6)*. Granville Historical Society (Granville, OH) 2015. PB \$8.00.

In this volume, Denison University historian Snay documents Granville's role in the Underground Railroad as well as the political and social struggles over slavery that divided the village as well as the nation.

Wilcox, Frank. *The Ohio Canals: A pictorial survey of the Ohio canals using the drawings and paintings of the late Frank Wilcox (Second Edition)*. Kent State Univ. Press (Kent, OH) 2015. PB \$24.95.

Cleveland artist Frank N. Wilcox (1887-1964) explored, hiked, and sketched what was left of the Ohio canal system while researching the first edition of this book (published posthumously in 1969). In it he once again portrays life in an earlier time and advocates for preserving the artifacts that represent our regional history.

Wilcox, Frank. *Ohio Indian Trails: A pictorial survey of the Indian trails of Ohio arranged from the works of the late Frank Wilcox (Third Edition)*. Kent State Univ. Press (Kent, OH) 2015. PB \$24.95. Cleveland artist Frank N. Wilcox (1887-1964) used journals of early Ohio settlers and his knowledge of Native American ways and the Ohio landscape to locate major Indian trails and towns throughout the state. This new edition of his 1933 book reaffirms its role as a work of both regional and national history.

Fiction

Batiuk, Tom, and Chuck Ayers. *Roses in December: A Story of Love and Alzheimer's*. Kent State Univ. Press (Kent, OH) 2015. PB \$24.95. This collection tells the story of two characters from the popular *Crankshaft* comic strip as they and their loved ones deal with the onset and progression of Alzheimer's. Includes a resource guide for patients and caregivers.

Bennett, Christopher. *Uncertain Logic: Star Trek Enterprise, Rise of the Federation*. Pocket Books (New York, NY) 2015. PB \$7.99.

A decade ago, Jonathan Archer and T'Pol helped locate the writings of the Vulcan philosopher Surak, launching an era of peaceful reform. When the discovery is claimed to be a fraud, the two—with help from their Vulcan allies—must discover who is behind the conspiracy before Vulcan returns to war.

Bickle, Laura. *Dark Alchemy*. Harper Voyager Impulse/HarperCollins (New York, NY) 2015. PB \$6.99.

Seeking clues to her father's disappearance, geologist Petra Dee has traveled to Temperance, Wyoming, a former gold rush town with a current meth epidemic. An old magic is also gathering there, and when bodies start turning up, Petra must fight for survival with a relic she doesn't understand.

Campbell, Molly D. *Keep the Ends Loose*. The Story Plant (Stamford, CT) 2015. PB \$16.95.

Fifteen-year-old Miranda Heath has big dreams and a stable family—until she tries to resolve the issue of the estranged husband her aunt never divorced. With her family thrown into chaos, Mandy starts to see them in new ways, and learns that sometimes loose ends just want to stay loose.

Cruz, Paisley. *Love Me Tender*. Luminosity Publishing, 2015. PB \$11.59.

Kadee has plans to become part of Nashville's music industry, and the distraction of a relationship is not on the list. Carter has come to Nashville to save his family's failing

record label, but is ready to head back home until he meets Kadee. With a new reason to stay, can he and Kadee save the company?

Flower, Amanda. *The Final Reveille: A Living History Museum Mystery*. Midnight Ink (Woodbury, MN) 2015. PB \$14.99.

Kelsey Cambridge loves her job as director of Barton Farm, a living history museum. In order to impress Cynthia Cherry, the museum's wealthy benefactor, Kelsey decides to stage a Civil War reenactment on the farm. However, when Cynthia's nephew is found dead the day after threatening to cut the museum's funding, Kelsey becomes the prime suspect, and must solve the murder in order to save Barton Farm—and herself.

Helms, Rhonda. *Break Your Heart*. Kensington Books (New York, NY) 2015. PB \$9.95.

Math major Megan Porter is close to graduating with honors and entering a master's program—until she meets her new thesis advisor, Nick Muramoto. As hiding their budding relationship from his colleagues and her family grows more difficult, Megan realizes that she is not the only one with secrets.

Hoffman, Mary. *Apple of Sodom: A Novel*. Brick House Books (Baltimore, MD) 2015. PB \$20.00. In the early 1960s, Emily Crawford is a young wife and mother living the life of an American expatriate in the Middle East. As she explores the Holy Land, she begins to better understand and respect herself.

