

## April Book Sale

Save the date for our next book sale beginning with the “Members Only” sale on Thursday April 28th from 3:30 until 5:30 pm. We will continue on Friday the 29th from 9:00 am until 4:30 pm and Saturday from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm.

This year in addition to our great donations from the public, we have some wonderful books that have been withdrawn from the library collection, especially Military, History and Biography.

We are always looking for donations, so if you have some 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 leave a message on the Friends Hotline at 477-5100 or email the book sale coordinator at [Capefriends.org](http://Capefriends.org) and we will pick them up. All donations are tax deductible, ask for a receipt.

I will have sign-up sheets at our meeting March 12th so consider volunteering to help setup. It takes a lot of hands to get all those books out on the tables and organized. We will begin setting up on Wed. April 27th and finish on Thursday in time for the members-only sale from 3:30 until 5:30. To volunteer to help with the sale leave a message for Bob on the Friends Hotline at 477-5100.

Paula Novander  
Financial Services Coordinator.

## Book Sale - Calendar

Thursday April 28,  
Members only. .... 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm  
Friday April 29 ..... 9:00 am – 4:30 pm  
Saturday April 30 ..... 9:00 am – 3:00 pm



## Mark Your Calendar

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  
April 12, 2011 ..... Library Volunteer Luncheon  
April 28,29,30, 2011 ..... Spring Book Sale  
May 13, 2011 ..... Friends Spring Luncheon

## March Meeting

Join your Friends at our general membership meeting on Saturday March 12, 2011 at 10 a.m. in the meeting room of the Cape Coral Library. Note that the meeting is the 2nd Saturday of the month and that is because the reading festival is the 3rd Saturday.

This is a very important meeting as we have the election and installation of new officers.

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

## March In The Park Garden Club of Cape Coral

After the Friends meeting on March 12th, come over to Jaycee Park (off Del Prado at the end of Beach Parkway) and enjoy March In The Park sponsored by the Garden Club of Cape Coral. Besides our own plant sale, there will be local vendors selling plants, garden materials and décor. There are free workshops presented every hour and our raffle features a hand-painted rain barrel as 1st prize, with many other prizes. Hope to see you there on Saturday March 12th, 9:00 am until 4:00 pm.



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## President's Letter

Dear Friends,

Were you able to attend the Peter Fletcher guitar program? If not I think you really missed a great performance! If you were there I'm sure you agree it was a very enjoyable time. We are hoping to have him back next year so you may have another chance to enjoy his music.

Please check out the art gallery this month. The S.W. Florida Craft Guild has their work on display both on the walls and in the cases. They have many talented members who work in wood, clay, fabrics, yarns and many other medium.

Remember our general membership meeting will be Saturday March 12, 2011. Every March we have to change our meeting because the Reading Festival is always the 3rd Saturday in March. This is an important meeting so please try to attend. We will be voting for new officers and installing them.

Speaking of the Reading Festival, it looks like there will be some excellent authors there again this year. The keynote speaker will be Linda Fairstein who writes crime novels. Most of you will

remember Prudy Taylor Board. She has been a guest speaker at more than one of our meetings. Other well-known authors include Mary Jane Clark, Ted Bell, and Nelson Demille just to name a few. There will be children's and young adult's authors there as well. Ridley Pearson and Rosemary Wells are among the many. Be sure to bring your children or grandchildren. Children always have a good time at the Reading Festival.

If you were at the January meeting you saw Paula and Marty, from the Cape Coral Garden Club, give a great demonstration on flower arranging using greens from your yard. They really made it look easy. After the meeting on March 12th you might want to head over to Jaycee Park. The Cape Coral Garden Club is having their annual MARCH IN THE PARK. There will be plant vendors, garden materials, raffles, food, and workshops.

Hope to see you at the March 12th meeting.

Pam Macabio  
President

Friends of the Cape Coral Library

## Cape Coral Library Events and Programs Tori Hersh

The Cape Coral Library has a wide variety of activities for young and old. Our regular programs include English Cafe, Craft Corner, Books, Bagels & Banter, Chess Club, Kids Read Down Fines, and Story times.

Here are some special events coming soon:

March 9 @ 2 p.m. join us for a book discussion on the *Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*

March 14th @ 6:30 p.m. join us for the beginning of a four part

series on Astronomy entitled *Under the Light of Night*.

