



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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April 1, 2003

Acclaimed Writer Lee Smith To Speak at Friends of the Library 2003 Spring Dinner on April 30

Lee Smith, the award-winning novelist and former professor of English at NC State University, will be the guest speaker at the North Carolina State University Friends of the Library's annual Spring Dinner on April 30, 2003. Smith's latest book, *The Last Girls*, has met with rave reviews. It received starred reviews in both *Publishers Weekly* and *Booklist*. In January 2003 ABC's *Good Morning America* selected the novel for its monthly reading club.

The dinner, held at NC State's McKimmon Center, begins with a reception at 6:30 P.M. that features bluegrass music. It is followed by dinner at 7:00 P.M.

Ticket prices are \$40 for Friends members and \$50 for the general public. Advance reservations are required. For more information, call the



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Friends' office at (919) 515-2841. Checks for dinner tickets should be mailed to the Friends of the Library, NCSU Libraries, Campus Box 7111, Raleigh, N.C. 27695.

Lee Smith is the author of many books, including the best-selling novels *Oral History* and *Fair and Tender Ladies* and the collections *Me and My Baby* *View the Eclipse* and *News of the Spirit*, both New

York Times Notable Books. Her awards include the Lila Wallace-Reader's Digest Writer's Award and the 1999 Academy Award for fiction from the American Academy of Arts and Letters. She grew up in Grundy, Virginia, graduated from Hollins University and lives now in Hillsborough, N.C.

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