



## RedberryReads: A Newsletter From Redberry Books

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### April is National Poetry Month

Here are two lovely books of poetry, both written by local authors, both celebrate the seasons of the northwoods.

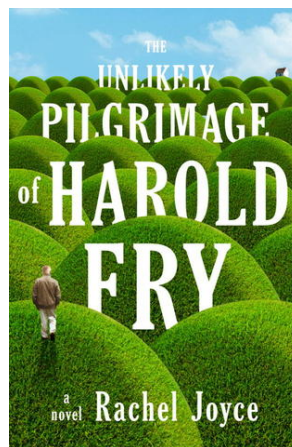
### Greetings!

Happy Spring! Happy Earth Day! On April 22, we celebrate the earth, thanks to Earth Day founder, Gaylord Nelson, then a U.S. Senator from Wisconsin. The first Earth Day in 1970 achieved a rare political alignment, enlisting support from Republicans and Democrats, rich and poor, city slickers and farmers, tycoons and labor leaders. Let's all rally the spirit of cooperation and do (at least!) one green thing. Here's a great idea: preserving your own food to enjoy during the winter months.

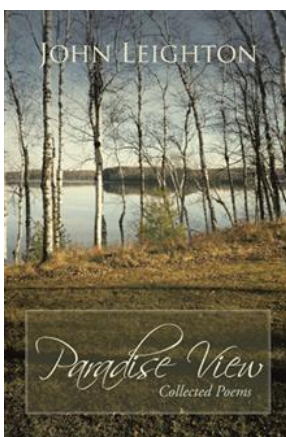


This is the classic. To order, click [here](#).

### Spring Book Club Dinner



*The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* begins in Kingsbridge, a small village in England, and takes the reader on a six hundred mile journey to Berwick-Upon-Tweed. It's full of charm, humor, and insight into the hidden feelings of the heart. It's also the inspiration for our **Spring Book Club Dinner**! We're not yet sure if the menu will include baps, bangers, or bubble and squeak, but it will most definitely include a tippie or two (of course, we wouldn't want to get trolleyed or rat-arsed!). In any event, with Chef Heather Ludzack in charge of an English supper, it's sure to be scrummy!

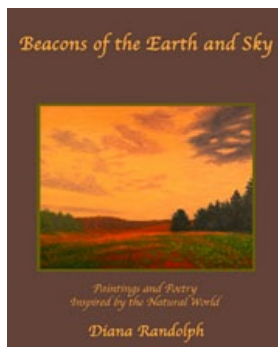


## ***Paradise View: Collected Poems***

by John Leighton

John Leighton received a BA in philosophy from the University of Minnesota and a JD from William Mitchell College of Law. After practicing law in Minneapolis for more than thirty years, he and his wife now live on a lake in northwestern Wisconsin.

To order  
*Paradise View*, click  
[here](#).



## ***Beacons of the Earth and Sky: Paintings and Poetry Inspired by the Natural World*** by Diana Randolph

Diana graduated from Northland College, with a degree in Art. Diana and her husband have two grown children and live in northwestern Wisconsin, surrounded by the Chequamegon Nicolet National Forest.

Spring Book Club Dinner  
May 16, 2013  
Brick House Cafe  
Downtown Cable



Reservations and prepayment required. Stop in to either  
Redbery Books or The Brick House Cafe to reserve your spot!

## **Wendy Webb**

Thanks to everybody who came to Telemark to hear **Wendy Webb** read from her most recent book, *The Fate of Mercy Alban*.

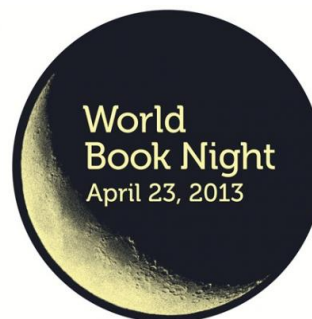
Wendy told a story about being a young teenager reading books by the fireplace at Telemark years ago and thinking about someday being a writer...and here she was

reading from her second bestselling book in the very same spot! We were all a little verklempt!



To order *The Fate of Mercy Alban*, click [here](#).  
Autographed copies available.

