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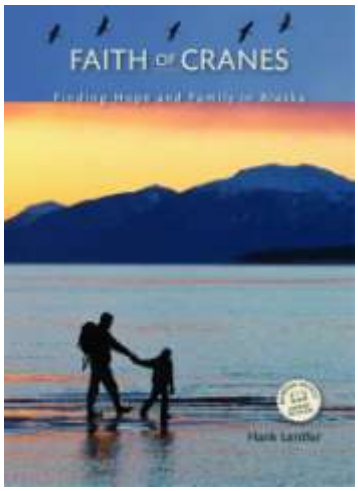
Hank Lentfer, Alaskan wildlife refuge manager and author, to speak

Author and wildlife refuge manager Hank Lentfer will read from and discuss his new book, "Faith of Cranes: Finding Hope and Family in Alaska" (Mountaineer Books, September, 2011). Lentfer will be at the Olympia Timberland Library after hours on Saturday, October 29 from 7 to 8:15 p.m. Books will be available for purchase and signing.



Faith of Cranes is a memoir of home and community near Glacier Bay that presents a family's simple acts of life lived by the seasons in a small Alaskan community. Lentfer describes the life of sandhill cranes as they migrate from Gustavus, Alaska, through Washington to California's Central Valley as well as how he found hope in an era of rapid climate change.

Lentfer, a lifelong Alaskan, helped establish and now manages the Gustavus Forelands Preserve, a four-thousand-acre refuge for migratory sandhill cranes. He is a gardener, hunter, woodworker and musician as well as a former wildlife biologist. His writing has appeared in Orion, Wilderness, and several anthologies including Moral Ground: Ethical Action for a Planet in Peril. His blog is at http://hanklentfer.com.

The Olympia Timberland Library is at 313 8th Avenue SE, Olympia. For more information, please contact the library at (360) 352-0595 or go to www.TRL.org.

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