

## Come Talk to County Commissioner Tammy Hall

Saturday morning, November 12 -- at 9:30, she will join us for coffee and treats in the meeting room when we'll be able to talk informally. At 10 a.m., her subject will address how we, as "Friends" can help our beloved libraries survive in these budget-challenged times. She will discuss how our Friends' groups can help to make a difference. After Commissioner Hall's speech, a question and answer period will follow. Come prepared to thank Commissioner Hall for her past support of library funding and to ask questions you may have regarding our very own Cape Coral Library.

Our regular business meeting will follow Commissioner Hall's talk.

## Advocacy *Nellie Slaton*

State Library Day in Tallahassee is on 02/01/12. It is important that we have a good representation attending from the Lee County Library System. (If you might be interested in going, please call or email Nellie Slaton at 542-0363 or nslaton17@comcast.net.) For specific information regarding State Aid, etc., go to the Florida Library Association's website at [www.flalib.org](http://www.flalib.org).

Now is the time for us to thank the Board of County Commissioners for their support of our libraries and to contact our State legislators, the Secretary of State and the Governor to ask for their support for funding State Aid to Libraries and Library Cooperatives. In contacting these offices, identify yourself as a constituent and supporter of libraries. Use your own words when talking or writing about our libraries and their needs. Let them know why our libraries are important to you and our community, but be concise. They appreciate that.

## Mark Your Calendar

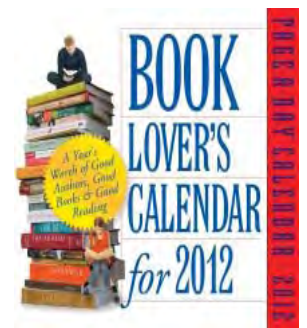
November 5, 2011.....Board Meeting  
November 12, 2011.....General Meeting  
November 17, 2011.....Fall Book Sale Set up and  
Member preview at 3:00P.M.  
November 18 & 19.....Book Sale General Public  
December 4, 2011.....Holiday Brunch  
April 7, 2012.....Library Program  
THE FOUR LOVES OF FDR

## Christmas Shopping With The Friends

*Marcy Schaller*

The Book Lover's Page-a-Day calendar is now on sale at the circulation desk. Supplies are limited, so get yours while you can! The Book Lover's Calendar features a year's worth of good authors, good books, and good reading. This calendar makes a great gift for your favorite book lover. This calendar sells for \$10-\$12 in stores or online, but is available for only \$5.00 from the Friends of the Library!

Are you an Amazon.com shopper? If the calendar doesn't fit your shopping or gift-giving needs, don't forget you can help the Friends support the library when you shop at Amazon.com. Just start your Amazon search from the Friends' website ([www.capefriends.org](http://www.capefriends.org)), and Amazon will donate a percentage of anything you purchase to the Friends of the Library.



*This issue of Accents is loaded with information. So get comfortable with a good cup of coffee, and enjoy reading about what is coming.*



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## President's Letter

Dear Friends,

Oh happy days – it is cooler. That means fall is here and that means Book Sale time is really here. We're going to start a little earlier with our Member's only sale Thursday November 17th – 3:00 pm until 5:30. So you know they will start lining up at 2:30. You can always join at the door, \$10 a year gets you into the Spring sale also. If you have not already signed up to work, please call me and I will add you to the sign-up sheets. I will also have the sign-up sheets at the meeting November 12th. Don't forget we moved the regular meeting up 1 week because of the Book Sale. Please remind your friends that we are always looking for donations. They can be brought to the library – if you're going that way. If you have a couple of boxes – let the librarians know and you can drive to the back loading dock and unload right at the Friends collection area. Book Sale co-coordinator Bob Novander can also come and pick up at your home if you have a large donation. Leave a message on our Hotline at 349-2572 or send an email from [capefriends.org](http://capefriends.org).

