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*Meetings*

September - June

2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of month

Lakes Regional Library

11:00 a.m. Meeting

12:00 noon Lunch

*Board Meeting*

Monday before General Meeting

2:00 p.m.

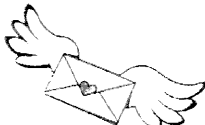
## OUR FEBRUARY MEETING

### Our February Speaker ...

Actually we have no speaker at our next meeting. Who needs a *speaker* when you can have a *storyteller*! Mary Lou Williams, one of our own members, will treat us to an hour of that traditional, almost lost, art of storytelling, which is enjoying a renaissance in Southwest Florida. Mary Lou doesn't just tell her stories; she dramatizes them, painting vivid word pictures with her voice.

After earning a Master's of Education degree from Columbia University, Mary Lou taught high school English and math for 35 years, and even sponsored drama clubs, but wasn't really familiar with storytelling until introduced to it at an elder-hostel in 1993. When Mary Lou joined Toastmasters a few years ago, it didn't take long for her to gravitate toward the manual for storytelling. Perhaps her epiphany moment was when, at a "mystery party," she took so naturally to acting out her part in the mystery that she was encouraged by one of the other participants to make storytelling a second career.

Wearing her storytelling garb of a patchwork quilt skirt and peasant blouse, and armed with simple props for each tale, Mary Lou has presented her stories to many local groups. For our program, she promises to add a feminist fairytale to her varied repertoire of stories. Please join us on February 9 at Myerlee Manor and become part of the storytelling revival.



### LUNCHEON MENU

Chicken Salad Croissant  
with  
Fruit Cup  
Dessert and Beverage

Cost of \$10.50 includes  
tax and tip

For reservations call or e-mail

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Wednesday, February 7

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### REMINDER

The Friends' General Meeting will be held at Myerlee Manor, 1499 S. Brandywine Circle, from February through April 2007.

11:00 a.m. Meeting - Wellness  
Center

12:00 noon Lunch - Dining Room

1:00 p.m. Speaker - Wellness  
Center

Friends' Meetings will resume in Meeting Room A at the Lakes Library in May 2007.

Myerlee Manor is located on Winkler Road and is approximately 1 mile north of Gladiolus Drive.

Members may park in guest parking spaces west of the building.

Looking ahead to our March meeting: Our guest speaker will be Charles Sobczak author of *Alligators, Sharks & Panthers*.