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### **RE: Eleven Authors to Appear at A Novel Place Bookstore Grand Re-Opening** *Weekend Author Signing Extravaganza Planned in Osseo*

September 29, 2004 -- Osseo, MN – A Novel Place® is hosting a huge author signing event featuring regionally and nationally recognized authors. This three-day event is coupled with the Grand Re-Opening celebration at their new store on County Road 81 in Osseo.

A Novel Place is a full-service bookstore specializing in paperback fiction. They offer a complete line of new and used books and free searches for hard-to-find titles. At the Grand Re-Opening event, a spectacular line-up of mystery, romance and teen authors has been scheduled to chat with fans and sign their latest work. One or more titles from each author will be available for sale at a special discounted price.

The bookstore in Osseo is located at 202 County Road 81 in Osseo, MN in the NAPA Auto Parts Building. All times, authors and titles are subject to change. For more information, please call A Novel Place at 763-424-4122 or visit [www.anovelplace.com](http://www.anovelplace.com).

The authors scheduled to appear are:

Friday Oct. 15, 2004, 7:00pm – 8:00pm:

- **Mary Logue - Bone Harvest (A chilling Wisconsin mystery)**
- **Pete Hautman – Sweetblood (A great book for Teens)**

Saturday, Oct. 16, 2004, 12:00pm – 1:00pm

- **Laura Childs - Bound For Murder (A Scrapbooking Mystery Series)**
- **Laura Childs – Jasmine Moon Murder (A Tea Shop mystery)**
- **Monica Ferris – Cutwork (A spectacular Minnesota mystery)**

Saturday, Oct. 16, 2004, 1:30pm – 2:30pm

- **Mary Janice Davidson - How To Be A Wicked Woman**
- **Mary Janice Davidson – Undead and Unemployed**
- **Wendy Rosnau - A Thousand Kisses (His final mission)**

Saturday, Oct. 16, 2004, 3:00pm – 4:00pm

- **KJ Erickson - Alone At Night (A fast-paced Minneapolis thriller)**
- **Anne Frasier – Play Dead (A frightening female homicide detective story)**

Sunday Oct. 17, 2004, 12:30pm – 2:00pm

- **Susan Kay Law – A Wanted Man (A romantic, adventurous attraction of opposites)**
- **Shelly Thacker – Into the Sunset (Addictive and memorable)**
- **Rosemary Heim – Virgin in Disguise (Silhouette Intimate Moments #1332)**

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### **AUTHOR AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

An electronic copy of this information is available for download from our website at <http://www.anovelplace.com>.

The authors scheduled to appear are:

Friday (October 15, 2004) 7:00pm – 8:00pm:

- **Mary Logue – Bone Harvest (A chilling Wisconsin mystery)**  
*This is the fourth case in a series for rural Wisconsin deputy sheriff Claire Watkins. A gripping mystery about a deranged numerologist who uses industrial-strength insect and weed killer to poison his way up the food chain, leaving behind a telltale trail of human fingers. They point to the horrific massacre of a German farming family some 50 years ago.*
- **Pete Hautman – Sweetblood (A great book for Teens)**  
*“There are only two races that matter: the Living and the Undead....and with every year that passes, the numbers of the Undead grow. It is inevitable. “ So says Lucy Szabo. She has a theory: Hundreds of years ago, before the discovery of insulin, slowly dying diabetics were the original "vampires." Lucy, a diabetic herself, counts herself among the modern Undead. Using the pseudonym Sweetblood, she frequents the Transylvania room, an Internet chat room where so-called vampires gather to discuss all things goth. But Draco, one of the other visitors to Transylvania, claims to be a real vampire -- and Lucy's not entirely sure he's kidding. Pete Hautman's new take on vampires is a disturbing and fascinating story about an intelligent, cynical teen reinventing herself in the face of a chronic illness.*

Saturday, October 16, 2004, 12:00pm – 1:00pm

- **Laura Childs – Bound For Murder (A Scrapbooking Mystery Series)**  
*New Orleans scrapbooking shop owner Carmela Bertrand's pre-wedding party is overshadowed when a friend's intended groom is murdered. Asked by the heartbroken bride to look into the case, Carmela must help her friend pick up the pieces while wrapping up a murder that has more than one lethal loose end.*
- **Laura Childs – Jasmine Moon Murder (A Tea Shop Mystery)**  
*Indigo Tea Shop owner Theodosia Browning is catering a Charleston benefit, a "Ghost Crawl" through Jasmine Cemetery. But the organizer, Dr. Davis, won't get to enjoy the festivities: during the Crawl's theatrical number, he drops dead. It looks like foul play-but how could such an upstanding citizen have enemies?*
- **Monica Ferris – Cutwork**  
*After an artisan is murdered at the Excelsior, Minnesota, art fair, everyone is on pins and needles. It's up to needlework shop owner Betsy Devonshire to figure out who had designs on the dead designer.*

