



Orlando * Winter Park BRANCHLINE

FEBRUARY PROGRAM

Terry Olson has been Orange County's "Chief Arts Instigator" since the County authorized the creation of the Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs in 2001. Previously he was the Executive Director of the Arts & Cultural Alliance for Central Florida. Terry has been involved professionally in the Arts since he completed an M.A. in Theatre from the University of Minnesota. He moved to Florida to help open Epcot Center, bringing SAK Theatre, a company he co-founded and managed for 21 years. Since moving to Orlando, he has helped start and run more than a dozen other arts organizations including the Orlando Theatre Project, the Orlando International Fringe Festival, and Orlando's Downtown Arts District. He attends as many as 40 arts events each month. He has been asked to speak at various organizations, including the prestigious TEDx conference in Tampa. He is the past President of the Florida Association of Public Art Professionals. He served as Executive Director or board member for a number of national or international arts networking and support organizations.



Mr. Olson has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Central Florida and guest lecturer at Rollins College and has worked with composer Keith Lay from Full Sail on several projects and with Cole NeSmith on the Creative City Project. His photographic art has been featured at SNAP! Orlando. He has performed on many of the Central Florida stages, including the Orlando Shakespeare Theater, Orlando Opera Company, Southern Ballet Theatre, Mad Cow Theatre, the Garden Theatre and more. Most recently he is helping with a collaboration of a dozen visual arts organizations to celebrate 20 art legends of Orange County – people who in the 50 years (1932-1982) before the opening of Disney's Epcot Center, laid the groundwork for the current visual arts community.

He received the "Outstanding Theatre Advocate" award from the Florida Theatre Conference, the Downtowner of the Year and Golden Brick awards from the Downtown Orlando Partnership, the Champion of Sustainability award from the Healthy Community Initiative and the Humor award from the Grant Professionals Network.

His wife and daughter are also both involved in the arts.

GENERAL MEETING

SATURDAY
February 11, 2017
9 a.m.

**First Congregational Church of
Winter Park**
225 S. Interlachen Avenue
(at New England Ave.)
Winter Park, FL 32789

\$15.00 per person
Reservations Required

RSVP: Diana Secor
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Cash or check
payable at the door
(Checks should be made out to
"AAUW Orlando/Winter Park")

Or mail your check to:
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You are responsible for
payment in full if you do not
keep your reservation.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:
Reservations must be received
no later than Thursday.

From the President's Desk



I would like to extend a big thank you to our AAUW members who participated in the Women's March in Orlando on January 21 at Lake Eola. The crowd was estimated at 10,000 participants from a wide variety of groups. (See

page 11.) This signals a need in our community for more dialogue on women's issues and a need to be vigilant and aware of what is going on in Washington, D.C. I am asking you to be part of our efforts in the overall community conversation about issues related to women and to discuss these issues with other women with whom you have contact at your social events, interest groups, etc.

Also, I am asking that you consider yourself or someone you know who would be a great advocate for AAUW Orlando Winter Park branch as we seek to replace some of our current board members. We are seeking active individuals who are willing to represent our organization and who are willing to participate in our efforts to engage our community leaders, legislators and representatives on issues that are important to us.

We need board members who are willing to contribute with a "can do" attitude as we expand awareness of our organization and insert ourselves into the conversations

that impact not only our lives but the lives of those that come behind us—our daughters and granddaughters. The next four years, and possibly eight, will be difficult years for women, and, as baby boomers (many of us were part of the sexual revolution of the 60's and 70's), let us not forget that there is the potential for us to be taken back to those pre-liberation days.

Christine Mouton
President

The nominating Committee, composed of Collette Davis (Chair), Linda Fessel, Phyllis Hall, Dee Fuentes and Diane Kennedy, is currently seeking replacement for three board members whose two-year terms will expire at the end of our fiscal year on June 30.

As of January, the current slate of nominees is as follows:

VP Programs: Diana Secor

Recording Secretary (board meetings): Pat Fluno

Recording Secretary (gen. mtgs.): Debbie Raczek

Nominations for these positions are still open. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, don't be shy about throwing your hat in the ring. Just contact a member of the nominating committee to get your name on the ballot.