## **World Book Night**



On April 23, 2013, 25,000 volunteers will give away half a million free books in more than 6,000 towns and cities across the country!

Redbery Books is proud to be a partner with World Book Night for a second year.

World Book Night is an ambitious campaign to give thousands of free, specially printed paperbacks to light or nonreaders on one day.

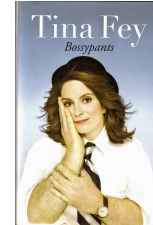
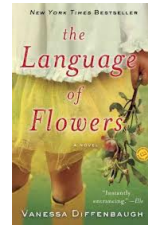
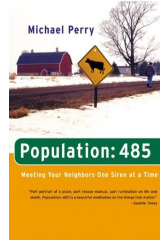
To order *Beacons of the Earth and Sky*, click [here](#).



"If I am honest I have to tell you I still read fairytales and I like them best of all."  
~Audrey Hepburn

Volunteer book lovers help promote reading by going out into their communities and sharing free copies of books they love. The fourteen volunteers in our community will be picking up their books at Redbery Books and sharing them in locations across northern Wisconsin.

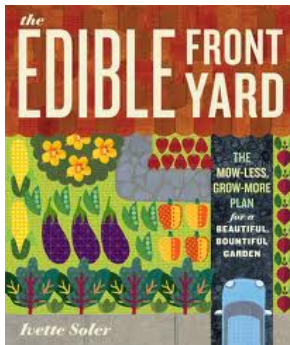
**We will be holding a World Book Night Reception on Saturday, April 20th at 2:00pm. Come meet our volunteers and hear about their book choices!**



**To see the list of 32 book choices, along with an option to put them into your shopping bag on our website, click [here](#).**

## On Fairytales

### READY SET GROW!



#### *The Edible Front Yard* by Ivette Soler

Did you know that Bachelor's Buttons are edible? How about daylily blossoms? This book is fantastic! Stuffed with information about combining edible and ornamental plants into a beautiful and bountiful garden. To order, click [here](#).



Lise Lunge-Larsen, award-winning author of *The Race of the Birkebeiners* and *Gifts from the Gods*, recently had a delightful conversation with Katie Hancock, bookseller and child psychologist. Here's a snippet of that conversation:

**Katie:** Albert Einstein said, "If you want your children to be intelligent, read them fairytales." What is the connection between fairytales and intelligence?

**Lise:** A good fairytale fires up the imagination in a way that is almost magical. It also activates children's critical thinking skills.

The words "once upon a time" function almost like a switch, which opens the door to the realm of the fairytale, a place where you suspend your disbelief and believe in what is normally unbelievable. This world operates according to its own set of rules, and the internal logic of these rules must be watertight. Any discrepancy, any flaw in the logic of the story is caught by the highly attentive, imaginative young listeners.

**Katie:** Why are children naturally drawn to fairytales?

**Lise:** I think they so love fairytales because they embody an accurate representation of how children experience the world. It is a world full of magic. It uses a metaphorical language that matches their own: Animals talk, trees can walk and be homes to invisible beings, and wishful thinking works just fine. Just as children imagine that the world revolves around them, so the world completely revolves around the hero or heroine of the story. The child is at the center of events! It





### Free-Range Chicken Gardens by Jessi Bloom

For gardeners, chickens can be a very useful source of fertilizer as well as being a valuable part of the garden clean-up team in between plantings (not to mention fresh eggs every day and hours of entertainment!). This book is both inspiring and practical as it covers everything from chicken-keeping basics to garden plans. To order, click [here](#).

### From Wendy's Easy Chair



### The Stonecutter by Camilla Lackberg

"The U.S. is finally being treated to an excellent variety of international authors right at our fingertips. Camilla Läckberg is such an author. Her latest novel, *The Stonecutter* is set in a small fishing village of Fjällbacka. This setting was perfect for a murder where everyone suspects everyone. Gossip, dissension and more gossip make discovering the murderer even more difficult. There are so many bad people running around this village, you'll need a scorecard. Ah, there are nice folks as well,

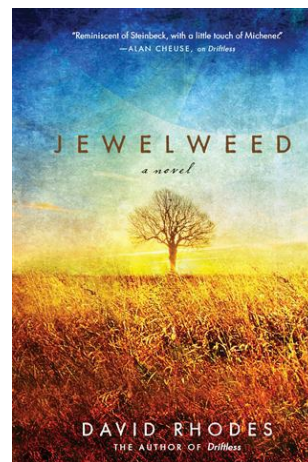
just feels so right!

