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Holiday Gift to Others

by Maxine Moul

oliday parties were disrupted by the pandemic, and the Friendship Force of Lincoln (FFL) was no exception. So, members of its social committee came up with an alternative, to help needy Lincolnites during December. FFL partnered with the Center for People in Need to provide holiday gift bags to the people it serves

Members provided more than 50 gift bags and cash donations for the Center. Some members gave as many as four times and friends of FFL members donated too.

One member had their family prepare bags for the Center instead of exchanging gifts because of the pandemic. Another had their grandchildren choose the gifts. Because of the successful effort, FFL is considering doing a similar charitable effort in 2021, even though the end of the pandemic may enable holiday parties again.

Members in charge of the effort by the social committee were Sara Stephenson, chair; Ruby James, Carolyn Kitter, Dal Rannou, Joanna Rogers, Julie Splichal, Dru Sypal, Marilyn Watson and Jeanne Zwiebel.



Holiday Gift Side Story

by Julie Splichal

o Ann Emerson at the Center for People in Need was delighted with the bags and said they were especially nice.

Unfortunately, I was in an accident in route to the Center, no injuries. A young lady went through a stop sign.

Greetings from the President



by Arlene Rea, President

Dear Friendship Force Lincoln Members,

thank you for remaining with Friendship Force Lincoln for the coming 2021 year. Last year was different for all of us on the Board and for you as members. We hope we can be immunized within a few months and be able to resume some or all our activities. We miss meeting with each other face to face. With your membership support, we can plan and prepare for our upcoming hosting and traveling.

I think it is important to note that because we were unable to meet for our Annual Holiday Party, so many of you chose to donate a sack or two of items or money for the Holiday Gift to Others. This 50-bag effort benefitted the Center for the People in Need. Thank you!!! This edition of the Passports follows up with Getting to Know... board members of the club. Phyllis Arth has taken the position of editor for the interviews. My personal thanks, Phyllis.

In addition, not long ago as the board was contacting members, they asked for your birthday. The goal is by sharing our birthdays, we have an opportunity to send well-wishes to each other by e-mail, text or card. Happy Birthday!

A special thank you goes to the members who have shared their past journeys with the membership. The attendance has been great. All who have attended have expressed their gratitude for the work and quality of their presentations. Presenters have been Lee and Kay Rockwell, De Tonack and Arlene Rea. Future presenters will be Wendy Horacek and Maxine Moul in February.

Thank you to Linda Kistler for hosting the morning Breakfasts at 8:30 a.m. every second Saturday and to Dorina Mahler for hosting the Happy Hour every first Thursday at 4:30 p.m.

Many of you remember Jim Ecklund, now of Estes Park, CO, formerly of Lincoln. He has been the Passport designer for 30 years. We owe him thanks for another great issue. Lastly, I want to thank members of the FF L Board who have been steadfast in their commitment to continue working a second year for you. I appreciate all their help and cooperation as we worked through most of 2020 and continue through part of 2021.

In friendship, Arlene



Holiday Gift Side Story continued

On the bright side, I may have recruited new FF members. The police took forever. The young lady's parents showed up. We were there so long a lady in the neighborhood even brought us beverages. They asked about all the packages in the car. I told them about Friendship Force. The young lady's parents are interested. They have a big house and their triplets will be moving out soon. Thus, they have plenty of room to host.

Nothing like making lemonade out of lemons!

In Memoriam



Amy Birky March 9, 1940 – July 10, 2020

fter joining FF L in 1999, Amy served as membership caller/follow up with prospective members from 2008 through 2018. She served as Fund Raising Chair in 2009 and hosted dinners.

She and Richard Britton married in 1996 and were for many years members of the Friendship Force of Lincoln, travelling and interacting with people and cultures both within the US and abroad.

"Biblically speaking,
'Amy was a good and faithful
servant.' And for me personally, a good friend." — Nancy
Comer



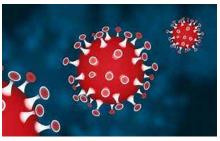
Lois Poppe October 15, 1937 – December 21, 2020

ois and her husband Gerald, married 62 years, joined FF L in 1991. They traveled to many countries and across the United States and Canada.

Lois was the "new member" editor for Passports for many years through 2020.

Gerald and Lois were the winners of the gourmet luncheon for four hosted by Jim and Arlene Rea. Here they are pictured with their two guests, Clay Naff of Lincoln Literacy and Jill Christy of Ten Thousand Villages. Lois was the executive director of Lincoln Literacy before Clay. Gerald and Lois volunteered a significant amount of time at Ten Thousand Villages.





