

connection

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Letter from the Presidents

Our January meeting with speaker Thomas Mullen was a **hit!** The full house listened raptly, queried him, then filled the center aisle to have him autograph their books. A new book is coming out in April 2023. The website is *thomasmullen.net*. Kudos to Teri Hopkin for arranging for Mr. Mullen and all our excellent speakers.

This was our first foray into Zoom for our person-to-person meetings, thanks to Mary Reed and Cheryl Murphy, but officers were disappointed that only one person took advantage. Mary and Cheryl spent a lot of time setting this up. Unless we hear from more who want to participate, we will discontinue Zooming membership meetings for now.

Eight ladies climbed into the attic after our meeting to begin the process of organizing our 'stuff'. Not unlike Antiques Roadshow, there are treasures, items of sentimental value only, and plain old junk. Judy found a definite treasure that appears to be a thesis on the history of the Houston Mill house. Anyone who has saved EUWC items at home, please contact Judy Michna.

We ask you to continue to be vigilant in health protocols. For the next few months, masks will be optional at meetings. We encourage you to do as your doctor dictates.

Judy Michna and Alma Owens

Share the Care

Our January donations of colored pencils and cash to **CHOA Infusion Center** were most happily received by Vicki Knowles, nurse manager. The Infusion Center serves a range of 13-23 children/teens daily, all needing something to occupy them during their hours-long treatments.

Nicholas House will be our recipient at the February meeting. Nicholas House was formed in 1982 to provide safe housing for families of any size to keep them intact in a shelter or apartment based setting. They are in need of individually wrapped snacks for after school. Checks may be made to *Nicholas House, Inc.* For more information about this organization, visit their website, *Nicholashouse.org*.



Featured Speaker for February Meeting

Dr. Lance Gunderson, Chair of the Emory Department of Environmental Studies, will present "Energy, Power, and Society in the Anthropocene" at our February meeting. We are all interested in the effects of our humans on our environment, and Dr. Gunderson will give us up-to-the-minute findings and explanations. Feel free to invite your significant others, as well as friends. My husband is eager to attend. This promises to be an important talk!



Thanks to Susan Neel and Terry Hurst, the hostesses for our January meeting. They helped to start our new year off well. Their cookies, cranberry bread and fruits were colorful, tasty, and just sweet enough to remind us that 2023 has a lot in store for us. Most of us wandered back to the table more than once, as evidenced by the smiles, the small amounts of powdered sugar clinging to lipstick, and the almost-clean platters. Thanks again to Terry and Susan.

Remembering Judith Piat

Judith Piat passed away on December 21 after battling cancer for several years. She died at home within hours of beginning hospice care. She is survived by her two sons, Trey and Bob. Judith practiced as a psychologist in her career and later was an adjudicator for the Social Security Administration. We remember her best after she joined EUWC in 2015. She attended membership meetings and Tuesday Tastings, entertaining us with her conversations. She became program chair in 2018-19, and, if you were attending meetings that year, you may remember her exceptionally entertaining speaker introductions. Our friend is sorely missed.



Attic Brigade

Join us following the membership meeting Feb. 28 for a sorting session at Houston Mill House. Some will be in attic, some on ground level. Wear casual clothes and a mask to protect from dust. Let's get this show on the road!!

Hostesses Needed for March and April

Food encourages conversation at our meetings. We have friendly, small bites to accompany our coffee and tea that help to "share the care" among ourselves. YOU, too, can be a hostess for a meeting.



Our hostesses provide a couple of food trays with fruit and other small bites, such as cookies or small pastries or cheese/crackers. The food can be homemade or purchased. All beverages, cream, sweeteners, napkins, cups, saucers, utensils, plates, and tablecloths are provided by HMH.

If you would like more information on hostessing, contact Missy Cody at 404-444-3410 or mmcody50@gmail.com. Thanks in advance

Tuesday Tastings

We had a GREAT luncheon at Behal Ethiopian restaurant on January 17. Ten of our EUWC ladies enjoyed trying Ethiopian coffee and teas. For our meals, we tried Sambusa as our appetizer, which is a thin, flaky dough stuffed with lentils and spices.

We had quite an assortment of different lunches, including beef or lamb or chicken tibs (pieces of meat in seasoned sauce), vegetable plates and other Ethiopian dishes. Our meal included injera, which is an Ethiopian staple of fermented flatbread. This can be used as "silverware" to eat a meal or as a bread type accompaniment for our food.

We had our luncheon in a quiet room, and in addition to enjoying Ethiopian food, we had a chance to sit and visit with each other. It gave us a chance to catch up and learn more about the ladies in our group.

The next Tuesday tastings will be on February 21 at noon. This date is also Fat Tuesday, which is well known in New Orleans for the last day of Mardi Gras. To join in the celebration of Mardi Gras, we will have our Tuesday tastings at Louisiana Bistreaux on 1496 Church Street, Decatur, GA 30030.

Please RSVP by February 19, 2023 for our EUWC Mardi Gras Tuesday Tasting to denise.martyn.ritchie@gmail.com or barbfroehlich@gmail.com.





Corresponding Secretary Request

Do you know of a member who is ill? Injured? In need of a little cheering up? Death in a member's family? Please contact me so that I may correspond with her on behalf of the membership. Please reach me at thopkin@aol.com or phone or text to 404-617-5172.

Thanks! Teri Hopkin



Friday Morning Book Club

We will meet Friday, February 24th, to discuss *A Frozen Woman* by Annie Ernaux, recipient of the 2022 Nobel Prize in Literature. Nicole Mills will lead the discussion.