General Meeting: January 14, 2017

Guest Speaker: Judith Kaplan



From the VP Membership



Directories have been distributed. The ones not picked up by you or someone on your behalf have been put in the mail. If you did not receive your directory, please let me know. If your information in the AAUW directory is incorrect or has changed since its publication, please submit any changes or corrections to me.

If you have friends, neighbors or family who are interested in joining AAUW, now is a good time for them to join as they only have to pay \$50.00, if they join between January 1, 2017 - March 15, 2017.

Our local Membership Form can be downloaded directly from our website: www.aauworlwp.org. Complete the form and send with your check to the address on the bottom of the form. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Beulah Ali-Carr

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Hunter College, NY, B.A. Psychology, Education, 1960

Contact Judy McDonald if you hear of any member who is ill, having surgery, experienced a loss, etc.

Judy McDonald
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Shirley Chisholm became the first black woman elected to Congress, despite the *Wall Street Journal's* concern that sending her to the House "might tend to perpetuate the matriarchal society said to prevail in the Negro slums."



When she got to Washington, Chisholm was promptly appointed to the Agriculture Committee.

"Apparently all they know here in Washington about Brooklyn is that a tree grew there," she remarked, before objecting and getting reassigned to Veterans' Affairs. She made an historic run for the Democratic nomination in 1972. Spoiler: She didn't win.

(Excerpted from a review of *The Highest Glass Ceiling: Women's Quest for the American Presidency*, *New York Times Book Review*, Sunday, March 20, 2016)

[Thank you to Martha Williamson for submitting this article.]

Margot Lee Shetterly was born in

1969 in Hampton, Virginia. Her father worked as a research scientist at NASA-Langley Research Center, and her mother was an English professor at Hampton University.

Lee grew up in an environment of knowing many African-American families with members who worked at NASA.



After college, Lee moved to New York and worked several years in investment banking—first on the Foreign Exchange trading desk at J.P. Morgan, then on Merrill Lynch's Fixed Income Capital Markets desk. She shifted to the media industry, working at a variety of startup ventures. She married writer Aran Shetterly.

In 2005, the Shetterlys moved to Mexico to found an English-language magazine called *Inside Mexico*, directed to the numerous English-speaking expats in the country.

In 2013, Shetterly founded The Human Computer Project, an organization whose mission is to archive the work of all of the women who worked as computers and mathematicians in the early days of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

Shetterly received a 2014 Book Grant from the *Alfred P. Sloan Foundation* for her book *Hidden Figures*.

The book's film rights were quickly sold, and a feature film based on her book was developed. The film of the same name was released the same year that her book was published.

AAUW MEETS LOCAL CONGRESSWOMAN STEPHANIE MURPHY

Ten members of AAUW met with Congresswoman Stephanie Murphy on January 19. We were very impressed with her; she has accomplished quite a bit for someone who has been in Washington a very short time. She has received an important assignment to the House Armed Services Committee which is working to establish gender fairness in the military. Charlotte Hunter, who was a chaplain in the Navy for 23 years, mentioned that when she was a chaplain she worked and taught a valuable class on diversity to service people. Congresswoman Murphy thanked her and mentioned that the Navy has the most progressive family leave policy among all the services and she hopes to expand that policy to the other branches.

We mentioned that one of our concerns was keeping the Affordable Care Act, or at least replacing it with something equal or better. One of Congresswoman Murphy's priorities is to save some of the more popular parts of the plan such as keeping children under 26 on their parents' plan. She said that it would not be possible to repeal and replace the ACA simultaneously, so they would have to repeal and then try to replace it. As far as she knows, the Republicans have no plan on how to replace it. The congresswoman is part of a bi-partisan group consisting of 12 Republicans and 12 Democrats. They will meet the morning when everyone comes back to Washington to try to get some bi-partisan leadership. The Republican members of this group don't know of any health care plan that's in the works.

