

May 13, 2023 GUEST SPEAKER: Coralie Claeysen-Gleyzon Curator/Interim Head of Collections & Exhibitions (OMA) Born in France, Coralie Claeysen-Gleyzon was raised in the



heart of the Sahara Desert in Niger, Africa, which has had a deep influence on her understanding of art, culture, color, and light. She has worked in museums and art galleries across the globe, including four years for Folly Gallery in the Lake District, UK; three years as a Creative Project Manager and

Exhibitions Officer for the contemporary urban art museum URBIS in Manchester, UK; three years in the Middle East, as Gallery Director of The Third Line Gallery in Doha, Qatar, and as an Independent Art Consultant in Beirut, Lebanon. In Orlando, she worked as Associate Curator for Snap! Orlando from 2011-2013; and as Gallery Director of Jai Gallery from 2013-2017. Coralie joined the Orlando Museum of Art (OMA) in January 2018, where she has cocurated the Florida Prize in Contemporary Art in 2018 and 2019, and curated The Figurative Continuum and Edward Steichen: In Exaltation of Flowers. She is the former Arts & Culture Editor for the luxury fashion and culture magazine: LAPALME. She has been an active member of the Orange County Public Arts Review Board since September 2015, helping develop public art commissions in and around Orlando. Coralie is also a member of the OMA's Acquisition Trust, a collecting circle whose mission is to grow the museum's permanent collection with new acquisitions in contemporary art.

Coralie Claeysen-Gleyzon received her MA in Visual Culture in 2003 and BA with Honors in Culture, Media and Communication (2001) both from Lancaster University, UK. She also holds a DEUG (Diplôme d'Etudes Universitaires Générales, a French BA-equivalent) in Language Sciences and Cultural Mediation (1999) from Université Paul Valéry, Aix-en-Provence, France.

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BRANCHLINE

GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, May 13, 2023

Time: 10 to 12 noon

First Congregational Church of W.P.

225 S. Interlachen Avenue, Winter Park

COST: \$20

TWO WAYS TO PAY

- 1. Cash or check at the door or
- 2. Send check to the following:
 - AAUW P.O. Box 884 Winter Park, FL 32790

RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

TWO WAYS TO RSVP

- 1. winterparkAAUWreservations@gmail.com
- 2. Parveen Wahid: 407-677-0571 piecee@hotmail.com

You are responsible for payment in full if you do not keep your reservation.

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From the President



May, for our AAUW branch, signals the end of our current year. Our last General Meeting is scheduled for May 13, during which we will present our Nominees for next year, our Scholarship winners, our Budget for next year, and short reports on

other activities. I speak not only for myself, but for our Board Members and activity leaders for your support during this past year.

During our break, we will be working on our plans for next year: AAUW goals, charities, scholarships and interesting speakers. We will open our next year with a Membership Reception on September 9, 2023. Various groups will have displays and information about our various activities. We hope to see you and our prospective members in attendance.

Aside from our personal interests, May is a month with two significant holidays:-May 10--MOTHER'S DAY and May 29--MEMORIAL DAY.

MOTHER'S DAY is a holiday honoring motherhood that is observed in different forms throughout the world. In the United States, Mother's Day this year occurs on Sunday, May 14. The American incarnation of Mother's Day was created by Anna Jarvis in 1908 and became an official U.S. holiday in 1914 when President Woodrow Wilson signed a measure officially establishing the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day.

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While celebrations vary, Mother's Day traditionally involves presenting moms with flowers, cards and other gifts as tokens of love and affection.

MEMORIAL DAY is celebrated this year on May 29. It is a Federal holiday in the United States for honoring and mourning U.S. military personnel who have died in service to our country. Originally called Decoration Day—from the early tradition of decorating graves with flowers, wreaths and flags—this tribute day was celebrated from 1868 to 1970 on May 30.

In 1971, Congress standardized the holiday as "Memorial Day" and changed its observance to the last Monday in May.

Best wishes to all of you for a happy and safe summer.

Díana Secor President, AAUW, Orlando/Winter Park Branch

Like the colossus of ancient times, I, too, stand in the harbor, welcoming those who would visit, and those who would stay.

My very dimensions fill all who see me with comfort, reassurance, and hope.

