

## January Meeting Program

Join your Friends at our general membership meeting on Saturday, January 15, 2011 at 10 a.m. in the meeting room of the Cape Coral Library. For our program, Paula Novander and Marty Ward from the Garden Club of Cape Coral will be demonstrating flower arranging.

Coffee and light refreshments will be available at 9:30 a.m. during the social hour, followed by the general membership meeting .

## February Program Features Peter Fletcher Nellie Slaton

The Friends of the Cape Coral Library and the Library Foundation of Lee County are co-sponsoring a public appearance by renowned classical guitarist, Peter Fletcher, on Saturday, February 12, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Cape Coral Library.

Peter Fletcher began guitar study at the age of seven under classical guitar instructor, John Sutherland. In December, 1983, he made his formal debut at the age of fifteen under the auspices of The Brasstown Concert Association in North Carolina. Wrote the critic of The Cherokee Scout, "He has technical facility but what one remembers about his playing is the nuances, the poetical phrasing, dynamic and tonal changes, his harmonics, his cadences."

In 1980 classical guitarist Jose Tomas, Andres Segovia's teaching assistant in Spain, held a week long master class in Atlanta, GA. Peter Fletcher was the youngest student to perform in the class, playing music by Bach and Carcassi.

Since then Peter has performed throughout the world, appeared on numerous radio and TV shows, and made many recordings. His current, "Peter Fletcher Plays Baroque Music for Guitar" was released last October. His next is scheduled for a 2010 release. A number of his recordings have received critical acclaim.



## Mark Your Calendar

January 8, 2011 ..... Board Meeting  
 January 15, 2011..... General Meeting,  
 Feb 12, 2010 ..... Peter Fletcher,  
 March 5, 2011 ..... Board Meeting  
 March 12, 2011 ..... General Meeting  
 March 19, 2011 ..... Southwest Florida Reading Festival  
 March 29, 2011 ..... State Library Day in Tallahassee

## The November Book Sale Was a Success

We raised almost \$5,000 in 3 days. Cape Coral library has the best sales in all of Lee County. Good thing too, we just donated \$20,000 to the completion of the Automated Materials Handling system put in at the library. We couldn't do it without the help of our dedicated and enthusiastic volunteers. Many thanks to Elaine Berryhill and her husband Buck and his bicycling buddies who unload the books on Wednesday. Charlene Anderson, Phyllis Carbone, Pat Faucher, Ann Hudanick, Lucille Holden, Tenza Jandula, Alita Parody, Dorothy Scholar, Jean Shields and grandson Jeffery plus board members Kathryn Nelson, Paula Novander, Pam Macabio and their husbands (especially Bob Novander – Book Sale Coordinator) make this a fun and worthwhile venture. We already have the dates for the April 2011 sale – hope to see you there.

We are always taking donations so if you have books, CDs, DVDs or even VCR tapes think of the Friends of the Cape Coral Library. You can leave small quantities with the librarians at the circulation desk – be sure they understand they are donations to the Friends. If you have a large donation we can come to your home. Please leave a message on the Friends Hotline at 477-5100 or email the book sale coordinator at Capefriends.org. All donations are tax deductible. Ask for a receipt.

To volunteer to help with the sale leave a message for Bob on the Friends Hotline at 477-5100.

Paula Novander  
Financial Services Coordinator.



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## President's Letter

Dear Friends,

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!** I hope everyone has had a wonderful holiday season. Is everyone ready for a busy new year?

We went to the Board of County Commissioners November meeting and presented them with the check for our portion of the new AMH System (see the picture in this issue). We can have a tour of the new system. I am going to set a time with Tori and let you know at the January meeting when you can sign up to see how the new system works.

We received lots of compliments regarding the Christmas luncheon. Thank you, Judi Mitchell-Smith, for putting it all together. Thank you, Marian Borneman, for your hard work creating the wonderful table decorations. We enjoyed the gift exchange which was a lot of fun. The surprise visit from Mrs. Claus created quite a stir. Thank you, Patrice Koerper, for arranging her visit. It was nice to do something a little different from the past years. Most important: the food was delicious.

**SAVE THIS DATE!** February 12th 2:00 p.m. The Friends will be co-sponsoring a fantastic library

program. Peter Fletcher, a classical guitarist, will perform. Check out his web page at [www.peterfletcher.com](http://www.peterfletcher.com). We would like to have a full room so please plan to attend and bring your friends! Peter has won numerous musical awards and performed on radio and television. He has appeared at Carnegie Hall and other cultural venues around the country. So please join us and enjoy Peter Fletcher's music.