On March 28 at 1 p.m. we have Book Bingo for Children, and at 2 p.m. we have Create a Cubist Montage.

Get further information online by using the library calendar at <http://host2.evanced.info/lee/evanced/eventcalendar.asp>

I hope everyone is able to come and join us for these wonderful programs!

## Notes and Information

### Sixth Annual Art Contest

The Cape Coral Public Library and the Friends of Cape Coral Library are sponsoring the Sixth Annual Art Contest "Coloring the Earth." The theme this year is all about manatees. To enter the contest, create an original painting or drawing that shows how we can protect our precious manatees in Southwest Florida.



### Prizes and Awards Ceremony

Winners will be selected from three age categories: 7-8, 9-10 and 11-12. There will be five awards for each age group with ribbons for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place, as well as for two honorable mentions. The winning works of art will be exhibited in the Gallery at the Cape Coral Library for a month. The Awards Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, May 4, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cape Coral Public Library, located on 921 SW 39<sup>th</sup> Terrace.

### Sympathy

Our long time volunteer and Friend of the Cape Coral Library, Beverly Woodburn, lost her loving husband in February. Bev has served our library and Friends as President of the Friends of the Cape Coral Library, as a prior member of the Lee County Library Advisory Board, and as a multi-faceted volunteer. Our thoughts and prayers go to her and her family.

### The Fort Myers - Lee County Garden Council, Inc. Presents ... Paula Novander

... "Do You Believe In Magic?" a standard flower show. The Garden Council is the umbrella organization representing over 30 garden clubs and plant societies in Lee County. Our bi-annual show presents some of the best in Floral Design and Horticulture displays, free to the public. Show is open Saturday, April 2nd from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm.

Covenant Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall.  
2439 McGregor Blvd. in Fort Myers.

Contact Paula Novander for more information. 945-6548

Please renew your membership for 2011, 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)

### Library Quote of the Month

Knowing I lov'd my books, he furnish'd me  
From mine own library with volumes that  
I prize above my dukedom.

William Shakespeare (1564 - 1616),  
"The Tempest", Act 1 scene 2



A big Thank You goes to Kathryn and Thomas Nelson for hosting a wonderful dinner for volunteers of The Friends of the Cape Coral Library.



## The Book Page

## Book Discussions

Nancy Skabar

### Hot Titles

It All Began in Monte Carlo ..... Elizabeth Adler  
Stork Raving Mad : A Meg Langslow Mystery .....  
Donna Andrews  
The Glass Rainbow .....James Lee Burke  
The Whisperers : A Thriller .....John Connolly  
Dead and Unfinished .....Mary Janice Davidson  
Live to tell : a detective D.D. Warren novel .....  
Lisa Gardener  
Ice Cold ..... Tess Gerritsen  
They're Watching ..... Gregg Andrew Hurwitz

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

Wednesday, March 9, 2011 - Janet Calkins

### ***The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot**

This is the true story of how scientists took cells from an un-suspecting descendant of freed slaves and created a human cell line that has been kept alive indefinitely, enabling discoveries in such areas as cancer research, in vitro fertilization, and gene mapping.

Wednesday, April 13, 2011 – Tori Hersh

### ***Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic and Madness at the Fair that Changed America* by Eric Larson.**

This is the story of the 1893 World's Fair in Chicago and how it showed the spirit of American capitalism. At the same time, it is the story of poverty and serial murder in one of America's greatest cities.

Find more books on Lee County Library System page of best sellers at:

<http://www.nextreads.com/Display2.aspx?sid=3bf78282-cee4-4bba-9fea-5d99d1aaa64a&N=272390>



## Notes from the Novelettes: Memories of Early Cape Coral

by Monica Rahman

A group of female friends in Cape Coral formed a book club last year and voted to call ourselves the Novelettes. Imagine our surprise when member Jan brought it to our attention a few months later that we are actually the second Novelettes in the city's history! Jan showed us a photo and a paragraph from Betsy Zeiss' book *The Other Side of the River*, which describes a musical group comprised of women who went by the same name and entertained at various venues around the Cape during the 1960's. The Cape Coral Historical Society graciously provided me with a copy of another photo and put me in touch with a gentleman whose grandmother had been a member of the original Novelettes and whose mother has many memories of the early days in Cape Coral. We arranged a get-together.

