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 FRIENDS OF LAKES REGIONAL LIBRARY**

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- I would like to volunteer in the Nook. Please call me.  
 I would like to help the Friends group. Please contact me if you need help with \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail application and check to: Friends of Lakes Regional Library  
 15290 Bass Road  
 Fort Myers, FL 33919

Please check membership category:  
 Student \$5       Family \$25  
 Individual \$10       Lifetime \$250

Or drop off at the Library's main desk      TOTAL amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Even if it is only November, meetings and events are starting to go full steam ahead. Our Nov. meeting is Nov. 10. Our Holiday Luncheon is Dec. 8. This year it will be a buffet with Chicken Piccata and Broiled Flounder with Lobster Butter as the main entrees. The price is \$20. Marge Ford will take you reservations.

On Dec. 9 all the Friends groups for Lee County Library system will be hosting a Bookfair at Barnes and Noble. The money raised will be used for the Summer Reading program though out the system. More details will be coming.

Remember you can support the Friends by using "smile.amazon.com" when you purchase items from Amazon. We receive a percentage of your purchase price, but it does not cost you additional.

Happy Thanksgiving.

**Jane Ann Kennedy, President**

**MESSAGE FROM THE BRANCH MANAGER**

Hello Friends! I am very excited to announce that the Lee County Library System has named Mindi Simon as our Library Director. I am also pleased to share that Jennet Buri is the new Deputy Director for the Lee County Library System. Both Mindi and Jennet have been with LCLS for more than 20 years. Their knowledge and experience will be a great benefit to us all. We are looking forward to working with them. We have adjusted the way our collections float in a way that we hope make sense. Some of our collections will no longer float: new books, children's books, and teen books. In addition, TV series have stopped floating. It is important and interesting to try new ideas and ways of doing things. It is just as important to realize when those ideas or new ways do not meet our needs. If you do not see what you are looking for on our shelves because it may have floated elsewhere, please stop at the information desk. We can request items from other branches and other systems, or (if available) purchase for our collection. We appreciate your continued support.

**Carrie MacDonald, Branch Manager**

**TELLABRATION 2017**

**Saturday, November 18, 2017 at 2:00 PM**

Presented by the Tamiami Tale Tellers, a member of the Florida Storytelling Association, storytellers will perform a variety of stories from ancient traditional tales to original stories written and performed by the teller. Tellabration is an international celebration of storytelling held in communities around the world on the weekend prior to Thanksgiving.

**Registration required, 533-4000 option #3**

**DISPLAY CASE**

Don't forget to check out the Friends Display Case across from the Nook. We plan to have a new interesting display every month.

**FRIENDS OF LAKES REGIONAL LIBRARY MEMBERSHIPS**

A Reminder – Many Friends Memberships expire at the end of December, 2017. Please check your Friends Focus newsletter mailing label. The date following your name is the date your membership expires. You must be a Friends member in order to volunteer for the Book Sale on Saturday, January 20 and there will be a Friends Only sale on Friday, January 19 from 1pm to 4pm.

Thank you.  
 Jeanette K. Chelius, Membership Chair

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#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Jane Anne Kennedy  
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#### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Display Case: Lucy Breitung  
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Membership: Jeanette Chelius  
Nook Books: Anita Jenkins  
Program: Cindy Ahrens  
Publicity: Ginny Testa  
Volunteers: Jane Ann Kennedy

LEE COUNTY LIBRARY  
ADVISORY BOARD  
Jane Ann Kennedy

#### MEETINGS

September thru May  
2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the Month  
Lakes Regional Library

11:45 AM Meeting  
12:15 PM Lunch  
1:00 PM Guest Author

## ENGLISH CAFÉ

**Mondays, November 6, 13, 27 at 6:00 PM**  
Conference Room B

The 90-minute sessions provide adult learners an opportunity to practice speaking English with Native speakers. Topics include everyday situations, current events, and cultural areas. English Café is offered several times each week at locations throughout Lee County.

**Participants may start at any time. Advance registration is not necessary.**

## NOVEMBER GUEST AUTHOR

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2017 AT 1:00 PM**

L. M. REYNOLDS



Ms Reynolds shares that each of her stories weaves a plot element that whisks the reader to a far-off place. *Spies In Our Midst* (2015) contains a segment that drops the reader in Tehran in the late 1970s, while *Spies We Know* (2016) visits India. Readers will also find an aviation footprint in her plots. Her father was a US Air Force pilot and she travelled extensively as a Pan Am flight attendant after graduating from Indiana University. During time on the Pan Am management team, Reynolds became interested in computer programming & network administration – after the fall of Pan Am, she founded 2 information technology consulting businesses, provided IT services for a wide range of industries, authored numerous technical/instructional manual, and later became an executive at a small software company. For more information about Ms Reynolds, visit her web at [www.LMReynolds.com](http://www.LMReynolds.com).