This month's Friends meeting is Saturday January 15th 9:30a.m. We will have a great program. Our own Paula Novander and Marty Ward from the Cape Coral Garden Club will give a demonstration on flower arrangements. Everyone is welcome members and non-members alike. Please invite your friends to attend.

If you need a quick hostess gift in the next week or so we may still have a few calendars left. Check at the library circulation desk.

**HAVE A WONDERFUL AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!**

Pam Macabio

President

Friends of the Cape Coral Library

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### Regional Workshop for Library Friends Pam Macabio

President Pam Macabio and Cape Coral Friends Helen Crim and Nellie Slaton attended the December 7th workshop at Lakes Regional Library. Sally Gardner Reed, Executive Director of ALTAFF (Association of Library Trustees, Advocates, and Foundations) led a lively discussion with valuable tips on raising money for libraries, re-energizing Friends Boards and groups, and advocacy. She stressed

that we need to keep our local and state legislators aware of the value of our libraries in the community by contacting them now and then attending State Library Day in Tallahassee on March 29, 2011. For detailed information about State Aid to Public Libraries and how you can help spread the word about the value of our libraries, visit FLA's website at [www.flalib.org](http://www.flalib.org)

## Notes and Information

### Download Depot Our Audio Downloadable Book/eReader Service

Well, if you haven't seen it by now, the hottest holiday gifts this year were eReaders and MP3 players. For those of you who received an eReader or a new MP3 player, there is an awesome resource available here at your local library: Download Depot. Download Depot is available via Overdrive on the Lee County Library System homepage at the following web address:

<http://library.lee-county.com/Pages/default.aspx>

So what is Download Depot? And how does it work with my new technology devices? Download Depot is a database of music, video, audiobook and ebook titles. It uses the Overdrive Media Console to allow you to download the above media to your eReader, MP3 player, other media devices or your computer desktop. There is even a new mobile edition that lets you download to your cell phones or other mobile devices. You can read or listen to some of the hottest new bestselling titles by authors such as John Grisham, Stieg Larsson, Clive Cussler, Fannie Flagg and many more. There are travel narratives, visitor guides, and documentaries plus movies and other videos too.

Here is how easy it is to use.

Visit <http://library.lee-county.com/Pages/default.aspx>. Click on Download Depot in the quick links box on the homepage. This brings you to the Download Depot site where you can browse for new titles. Initially, you will need to download the Overdrive software onto your computer. After you download the software, you will also need to do a security upgrade to Windows Media Player so that you will be able to play copy protected titles. All the directions are on the website and there is also a help console.

If you are uncomfortable downloading software onto your computer, or if you do not own a computer you can still use the service. Visit a local Lee County Library and ask for assistance, staff members will be happy to assist you at one of our Download Depot stations or by using an Internet accessible computer. Please remember to bring your library card, electronic device and your connection cables. We look forward to seeing you, and welcome to the world of electronic media services.

Tori Hersh  
Cape Coral Library  
Branch Manager

### New Members

Karen Alderson  
Kerry Banker & Family  
Pat & Tom Dotson  
Margaret & Vincentt Freaney  
Pat & Lloyd Groves  
Margarette & George Karson  
Patrice Koerper  
Sanjeev Kumar  
Jim Passauer  
Lou Rutz  
Rachell Skerlec  
Stacey & Cheryl Staggs  
David & Linda Toumey  
Judy Wallace

### Garden Club Presentation

Paula Novander

Please join us at our Jan. meeting on Saturday the 15th for a special program presented by the Garden Club of Cape Coral. We'll be working on floral designs for your home using the inexpensive bouquets from the Farmer's Market or grocery store but expanding with greenery from your own yard. We will have information on joining the Garden Club and their upcoming plant sale and gardening event "March in the Park" March 12th at Veteran's Park.



Right: Directors of the Friends of the Cape Coral Library present a \$20,000 check to the Board of County Commissioners at their November meeting. The money is to be used for the new AMH system to be installed at the library.



### Library Quote of the Month

There is no Frigate like a Book  
To take us Lands away,  
Nor any Coursers like a Page  
Of prancing Poetry...

Emily Dickinson



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November 23, 2010

Ms. Pamela Macabio, President

Friends of the Cape Coral Regional Library

Dear Pam:

Please accept my sincere thank you for the most generous support your Friends group gave to our project to bring Automated Materials Handling to your library.