Please take time to check out the upcoming events listed in this ACCENTS. The library staff works hard at finding programs for the children, young adults and adults to enjoy. AND the county provides no money for special programming. So they rely on us more than ever. To find out what is coming up check out the Lee

County Library System website <http://library.lee-county.com>, select the Cape Coral branch and view the calendar. If you click on an event the details will pop-up. If the program requires you to register, a simple registration form pops up and it is so easy. We are hoping to get items in the local Breeze newspaper so if anyone wants to help the Friends with publicity – please give me a call.

We are a busy group of people with varied interests outside of the library. Our Vice President, Patty Duncan is a member of the Gulf Coast Writer's Assoc. and recently published "Ellen's Eye". Find it on [barnesandnoble.com](http://barnesandnoble.com). Interested in a Red Hat Society – contact Pam Macabio or Lucille Holden; Lucille is also an active dominos and mahjong player. My other passion is gardening. After the book sale, you might want to check out the Open House Sat. Nov. 19th 10 – 2pm at Garden Council headquarters. Our building and the Berne Davis Botanical Garden are just past the Edison & Ford Winter Estates – plenty of free parking off Larchmont Street. Browse the demonstration gardens from many local plant societies or find out about joining a local Garden Club. "Season" is here, cooler weather has arrived so get out and enjoy Southwest Florida. See you at the book sale.

Paula Novander, President  
Friends of the Cape Coral Library

## Cape Coral Fall/Winter Upcoming Programs

Fall and winter are quickly approaching. We hope you will join us as we finish out the year with great programs and presenters. In November and December there will be exciting programs for children, young adults, and adults. Please visit the website for specific times and dates.

Childrens programs include Baby/Parent Rhyme Time, Preschool and Family storytimes, Kids Read Down Fines, Holiday Story & Craft Program and Book Bingo. Tween and young adult programs include: Chess Anyone, Native American Dream Catchers, and Nintendo Wii Just Dance 2. Adult programs include: English Café, Craft Corner, Bagels, Books and Banter, and My Guitar a classical guitar program. For more information on all programs offered at the Lee County Public Library System please visit our website: <http://library.lee-county.com/Pages/default.aspx>

Tori Hersh  
Branch Manager

## Notes and Information

On Sunday, December 4, the Friends will hold their **Annual Holiday Gathering** for a buffet brunch at the Palmetto Pines Country Club. Come and bring spouses, friends and family for a delightful affair with Library Friends. Call Patty Duncan at 541-2617 for reservations. The cost will be \$16 that includes tax and gratuity. Bloody Marys and Mimosas are on you.

**Cape Coral Library Hours** are 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Wednesday; 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The library will close at 5 pm on Wednesday November 23, and will be closed on November 24, Thanksgiving Day, and on Friday, November 25.

If you don't have a **library card**, getting one is free and easy. Just visit [library.lee-county.com](http://library.lee-county.com) to apply online, or stop by your library.

### Fall Friends' Book Sale

Mark your calendar for our popular Book Sale beginning Thursday, November 17th, with the "Members Only" sale from 3:00 to 5:30 pm. You can join our Friends group at the door for only \$10. That enables you to get first dibs on the books. The public sale begins on Friday the 18th, 9:00 am until 4:30 pm and Saturday from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm.

### November Programs Sponsored by the Friends' of the Library

**Chess Anyone?** Tuesdays at 5:30 pm November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Rise to the chess challenge and join the fun. Everyone is welcome. Bring a personal chess set, if preferred. Registration requested.

**Bagels, Books, and Banter** will be on Tuesday, December 6, 9:30 AM Join other book lovers and come prepared to talk about a romantic suspense novels that you've read. Relax over coffee and bagels with old and new friends. Registration is requested.

**Craft Corner Knitting and Crocheting** is on Monday, November 7, 14, 21, 28 at 3:30 pm

### Story Time Schedule

There will be no Storytime during Thanksgiving Week: November 21-25.

