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New Location for Bridge

May 14, 2019 will find the bridge group at Clementine's Restaurant, 6440 FM 1960.

We will meet at 10:00 am in the banquet room at the back of the restaurant, which is located at the corner of FM 1960 and Champion Drive. We play until 2:30 pm.

Lunch is on you. Coffee and water provided. Please call Pam Morton early to reserve a place to play. Email her at Pam.morton@att.net.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Mary Smith

As we approach May and I send out the invitation to the End of the Year banquet, I have realized that this is the last End of the Year Banquet for me as president of this wonderful Branch. It has been an honor for me to serve as president of the North Harris County Branch of AAUW for the past three years.

At the last Branch meeting on April 18th, we elected the new slate of officers for the 2019-2021 years.

Brenda Van Derbur - President-Elect, serving one year and then moving into the presidency the following year;

Gaile Howland and Caroline Howard - Co-Vice-Presidents of Programs for two years;

Maybelline Carpenter and Liz Wilson - Co-Vice-Presidents for the Fellowship Fund for two years;

Elizabeth Folk – Branch Treasurer – two years;

Martha Lozica – Fellowship Fund Treasurer – two years.

These ladies will be sworn in at the End of the Year Banquet at Campioni's on May 16.

Be sure and get your \$25 into Sue Ann Lurcott by Monday, May 13 so that you can be a part of our celebration. We will have Named Gift awards and special recognition awards also.

I have been fortunate in my presidency to have been surrounded by women who would be there when needed – Vada Boyle with gentle and wise guidance, Mary Jane Petrick, Betsy Calabro, Karen Stahl, Sue Mason, Anne Grace in opening their homes so graciously for our social events, Lynn Morris and Liz Wilson in being willing to start a new interest group and making them a success, Betsy Calabro creating her beautiful centerpieces and auction baskets, and for all of you who would try out new ideas like Parties with a Purpose. I so appreciate you!!!

We've increased our social media communication with a Facebook page and have just started Twitter and Instagram. This is helping us get tweets and photos from our grants almost daily. Such fun!

Again, thank you for the privilege of allowing me to serve you as president. Phyllis Hamilton will be taking over May 16. Stand behind her as you have me. She will be great!

NATIONAL AAUW ELECTIONS

Every AAUW member is entitled to vote in the AAUW National Election. Voting opened on April 1 and closes at 6:00 pm EST on Tuesday, May 14, 2019.

You can find your ID and PIN in an email sent on April 1, 2019. Can't find the email? Contact Connect at 800.326.2289.

Read about the candidates and issues at: <https://www.aauw.org/resource/national-election/>. You can also interact with the candidates and ask them questions.

Please note: AAUW State Board President, Malinda Gaul, is running for a national office.

[Learn More About Changes to the AAUW Public Policy Priorities](https://www.aauw.org/policy-priority/public-policy-priorities/) <https://www.aauw.org/policy-priority/public-policy-priorities/>

Every two years, AAUW members vote on revisions to our Public Policy Priorities. The Public Policy Priorities

establishes our organization's federal action priorities, as well as guidelines for state and local action.

2019-2020 Membership Renewals

Dues for the year are \$95 and are due by June 30, 2019.

[Incentive for submitting your dues early:](#) There will be a drawing for three free AAUW national memberships as well as two \$50 gift cards from Ambriza Social Mexican Kitchen. The drawing will take place at the End of the Year Dinner on May 16, 2019.

You do not need to be present to win; however, to be eligible for the drawing, your renewal form and check (made out to NHC AAUW) must have been received by Brenda Van Derbur no later than May 10, 2019.

If you have questions, or need a copy of the membership form, please contact Membership Vice President Brenda Van Derbur by emailing brendavan@comcast.net

**END OF THE YEAR BANQUET
COME CELEBRATE A GREAT AAUW YEAR
WITH US!**

**CAMPIONI'S RESTAURANT
13850 Cutten Road**

We will gather from 6:00 to 6:30 pm and there will be a cash bar available. Dinner will be served buffet style at 6:30 pm. The menu includes salad, Chicken Pamela, dessert and coffee or tea.

Please send your check for \$25 to Sue Ann Lurcott by Monday, May 13, 2019. RSVP by leaving a message on Sue's home number. Her address is in the directory.

Following dinner, we will have the Installation of Officers and a program. The drawing for free national memberships and two \$50 gift cards to Ambriza Social Mexican Kitchen will occur at this time as well.



Travelmania

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

1:00 pm. Social; 1:30 pm. Program

The Village of Gleannloch Farms in their Multi-Purpose Room

Spring, TX 77379

Guests are welcome with plenty of room & plenty of parking.

RSVP to Sue Mason, Chair, by Thursday, May 16, so we can plan for refreshments.

Email sue-mason@sbcglobal.net.



***Seoul, South Korea &
The Demilitarized Zone
(DMZ)***

***Presented by
Caroline Howard***

This dynamic city of 10 million people melds together traditional palaces, temples and cutting-edge architecture all to a non-stop K-pop beat whilst the fearsome Demilitarized Zone exerts a powerful attraction and makes for a compelling day trip. Mary Gubert and Sue Ann Lurcott will bring refreshments. Donna McDaniel will be the greeter.