As you know, this machine will streamline the process of checking in returned items. It will make it quicker for staff to return materials to the shelves. That will ensure that other borrowers will have quicker access to returned items.

We know how appreciative library users are of staff. As we were making the transition to the new equipment a number of people commented that they did not want machinery that took jobs away from the staff they appreciate. We explained how with this system in place the staff they appreciate will have more time for their customers. It will help existing staff keep up with gratifying increases in use.

The Friends of the Cape Coral Regional Library have long given invaluable support to their library. Never has the support been more important and appreciated than now. With the gift that helped us bring Automated Materials Handling to your library you have continued and enhanced a wonderful tradition. Again, thank you so very much.

Sincerely,



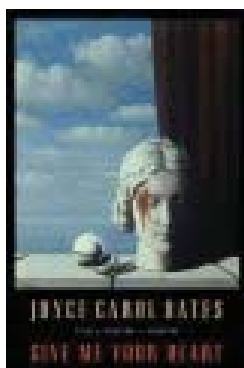
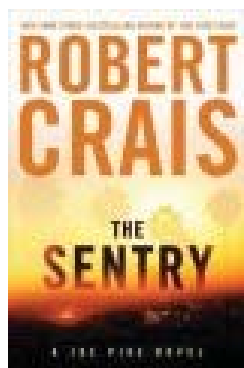
Sheldon Kaye, Director

Lee County Library System

# The Book Page

## Hot Titles

The Sentry ..... Robert Crais  
Electric Barracuda : A Novel ..... Tim Dorsey  
The Judas Gate ..... Jack Higgins  
The Red Garden ..... Alice Hoffman  
Damage ..... John T. Lescroart  
Family Affair ..... Debbie Macomber  
The Inner Circle ..... Brad Meltzer  
Home Free ..... Fern Michaels  
Shadowfever ..... Karen Marie Moning  
Give Me Your Heart : Tales of Mystery and Suspense  
Joyce Carol Oates



Book  
Review

A group of female friends in Cape Coral recently formed a book club and call themselves the Novelettes. Last month's reading selection was The Shack, and the discussion that ensued was exceptionally lively. First is an overview of this popular novel and later a glimpse at the reactions of club members to the book.

This is the story of a man nicknamed Mack whose youngest daughter was abducted and presumably murdered by a sexual predator. He is so overwhelmed by anger, grief and guilt that he refers to them collectively as *the Great Sadness*. One day he receives a mysterious letter from Papa (the name his devout wife calls God the Father) inviting him to the abandoned shack where the terrible crime took place. There he meets Papa in the form of an African-American woman, Jesus in the form of an unconventional carpenter and the Holy Spirit in the form of an ethereal woman named Sarayu. The portrayals are in no way profane. The conversations with the divine characters are profound as Mack hears explanations about the material world, human frailties, free will, pain and death. The incredibly beautiful and compelling imagery is uplifting, regardless of one's religious affiliation. The experience changes Mack forever and leaves an indelible mark upon the reader as well.

Thirteen Novelettes sat down one morning to share their impressions of The Shack. While there was a sprinkling of comments about the "wordiness" of certain sections, most of the reviews were glowing. Exclamations were heard:

## Notes from the Novelettes The Shack by William P. Young Reviewed by Monica Rahman

## Book Discussions Nancy Skabar

The following book discussions are being planned at the Cape Library. If you are interested in lively discussions please try to attend.

Wednesday, January 12, 2011 – Nina Lithgow  
Shanghai Girls by Lisa See

Two sisters, May and Pearl, grow up in Shanghai during the 1930's. When their father faces financial ruin he sells them as brides to Chinese men in America. Their journey to America begins across war-ravaged China and ends on Angel Island off our West Coast.

Wednesday, February 9, 2011 – Nancy Skabar  
The Help by Kathryn Stockett

Mississippi in 1962 and three women are about to change their lives forever. Skeeter just does not fit in after college. She is more interested in the lives of her friend's maids than bridge dates and country club dances. What follows is a testament of the way we lived and the lines we drew.