- Since the day I arrived, I've gathered a universal family around the folds of my massive robe.
- I am the symbol of freedom

from oppression and servitude

I am the distributor and guardian of promise— The promise of food, shelter, employment— The promise of all the things you have only dared to dream about.

- But never forget that this great protector of dreams is only a steel-reinforced copper woman.
- My gigantic eyes are only hollow slits;
- My vacant gaze will never see the huddled masses who still yearn to breathe free.

Earthquakes and hurricanes have never ruffled a hair of my noble head.

These enormous ears have never heard The "Star Spangled Banner."

My large imperial nose never smelled the gas that exterminated millions.

I remain silent while men with cameras and ladies in spiked heels invade my body. They climb indiscreetly around my legs, drop candy wrappers in my belly and light cigarettes near my heart. They race noisily up the last steps into my head, scampering from window to window tickling the inside of my skull.

No, I cannot protect you. If you seek the promises of this land, it will be your duty and obligation to protect, support, and defend me.

[L. Fessel, 1970]



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Scholarships	Andrea Cruz – Andrea is pursuing a Master's Degree in Anthropology at UCF.		
Seven Scholarship Recipients— each awarded \$1000!	Eliana Jacobs – Eliana is enrolled in the UCF College of Medicine and working on a Bachelor's Degree in Bio- medical Sciences.		
A big THANK YOU to the Scholar- ship Committee—Ellen James,	Aubrey Sabourin – Aubrey is pursuing a Bachelor's De- gree in Criminal Justice at UCF.		
Barbara Knapp, Sherry Kragler, Sue McDonald, and Suzanne Schneider—who helped to select this year's Branch Scholarship recipients. Seven \$1000 scholarships have been awarded to the following students:	Haley Thomas – Haley is a Volusia County teacher work- ing on a second Bachelor's Degree in Clinical Psychology at UCF with the goal of becoming a Psychiatrist specializ- ing in diagnosing and treating children.		
Amy Cabanillas – This Fall, Amy will begin the Doctor of Occupational Therapy at the University of Florida in Gainesville.	Anamaria Unzueta – Anamaria attends Florida Polytech- nic University in Lakeland and is pursuing a BS in Applied Mathematics.		
Mariana Chavez – Mariana is studying Mechanical Engi- neering at UCF.	Karen Buchan kgb@unknownegg.org		
You will have the opportunity to meet and learn a bit more about our recipients. Andrea, Eliana, Haley and Anamaria plan to attend our May 13 meeting. The other three have conflicts, and will be invited to a meeting in the fall.	"Words cannot express how thankful I am to have been awarded this scholarship. I am blessed and grateful. Thank you for taking the time to read my application and choose me for this scholarship."		
Here are some of the comments I received when the recipients received an email notification stating that they were selected to receive a \$1000 scholarship:	"This scholarship will make a significant impact on my academic and professional goals. With the financial as- sistance it provides, I will be able to pursue my studies with greater ease and focus on achieving these academic goals. I am extremely grateful for your investment in my		
"I am honored to accept the scholarship! I am very ex- cited to attend the brunch in May and meet everyone."	education and future. Your generosity has motivated me to work even harder and continue to strive for excel-		
"Thank you for this amazing opportunity!"	lence in all of my endeavors."		
"Thank you for awarding me the Orlando/Winter Park AAUW Scholarship. With the aid of the scholarship, you helped alleviate my financial burden, which will allow me to continue my education. Your generosity has fur- ther inspired me to help others and give back to the community. I hope one day I can help students achieve	"It would be an honor to be a guest at the brunch meeting, and I look forward to meeting you in person to thank you for this immense kindness. I hope to one day pay forward the kindness and support that you have shown me. Thank you again for this amazing opportuni- ty!"		
their goals just as you have helped me."	"That is amazing news!! Thank you very much!"		
"Thank you again for rewarding me with this scholarship. Words cannot express how blessed I feel."	"Thank you so much for this amazing investment in my future. It is organizations like yours that allow students like me to pursue their educational dreams."		
"I want to express my sincere gratitude for your gener- osity in awarding me the AAUW scholarship! It is an honor to be selected as a recipient, and I cannot thank you enough for your support!"	"I look forward to meeting you at the May brunch meeting."		