Planned Parenthood was another concern of our members. Congresswoman Murphy was also concerned

about the organization and has been in touch with them. She said that Planned Parenthood did a study and found that people would react more positively to using the nomenclature "family decision" as opposed to "woman's choice" — "decision" being softer and more acceptable than a woman choosing.

We also thought that all violence, especially gun violence is on the rise and must be addressed. She told us that the Republicans won't permit a committee to even do a study on gun violence. The NRA will withhold funds from anyone involved in even a study. Rana asked why a study is necessary, and the congresswoman told us that's how a bill gets started. Apparently where assault weapons are used in an attack, the victims had much more serious wounds and the death rate was much greater. Congresswoman Murphy is going to ask her staff to contact hospitals to get more data on this to promote common sense gun laws.

We also asked if something is being done about the separation of church and state. She said that the Johnson Amendment which prohibits clergy from endorsing candidates from the pulpit is already on the books, but never enforced. If enforced, religious institutions could lose their non-profit tax status.

It was a wonderful meeting and we all expressed our appreciation to Lois Inglessis-Lihn for organizing it.

[Many thanks to Hanna Kruczek who submitted this article and picture.]



Members who attended the meeting (left to right): Linda Macdonald, Hanna Kruczek, Lois Andelman, Congresswoman Stephanie Murphy, Marci Kagan, Rana Tiwari, Lois Lihn, Charlotte Hunter (behind Lois), Karen Deo, Roberta Willenkin, and Lindy Freeman.

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They said WHAT?:

"Computers in the future may have only 1000 vacuum tubes and perhaps weigh only 1-1/2 tons."

[*Popular Mechanics*, 1949]

"Stock prices have reached what looks like a permanently high plateau."

[Irving Fisher, Prof. of Economics at Yale University, 1929]

"Louis Pasteur's theory of germs is ridiculous fiction."

[Pierre Pachet, Professor of Physiology at Toulouse, 1872]

"This 'telephone' has too many shortcomings to be seriously considered as a means of communication. The device is inherently of no value to us."

[Western Union Internal Memo, 1876]

"France will, within two or three years, be in the enjoyment of a tolerably free constitution . . . without its having cost them a drop of blood."

[Thomas Jefferson, before the French Revolution, 1788]

"The Second Day of July 1776, will be the most memorable date in the history of America. . . I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding generations, as the great anniversary festival."

[John Adams, July 3, 1776]



Interest Groups

Contact me if you are interested in starting a new group or willing to lead an Interior Design, Gardening, or Community Affairs group.



If you want to attend a Special Interest Group that is listed in your *Branchline* or in your 2016-2017 AAUW Directory, just contact the leader of that group and see if there is space. If you think you would like to attend that

group more often, ask to be added to their e-group, so you won't miss out on any information that is only sent by email to that group.

Barbara Buchele

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Walking Group: Chair Missy Baker (407-644-5661) (407 346-6561-cell) bakerworks@gmail.com

Interest Groups

Lunching Out

DATE: Monday, Feb 13

TIME: 11:30 a.m.

PLACE: TBA

The Lunching Out Group meets on the second Monday of each month. We seek out interesting (often ethnic) non-chain, family-owned restaurants.

If you would like to join us, call or email me to get on the contact list.

Linda Fessel

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Current Issues

The Current Issues Group will meet February 20, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Fireside Room at Westminster Towers on Lakemont Ave. in Winter Park.

Bring your lunch; coffee, tea, and cookies will be provided. Please respond to Marcy Kysilka if you plan to attend.

For more information, contact

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Foreign Films

At the Home of

Linda Fessel

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Call me at the number or e-mail shown above if you would like to be added to the list in order to receive more information about each movie. If you're a new attendee, please call me in advance for directions.

Next film: Mon., Feb. 27, at 1 p.m.

Movie: TBA

Linda Fessel

Cooking Globally

Cooking Globally will meet next on February 10.

The Cooking Globally interest group has finalized plans to cook and dine together three more times this year. Dinners are held at 7 p.m. at Club 24, a meeting space with kitchen, at Westminster Winter Park on South Lakemont Avenue. Members share a dinner, and one dish is demonstrated or cooked with the group. We hope to have at least one guest who is from the country we are featuring.

