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*“My bounty is as boundless as the sea,
My love as deep; the more I give to thee
The more I have, for both are infinite.”
William Shakespeare*



HERE'S WHAT IS HAPPENING THIS MONTH AND NEXT

January 15 – Book Discussion
– *Transatlantic* by Colum
McCann

January 17 – Tea and Talk –
Lost Tree Wild Life presented
by Arthur Carton

February 14 – Valentine Tea –
Barbara Rinella

February 16 – Artist Reception
– *Sue Fazio*

February 19 - Book Discussion
– *Citizens of London* by Lynne
Olson

CELEBRATE VALENTINE'S DAY WITH BARBARA RINELLA

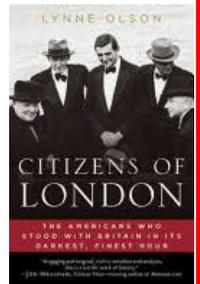


Come be our Valentine on Friday, February 14, when Barbara Rinella will present her mystery book dramatization. She is a hugely popular favorite at Lost Tree and the Library is delighted to be hosting her program. This will be the 29th year the Chapel Library has given a Thank You Valentine to the many Friends of the Library and their support. The Chapel congregation and all of Lost Tree Village are welcomed to be guests at this event (Tea at 2:30, Program at 3:00 p.m.).

CARROLL ROTCHFORD LEADS BOOK DISCUSSION ON FEBRUARY 19

... Lynne Olson's *Citizens of London*: Edward R. Murrow, Averell Harriman and John Gilbert Winant became "Citizens of London" as did the generals, the troops and everyone who was part of the effort to save London during and after the blitz and even after the war. This story is so wide and so filled with heroic and human interests, diplomacy, and strategy that it became a page-turner. There is a surprise on every page. You are brought into the lives of the Churchills, the ordinary people, and those whose names go down in history.

Please join us on February 19 at 3 p.m. in the Library. We will be led by Carroll Rotchford. You will be amazed at where this journey will lead you. Share that with us as all of us become "Citizens of London" if just for an hour.

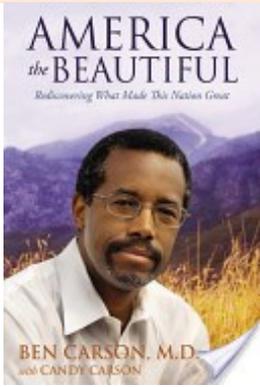


In preparation for Dr. Ben Carson's Forum talk on January 26, Pastor Ken Mahanes writes about *America the Beautiful*, Dr. Carson's popular best-seller.

Susie Fruehauf reviews Nobel Prize Winner Alice Munro's latest book, *Dear Life*.

Helen Hunting critiques *Empty Mansions*, the true story of an eccentric heiress.

Book Reviews



AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL: REDISCOVERING WHAT MADE THIS NATION GREAT

by Ben Carson, M.D.

After reading Dr. Ben Carson's newest book, *America the Beautiful: Rediscovering What Made This Nation Great*, written with his wife, Candy, I brought up his name to a number of friends and was taken aback that several of them had never heard of Dr. Carson. Reading the book will introduce the reader to an amazing man.

Raised in the inner city of Detroit by a functionally illiterate and single black mom, he and his brother Curtis have far surpassed their dreams. By not accepting the status of victims, they determined that the rampant-segregation and racism they faced growing up would not stop them from achieving their highest aspirations. Curtis is now a successful engineer and Ben became head of the pediatric neurosurgery department of Johns Hopkins Hospital at age 33. Dr. Carson's ascendancy to international notoriety was enhanced by his successful surgery of separating Siamese twins joined at the head. The German couple that consented to have this never before performed surgery courageously committed the life of their twins in the hands of Dr. Carson.

This success led to the publishing of his first book, *Gifted Hands*, which was made into a TNT cable channel movie in 2009 starring Cuba Gooding, Jr. as Ben Carson. People interested in a biographical narrative of Dr. Carson should either read the book or view the movie, both of which are available at most public libraries.

The book, *America the Beautiful: Rediscovering What Made This Nation Great*, which at the time of the writing of this review was #2 on the New York Times bestselling non-fiction list, spends very little time telling Carson's personal story. Rather, he addresses many current social and cultural issues facing our nation from Capitalism versus Socialism to the debate regarding whether or not America was founded as a Christian nation to a critical look at the Affordable Health Care Act and more.

Whether or not readers agree with Carson's views, they will sense the deep love and appreciation he has for the freest country in the world, a country that offers the greatest opportunities for achieving one's dreams. Though Carson admits our nation's failures of the past, he appeals for us to rededicate ourselves to continually strive to do better in upholding the foundational values that have made America beautiful.

Ken Mahanes



FEBRUARY FEATURES UNIQUE ART EXHIBIT

Please join us on Sunday, February 16, to welcome Artist Sue Fazio. The reception will be after Sunday's service. Sue has an engaging eclectic style. She also includes encaustic painting techniques. **Encaustic painting**, also known as **hot wax painting**, involves using heated **beeswax** to which colored **pigments** are added. Not to be missed!



Sue Fazio's journey as a painter has carried her through "the dramas of raising six children, earning a doctorate in education (from Florida Atlantic University), a dozen moves, and marriage to the golf course architect, Tom (34 years and counting)". Painting is how her passion meets the world, Fazio says.

Fazio began using encaustic in January 2009, when she attended a class offered in Jupiter, Florida. Of that experience, she says, "My first smell of the medium turned on all of my senses. I have "waxed" every day since. The medium fascinates me because it mirrors my personality. I love bright colors. I love soft edges. I love the spontaneity of the medium."



FOR SALE – TEA AND TALK SPEAKER'S LATEST BOOK



Alexa Hampton will be speaking at our March 14, Tea and Talk. Her new book, *Decorating in Detail*, is available for purchase (\$50) in the Chapel office starting in February – call Marcia at 626-9100.

BOOKS

Black Gold and Silver Sands
 Command Authority
 The First Phone Call from Heaven
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NEW ACQUISITIONS

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