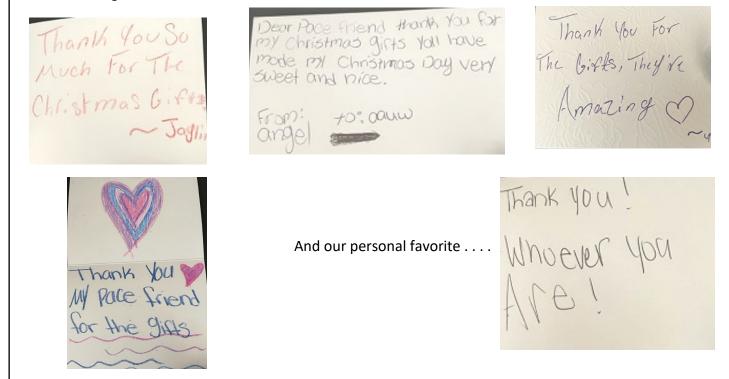
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The Scholarship recipients were not the only ones who expressed their appreciation. Below are some of the cards received from the girls at PACE:



REMEMBER THE GIRLS AT PACE

Last month we asked for your help in filling the pantry at PACE with non-perishables that would benefit the PACE girls and their families. Several AAUW members brought items that were greatly appreciated by PACE. The PACE committee will again collect items at our Saturday general meeting and take them to the school. This will be our last meeting for the year, but students will still be at PACE during the summer months, so we can guarantee that food will be needed during these months. Please try, if you're able, to pick up some extra shelf-stable foods when you are shopping and bring them to the meeting on May 13. Here are a few suggestions:

Kind Protein BarsHormel mealsBoxes of cerealRamen noodlesCans of tunaCans of chickenSmall bags of cookies

Thanks, AAUW members. Your help makes a difference to many girls and their families!

Submitted by Karen Gillett

So the CIA can hack into my TV and	isten to every word I	I changed my password to "incorrect" so whenever I for-
say, but McDonald's can't hear me s	ay "No pickles"	get what it is, the computer will say "your password is
through their drive-thru speaker?		incorrect."



VP Membership

National Dues have been increased this year. State and local dues remain the same. Here's the breakdown

National:	\$ 72
State:	12
Branch:	14
Total	\$ 98

Pay this amount with checks after April 1.

Make checks payable to AAUW—Orlando/Winter Park and mail to:

AAUW P.O. Box 884 Winter Park, FL 32790

When speaking with a new or prospective member, encourage them to read our Branchline newsletters which are available on our branch's website. Each Branchline issue contains contact information for our Interest Groups. Involvement in an Interest Group is key to making new friends in AAUW. Our website address is: orlando-fl.aauw.net

[For all members' addresses and phone numbers, refer to the "Members Only" section of our Website Contact Ann Burnham, Linda Fessel, or Maria Bonnet if you do not have the password.] Did you miss the April 2023 issue of floriVision? Here's the link:

https://aauw-fl.aauw.net/files/2023/04/2023-April-Annual-Meeting-FINAL_compressed.pdf

The newsletter contains a summary of March Lobby Day activities and a link to AAUW's 2023 Positions on Priority Legislation.

I plan to attend AAUW Florida's Annual Meeting on May 18 at 6 p.m. Go to Florida AAUW's website for details: <u>aauw-fl.aauw.net</u>

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

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Who remembers



the first search engine?

I intend to live forever... So far, so good.

The oldest computer can be traced back to Adam and Eve.

Surprise! Surprise!

It was an Apple.

But with extremely limited memory.

Just 1 byte.

Then everything crashed.

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Interest Groups

We need an Interest Group Chair to act as liaison between the groups and the Branchline editor. This is not a difficult or time-consuming job. Got an idea for a new interest group? Let Linda publicize it in the Branchline. Lfessel@Comcast.net

Booklovers: Booklovers has had another successful reading year. The selected books have been read, discussed, and the final one, *Vanderbilt* by Anderson Cooper, is the selection all groups will be reading. Most groups will plan a social activity as well, and some groups will read over the summer. Please check with your group leader to confirm that your group is or isn't meeting then. A big Thank You to group leaders for leading your group over the year and supporting Booklovers.

Just a reminder---Trollopians will meet July 6 and the book they are reading this year is *Framley Parsonage*. Contact Joyce Folsom for more details. [See next column for more information.]