2017

February 10 – Egypt – Anne Landrum

April 21 – Turkey – Christine Mouton

July 14 – Russia – Susan Turo

More information contact: Rana Tiwari (ranatiwari@usa.net) or

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BEGINNERS WELCOME

We meet every Thursday (except the 2nd Thursday of the month).

Contact Linda or Karen for more information.

Linda & Karen

Foreign Affairs

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JoAnnRoux327@gmail.com

When: Sunday, Feb. 22
2 p.m.

Topic: The Future of Europe: Coping with Crisis

Where: Home of Barbara Buchele
1742 Barcelona Way
Winter Park, FL 32789

Telephone: 321-972-9114
babuchele@gmail.com

Don't forget to RSVP to Barbara.

Interest Groups

Dining Couples

All Dining Couples groups will meet on Saturday, February 18 at various homes. Susan and I will be happy to start a fourth table, so let us know if you are interested in attending three dinners a year where you get to be the "guest" and one where you will host three other couples. The host makes the main course, provides the drinks and contacts the three guests who are coming to her house to coordinate what they bring—making for the easiest dinner party ever!

Suzy Kerr suzykerr@msn.com. 407 960-1376 or
Susan Turo, tomsuet@aol.com 407-740-8293.

Dining Out at Night

DATE: Tuesday, February 14

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: TR's Fire Grill

Corner of Lee Rd. and 17/92
Winter Park

RSVP to:

Susan Hoke

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SPOUSES WELCOME

Walking Group

The Gem of the Hills Walk

On February 9 the Ladies of the Sneakers will walk along Lake Minneola and the streets of old Clermont. Walking Group Fearless Leader Missy Baker will provide historical tidbits of this town west of Orlando nicknamed the Gem of the Hills. (Hills! Yes, there are hills in Clermont.) After



lunch at Lilly's on the Lake, walkers can opt to ride an elevator 226 feet to the top of Citrus Tower. On a clear day you can see 8 counties.

The deadline for walking group members to

reply if they will attend this walk is February 2. Members received this walk invitation in January.

If you'd like to join the Walking Group and receive notices of our adventures, contact Missy Baker, Walking Group coordinator, at (407) 346-6561 or bakerworks@gmail.com.

[See page 9 for photos of last month's walk at Blue Spring State Park.]



The "card" on the left is one of many received from the PACE girls as a thank you for our miracle boxes.

While we are sure that the sentiment is truly heart-felt, we do take issue with the "Love Sweet Old Lady's" (ahem) and "Love you Guys." (ahem again)

["Lady's" instead of "Ladies." Okay, we won't even go there.]

THE WALKING GROUP

JANUARY 12, 2017

BLUE SPRING STATE PARK



A sign at the entrance to the park said that there were 276 manatees in attendance that day!



This man should know. He's actually counting them!



A picture-perfect day!



Lunch at the SwampHouse



The Walking Group had a wonderful time at the park. Here are some of the things we learned from the ranger:

The spring discharges 104 million gallons of water daily into the St. Johns River.

At one time Blue Spring Landing saw much steamboat activity as goods and tourists were shipped to Jacksonville and

beyond.

Blue Spring is the habitat for at least 15 threatened or endangered plants and animals.

The park is the winter refuge for the West Indian manatee, Florida scrub jay, gopher tortoise, and black bear.

Interest Groups

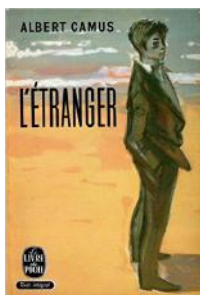
Booklovers



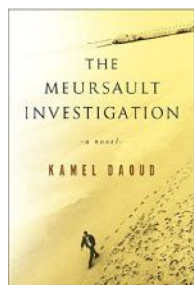
Booklovers has a long relationship with PACE Center for Girls. Over the years, we have set up their library, purchased many books, both library and classroom, provided scientific equipment and bought book and DVD sets for the classrooms. This year the PACE girls are all reading the book *Hidden Figures* in preparation for going to see the movie of the same name. PACE has been given free tickets for the movie so they can take all the girls. AAUW Booklovers is supporting this field trip with some funds to rent the bus and provide lunch for the girls. *Hidden Figures* is a fabulous movie and lets the girls know some real heroines. Thanks Booklovers.

