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BESTSELLING THRILLER AUTHOR LISA SCOTTLINE TO PRESENT AT ALL HENRICO READS 2019

Henrico County Public Library, Henrico County Public Schools, and the Friends of Henrico County Public Library will host the bestselling and Edgar Award-winning master of legal thrillers, Lisa Scottoline, for the 2019 All Henrico Reads event to be held April 10, 2019, 7 pm at Glen Allen High School. The featured title will be Scottoline's 2018 standalone thriller, *After Anna*.

Ms. Scottoline's sharp legal thrillers have entertained millions of readers for twenty-five years and won numerous awards, with over 30 million copies in print, and translations available in over 35 countries. In *After Anna*, a suburban mother becomes an unlikely sleuth, investigating the murder that tore her family apart as her accused husband is tried in court. The 2019 All Henrico Reads selection is a riveting thriller crafted by one of the genre's enduring masters, and entered the *New York Times* hardcover fiction Bestseller list at #2 last April.

Ms. Scottoline embarked on her writing career after graduating cum laude from the University of Pennsylvania law school, clerking for judges on a federal appeals court, and working as a litigator in Philadelphia. Her legal acuity and strong female protagonists set her apart from other writers in the genre. She also writes a humorous column called "Chick Wit" with her daughter Francesca Serritella for the *Philadelphia Inquirer*. These columns have been anthologized in several books, the most recent being *I See Life Through Rosé-Colored Glasses*. Lisa Scottoline's unique combination of skillful suspense-building, knowledge of the law, and humor will make this year's All Henrico Reads an event to remember.

All Henrico Reads is an annual reading program in which the Henrico community is encouraged to all read the same book, then discuss it—whether at Henrico Library book discussion groups or on their own—and join together to hear the author speak at a public event. By gathering to discuss a common topic, the Library aims to encourage a sense of community, promote literacy, and foster a love for the connecting power of literature.

Praise for *After Anna*:

"A nail-biting domestic thriller filled with plenty of twists and complex characters." – *Publisher's Weekly*

“Scottoline, a master at crafting intense family dramas, expertly twists Maggie’s reality with a page-turning mix of guilt, self-delusion, and manipulation.” – *Booklist*

"A deliciously distracting thriller...Scottoline illuminat[es] the landing strip of revelations and truths in a deliciously slow and intense way." —*The Washington Post*

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