> Ellen James, Booklovers Coordinator Ellenjames54@gmail.com

Booklovers Lite: Booklovers Lite meets monthly on the last Wednesday at 1 p.m. at Marbeya Club Condominiums. The reading list is independent from those of the other book groups. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 31, when we will discuss *The Cat who Saw Red* by Lillian Jackson Braun. If you are interested in joining this group, contact Karen Deo at Karen.deo@gmail.com

Dining In: Lynda Hinckley will be hosting the Dining In luncheon on May 5 at 12 p.m.

Contact Jane Rosen for more information: 321-295-7689 or mjcrosen@hotmail.com.

Exploring Central Florida (**ECF**): There are still a few openings for the Orlando Wetlands tour on May 2. If you would like to join ECF, please contact Linda to get on the email contact list at LFessel@Comcast.net.

Foreign Affairs: The Foreign Affairs Group will meet on Sunday, May 28 at 2 p.m. We will discuss the Great Decisions chapter on *Famine: A renewed threat in the 21st century*. Parveen will be the host and moderator. For further information, please contact D. Fuentes at tucu662@gmail.com or 407-310-1154.

<u>Global Dining aka International Cooking</u>: MAY 16 GLOBAL DINING will continue our GERMAN theme.

Lunching Out: Lunching out will visit an Italian restaurant in Oviedo on Friday, May 12. Check your emails for specific information. Contact Linda to be added to the Lunching Out contact list: LFessel@Comcast.net

MahJongg: meets on Thursdays at Club 24 in Winter Park from 1-4 p.m. Want to learn the game? We will teach you. For more information, contact Linda Fessel: LFessel@Comcast.net or Karen Deo: Karen.deo@gmail.com

Framley Parsonage by Anthony Trollope

The Trollopians are a reading group that gets together in a member's home once a year to read one Anthony Trollope book. Anyone who would like to meet one of the best Victorian writers of all time is welcome to participate. We will be meeting on Thursday, July 6, at 1 p.m. at the home of Myra Gaziano. Please contact Joyce Folsom at folsom_joyce@yahoo.com or at 407-696-0769 if you would like to join us, and plan on starting your reading early, as the book has over 550 pages. If you would like footnotes and explanations, the *Penguin Classics* edition is recommended. Group members will be contacted by email.

Framley Parsonage is the fourth volume of Anthony Trollope's *Chronicles of Barsetshire*. Mark Robarts is a clergyman with ambitions beyond his small country parish of Framley. In a naïve attempt to mix in influential circles, he agrees to guarantee a bill for a large sum of money for the disreputable local Member of Parliament, while being helped in his career in the Church by the same hand. But the unscrupulous politician reneges on his financial obligations, and Mark must face the consequences this debt may bring to his family. One of Trollope's most enduringly popular novels since it appeared in 1860, *Framley Parsonage* is an evocative depiction of country life in nineteenth century England, told with great compassion and acute insight into human nature.

Quoted from the Penguin Classics Edition

Submitted by Joyce Folsom

IN A WORLD FAR AWAY ...

It was a first in our 20-year history of Literary Lunches. Anna M. Elias was our first (and hopefully last) speaker who came to us through Zoom technology. So on March 13, 2021, we curled up on our own chairs and couches, nibbled on our own snacks, and didn't worry about brushing our hair or, in some cases, our teeth.

Anna, a member of AAUW, was the virtual guest speaker for our Literary Luncheon during Covid in March, 2021. She spoke about her first novel, The Vessels, a supernatural thriller, conjuring a world in which the living can become Vessels for the spirits of the dead. She is now releasing book 2 of the Vessels series on May 16. The Coin is book two of the Vessels novel trilogy, and will be released May 16 in Kindle and paperback. (Book three is planned for an October release.)

THE COIN:

Former Detective Tal Davis is no stranger to heartbreak and loss. She, Link, and Avani were all saved from their broken lives by becoming Vessels—human hosts for spirits who return to right wrongs from their past and earn a chance at Elysium. Each Vessel was inked with the portal tattoo, and each still carries the ancient coin that protects them from danger. But the coin is also a doorway to the other side, and one dark, vengeful spirit is determined to get through.

In this sequel to "The Vessels," Tal and the others face their greatest dangers yet to protect the program, survive their lethal spirit journeys, and save humankind from the growing evils that lurk in the beyond.