**Family Storytime:** Wednesdays, 10:15 am, and Thursdays, 9:30 am.

**Preschool Storytime:** (ages 3, 4, and 5). Wednesdays and Thursdays, 11 am

**Baby-Parent Rhyme Time:** (birth to 24 months with an adult) Thursdays, 10:15 am

## Classical Guitar Concert

My Guitar will be presented by Jane Rosenbohm on Wed. Nov. 2 at 5 - 7 pm in the library meeting room. This event is a free concert. *Please register* by going to the web page <http://library.Lee-County.com> and click on the Calendar for the Cape Coral Public Library.

*This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Cape Coral Library*

## Chocolates & Spirits Event

Enjoy live music and holiday spirits while supporting the Lee County Library System. This event will be Fri. Dec. 2 from 6 to 8 PM at Bell Tower. Admission is free, but you may buy tickets for \$1 at the event and trade them for samples of chocolate goodies.

**Digital Book Mobile** will be on Wednesday, November 16th from 12 pm to 6 pm featuring instructional videos, gadget gallery with iPhone, Android, NOOK, interactive computer stations and more. Browse, check out and download your favorite titles and subjects. There will be a raffle to win a KINDLE or 1 of 2 MP3 players - donated by The Friends. Do you know that you can download free e-Books and audiobooks from your public library? Learn how when you visit the Digital Bookmobile!

**Holiday Story and Craft Event** will be on November 10, from 4 to 5 pm. in the Meeting Room. Children and parents are invited to hear a story and make something special for the holidays. Registration is requested. You can register online or pick up tickets at the youth services desk.

**Kids Read Down Fines** is on Mondays from 6 to 7 pm, on November 7 and 21 and Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:30 pm, on November 3 and 17 in the Story Room. Children and teens with fines on their library card can read down their fines earning \$2 for every fifteen minutes they read. Please bring your library card.

All Lee County Library System programs are free and open to the public. A sign language interpreter is available with 48 hours notice. Call the Deaf Service Center at 461-0334 (voice) or 461-0438 (TTY). Assisted listening devices are available. Lee County Library System also offers free access to books, DVDs, videos, books-on-tape, electronic resources and other items from a vast collection. The Lee County Library System makes it possible for people who ordinarily couldn't visit the library to enjoy reading through the Bookmobile, Books-By-Mail, Talking Books and Literacy programs. There's something for everyone at our libraries.

# The Book Page

## OUR FAVORITE READS



If you missed the September Membership Meeting, you missed the best program of the year. We shared our impressions of some of the books that we've read and enjoyed. Here is a sampling that we recommend, along with the authors' names:

### ***Jane Austen-themed Fiction***

Pride and Prejudice	Carrie Bebris
The True Darcy Spirit	Elizabeth Aston
Mr. Darcy's Daughters	Elizabeth Aston

Michael (Science Fiction)	Richard Paul Evans
Murder Inside the Beltway (A Capitol Hill Mystery)	Margaret Truman
The Silent Girl (A Rizzoli & Isles Novel)	Tess Gerritsen
Wicked Lies (Suspense)	Lisa Jackson

### ***Historical Fiction:***

The Paris Wife (about Ernest Hemingway)	Paula McLain
Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet	Jamie Ford
Sarah's Key (set in WWII)	Tatiana de Rosnay
Dream When You're Feeling Blue	Elizabeth Berg
The Book Thief (set during the Holocaust)	Markus Zusak
The Greater Journey (American/French history)	David McCullough
Wench (American History)	Dolen Perkins-Valdez
Dreams of Joy	Lisa See
The Seamstress (set in South America)	Frances De Pontes Peebles

### ***Other Fiction***

State of Wonder	Ann Patchett
Catfish Alley	Lynne Bryant
Shanghai Girls	Lisa See
The Art of Racing in the Rain	Garth Stein