The present day Novelettes were honored to have Doris (Spears) Kirkwood, the daughter of May Spears who played the bells for the musical Novelettes, attend our recent book club meeting. Mrs. Kirkwood is known to everyone as "Doie" and is a lovely woman with a great sense of humor. Many of us wore our pearl necklaces that day, based on a photograph of the well-dressed ladies we had seen in *The Other Side of the River*. Doie passed around some other books and additional photos of the original Novelettes showing them with a variety of instruments, including bongos and tambourines. Doie shared her memories of earlier times in Cape Coral when children were free to ride anywhere on their bicycles without any worry on the part of their parents. There were only about 50 families living in the city when her family moved here. "Everyone knew everyone else", Doie reminisced. "You could pick up the phone, which was a party line, and talk to whoever was on the phone." The only store in town at that time was Big

John's. The only paved roads were those surrounding the initial development. There was no school in Cape Coral at first, but one was eventually opened on Coronado. Doie was the only woman who didn't work outside the home, so approximately ten kids with their bathing suits would be on her porch every summer morning, ready to head for the Yacht Club pool. Doie shared a funny story about her daughter's fright at the sight of snakes on the roof of a home in the neighborhood. Doie hated the huge roaches (aka Palmetto Bugs), which she told us are (thankfully!) less prevalent today than they were at that time. Someone asked if it was warmer back then. The answer was that, yes, it wasn't as cold in the winter as it is now and you could be comfortable wearing shorts in January. Thank you to Doie and her friends Jean and Kathy for making the day special for us, the "new" Novelettes.

For those who are interested in reading about the fascinating (and often amusing) history of Cape Coral, there are several books available through the library. *The Other Side of the River* by Betsy Zeiss begins with tales of the earliest homesteaders in the area and proceeds with stories of the late 1950's and 60's as the Cape became developed. *Lies That Came True* by Eileen Bernard describes the creation of Cape Coral and includes some wonderful anecdotes about the imaginative techniques that were employed by salesman. *Thru My Eyes* by H.D. ("Andy") Anderson is a personal account of life in the fledgling city. Also available are *Cape Coral: A Pictorial Perspective/A Special Presentation by the Cape Coral Daily Breeze* from Heritage House Publishing, as well as *Images of America, Cape Coral* by Chris Wadsworth, Anne Cull and the Cape Coral Historical Society.

## Gallery Exhibits

Exhibiting March 1 to March 31

**South West Florida Craft Guild** is an organization that works to promote the fine art of craft in Southwest Florida. The president of the guild, Angela Aradia feels that art and craft are synonymous. The guild has basket weavers, potters, fiber artists, painters, and artists who work with unusual materials.

Exhibiting April 1 to April 30



**Roseline Young** is a fiber artist and painter who is originally from New Orleans. She has created weavings that have been hung at the New Orleans City Hall, New Orleans International Airport, Office of Economic Development, and a permanent installation at the New Orleans Gallier Hall and at St. Bernard Public Library in Louisiana. She owns and operates a working studio, ROSELINE WEAVING STUDIO. Rosaline works with the Alliance for the Arts in Ft. Myers, and teaches classes in weaving.

**Gretchen Kish Serrano** has an early Picasso style. She started by painting children's portraits, but found that she would rather paint customers' dogs. She then started Paw Palettes to share her collections. Gretchen has been inspired by the great art masters, and by her own dog, Sophie. She has developed a series of boxed note card sets that make great gifts.



**Diane Medina with Potomac Bead Co** custom designs jewelry for many customers, but is primarily interested in teaching, educating, and supplying beaders across the globe, and helping to make beautiful unique jewelry and other bead-related projects. They have over 90 different classes offered on our rotating monthly schedules. These classes include everything from beginner

levels through advanced, and will teach you the skills to make beautiful jewelry or bead-related crafts of any kind.

**Note: Dane Anthony will not be in the April show.**

## Meet The Artists.

There will be a reception in the Library Art Gallery on Monday, April 4, from 6 to 8 PM to meet the April artists.

### New Members

Catherine Holt  
Mary Periad  
Carolyn Martin  
Carrie Cremia and Family



The Novelettes meet with Doie Kirkwood, one of the original residents of Cape Coral.





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

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<input type="checkbox"/> Life	\$150.00
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