Lindsey, Julie Anne. *Murder in Real Time: The Patience Price Mysteries*. Carina Press/Harlequin (Don Mills, Ontario) 2014. PB \$6.50.

Now that tourist season is over, Patience Price is looking forward to some peace and quiet on Chincoteague Island—until a reality show arrives to film a series about ghosts. When two cast members turn up dead, she can't help but investigate. But how do you find a killer when you're not sure about the target?

McCullough, David. *The Wright Brothers*. Simon & Schuster (New York, NY) 2015. HC \$30.00. Pulitzer Prize-winner McCullough draws on private diaries, scrapbooks, and more than 1,000 letters to tell the story of the Wright Brothers—including the important contributions of their sister, Katharine.

McLain, Paula. *Circling the Sun*. Ballantine Books/Random House (New York, NY) 2015. HC \$28.00. This fictional memoir tells the story of aviatrix Beryl Markham, who was raised in colonial Kenya by her father and the Kipsigis tribe who share his estate. The independent Beryl follows her own path, but it's safari hunter Denys Finch Hatton who ultimately helps her follow her heart.

Price, Carole. *Sour Grapes: A Shakespeare in the Vineyard Mystery (Book 2)*. Five Star/Gale, Cengage Learning (Detroit, MI) 2014. HC \$25.95.

After something triggers Caitlyn Pepper's security alarm, a Shakespearean battle axe and a knife are found on the ground outside her home. She recognizes the knife—it was found on the bank robber she shot and killed two years earlier when she was a cop. Although evidence suggests the robber's brother may be seeking

revenge, things are not always what they seem.

Price, Carole. *Twisted Vines: A Shakespeare in the Vineyard Mystery (Book 1)*. Five Star/Gale, Cengage Learning (Detroit, MI) 2012. HC \$25.95.

When crime analyst Caitlyn Pepper inherits a vineyard and two Shakespearean theaters from a mysterious aunt, she travels to California and discovers a trail of secrets, lies, and murders. Cait decides to stay and solve the mystery of her aunt's death—even if it means risking her own life in the process.

Sun, Anna. *Dreamers of the Absolute: A Book of Hours*. Sylph Editions (London, UK) 2014. PB \$21.00.

Rose has traveled to a rural Kentucky monastery in search of her brother, who has taken the vows of a novice. However, as she spends seven days in unplanned contemplation, she may find herself—who she is, what she wants, and what she believes—instead.

Poetry

Bryner, Jeanne. *Early Farming Woman*. Finishing Line Press (Georgetown, KY) 2014. PB \$12.00. In this collection of poems, Bryner tells the stories of ancient women—mothers, sisters, wives, and daughters.

Gildzen, Alex. *Elyria: Point A in Ohio Triangle*. Crisis Chronicles Press (Cleveland, OH) 2009. PB \$5.00.

Although Alex Gildzen was born in California, he became an Ohio resident at the tender age of two weeks. In this first point of his *Ohio*

Triangle he pays tribute to the area where he grew up.

Gildzen, Alex. *Cleveland: Point B in Ohio Triangle*. Crisis Chronicles Press (Cleveland, OH) 2013. PB \$7.00.

Although Alex Gildzen never had a Cleveland address, he has long been associated with the city, which is featured here as the second point in his *Ohio Triangle*.

Gildzen, Alex. *Ohio Triangle*. Crisis Chronicles Press (Cleveland, OH) 2015. PB \$10.99.

Alex Gildzen completes his *Ohio Triangle* with this collection of poems that look back on his life in three Ohio cities: Elyria, Cleveland, and Kent.

Greenway, William. *Selected Poems*. Futurecycle Press (Hayesville, NC) 2014. PB \$17.95.

This collection of poems selected from Greenway's previously published books provides a perfect introduction to his lively and insightful work.

Middle Grade & Children's

Borden, Louise. *Baseball Is...* Margaret K. McElderry Books/Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing (New York, NY) 2014. HC \$17.99.

This picture book, with text by Borden and illustrations by Raúl Colón, is a poetic tribute to America's national pastime.

Flower, Amanda. *Andi Unstoppable: An Andi Boggs Novel*. Zonderkidz (Grand Rapids, MI) 2015. HC \$10.99.

It's the start of a new school year, and Andi Boggs and her best friend Colin are birdwatching for science

class. However, instead of spotting a Kirtland's warbler, Andi spots the town ghost. She and Colin try to solve the mystery of Dominika Shalley's ghost—and the holes that have recently appeared in the Shalley graveyard.

