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## Ann Hood to speak at author luncheon



Best-selling author Ann Hood will speak at the Friends of the Daytona Beach Library's 37th annual Author Luncheon at noon Saturday, March 25, at the Halifax River Yacht Club, 331 S. Beach St., Daytona Beach.

The Rhode Island native is the author of the bestselling novels "The Knitting Circle," "The Obituary Writer," "The Red Thread" and "Somewhere off the Coast of Maine."

In her memoir, "Comfort: A Journey through Grief," Hood shares her personal story of losing her 5-year-old daughter, Grace, in 2002. It was a New York Times Editor's Choice and was named one of the top 10 nonfiction books of 2008 by Entertainment Weekly.

Her latest book is "The Book that Matters Most." The protagonist is Ada, who has just been dumped by her husband of 25 years. Lonely and bitter, she joins a book club that requires that each member to present "the book that matters most" to her. While the other readers choose well-known classics, Ada selects an obscure book from her childhood, one that leads to revelations about her past.

Following her presentation, Hood will answer questions and sign copies of her books.

Tickets are \$30 each and must be purchased by March 20. They are available at the reference desk of the Daytona Beach Regional Library at City Island, 105 E. Magnolia Ave., Daytona Beach.

For more information, call the library at 386-257-6036, ext. \_\_\_\_.

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