THE AUTHOR:

AAUW member Anna Elias graduated from the University of Florida and began her career as Don Johnson's assistant on Miami Vice. She later worked in film production on such features as: Nell (Jodie Foster, Liam Neeson), A Time to Kill (Matthew McConaughey, Samuel Jackson) Practical Magic (Nicole Kidman, Sandra Bullock), 12 Monkeys (Bruce Willis, Brad Pitt), and My Dog Skip (Kevin Bacon, Diane Lane). Since that time, Anna has written several film and TV scripts, some paid assignments, and a book adaptation with an Award-winning actor.

Anna's lifelong passions for social and environmental justice have been a guiding light in her life, her career, and her writing. Her debut novel, The Vessels, and its trilogy of books, is a supernatural, grounded sci-fi drama that speaks to many of these justice issues, and the essen-

tial but often elusive love, forgiveness, and sacrifice needed to heal them. Anna is currently adapting her book series for television.

SAVE THE DATE **Believing in Girls Breakfast**

June 8, 2023

7:30—9 a.m.

Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts — DeVos Room Contact Roberta Cooper for more details: rdeecooper@gmail.com





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FROM OUR MEMBERS

... AND THE WINNER OF THE TASTE OF SPAIN IS ...

The tables gleamed with crystal, porcelain and silver. Flowers from her garden graced the centers. Volunteers had dropped their labors of love in her kitchen earlier. And so, at the ready, Booklovers VI member Lani Schumacher opened her home April 19 for a wonderful meal. *A Taste of Spain* became real.

BL VI member and Dining-In cook Jane Rosen coordinated the event with members of both her interest groups. Dining-In doyenne Myra Graziano was the powerhouse in the kitchen, unseen but vital. Assisted by sous chef/ butler Natalie, the women offered tapas, sopa Andaluza de lentejas (lentil soup), ensalada de Espinacas (spinach salad), pollo marbella (roasted chicken with olives and apricots), and flan con bayas frescas y almondrados (flan with fresh berries and almond cookies). The diners buzzed with appreciation.

Booklovers VI acknowledges the efforts and generosity of the Dining In group. The scholarship fund benefited as did our camaraderie. We hope 2024 holds promise for the same.

Submitted by Missy Baker, Booklovers VI



THINK BEFORE YOU DONATE

Time for spring cleaning? Time to get rid of those clothes and shoes that you finally realize you will never wear? The resolution is a good one, but where should you part with them? The following list may help you decide:

The American Red Cross

President & CEO Marsha J. Evans Salary: \$651,957 (plus expenses)

March of Dimes

So named because only one dime for every one dollar is given to the needy

The United Way

President Brian Gallagher receives \$375,000

<u>UNICEF</u>

CEO Caryl M. Stern receives \$1,200,000 per year Less than 5 cents of every dollar goes to the cause.

<u>Goodwill</u>

Mark Curran, CEO and owner makes \$2.3 million/year. He pays nothing for his merchandise then sells the items for profit. Workers are paid minimum wage. No money goes to help anyone, so where's the goodwill?

The Salvation Army

Commissioner Todd Bassett receives a small salary. 96 percent of donated dollars go to the cause

The following organizations provide 100% of your donation to their cause:

The Vietnam Veterans Association The American Legion Make a Wish St. Jude Research Hospital The Veterans of Foreign Wars Disabled American Veterans Ronald McDonald Houses Lions Club International

Always check with Charity Navigator before making any donation to a group or charity.

[Thanks to Geri Ossana who submitted this information.]

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

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MORE FROM OUR MEMBERS

The April Dining-In group was hosted by Myra Gaziano with a Sicilian Easter theme. The centerpiece of the lunch was Taganu D'Aragona, a savory Easter dish from Aragona, Sicily. Culinary lore tells us that Taganu D'Aragona was created in the 1600's and has been served for Easter ever since. Families have been baking it throughout the generations in their home ovens or communal village ovens.

Abounding in eggs, symbolizing rebirth and new life, Taganu is made in a round pan and is actually the name for the terracotta container in which the dish is cooked. In Aragona there was an abundance of clay, and local craftsmen made tableware and cooking utensils from the local clay.

