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# Separating fantasy from fiction

Romance novelist addresses tea of Women's Chamber Foundation at The Chesterfield.



Theresa LePore and Jane Bloom

Romance novelist **Lisa Manuel** was the guest speaker at the annual afternoon tea of the Women's Chamber Foundation.

The event took place April 9 at The Chesterfield.

Manuel, who writes under the name Allison Chase, began penning romance fiction in the mid-90s and made her first sale, *Mostly Married*, in 2003.

She went on to publish several more novels. Her current series, *Her Majesty's Secret Servants*, is set in the early Victorian Age.

**Jane Bloom** is chairwoman of the Women's Chamber Foundation, the education and development force of the Women's Chamber of Commerce.

As part of the mission to promote opportunities for professional growth and development, the Women's Chamber Foundation offers scholarship awards annually to deserving women.

More than 100 people attended the event.

Proceeds benefit the foundation's scholarship fund.



Rosemarie Ingui and Danielle Olson



Janelle Dowley and Fran Priddy