Saturday, October 16, 2004, 1:30pm – 2:30pm

- **Mary Janice Davidson – How To Be A Wicked Woman**  
*Three steamy stories round out in this wonderful anthology. Mary Janice Davidson's heroine, Jeannie Desjardin is a NY Publisher with a no-holds bar attitude with the truth; she tells it like it is, and does not mince words too get that across.*
- **Mary Janice Davidson – Undead and Unemployed**  
*Being royally undead isn't all it's cracked up to be--there are still bills to be paid. Luckily, new Queen of the Vampires Betsy Taylor lands her dream job selling designer shoes at Macy's. But when a string of vampire murders hits St. Paul, Betsy must enlist the help of the one vamp who makes her blood boil: the oh-so-sexy Sinclair. Now, she's really treading on dangerous ground--high heels and all.*
- **Wendy Rosnau – A Thousand Kisses**  
*Government agent Sly McEwen knew the rules when he agreed to play -- join the Onyx agency for seven years, and at the end of it, disassemble. Disavow. Disappear. But he also knew he was going to have to bend the rules a little -- because the chance of nailing the Chameleon, the mastermind behind dozens of unspeakable crimes, was too good to pass up.*

Saturday, October 16, 2004, 3:00pm – 4:00pm

- **KJ Erickson – Alone At Night**  
*In 1986, seventeen-year-old Andrea Bergstad was working alone at night at a rural Minnesota gas station when she vanished without a trace. On the store's fuzzy security videotape, one minute she's there, talking on the phone to her best friend, and the next she's gone. Now, sixteen years later, Mars Bahr goes back to*

*Redstone, Minnesota, to try to put together the pieces of this baffling case.*

*Mars and Sig dive into the investigation but his concern over the details distracts him from the greater issues in the case, and before he knows it, the lives of the two most important people in Mars' life are at risk.*

- **Anne Frasier – Play Dead**

*Her USA Today bestseller, Sleep Tight, was called "compelling and real-a great read" by Andrea Kane. "Guaranteed to keep you awake at night," raved Lisa Jackson. Now, Anne Frasier takes readers to the dark side of Savannah, where a female homicide detective must confront the truth about her own past in order to stop a twisted serial killer...*

Sunday (October 17, 2004) 12:30pm – 2:00pm

- **Susan Kay Law – A Wanted Man**

*He was the West's most feared gun ... Until the love of a beautiful heiress brought him to his knees. This western romance starring seemingly opposites is a solid tale that readers will appreciate. Laura is a delightful person though she seems too independent during her first breath of freedom (perhaps a reaction like the tune "how you're going to keep them down on the farm ..."). Sam is an enigmatic hero who at first brush would seem more like a villain as a gun for hire, but his ethical system makes him heroic. Fans will enjoy this twosome's impossible ride to love.*

- **Shelly Thacker – Into the Sunset**

*In 1878 Colorado, U.S. Marshal Lucas McKenna tracks down Annie Sutton, the desperate young woman who killed his brother. Trapped together in a snowbound mining town, lawman and prisoner engage in a battle of wills until Lucas loses his heart and faces an impossible choice: Will he do his duty and bring Annie to justice—or set her free and become an outlaw himself?*

- **Rosemary Heim – Virgin in Disguise (Silhouette Intimate Moments #1332)**

*This brand new release (scheduled for November, 2004) is being released early specifically for this author signing event! Undercover agent Frank Cabrini knew he was in trouble when he awoke to find himself staring into the cold barrel of a gun. The woman wielding the weapon changed identities as often as some women changed clothes. But whoever she was, Frank needed her help in finding out who'd blown his cover - if his desire for his alluring captor didn't undo him first. Angela Donovan – a.k.a. Angel - might be able to shift accents at a moment's notice, but the risk-taking bounty hunter was on treacherous ground when it came to men. Especially when danger rocked their world, forcing Angel to trust the sensual, enigmatic man who was leading them both into uncharted territory - and making her love every minute...*