Submitted by Anne Landrum

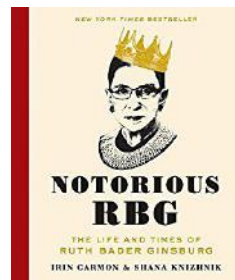
This month most of us are reading the double feature, *The Stranger* by Albert Camus and *The Meursault Investigation* by Kamel Daoud. Booklovers will compare these books together. In *The Stranger*, we meet a young Frenchman named Meursault who arbitrarily kills an Arab in French Colonial Algeria. Then, railing against God and religion, he is tried without remorse. Through this story of an ordinary man who unwittingly murders an Arab on a sundrenched Algerian beach, Camus explored what he termed “the nakedness of man faced with the absurd.” Camus is a Nobel Prize winner.



In the *Meursault Investigation*, Daoud turns Camus' masterpiece on its head. He tells the story from the perspective of the murdered Arab's brother showing how language and perspective radically alter a seemingly simple story. (Goncourt Prize winner, *N.Y. Times Book Review Notable Books* 2015.)



Booklovers VII are reading *The Notorious RBG* by co-authors Irin Carmon and Shana Knizhnik. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg never asked for fame—she just tried to make the world a little better and freer. However, along the way, the feminist pioneer's searing dissents and steely strength have inspired millions. *Notorious RBG* was created by a young lawyer and became an Internet sensation. The book takes you behind the myth for an intimate, irreverent look at the justice's life and work.



Booklovers VI are reading *A Place We Knew Well* by Susan Carol McCarthy. This book is set right here in College Park and the novel takes you back to the tension of the Cold War. To refresh our memory, Bishop Moore High School helped shelter Cuban teenagers evacuated for their safety. You'll meet some teenagers and experience their new-found culture. You may even want to make a cherry Jello mold with marshmallows, grab a TV dinner, and get comfortable at your aluminum tray table.



Ellen James
Booklovers Coordinator

New Members who wish to join a Booklovers Group are encouraged to call the Booklovers Coordinator. We have room in some of our groups for new members.

Some honest-to-goodness book titles you just might want (or not) to read:

Children are Wet Cement, Ann Orlund (1981)
Do Snakes Have Legs? Bert Cunningham (1934)
How to Become a Schizophrenic, John Modrow (1992)
Reusing Old Graves, D. Davies and A. Shaw (1998)
A Pictorial Book of Tongue Coating, Anon. (1981)
Fish Who Answer the Telephone, Prof. Y.P. Frolov (1937)
The Romance of Leprosy, E. Mackerchar (1949)
Constipation and Civilization, J.C. Thomson (1943)

And our personal favorite title:

New Guinea Tapeworms and Jewish Grandmothers: Tales of Parasites and People, Robert S. Desowitz (1981)

Interest Groups



Theatre

We are planning to see *Constellations* and *Three Sisters* at Mad Cow and *Antony and Cleopatra* at Orlando Shakes.

If you would like me to include a show at these or other theaters that I have not selected, please feel free to contact me (please put "AAUW--theatre group" in the subject line) with the information. I'll be happy to circulate it to our group to see if anyone is interested.

If you are interested and able to join us, either go online or call the theaters to buy your tickets; and if you want to sit with our group, you must purchase your ticket by phone and ask to sit near me. If we don't sit together because they cannot accommodate us, or you buy your ticket online, please look for me or any AAUW member either before or during intermission.

Please let me know if you are going so I can circulate the names for carpooling. I am driving and will be happy to have up to three people ride with me.