At present the plan is to continue on Zoom. There is space for a few new members. Contact Margaret Foust at 404-633-9932 or

1ST Thursday PM Book Club

On March 2nd we will Zoom our discussion of Amor Towles' book *The Lincoln Highway*. Barb Froehlich will lead the discussion.

For our April 6th meeting we will be reading *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison.

For further information about this group, contact Joanie Edmondson at 404-325-1432.

Upcoming Field Trips

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We are resuming our field trip activities by returning to two venues which have been very popular in the past.

Our visit to the **CDC Museum** will be **Friday, February 17**th, **12:00-2:00**. There are still a couple of spots available if you would like to join us. Please RSVP by February 8th to jacquelinewalker@mac.com.

Wednesday, March 8th at 11:00 am we will enjoy the current exhibits at SCAD (Savannah College of Art and Design) in Atlanta.. Current exhibits:

- Horst P. Horst: Essence of the Times, features 80 prints
- Nadine Gres: The Art of Draping includes 80 haute couture designs as well as photographs presented to the public for the first time.

Please RSVP to cnarakaki2@gmail.com by **March 1**st if you are interested in joining us at SCAD.



SCRUMPTIOUS SATURDAY DATE CHANGE

Vicki Bedwell will be hosting Scrumptious Saturday on April 1 (instead of April 8 as printed in the Yearbook). Please make a note of the change.

New Member Spotlight

Michiyo Allen was invited to the EUWC Fall Welcome Brunch by Carolyn Arakaki



and Jackie Walker. At the end of this exciting gathering at the Emory University President's home, Michiyo joined EUWC without hesitation. Since then, she has been involved in many of the organization's activities and events. Carolyn and Jackie knew Michiyo as a fellow student at Emory's OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) where she and her husband Bill taught Broadway Lyricists classes. They also knew she plays a leading role in coordinating Tuesday OLLI meet-ups at Landmark's Midtown Art Cinema.

Michiyo was born in Hokkaido, Japan's most northern island, but her family moved to cosmopolitan Tokyo when she was seven years old. She first came to the US with a summer study group at the University of Louisville where she also first met Bill. Afterward she traveled on the Trans-Siberian Railway and widely in Europe and lived in London as an au pair for two years while studying English and other subjects at the London Literary Institute.

Moving to Atlanta after marriage, she received a degree from Emory in Radiologic Technology and worked at Emory and DeKalb Hospitals and, after earning a degree in computer science, became a Systems Analyst at Wesley Woods Geriatric Center and at Maimonides Medical Center in New York. She returned to Atlanta and volunteered at a homeless shelter and sang as a community member in the Emory chorus. Her last job was as a bilingual Customer Service Agent and later Flight Attendant for Delta Air Lines which she enjoyed very much. She would be flying still if not for the COVID Pandemic when she reluctantly took a special Delta retirement package. She and Bill currently live in SE Atlanta with Alie and Kabuki, the most recent of their beloved rescue dogs.

Michiyo says she is grateful to Carolyn and Jackie for inviting her to that Fall EUWC brunch. She says she looks forward to contributing as a EUWC member in any way she can. We are fortunate to have such a traveled and industrious person as a member.

January meeting featuring speaker Thomas Mullen





Speaker, Thomas Mullen

Thomas Mullen, Alma Owens





Mary Reed, Cheryl Murphy

Guest Anne Teddlie, Carolyn Arakaki, Michiyo Allen





Joanie Edmondson, Martha Catherwood, Catherine Findley, Monica Ali

Sarah with mother, Margaret Foust, and Dee Zesiger





Jeanie Lee, Donna Pollet, Bev Gunderson

Guest Jeanie Lee with Donna Pollet





Terry Hurst, Missy Cody, Susan Neel

Refreshments, always delicious!

2023 Schedule

January 17	Tuesday Tastings	Behal Ethiopian
January 24	Membership Meeting: Thomas Mullen, <i>Darktown: Atlanta History</i> <i>Through the Lens of Crime Fiction</i>	HMH 10-12
February 21	Tuesday Tastings	Louisiana Bistreaux
February 28	Membership Meeting: Lance Gunderson, <i>Energy, Power, and Society in</i> <i>the Anthropocene</i>	HMH 10-12
March 14	Tuesday Tastings	Restaurant TBA
March 21	Membership Meeting: Richard Freer, <i>The Supreme Court and Federalism:</i> Who Decides Matters of Policy?	HMH 10-12
March 21	Past Presidents' Luncheon	HMH Upper Level
April 1	Scrumptious Saturday	Home of Vicki Bedwell
April 18	Tuesday Tastings	Restaurant TBA
Apri 25	Membership Meeting: Stephanie Prince, Graduate Research Fellowship Recipient, Neural Activity Underlying Memory in Health and Alzheimer's Disease	HMH 10-12
May 16	Spring Luncheon	HMH 11-2
May 23	Executive Board Meeting (old and new boards)	HMH 10-12

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Tuesday Tastings Nichole Mills, Denise Ritchie

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EUWC Membership Form 2022-2023

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Address, including PO Box
Telephone
Email
Spouse/Partner Name (if any)
Do you want to be listed in the yearbook? Yes No No
Emory Community Affiliation (if any)
If you are a new member, may we list your address and phone number in the newsletter? Yes No
Please complete this form and send with your check for \$20 made out to EUWC to: Bette Walton 867 Castle Falls Drive NE Atlanta, GA 30329