Gleiner, Kelli. *A Day with Monster*. Blue Manatee Press (Cincinnati, OH) 2014. BB \$7.99.

This board book by fiber artist Gleiner follows fuzzy Monster throughout his day as he wakes up, gets dressed (by sticking on a tie), takes a nap, and much more.

Gleiner, Kelli. *Cheer Up, Monster!* Blue Manatee Press (Cincinnati, OH) 2013. BB \$7.99.

In this board book, multiple attempts to cheer up Monster meet with failure ("Flowers make me sneezy.")—until he finds a new friend.

Young Adult

Bradley, S.X. *Uncovered*. Evernight Teen, 2014. PB \$13.99.

After solving her sister's murder, Autumn becomes part of a high school forensic team that assists the police when teens are in trouble. When a string of disappearances is linked to an online survival game, Autumn must decrypt the code in order to save the latest victim—and herself.

Corp, Carey, and Lorie Langdon. *Destined for Doon*. Blink/Zondervan (Grand Rapids, MI) 2014. HC \$17.99.

A year after Kenna left the magical land of Doon to pursue an acting career, the prince she also left behind asks her to come back. Kenna's best friend, Veronica, is struggling as Doon's new queen,

and a mysterious evil has crossed the border and is spreading. As the best friends reunite, they begin to wonder if "happily ever after" is possible after all.



In the summer issue of the *Ohioana Quarterly*:

- Summer reading lists for children and teens
- An interview with Paula McLain, 2012 Ohioana Book Award winner for *The Paris Wife* and author of the new book *Circling the Sun*
- Book reviews
- And more!

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IN MEMORIAM

Since our last newsletter, Ohioana has said goodbye to two people who were longtime friends and supporters of the library.

Floyd Dickman passed away on June 14 at the age of 76. His distinguished career as a librarian and educator touched many lives. Children's literature was Floyd's special passion. He served several times as a member on both the Caldecott and Newbery Award committees, and he founded the Mazza Museum Children's Book Center. Floyd was a dedicated volunteer for Ohioana, serving as a juror for the Ohioana Book Awards in juvenile literature. He was also on the selection committee for Choose to Read Ohio. Floyd particularly enjoyed the Ohioana Book Festival, and supervised the volunteer check-in every year until ill health made that impossible. We will miss Floyd's smiling face and ever-positive attitude and most of all his enthusiastic love of books, especially those books that engage and inspire children to become lifelong readers.

On July 10 we lost another friend when Dr. E. Jane Porter passed away at the age of 91. Jane, like Floyd Dickman, had a particular passion for children's literature. Her career as an educator included Bethany College, the University of Delaware, and The Ohio State University. Jane was a life member and generous supporter of the Ohioana Library, becoming one of the charter members of our Martha Kinney Cooper Society and helping to establish our endowment at the Columbus Foundation. Jane was one of those quiet people who support many organizations, never seeking attention for themselves but only seeking to do good and make a difference. In fact, Jane would probably be mad at us for even writing this! She was a great lady and a great friend to Ohioana and she will truly be missed.

COMING SOON

Ohioana Book Club meets August 12, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the Ohioana Library, Columbus
The book for August is *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr, winner of the 2015 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction. If you would like to attend, please e-mail us at ohioana@ohioana.org.

Thurber House Summer Literary Picnic with Brad Ricca August 12, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. on the Thurber House lawn, Columbus

The 2015 Summer Literary Picnic series concludes with Brad Ricca, winner of the 2014 Ohioana Book Award for *Super Boys: The Amazing Adventures of Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster—The Creators of Superman*. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.thurberhouse.org/literary-picnics-2015-season.html.

Ohioana Book Awards October 9, 2015, 6:00–9:00 p.m. at the Ohio Statehouse, Columbus
The event opens with a reception and hors d'oeuvres, followed by the presentation of awards and an author roundtable discussion. A book sale and signing will follow the ceremony. Tickets for the event are \$50 per person and will go on sale in September; all proceeds benefit the Ohioana Library. For more information and to order tickets, visit www.ohioana.org.

Books by the Banks October 17, 2015, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. at the Duke Energy Convention Center, Cincinnati
This regional book fair features a book sale, author signings, children's and teen activities, panels and workshops, and—new this year—author awards. For more information visit <http://booksbythebanks.org>.