At the Mad Cow Theatre

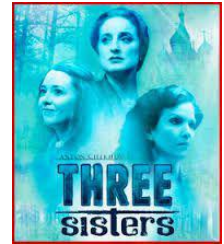
Constellations (March 2)



This spellbinding, romantic journey begins with a simple encounter between a man and a woman. But what happens next defies the boundaries of the world we think we know—delving into the infinite possibilities of their relationship and raising questions about the difference between choice and destiny.

https://madcowtheatre.secure.force.com/ticket#details_a0SF000000RszlqMAJ or (407) 297-8788

Three Sisters (March 30)



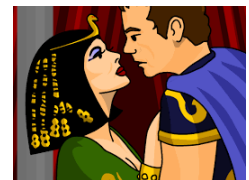
Nostalgic yearning for lively yester-years preoccupy Masha, Irina, and Olga as time marches on in their provincial 19th century rural Russian town—far from the Moscow of their memory. In one of the greatest masterworks of dramatic literature, Anton Chekhov paints a lyrical portrait of missed opportunities, delicate delusions, and the persistence of life despite disappointments. Mad Cow has sustained a long-term love affair with the works of Chekhov, whose plays have proven foundational in creating the theatre's ensemble-centered rehearsal process, honed in prior productions of *The Cherry Orchard* (2000) and *The Seagull* (2007).

https://madcowtheatre.secure.force.com/ticket#details_a0SF000000RszEoMAJ or (407) 297-8788

At the Orlando Shakespeare Theater

Antony and Cleopatra (April 20)

The victors of Rome's civil war have divided the Empire amongst themselves, and Marc Antony has traveled to exotic Egypt to take up rule over his corner of the globe. There he encounters Egypt's mysterious monarch, the irresistibly entrancing Cleopatra. Their impassioned affair ultimately pits their two countries against each other and will change the face of the ancient world forever.



https://orlandoshakes.secure.force.com/ticket#details_a0Sj00000007Oi8EAE or (407) 447-1700

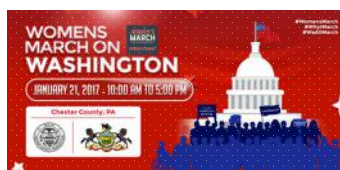
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If members wish to buy in advance a copy of *Find Me* by Laura van den Berg, the Writers Block Bookstore in Winter Park has copies. Mention "AAUW" and get a 20% discount.

The Literary Luncheon was a sell-out last year, so don't wait. Use the reservation sheet on the flyer on the last page of this newsletter.



JANUARY 21, 2017



AAUW's mission is to advance equality for woman and girls.



Branch Member Maria Rubin marched in D.C.



A crowd estimated at 10,000 assembled at Lake Eola.

Some of our Branch's representation



Member Maria Christina Santana



Linda Chapin, former chairman of the Orange County Commission



An aninga presented the animal kingdom!



AAUW Member Anna Eskamani

From coast to coast, AAUW members were among the millions who marched worldwide on Jan. 21. As a nonpartisan organization, AAUW marched to remind elected officials that women are watching and will make their voices heard on any action (or inaction) on women's issues.

For over 135 years, AAUW has been the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls—and we don't intend to quit. Together, we can make a difference.

Those of us who participated felt the same sense of excitement and energy that was once experienced by generations of women before us. No matter the outcome, or how long it takes to achieve the goals set, we can tell our children and grandchildren that on this date WE BECAME A PART OF HISTORY.

FEBRUARY 2017

| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | 1 <u>10 a.m.</u> B-Lovers IX <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers II <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VII (Black History Month Begins) | 2 <u>1 p.m.</u> Mah Jong <u>7 p.m.</u> B-Lovers III | 3 <u>7 p.m.</u> Dining In | 4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers I <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Brd. Mtg. | 8 | 9 <u>a.m. thru lunch</u> Walking Grp <u>7 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VIII | 10 <u>7 p.m.</u> Cooking Globally | 11 <u>9-12</u> Gen. Mtg. |
| 12 (Lincoln's B'day) | 13 <u>11:30</u> Lunching Out | 14 <u>1:30 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VI <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Dining Out at night (Valentine's Day) | 15 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers IV | 16 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers X <u>1 p.m.</u> Mah Jongg | 17 | 18 <u>7 p.m.</u> Dining Couples |
| 19 | 20 <u>10 a.m.</u> Current Issues (Presidents' Day) | 21 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers V | 22 (Washington's B'day) | 23 <u>1 p.m.</u> Mah Jongg | 24 | 25 |
| 26 <u>2 p.m.</u> Foreign Affairs | 27 <u>1-4</u> Foreign Films | 28 <u>a.m.—lunch</u> Museums/ Galleries | | | | |



