Interest Group Activities

International Foods Dinner Group

The planning sessions (“tasting dinners”) of the International Foods Dinner Group are always fun for the committees, with lots of good food. This photo is from the tasting dinner held at the home of Nancy Webster for the Greek menu planned for March. Pictured are Sara Babcock Lash and John Webster with Margy Walker in the background.

Armchair Travelers

The November presentation for Armchair Travelers, "Snowbirds in Puerto Vallarta,” featured Charlotte and Jim Burns (pictured) showing slides of their annual trips to the beautiful Mexican location on the Pacific coast--Puerta Vallarta. They are avid birders but also enjoy the pleasant sights and culture of this area. They will be presenting their talk again at the Sequoya Library. Stay tuned for the announcement of the date and time. On December 3, Lynn Bosch, herself a retired teacher, gave a very complete power-point talk, “Retired Travelers in France,” with instructions about everything from getting your passport to how to pack and how to go about finding your itinerary and transportation. In January, Ken and Claudia Miska presented their 30-day trip to Southeast Asia. This travelogue with sounds, photos and video was an informative presentation on several South East Asia countries: Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, Indonesia, Hong Kong, and Singapore.

Armchair Travelers meet at 7:00 pm at Oakwood West in the Heritage building on the first Monday of the month. All are invited-members and guests. Our spring schedule includes the following programs and speakers:

March 4: Joan Peterson, publisher of the Eat Smart Culinary Travel Guidebook Series, recently received the 2018 Gourmand Awards, "Best in the World-Culinary Series." Joan will be presenting about her recent culinary experiences in Jordan.

April 1: Mary Ann Reale and her husband took another European trip last spring, this time to Hungary. Mary Ann's husband masterfully arranges the trip so they receive a personalized tour.

May 6: Alenka Weinhold, a newer member of our group, will be speaking on her country of origin, “The Czech Republic: The Best Places to Visit in Czechia: Beyond Prague.”

French Reading Group

The French conversation group gathered on January 9th to celebrate with a "galette du roi," a king's cake. The lucky lady who found the "fève" in her piece of cake was Jane Pizer, who proudly wore her crown for the rest of the meeting.