Covid Guidlines

by Wendy Horacek

riendship Force International will not be issuing guidelines for vaccinations, masks, etc. for hosts or ambassadors participating in a journey. Local clubs are encouraged to draw up guidelines appropriate for their membership.

The local club will be drawing up recommendations to determine when we will host or participate in a journey. The local Dashboard may be used to determine our readiness. Other guidelines will address masks and vaccinations for ambassadors and hosts. Please call Wendy Horacek (402-960-1160) if you would like to be a host or ambassador in the future and/or would like to participate in this discussion.

Courtesy Committee

f you know of someone in Friendship Force of Lincoln who is ill, hospitalized or needs an uplifting card and note, please contact Gayle Bayer at gaylesb71@hotmail.com or 402-486-1415.

Results of the Survey of Members

by Maxine Moul

resident Arlene Rea and the Friendship Force of Lincoln board have made many efforts to keep our members informed and engaged during the challenges of COVID 19. In person executive committee and board meetings had to move to Zoom. The annual membership meeting was postponed from August to September, when it was safe to meet socially distanced at an outdoor venue.

The Let's Eat Out quarterly dinners had to be cancelled and the monthly breakfast meetings moved from Stauffer's to ZOOM. And several phone trees were conducted by board members to stay in touch with FFL members.

Even with these efforts, it has been difficult to stay connected. An effort to find out how members have participated in Lincoln and International activities was addressed through as survey to all members. Board members again called all members to urge them to fill out the survey, provide their birth day and month so they can be recognized through Passport, and to also consider renewing their membership in FFL for Calendar Year 2021.

Nearly 50 percent of members, 53, responded to the on-line survey. With Friendship Force International, members overwhelmingly have participated in virtual experiences provided by FFI, and four Lincoln members have signed up to be a Pen Pal with members of other clubs.

On the last question on not being able to participate, the results are:

- 1. Have difficulty, or do not like, connecting via Zoom.: 10 (25%)
- 2. Not interested while travel is prohibited by COVID-19: 15 (37%)
- 3. Other activities fill my time: 23 (57%)
- 4. The times offered do not work for me: 6 (15%)

The board will now be able to use the results to make additional plans for keeping Friendship Force active and useful during COVID-19. The results will help make budget decisions for 2021 and to adjust the strategic plan for the coming year.

Thanks to everyone for taking the time to respond to the survey.



Happy Birthday to You!

e thought you might like to spread some joy. Send a note, e-mail or card to someone who has a birthday between January and May. We will honor future birthdays in the next Passports. If your name is missing, send a note to Judy Keetle. Have fun giving and receiving!

Feb. 2	Jack Frost
Feb. 6	Larry Harnish
Feb. 9	Arlene Rea
Feb. 11	Nikki Scott
Feb. 26	Lois Katt
Feb. 28	Kay Rockwell
Mar. 4	Joyce Michaelis
Mar. 4	Ann Quinlan
Mar. 19	Pamela Beranek
Mar. 26	Kay Ridenour
Apr. 14	Patrick Schafer
Apr. 27	John Comer
Apr. 27	Janice Jones
May 5	Jacque Scholz
May 8	Larry Scott
May 9	Bridget Disney
May 17	Wendy Horacek
May 18	Linda Kistler
May 26	Vicki McDonald

Past Journey: Uganda



by Kay Rockwell & Arlene Rea

s part of the Past Journeys segment of FF Lincoln's pandemic activities, Lee and Kay Rockwell presented their journey to Uganda via Zoom with fifteen FFL members. They showed beautiful slides while sharing their experiences.

Some take-aways:

Humanitarian project #1:
With Kay's help, a public school was built in stages.
Walls were erected and classes were held on a dirt floor before cement was poured. Four-foot desks seating three students faced toward one chalkboard on the wall. Students wore colored uniforms indicating the school they attended.
Humanitarian project #2:

Humanitarian project #2: Ida & Lawrence taught nutrition classes and how to grow healthy foods around people's huts. They also built a (a) labor and delivery clinic, staffed by a mid-wife, to ensure a safer labor and delivery, and (b) a dormitory for women, who needed to walk many miles to reach clinic could stay after the baby dropped.

Stores: Fabric stores hang bright prints out front for patrons to select so a seamstress with a treadle sewing machine can sew their garment. People purchase a variety of grains from open sacks in the market which is next to the meat 'counter', a solid block table on which a freshly butchered carcass is displayed. The meat was not under refrigeration, so it needed to be consumed that day. Some vendors displayed used clothing from the United States on a blanket in road ditches; you may find a Nebraska t-shirt there.

