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## Gangster Blog

**Hope to see you at the fair!**

*Gangster Series*



**Award-winning Author**  
**Betty Brandt Passick**  
(Fairbank, Iowa native)

**2023 Iowa Fair Schedule**



- July 5-9, Buchanan County Fair, Independence
- July 10-16, Delaware County Fair, Manchester
- August 3-6, Clayton County Fair, Garnavillo

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### La Cava, an Italian Mafia Family (Date Change)

Join me as I take attendees on a deeper dive into the **La Cava Italian mafia family** and other notorious gangsters from my historical crime novel, *Gangster in Our Midst*, *Bookkeeper*, *Lieutenant*, and *Sometimes Hitman for Al Capone* (2017).

**Gangster(s) in Our Midst:  
The Untold Story**



Fairbank, Iowa became a haven for mobster Louie La Cava in the early 1920s. Take a deeper dive into the history of Midwest gangsterism and its notorious past.

**Readlyn Community Library**  
309 Main Street, Readlyn, IA  
**Thursday, July 13 (was June 8)—6 pm**

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## Delhi, Iowa (where book 2 in the series began)



Delhi Daze 2023 marks my 2nd author visit to this NE Iowa celebration. Book two in the gangster series, *The Black Bag of Dr. Wiltse, Murder on the Prairie* (2021), tells the factual story of Pioneer Physician Dr. Alexander Wiltse, who emigrated from Canada and initially **settled in Delhi, Iowa**. He soon found himself at the center of one of the most horrific murders in northeastern Iowa.

Dr. Wiltse's son, Dr. Edwin Wiltse, eventually built Hotel Wiltse in Fairbank, Iowa (current site of the Fairbank Public Library).

## Downtown Thursday, Owatonna, MN

I'll be at new places/events in the summer of 2023.

Looking forward to making **new friends in Owatonna!**



## Family Medical Emergency

My husband and I recently traveled to Greece and Turkey where he suffered a fall and a fracture to a vertebrae. He's well on the road to recovery, but resulted in having to cancel/reschedule a few book events. Thanks everyone for your understanding!

## Author Events

- **Thurs, July 6, 5-8 pm**, Downtown Thursdays, North Cedar Ave, Owatonna MN
- **July 7-9**, Buchanan County Fair, Independence, IA
- **Thurs., July 13** (was Jun 8), **6 pm**, "Gangster(s) in our Midst: The Untold Story," Readlyn Public Library, 309 Main St.
- **July 14-16**, Delaware County Fair, 200 East Acers St., Manchester, IA
- **Sat., July 29, 11:00-4:30**, Delhi Daze, Delhi Legion Hall, Delhi, IA
- **Aug. 3-6**, Clayton County Fair, Commercial Hall, Garnavillo, IA
- **Thurs, Aug 3, 5-8 pm**, Downtown Thursdays, North Cedar Ave, Owatonna MN
- **Sat, Aug 12, 9-3**, Northwoods Arts & Book Festival, 3rd St. and Lake Ave., Hackensack, MN
- **Thurs, Sept 7, 5-8 pm**, Downtown Thursdays, North Cedar Ave, Owatonna MN
- **Sat., Sept. 17**, Badger Book Fair, 211 1st Ave SE, Badger Public Library, Badger, IA
- **Sat., Oct 7, 10-4**, 8th Edition Deep Valley Book Festival, Country Inn & Suites Conf. Center, 1900 Premier Drive, Mankato, MN