



# “Celebrity Favorites”

## Reading Recommendations from Local Area “Celebrities”

When asked what were their favorite children’s  
or adult books, here is what they said:

**Barbara Bedell (*Times Herald-Record* Columnist):**

Children’s book: *Aesop's Fables* and *Grimm's Fairy Tales*

Adult book: anything by Jane Austen!

**Tracy Baxter (Cable 6 News):**

Children's book: *The Bremen Town Musicians* by J. + W. Grimm

Adult book: *Alive* by P. P. Read

**Jeff Berkman, County Legislator:**

Children's book: - *The Great Houdini* by B. Epstein

Adult book: “Too many [favorites] to list!”

**Aileen Gunther, Assemblywoman:**

Children's book: *Frankenstein* by M. Shelley

Adult book: *Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald

**John Hall, Congressman:**

Children's book: *Rainbow Fish & the Big Blue Whale* by M. Pfister

Adult books: *World's End* by T.C. Boyle

*End of Iraq* by P. Galbraith

**Maurice Hinchey, Congressman**

Children's: *The Lorax* by Dr. Seuss

Adult: *The Life and Opinions of Tristram Shandy, Gentleman* by L. Sterne

**Shawn Dell Joyce (*Times Herald-Record* Columnist)**

Children's book: *The Lorax* by Dr. Seuss

Adult books: *Natural Capitalism* by P. Hawken, A. Lovins, H. Lovins

*Plan B* by L. Brown

*Low Carb(on) Diet* by D. Gershon

*Small-mart Revolution* by M. Shuman

**William J. Larkin, Senator**

Adult book: *Flags of Our Fathers* by J. Brady & R. Powers

**David Petraeus, General**

Adult books: *The Path Between the Seas* by D. McCullough

*John Adams* by D. McCullough

*1776* by D. McCullough

Children's books: *The Royal Road to Romance* by R. Halliburton

*The Wedding of the Waters* by P. Bernstein

*The Chronicles of Narnia* by C.S. Lewis

**Susan Beth Pfeffer (Author)**

Children's: book: *Little Women* by L. M. Alcott

Adult book: *Long Day's Journey into Night* by E. O'Neill

**Annie Rabbitt, Assemblywoman**

Adult book: *To Serve & Protect* by J. K. Magee

**Terry R. Saturno (Orange County Trust)**

Children's book: *Clara Barton: Founder of the American Red Cross* by A. Stevenson

Adult book: *Gone With the Wind* by M. Mitchell

**Rose Marie Stark (Pine Bush School District Superintendent)**

Adult books: *House of Sand and Fog* by A. Dubus

*Kite Runner* by K. Haseeni

Children's books: *The Country Bunny and the Little Gold Shoes* by D. Heyward

*The Velveteen Rabbit* by M. Williams

*Cows Going Past* by B. Balan

**Jimmy Sturr (award-winning Polka music master)**

Adult book: Mike Wallace's autobiography

Children's book: most titles by Thornton Wilder

**Nick Zungoli (photographer)**

Adult book: *Soldier of the Great War* by M. Helprin

Children's book: *Big Red Barn* by M. W. Brown

## **DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE BOOK?**

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