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Jon Wilson has been a resident of St. Petersburg since 1956, moving to here from the small farm town of Scottsbluff, Nebraska. He has a bachelor's degree in English and master's degrees in journalism and Florida Studies, all from the University of South Florida St. Petersburg. Jon is a semi-retired journalist after working as a reporter and editor for the *Evening Independent* and *St. Petersburg Times* for 36-plus years, and is a communications consultant for the Florida Humanities Council. He is co-author of two books about African-American history in St. Petersburg, and is author of a book about St. Petersburg's immediate post-World War II years. Jon also wrote one novel about 19th century Florida.

Possessing the sturdy hearts and souls of adventurers, Jon and his wife Becky walked coast-to-coast across England, from St. Bee's to Robin Hood's Bay, in 2005. They reprised the journey in 2011. Daughter Katie is also a USFSP alumna – she graduated in 2005 with a degree in journalism.

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