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# FRIENDS FOCUS

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is hard to believe we have had two meeting this season, before you know it the year will be over. Please save December 12 for our Holiday lunch at Kelly Greens, details later. Also, remember our BIG BOOK SALE on January 24. We will be asking for volunteers to set up, work as cashiers and help tear down after the sale. A busy year is just starting.

**SAVE THE DATE  
BIG BOOK SALE  
SATURDAY  
JANUARY 24, 2015**

We are looking for a volunteer to be Historian starting the beginning of 2015. You would be responsible for taking pictures at our meetings and any program sponsored by the Friends. The pictures are displayed on the picture board in the Nook. We would also like someone to volunteer to assist the Publicity Chair, she cannot make all the meeting, so you would be responsible to let her know what programs are coming up. All our other officer and committee chairs have been filled. Please check the Focus for all our names.

Have you checked out our new web site: [www.friendsoflakeslibrary.org](http://www.friendsoflakeslibrary.org)? Hard work has gone into this site. It contains information that will be helpful to all of us.

Ladies start talking to your husbands or significant others about helping in January to transport books from the storage area to the library. We need a few helpers that can lift boxes of books. More details later in the year.

Looking forward to seeing you at our November meeting.

**Jane Ann Kennedy,  
President**



## FRIENDS ONLINE

The Friends of Lakes Regional Library are proud to announce the launch of their new web site at [www.friendsoflakeslibrary.org](http://www.friendsoflakeslibrary.org). The site has been a work in progress for nearly a year. Cindy Ahrens and Anita Jenkins have been working with webmaster Kim Dailey to accomplish this task.

Inspiration for the site came from former committee member Jack Emery. The group studied other web addresses and compiled information and photos to include in the site.

Board meetings, author appearances and other news will be posted, as well as a link to the Lee County Library System's site. Volunteer opportunities and our Focus Newsletter will also be included.

**Please check out this exciting site as we move into a new era!**

## MESSAGE FROM THE BRANCH MANAGER

Welcome back to all our seasonal friends! I am very pleased to announce the Senior Librarian, Head of Reference position has been filled by our very own Carrie MacDonald. Carrie has worked as a Reference librarian with the Lee County Library System for ten years. She was hired in 2004 to be part of the opening day staff here at Lakes Regional Library. Most of you will know her as the staff member who plans the programs and introduces the performers or through her work as Volunteer Coordinator for Lakes Regional. Please join me in congratulating Carrie on her promotion. The next library collection to start floating will be the new releases in adult fiction and non-fiction. The adult and teen audiovisual materials have been floating for six months now and patrons have shared positive comments on the refreshed collection and new items on the AV shelves. Floating allows the libraries in the LCLS to better reflect what library users are requesting by assigning the materials to library where they are returned. Please let us know what you think about floating collections or anything else!

Jill Horrom, Branch Manager

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL FRIENDS OF LAKES REGIONAL LIBRARY

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Use my alternative address from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

- 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:

Please check membership category:

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- Student \$5
- Family \$25
- Individual \$10
- Lifetime \$250

Or drop off at the Library's main desk

TOTAL amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**E-MAIL**

[friendslakeslibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendslakeslibrary@gmail.com)

**WEB SITE**

[friendsoflakeslibrary.org](http://friendsoflakeslibrary.org)

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**LEE COUNTY LIBRARY  
ADVISORY BOARD**

Len Ahlfeld

**MEETINGS**

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

11:30 AM Meeting  
12:00 noon Lunch  
1:00 PM Guest Speaker

**WELCOME NEW  
MEMBER**

**Karen Bjorkman  
Nancy Campbell**

**NOVEMBER GUEST AUTHOR**

Phillip B. J. Reid, the author of *THREE SISTERS PONDS—MY JOURNEY FROM STREET COP TO FBI SPECIAL AGENT—FROM BALTIMORE TO LOCKERBIE, PAKISTAN AND BEYOND* is from Baltimore, Maryland. After 8 years with the Baltimore City Police, he joined the FBI. During a 28-year career with the FBI he was a member of SWAT teams and worked various Federal investigations including bank/armored truck robberies, fugitives, civil rights violations, kidnappings, foreign counterintelligence, counterterrorism and extra-territorial terrorism investigations. Agent Reid worked investigations in the United States, Bolivia, Malta, India, Egypt, Pakistan and the Philippines. He became a lead investigator into the 1988 bombing of Pan Am flight 103 where 270 people were killed. Since retiring from the FBI, Mr. Reid became Director of Security for Boeing's World Headquarters in Chicago, and Director of Security for Collier County Public Schools, where he again retired in 2013. For more information, visit his website: [www.threesistersponds.com](http://www.threesistersponds.com).