**FRIDAY, November 10, 2017**

**Lunch Menu - \$10.00**  
(From Jason's Deli)



**Traditional Sandwich Box:** with lettuce & tomato. *Meat choices:* oven-roasted turkey breast, chicken salad with almonds & pineapple, tuna salad with eggs, roast beef, or premium ham. *Bread choices:* white, whole grain wheat, or rye. Includes baked chips and chocolate chip cookie.

**Spinach Veggie Wrap Box:** organic wheat wrap stuffed with organic spinach, fresh-made guacamole and pico, mushrooms and asiago. Served with a side of fresh-made salsa. Includes cookie and fruit.

**Chicken Caesar Salad Box:** fresh romaine, asiago, croutons and creamy Caesar dressing. Topped with natural grilled chicken breast. Includes chocolate chip cookie.

#### Chicken Club Salad Box -\$12

Chicken Club Salad: Natural, grilled chicken breast tops mixed salad greens, grape tomatoes, sliced avocado, cheddar, asiago and bacon with fresh-made ranch dressing. Includes a chocolate chip cookie.

Arizona iced tea, coffee, hot tea are provided. Sharing and brown bagging are OK.

For LUNCH ORDERS call MARGE FORD @ 330-414-3843 or e-mail [librarylunch33@yahoo.com](mailto:librarylunch33@yahoo.com) by noon Wednesday, November 8, 2017

## PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY

#### State of Florida Long Term Ombudsman Program

**Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at 2:00 PM**

Discover how the Florida Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program improves the quality of life for all Florida long-term care residents by advocating for and protecting their health, safety, welfare, and rights. An ombudsman is an advocate for people who live in nursing homes, assisted living facilities and adult family care homes. All services are confidential and free of charge.

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#### Craft Corner; Knitting, Crocheting, and Embroidery

**Wednesdays, November 8 and 22, 2017 at 2:00 PM**

A casual self-guided group of knitters, crocheters, and embroiderers share ideas, techniques and patterns. Attendees should bring their own projects.

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#### End of Life Planning: Having the Conversation

**Thursday, November 9, 2017 at 2:00 PM**

According to a National Survey by The Conversation Project, 90% of people say that talking with loved ones about end-of-life care is important, but only 27% have actually done so. It can be extremely difficult to think of your own mortality, much less talk about it. However as difficult as it may be to find the courage to talk to our loved ones about our final wishes, making your wishes known in advance is much easier than leaving the decisions up to your loved ones at the time of need.

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#### Coloring for Adults.

**Tuesdays, November 14 and 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM**

Come and experience the latest trend in relaxation, adult coloring books! Studies show coloring can have a calming effect on the adult mind and helps promote overall wellness. Coloring pages designed especially for adults as well as colored pencils will be provided.

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#### Library Apps 101

**Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 2:00 PM**

Did you know you can download books, magazines, music and other library content from our online library? Bring your app-enabled e-reader or tablet, and we will show you how to use OverDrive, Hoopla and other library apps. Don't forget your library card!

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**WELCOME  
NEW MEMBERS**

Bernie Perlstein  
Jerry Waldo

**HAPPINESS  
IS HAVING  
YOUR OWN  
LIBRARY CARD!**

Sally Brown  
from PEANUTS

## BOOK REVIEW

***The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane*  
by Lisa See**



Lisa See's newest novel continues her themes of Chinese culture and the complicated entanglements of tradition and family. *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* follows Li-yan, a woman of the Akha ethnic minority in China, from her home in the remote areas of the Yuunan province where her family picks tea to the world beyond and the triumphs and tragedies that await there. Li-yan's story is interspersed with that of her daughter Hayley, who was adopted by a white Californian couple. Each character feels fully realized; their strengths and weaknesses combine to make them human. See walks a fine line with Hayley's story, conveying both genuine love between her and her parents but also the distance and awkwardness Hayley feels at times as an adoptee. As always, See's prose is clear and lyrical, drawing the reader effortlessly into the narrative. Anyone interested in Chinese culture or rich stories of family should give this a try.

**Submitted by Marie Sullivan, Reference Librarian**

## BOOK DISCUSSION

***When the English Fall*  
By David Williams**

**Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 2:00 PM**



When a catastrophic solar storm brings about the collapse of modern civilization, an Amish community in Pennsylvania is caught up in the devastating aftermath. With their stocked larders and stores of supplies, the Amish are unaffected at first. But as the English (the Amish name for all non-Amish people) became more and more desperate, they begin to invade Amish farms, taking whatever they want and unleashing unthinkable violence on the peaceable community. *When the English Fall* examines the idea of peace in the face of deadly chaos: Should members of a nonviolent society defy their beliefs and take up arms to defend themselves? And if they don't, can they survive?

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