A Message from Grace

The summer is officially upon us, and June is filled with many activities. The Battle of the Chefs will kick off the month on June 2nd. It's not too late to get your tickets, either! Head over to the front desk or go to Founders-Hall.org for details and ticket information.

On June 4th, we welcome new members with coffee and conversation. On the same day, summer semester registration is due by 6:30 PM. If you have any questions, please contact Tracy.

Other events we have to look forward to this month are the Books of Summer tea on the 14th, as well as our second Food Truck Friday of the season to round out the month on June 28th.

Let's kick off summer with a splash!

EVENTS

**Tea**
Books of Summer
Friday, June 14
2 pm

Calling all book lovers! Friends from the Ridgefield Library will give an overview of the hottest books for summer that you need to know about.

**Food Truck Friday**
Friday, June 28
12:30 - 2 pm

Connecticut's Green Grunion food truck will be returning this summer with their burrito offerings done the San Diego way.

**Founders Hall Singers**
Monday, June 3
1 pm

Please join us for an afternoon of lovely music and delicious treats from the Founders Hall Singers! In honor of Memorial Day, we'll be celebrating First Responders and the Military.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

2 Battle of the Chefs sponsored by Fairfield County Bank and The Chefs’ Warehouse
3 Founders Hall Singers
4 New Member Coffee Summer Semester Registration Due
13 Book Discussion: Exit West
14 Tea: Books of Summer sponsored by Books on the Common
17 Summer Semester Begins
20 Trip: Guggenheim Museum
28 Food Truck Friday sponsored by Cohen and Wolf, PC
Thanks for springing for things!

Over 170 members sprang for the cost of 58 items that ranged in price from $5 - $75. With the funds received we were able to purchase a new projector for the media room, a chair for the front desk, coffee, exercise bands, and so much more. Together, they raised $5,415, which will ease the cost of everyday items that benefit us all.

New Member Coffee
Tuesday, June 4
10:30 am
Meet staff, make friends, get involved!

Book Discussion
Thursday, June 13, 3 pm
Exit West
by Mohsin Hamid
facilitated by the Ridgefield Library

Summer Semester begins on June 17
Please return your registration by Tuesday, June 4 at 6:30 PM.

Development

Congratulations to Mary Costa, the lucky winner of two tickets to the Battle of the Chefs on Sunday, June 2 from 4 - 7 pm. Many thanks to all those who bought tickets.

Even if you didn't win the raffle, don't lose out on the Battle! Tickets ($100) can be purchased at the front desk, and will be available at the door as well. The proceeds will support all of the programs you enjoy here.

New Members (as of May 14, 2019)

Barbara Acker
Charlie Acker
Fran Bastone
Frank Bastone
Susan Betterly
Julia D’Arcy
Regina Dillon
Ralph Evers
Donatella Gagliano
Vincent Giordano
Janet Himmelright
Tom Himmelright
Bridie Joyce
JoAnn Luksin
Ken Luskin
Arlene O’Brien
Inger Saren
Aileen Schecter
Audrey Shackelford
Linda Vaccaro
Ebie Wood

GUESS THAT BABY! FOUNDERS HALL BABY PICTURE TEA!

In July we are having a Baby Pictures Tea on July 12th. In preparation, we’re asking that members bring in a baby photo of themselves when they were ages 1 – 3. We will be sure to keep them safe and will return the pictures at the tea. Please drop them off at the front desk or with Kimberly by July 9th.

Monthly Giving

If you donate to Founders Hall, why not consider monthly giving? Monthly gifts are easy, secure and flexible. You can change or stop them at any time. What’s more, they can ease the impact of your donation on your cash flow for both you and Founders Hall. Please see Cindy or Tracy for details.
June at the Movies

**First Man**  2 pm  
A look at the life of the astronaut, Neil Armstrong, and the legendary space mission that led him to become the first man to walk on the moon on July 20, 1969.  

**Queen of the Desert**  2 pm  
A chronicle of Gertrude Bell's life, a traveler, writer, archaeologist, explorer, cartographer, and political attaché for the British Empire at the dawn of the twentieth century.  
2015, Nicole Kidman, James Franco  PG-13, 128 mins.

**Green Book**  2 pm  
A working-class Italian-American bouncer becomes the driver of an African-American classical pianist on a tour of venues through the 1960s American South.  

**The Name of the Rose**  2 pm  
An intellectually nonconformist friar investigates a series of mysterious deaths in an isolated abbey.  

**Adrift**  2 pm  
A true story of survival, as a young couple’s chance encounter leads them first to love, and then on the adventure of a lifetime as they face one of the most catastrophic hurricanes in recorded history.  
2018, Shalene Woodley, Sam Claflin  PG-13, 96 mins.

**A Star is Born**  2 pm  
A musician helps a young singer find fame as age and alcoholism send his own career into a downward spiral.  
2018, Lady Gaga, Bradley Cooper  R, 136 mins.

**Flawless**  2 pm  
In 1960s London, an elderly caretaker convinces a glass-ceiling constrained American executive to help him steal a handful of diamonds from their employer, the London Diamond Corporation.  

Join Us!

- **Bingo**  Fridays**  1 - 3 pm
- **Bocce**  Tues./Thurs. 9:30 - 11:30 am
- **Canasta**  Thursdays  1:15 - 4:15 pm
- **Chess**  Mondays  1:30 - 4:30 pm
- **Gardeners**  Third Friday  1:30 - 3 pm
- **Mah Jongg**  Thursdays  10 am - 12 pm
- **Mexican Train**  Wednesdays  2:30 - 4:30 pm
- **Dominoes**
- **Needlework**  Thursdays  12 - 1:45 pm
- **Pinochle**  Thursdays  2:40 - 4:30 pm
- **Quilting**  Tuesdays  2 - 4 pm
- **Rug Hooking**  Wednesdays  1:30 - 4 pm
- **Scrabble**  Thursdays  1:15 - 2:45 pm
- **Walking**  Mon./Wed.  8:20 am
- **Weaving**  Wednesdays  10:00 - 12 pm
- **Woodcarving**  Mondays  1:30 - 4 pm

**except June 14**

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At our annual volunteer luncheon, we honored 110 members and presented our community volunteer award to longtime supporter and volunteer, Brenda Berta (pictured below, top left). The talents our dedicated volunteers (some of whom are pictured below, bottom left) lend to Founders Hall really run the gamut: from decorators, to bakers, and cleaners, each and every one of them is sincerely appreciated. Our volunteers’ gifts of time are invaluable to Founders Hall!