**NOVEMBER 14, 2014**

**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 baked chips and fruit.

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

Added Special Salad - \$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 **FLO MORRIS** @ 239-481-7680 or e-mail [floram1@yahoo.com](mailto:floram1@yahoo.com) by **noon Wednesday, November 12, 2014**.

**DISPLAY CASE**

Thornton W. Burgess was a prolific children's author, conservationist and naturalist. His bedtime stories, written for his young son, were published in 1910 as *Old Mother West Wind*. His great granddaughter, Debra, has provided the items in the display case for November.

**PROGRAMS AT LAKES LIBRARY**

**Preschool S.T.E.M.: Technology**

Thursday, November 13, 2014, at 10:30 AM  
Calling on all curious kiddos! This new program series will explore the fun side of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (S.T.E.M.)! This month's session will focus on hands-on engineering for children ages 3-5 years with their caregivers. Bring the curiosity, the library will supply the rest. This program is sponsored by the Friends of Lakes Library.

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

**Tellabration 2014!**

Saturday, November 22, 2014, at 2:00 PM  
Storytelling for adults and families with school aged children. Presented by the Tamiami Tale Tellers. A variety of stories will be presented, including ancient traditional tales to original stories written and performed by the teller. Tellabration is an event that is held on the weekend prior to Thanksgiving in many communities in the United States and abroad. It is an international celebration of the joy and power of storytelling

**ENGLISH CAFÉ**

**Mondays, November 3, 10, 17, 24 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.

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

**BOOK DISCUSSIONS**

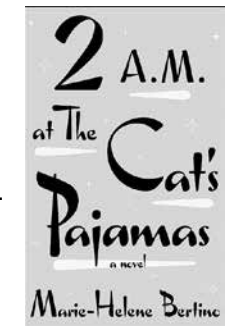
*2 a.m. at the Cat's Pajamas*

by Marie-Helene Bertino

Tuesday November 18 at 2:00 PM

Read and discuss Marie-Helene Bertino's novel about a girl who dreams of becoming a jazz singer. Madeleine Altimari is a smart-mouthed, rebellious nine-year-old who also happens to be an aspiring jazz singer. Still mourning the recent death of her mother, and caring for her grief-stricken father, she doesn't realize that on the eve of Christmas Eve she is about to have the most extraordinary day—and night—of her life.

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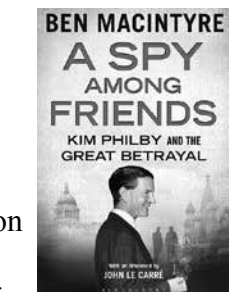


**BOOK REVIEW**

*A Spy Among Friends: Kim Philby and the Great Betrayal*  
By Ben Macintyre

Ben Macintyre's biography tells the tale of one of the most notorious spies in history, Kim Philby, who started spying in his position as a MI-6 officer in World War II until his defection to the Soviet Union in 1963. After graduating from Cambridge Philby joined socialist movements in Europe fighting Nazism before the outbreak of World War II. Unlike more recent spies who have been motivated by money, Macintyre says that Philby was a communist fanatic whose actions caused hundreds, maybe even thousands of lives. On the other hand, Philby could also be extremely charming and was adroit at drawing people in to get them to reveal secrets. The author debunks Philby's "escape" to the Soviet Union in 1963 when confronted with his spying activities and says Britain left the door open for the flight to the Soviet Union to avoid a public trial in Britain that would be very embarrassing to the security services.

Submitted by Kevin Wells, Reference Librarian



**NEW STAFF MEMBERS**



**Alyssa Lopez**

Alyssa was born in Buffalo, New York but moved to Port Charlotte when she was 2 years old. She enjoys playing tennis and reading fantasy novels. She has a 3 month old kitten named Watson.



**Josie Cammarota**

Josie is a part-time page at Lakes Regional. She is originally from Queens, NY. She and her family moved here in 1991. The things she enjoys in her leisure are arts and crafts and listening to music. She reads both mysteries and biographies.