### ***Non-Fiction***

The Boy Who Came Back From Heaven (Christian)	Kevin Malarkey
Cutting For Stone (Brothers/Fathers/Sons)	Abraham Verghese

### ***Biographies***

My Reading Life	Pat Conroy
Cleopatra	Stacy Schiff

### ***Mystery/Suspense/Science Fiction:***

Room (Suspense)	Emma Donoghue
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## BOOK SIGNING by Historian Betsy Zeiss Lewis

Betsy Zeiss Lewis is author of [The Other Side of the River](#), a wonderful book about early Cape Coral. She has written a new book that was just published, [Around and About Cape Coral](#), which covers the period from 1960 to 1980. Betsy began her library volunteering in 1954, a force behind the first library on the Cape by volunteers, and was the founder of the LITTLE ACORNS, the forerunner to the Friends of the Cape Coral Library. A graduate of Vassar she has been enamored of the printed word and her professional career was oriented to many aspects of publishing. She was a columnist for [The Breeze](#) and was active in the Cape Coral Historical Society and the Cape Coral Garden Club.

She will be at the Cape Coral Library on Monday afternoon, November 14 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Betsy will have books available to autograph. You can also catch her at the Cape Coral Historical Museum on Sunday, November 13, at 1 pm.

Don't miss a great opportunity to have first choice to purchase and read her new book - and become reacquainted with her.

*This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Cape Coral Library*

## Gallery Exhibits

### Exhibiting in November

*Marjorie A. Ewell.* Artist, has been a resident of Cape Coral since 1965. Originally from Absecon, N.J., she has been a painter all her life. Marjorie has served as President of the Cape Coral Art League for 3 terms and has been active in the Art Council of SW FLorida. In 1999 she purchased “Quilter’s Corner” in Fort Myers. She has served at Koi and at the Krane Gallery.

*Paula Eckerty.* Originally from the farm country of northern Indiana, Paula pursued interests in stained glass, quilting and needlework. A Florida resident for 17 years she spent many years in decorative painting. She painted murals, furniture and also taught in her home studio. Some years ago Paula took the leap and acted on her interest in fine art painting by taking a class with reknowned artist and teacher Gale Bennet. “Gale opened my eyes and gave me sight”.



*Valerie Jewell.* Metal artist Valerie Jewell teaches jewelry making at the Cape Coral Art Studio and throughout Lee County. She is skilled at wire-work jewelry, silver-smithing, PMC, wood carving and gem polishing, but she has been devoting herself to the art of making jewelry for the past six years. Valerie has said her goal in giving her time to others is for her students to come away with a sense of satisfaction and something they can wear.



## Christmas Brunch is in December

WHERE: Palmetto Pines Country Club

WHEN: December 4 at 10:30. Late arrivals are all right, as this is a buffet.

COST: \$16.00 per person includes juice and coffee.

A bar tab is available on your own.

We hope you’ll come with spouses or significant ones who’d enjoy the Holiday spirit with us.

Send reservations/checks to:

Patty Duncan  
2829 SW 50th Terrace  
Cape Coral, FL., 33914

Do you have questions? Please call Patty at 541-2617.

### Read Between the Wines Presented by the Lee County Library System and Jewish Federation

Tickets are \$50 at [www.ReadBetweenTheWines.com](http://www.ReadBetweenTheWines.com). info and proceeds benefit the Southwest Florida Reading Festival. 6 - 8 pm Wed. Nov., 16th at Colonial Country Club

- \* Fine Wines and Tantalizing Tastes
- \* Meet New York Times best-selling author Andrew Gross, author of *Eyes Wide Open* and co-author of 6 #1 best-sellers with James Patterson
- \* Books available for purchase and autographing

### Library Quote of the Month

“If we didn’t already have libraries, they would now have to be invented. They are the keys to American success in fully exploiting the information superhighways of the future.”

James Billington  
Librarian of Congress



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