In February 1657, three teenage girls in Tokyo became fatally ill, and their deaths were blamed on a silk kimono possessed by evil demons. A priest was summoned to perform an exorcism on the garment. The kimono was ceremoniously burned, but the fire quickly got out of hand. Before it was contained, the notorious Long-Sleeved Kimono Fire incinerated three quarters of the city and took the lives of more than 100,000 people.

Abraham Lincoln had a high-pitched, shrill, piercing voice. But in the days of open-air debates and speeches, his voice could be heard clearly hundreds of yards away while his opponent's faded off.



George Washington could never have thrown a silver dollar across the Potomac River. The first dollar coin was minted in 1794, just five years before Washington's death. Also, the Potomac is over a half-mile wide at its narrowest point.



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We've all heard the expression "It's raining cats and dogs," but how about the phrase "It's raining meat!" In Bath County, Kentucky on Friday, March 3, 1876, Mrs. Allen Crouch was sprinkled with dime-size pieces of fresh meat, and there wasn't a meat cloud in the sky. No definitive explanation for the meat shower was given, but one theory was that a flock of buzzards had thrown up while flying over Mrs. Crouch's yard. [Moral: Never look up when you take out your garbage.]



In March 7, 1908, the mayor of Cincinnati told the city council that no woman was physically fit to operate an automobile. Some member of the council leaked the remark, and that night, as the mayor entered his home, his wife hit him over the head with a bronze bust which it later took two men to lift and replace on the hall table. The man who was elected to fill out the mayor's unexpired term kept his opinions to himself.

David Rice Atchison served as president for only one day. James K. Polk's term ended at noon on March 4, 1849, but Zachary Taylor wouldn't take the oath on a Sunday. The Constitution states that "in case of the removal, death, resignation, or disability of both the President and Vice President of the United States, The President of the Senate Pro Tempore shall act as President." And the President of the Senate Pro Tem at the time was—you got it—David Rice Atchison.

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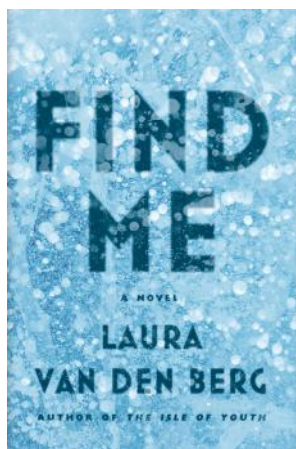
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The University Club of Winter Park

841 N. Park Avenue, Winter Park, FL

(At the intersection of N. Park Avenue and Webster Avenue)

SPEAKER: LAURA VAN DEN BERG



Laura van den Berg's debut novel, *Find Me*, is a gripping, imaginative, darkly funny tale of a young woman struggling to find her place in the world. It was featured in Time Out New York and NPR's "Best Book of 2015," long-listed for the International Dylan Thomas Prize, and a WH Smith Fresh Talent selection in the United Kingdom.

She is also the author of two story collections: *What the World Will Look Like When All the Water Leaves Us* and *The Isle of Youth*, both finalists for the Frank O'Connor International Short Story Award. Her honors include the Bard Fiction Prize, the Rosenthal Family Foundation Award from the American Academy of Arts and Letters, a Pushcart Prize, an O. Henry Award, and fellowships from the MacDowell Colony and the Civitella Ranieri Foundation.

Laura lives in Cambridge, MA with her husband and dog. She is a Briggs-Copeland Lecturer in Fiction at Harvard University and teaches in the M.F.A. Program for Writers at Warren Wilson College.

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