To read the entire conversation on our website, click [here](#).  
To follow Lise's blog, Snipp Snapp Snute, click [here](#).

## Book Buzz for Adults

### Katie Recommends... *Jewelweed* by David Rhodes

If you liked Rhodes' *Driftless*, get ready for another trip to Words, Wisconsin! *Jewelweed* sparkles with the same poetic prose and quirky characters that make the reading this novel an entirely pleasurable experience. This is a story about community and the flawed characters whose lives are intertwined in both the ordinary and the unusual ways in which a community is bound together. From Blake, newly released from prison, to Winnie, the pastor married to the mechanic, to Buck and Amy Roebuck, wealthy and powerful, to the "wild boy" who lives within the tangled edges of town, everyone in this rural town has something to gain from their relationships with each other. *Jewelweed* is meant to be savored until the final pages when some mysteries are made clear and others remain as muddled and complicated as the characters themselves.



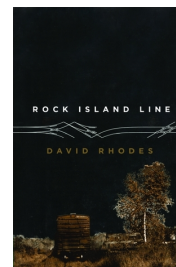
### *Jewelweed*

will be released in May. To pre-order, click [here](#).



*Driftless* was released in 2009. It follows the same set of characters, set ten years before *Jewelweed* takes place. To order *Driftless*, click [here](#).

*Rock Island Line* was first published in 1975 and rereleased in 2008. It provides a deeper look into the life of July Montgomery, whose character is portrayed in *Driftless* and whose memory remains a fixture in *Jewelweed*. To order *Rock Island Line*, click [here](#).



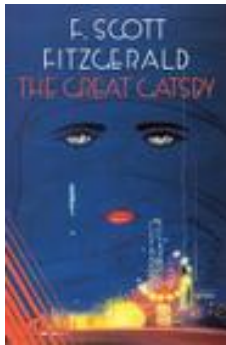
## Book Buzz for KIDS

Ellie Norman (Age 11) Recommends...  
Rump: The True Story of Rumpelstiltskin

but, of course, I can't tell you anything more".

To read the entire review, click [here](#).

The Great Gatsby is coming to the big screen!



"And so with the sunshine and the great bursts of leaves growing on the trees, just as things grow in fast movies, I had that familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer."

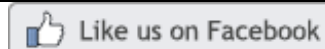
-F. Scott Fitzgerald, *The Great Gatsby*  
To order *The Great Gatsby*, click [here](#).

### Mark Your Calendar

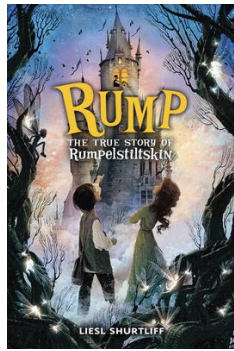
**Saturday 4/20 2:00**  
World Book Night Reception

**Tuesday 4/23**  
World Book Night

**Thursday 5/16**  
Spring Book Club Dinner  
Brick House Cafe



by Liesl Shurtliff



Rump is an entertaining book. The characters seem as if they could be alive, and are well described. This book was easy to follow and well written. Rump is a small boy with an unusual name. His mother died without announcing his full name. All she was able to say was "Rump..." Rump is teased and regarded as stupid, but he has a loving grandmother at home. Rump's life in The Village is hard on him, but at least he has Red as a companion. One day, Rump discovers his mother's old spinning wheel, and finds he can spin straw into enchanted gold. But there is a flaw. A curse comes with this gold. This ability gets Rump into a considerable amount of trouble. Soon Rump finds himself making all kinds of accidental bargains. The only way to break this horrendous curse is to discover Rump's full name. I loved this book! You should read it too!

Ellie is the granddaughter of Anne and Fred Stratton. Thanks, Ellie!

To order *Rump*, click [here](#).



Sincerely,



Bev and the rest of the staff