Find more books on Lee County Library System page of best sellers at:  
[http://www.nextreads.com/join.spx?SID=3bf78282-  
cee4-4bba-9fea-5d99d1aaa64a](http://www.nextreads.com/join.spx?SID=3bf78282-cee4-4bba-9fea-5d99d1aaa64a)

"Interesting!", "Magical!", and "Very visual!" Kathy proclaimed it to be "excellent". Mary thought that "The plot was beautifully woven." Jane felt very peaceful and calm after reading the book, and said the effect lasted several days. Janet took the time to read aloud Mack's description of *the Great Sadness*, which so accurately reflects her own past battles with depression. Jeanne suggested that the book could be used in Sunday school, because she has never before seen the Trinity explained so well. Ana, who follows Buddhism, observed that the novel contains good advice for people of any religion. Marianne had borrowed the book from the library, but plans to buy her own copy and keep it on her shelf for future inspiration. It certainly did inspire conversation, which flowed for several hours through topics such as organized religion, individuals' spiritual beliefs, childhood memories, anxiety, the death of loved ones, funerals, visions of the after-life and bad things that befall apparently good people. If a book's worth can be measured simply by the degree to which it stimulates thoughtful discussion, The Shack is a valuable work based on that merit alone. The remarkable effect that the novel has on so many people also makes it highly recommended reading.



Our  
Christmas  
Lunch



*Thank  
you  
Mrs Claus  
for making  
it festive!*



## Gallery Exhibits

Exhibiting January 1 to January 31

**Professor I'hsuing Ju**, is a painter and Washington & Lee Emeritus Professor whose Art Decorates a Cape coral Florida Restaurant at China Bistro. A feature story on the new restaurant in the North Fort Myers Neighbor spends almost as much time discussing W&L emeritus art professor I-Hsuing Ju's Chinese brush paintings as the menu. Professor Ju taught art and was artist-in-residence at W&L from 1969 until his retirement in 1989. He and his wife, Chow-Soon, established the Art Farm in Lexington in 1975 and he gave private lessons there. The newspaper piece quotes the restaurant's owner, Jeff Chen, as saying that "I used the professor because there's no type of art work like his in Lee County, and it is difficult to find artwork like this anywhere in the states. It's real Chinese artwork." When the restaurant had its grand opening, Professor Ju gave a demonstration of his brush painting techniques. According to the story, the Jus have wintered in North Fort Myers seasonally for the past five years, and Professor Ju is currently working on a 20-panel panorama of the Yellow Mountains of China. If you're in Southwest Florida, stop by Chen's China Bistro and send back a review — of the food and Professor Ju's brush paintings.



**Leslie Jamieson**, of Thistle Hill Creations, makes celtic inspired jewelry. She gets inspiration from her Celtic heritage. See her work at <http://www.thistlehilljewelry.com/>.



Exhibiting February 1 to February 28

**Tom Curran** is from Levittown New York. He has been interested in drawing, painting, and the creative arts since childhood. Today Tom paints mostly in oil, focusing on land and seascapes and portraits. Some of his artwork is hanging in Annie's Restaurant in downtown Cape coral.

**Frank Geico** started his hobby with photography as a youngster in 1942 in Mt. Vernon, NY. Later, in Italy, he became fascinated with Italian doors, and entranceways. He started taking pictures of windows, houses and doors. RV'ing across America, Frank explored the countryside and backroads, photographing his favorite subjects.

**SW Florida Gem, Mineral and Fossil Club, Inc.** will be displaying in our cases. The club is interested in contributing to the education of youth by presenting to them the wonders of the earth. Members collect gems and minerals, and fossils., They engage in lapidary, faceting and making jewelry.

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## Library Art Gallery

The Friends of the Cape Coral Library support and maintain our Library Art Gallery. Joyce Lyons has served as Chairman for the past ten years and feels it is time for a new volunteer to take over the bulk of the duties of the Chairman. Joyce is happy to help someone to work with this important part of our library and Friend's group. If you are interested contact Joyce Lyons at 239-542-0546, or [joycea6LL@earthlink.net](mailto:joycea6LL@earthlink.net) to discuss this with her.

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Please renew your membership for 2010, if you have not yet done so. We would like to keep all our Friends! Fill out the form on the back page and mail it in. Or you may go to our web page and renew there. Visit [www.capefriends.org](http://www.capefriends.org)

## Chess Anyone?



Participants enjoy an evening of chess at the "Chess Anyone?" program at the Cape Coral Library. "Chess Anyone?" is one of the library programs supported by the Friends of the Cape Coral Library.



Use this form to join or **renew** your membership or change your address.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Life	\$150.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Civic Benefactor	\$ 50.00
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Library or Friends of the Library events

Friends of the Library Committee work such as:

Book Sale  Accents  Publicity  Gallery

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