We are currently seeking programs for September 2019 to May 2020. Please contact Sue Mason at the above contacts if you wish to give a program, be added to the email distribution list, or if you have questions. Those on the Travelmania distribution list will receive a reminder about the meeting. We look forward to seeing you!



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Prime Time Lit – Change in Meeting Night

Monday, May 20, 2019, Bonnie Flynn will review *The Sound of Gravel: A Memoir* by Ruth Wariner. This is the THIRD Monday in May as the fourth Monday is Memorial Day.

There will also be a meeting on June 24, 2019.

Discussion starts promptly at 6:30 pm. If you want to order food and/or visit, plan to arrive at 6:00 pm. Meetings are held at Spring Creek Barbeque on FM 1960 W.



Beyond Candy Crush

After completing all programs for this year, the group is currently in transition. Stay tuned for more information!

DAYTIME LIT MAY MEETING

Daytime Lit will be held at Campioni's Restaurant May 2, 2019. The meeting and book review of John Steinbeck's *East of Eden* will start at 11:00 am.

After the book review, we will have lunch and form new groups.

Lunch reservations are closed, but you may come for the meeting only.

Please RSVP to Anne Grace so we have the correct number of chairs. Indicate meeting only or meeting and lunch.

If you want to be included in next year's Daytime Lit, now is the time to email Mary Quinn maryquinn@yahoo.com.

Lena Habiby reminds all interest groups to take photos and send them to her in large MB. As archivist, she needs to collect them for our Branch history and our scrapbook. Send photos or questions to Lena at: lena.habiby@sbcglobal.net

Gourmet

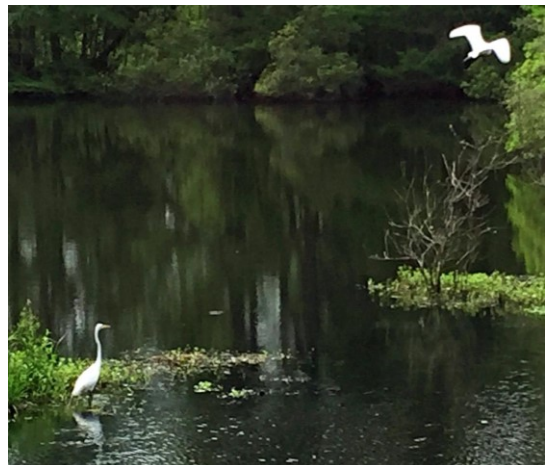
April's "Gourmet" found our members in a beautiful serene part of East Texas! Our hostesses, Jackie Martin and Peggy Hamric, planned a lovely day at Hilltop Restaurant and Herb Garden in Cleveland. Precinct 4 Senior Ride chauffeured 25 members and guests.

We had a fun time walking through the gardens, feeding the alligators and snapping turtles and purchasing some homemade herb jellies. Then we had a delicious "Traditional Lunch" in the dining room that was walled with floor to ceiling windows overlooking the water. Peggy even surprised us on the bus with a raffle with gifts that she donated! Great day!

May 10th will be a Planning Brunch at Marge Mitchell's house. If you are interested in attending the brunch or being put on the mailing list, please email mitchellfamilytx@sbcglobal.net



More Photos from Hilltop Herb Farm



Activities Updates

World Today

The group meets Thursday, May 9, 2019 at 1:00 pm at the home of Barbara Hine (Windrush). The topic for the meeting is The Mueller Report.

Mah Jongg

Wednesday, May 15, 1:00 pm at the home of Mary Jane Petrick. If you have questions about joining the group-contact Mary Jane Petrick.

Busy Hands

May 17 from 10 am to 12 noon is the group's time in the Community Room (off the restaurant) of the HEB on 99 at Champion Forest. Easy to work in, the space has tables, chairs, natural and overhead light.

Screen Savors

Hate going to movies alone? Join Screen Savors Tuesday, May 28. Email Jane Egner at twoeggsjane2@msn.com



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

IN MAY TO:

S. DeHek	5 - 01
B. Flynn	5 -05
P. Fraske	5 -06
B. Tongberg	5 - 06
J. Nelsen	5 -10
K. Donelson	5 -11
S. Muirhead	5 - 14
B. Van Derbur	5 -19
K. Castro	5 - 20
N. Woods	5 -22
J. Wood	5 - 24
C. Roth	5 -27
K. Stahl	5 - 27
H. Wilson	5 -28



Know someone who could use a note of encouragement, a get-well card, or just a thinking of you card? If so, e-mail or call Sharon Glasgow; she will send a note or card on behalf of NHC AAUW.

Sharon Glasgow
glasgow_sharon@yahoo.com

May 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Social	2 Daytime Lit	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 World Today Board Meeting	10 Gourmet	11
12	13	14 Bridge	15 Mah Jongg	16 End of Year Dinner	17 Busy Hands	18
19	20 Prime Time Lit	21 Travelmania	22	23	24	25
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CONTACT INFORMATION UPDATES

Please send any changes of address, phone numbers, or email addresses that you would like the branch members to be aware of to Membership VP Brenda Van Derbur. She will issue cumulative updates to the yearbook/directory.