As Sicily is the melting pot for many cultures that ruled or plundered the island, Taganu reflects those cultural influences. The unusual flavoring with cinnamon speaks of the Arab influence while saffron goes back to the time of Spanish rule by the Prince of Aragon. Other main ingredients in Taganu include rigatoni pasta, Pecorino and Tuma cheeses and meatballs but no red sauce. This Easter dish is exclusive to Aragona and has been enjoyed for generations at Easter.



Submitted by Myra Gaziano

Book Lovers X made a pact to try to influence AAUW engagement by simply showing up more often for its monthly speaker meetings, notwithstanding a yummy breakfast. A challenge, if you will? In March there were five, and then on April 8, six! Result: A renewed connection to AAUW's mission and to others. (Pow! Take that, Covid! Let's make this positivity contagious.)

As unabashed new fans, BL-X members almost shoved-in to be closer to the event's esteemed speaker, Fairolyn H. Livingston, who's the Chief Historian of The Hannibal Square Heritage Center. She, also an alumna of Rollins College, knocked out her audience with a scholarly and personal knowledge of the African American role in shaping the City of Winter Park's earliest beginnings.

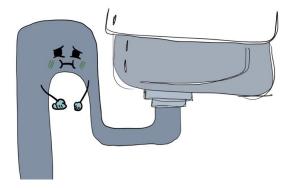
PS: The love flowed both ways. Livingston put her money where her heart now is, and joined the Orlando-Winter Park branch of AAUW.



L-R: Eileen Garrison, Fairolyn Livingston, Suzy Kerr, Pat Wilson, Georgiana Havill, Susan Turo, Nancy Napier (Photo: Betzy Ingle)

> Submitted by Georgiana Havill [It would be nice to see other Booklovers groups follow their example. ed.]

BIG EVENT – Help Save the Planet!



Sewage: If Your Pipes Could Talk Women and Water

What: AAUW-FL Funded Project Grant: Orlando/Winter Park and Daytona Beach Branches and the League of Women Voters Seminole County EVENT

- Learn about and receive information on friendly activities in the kitchen, bathroom, laundry, garage – Dr. Pat Wilson, AAUW and Seminole County Soil and Water Conservation Commissioner
- **FREE products**: for safe cleaning, disposal of fats and pharmaceuticals
- New Animated Film "Sewage: If Your Pipes Could Talk"
- **Presentations by Experts** on the good, the bad and stinky of waste water treatment; environmental sciences and water and training the next generation in innovative programs
- and much more snacks, brainstorming session, chance to sign the FL clean water amendment

When: Saturday, May 6, 2023, 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Where: University of Florida/ Institute for Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS) County Extension Building, 250 County Road, Sanford, FL 32773

Free Registration:

Call: Leslie Sue Lieberman at 321-231-2007 -or- email Islieberman@gmail.com

Volunteers Needed: How would you like to help?

*Set-up *Take down *Moderate a Q & A Discussion *Facilitate a Round-Table Discussion

MAY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <u>3:30</u> B-Lovers VI	2 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers I	3 <u>9:30 a.m.</u> B-Lovers IX ** <u>10 a.m.</u> B-Lovers VIII	4 <u>1-4</u> Mahjongg	5 <u>12 noon</u> Dining-In	6
			<u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers II <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers VII		Cinco de Mayo	
7	8	9 <u>1 p.m.</u> B-Lovers V	10	11 <u>1-4</u> Mahjongg	12 <u>11:30</u> Lunching Out	13 <u>10 a.mnoon</u> General Meeting
14 Mother's Day	15	16 <u>11:30</u> Cooking Globally (Germany)	17	18 <u>1-4</u> Mahjongg <u>1:30</u> B-Lovers X	19 <u>10 a.m.</u> B-Lovers IV	20
21	22	23	24	25 1-4 Mahjongg	26	27
28 <u>2 p.m.</u> Foreign Affairs	29 Memorial Day (observed)	30	31 <u>1-3</u> B-Lovers Lite	HAVE A HEALTHY, SAFE SUMMER. SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER AT OUR ANNUAL MEMBERS' RECEPTION.		

**Booklovers IX will meet in June and in August but not in July. GETTING OLDER IS JUST ONE BODY PART AFTER ANOTHER SAYING, 'HA HA, YOU THINK THAT'S BAD? WATCH THIS.'



When you're at the checkout line and they ask you if you found everything, say,"Why, are you hiding stuff?"