Entrepreneurs: Cesar was taught better farming practices. In turn he would teach others about (a) stocking a fishpond, (b) growing coffee, (c) crossbreeding hybrid and local roosters to produce a better chicken for eggs, as well nutritional value. Mariam built her wealth by raising chickens, then trading chickens for pig, then pigs for a goat, then goats for a cow. With her resources she educated all her children and rose to the middle class. Water: Children are responsible for transporting water from community pumps by bicycle in 2-gallon plastic containers.



Restaurants: One may eat at an outdoor 'deli' where the table 'umbrella' is made from thatched straw. Patrons can wash their hands with Lava soap because one eats with your hands (no silverware).

At our **farewell party**, we all enjoyed a 5-year-old girl showing off the traditional dance as musicians beat the drums, and then expected us to dance with them!. There was dancing, drums and a meal.

Kay, a UNL professor, was honored for her humanitarian work with the Ugandans on the FFI trip in October of 2007. They placed a plaque in her name in the school wall as well as honoring her at our farewell party.







What is Cuba?

By De Tonack & Arlene Rea

uba is a continuing education. Just when you think you've figured it out, it confounds you with another riddle. De Tonack invited us to abandon our preconceptions. It may be economically poor but it is culturally rich. De presented her experiences of Cuba in a 2015 visit via Zoom to seven FFL members on January 14.

Its history, its art, its music and its politics support that culturally rich description. During the 1990s, Russia pulled out its financial support. Cuba became short of food, clothing, fuel and other supplies during what is often called "The Special Period." However, Cubans

used that time to find ways to expand their art, through various means. Their music stretches from the traditions of West Africa, Latin America and Europe. You may be familiar with Salsa music and the Cuban Rumba, but the instruments, music and dance span far more than those.

The history includes the Spanish American War, the uprising led by Fidel Castro, the Bay of Pigs, embargoes, and changing U.S. connections. However, the politics seem to be evolving, influenced by both Cuban and U.S. leadership.

Historian's Report for 2020

by Mary Verschuur

he first quarter began with the January Board Meeting. Meetings in February and March followed.

New initiatives for FFL were undertaken enthusiastically by the board as 2020 got underway. These included creating a more dynamic online presence for the club on Facebook and other Social Media and updating the club's website. The membership committee designed and distributed "business cards" for the members to hand out to friends and others interested in joining FFL. All in all, a high level of involvement by members of the board got the year off to a good start. The club's Newsletter "Passport" was published online on January 28.

One of the two inbound journeys scheduled for 2020 (from New Zealand) was cancelled in February but plans were well in hand to welcome a group from Orlando, Florida in May when the Corona Virus began to make its presence felt in the USA and that inbound journey had to be cancelled as well. Proposals for 2021 journeys were being discussed with nothing finalized before our lives were turned upside down.

Because of the Covid19/ Corona Virus outbreak which began to impact life in the USA by the middle of March FFL and FFI had to adapt to the unusual circumstances provoked by the outbreak. The Board of

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Directors Meetings for April
and May were shifted to an
online video conference
format. All FFL social activities were either cancelled
(Breakfasts, LEO, Open
World and Fulbright Dinners) or put on hold for the
time being.

FFI sent out an urgent plea to local chapters for funds from the local chapters as its sources of income from across the world had come to a complete halt. The executive board of FFL proposed several initiatives which were discussed at the April board meeting and put into action. (More on this in the next quarter)

Membership in FFL dropped slightly for 2020 with 109 paid members as of March 2, 2020. A list of members was distributed to all in March.

The second quarter (April to June) saw our Nebraska Club confronted by the full force of the Coronavirus. All of the Club's activities -breakfasts, LEO, planned journeys and joint events with Open World had to be cancelled or postponed. Beginning in April the board began meeting monthly (except July) via Zoom. Second Saturday breakfasts were revived via Zoom in May. An online version of the club's Newsletter came out in May.

To keep the membership connected and updated as the pandemic persisted, the board organized a callathon where each member of the board telephoned an assigned group of club members to make contact and to try to keep everyone engaged and up to date with Friendship Force. Calls were made three times over the summer.

FFI encountered financial difficulties when its sources of revenue were halted by lockdowns and travel restrictions. The Head Office appealed to member clubs for donations to tide the organization over. FFL generously donated a small surplus in its treasury and called upon the Lincoln membership to make individual donations as well. In all FFL's gift amounted to \$9,540.00. FFI also promoted many virtual activities focused on travel and virtual meetings between clubs and with foreign nationals across the locked down world. The topic of one of our callathons was to tell our members about this opportunity and to provide the information for accessing the site.

FFL participated in an Open World meeting in July, virtually of course. The Russian delegates slated to visit Lincoln in April, 2020 met with a delegation from Lincoln including the Mayor and former senator Ben Nelson, and of course members of our board! The exchange lasted for two hours.

The Annual General Meeting was scheduled to take place on August 30th but was changed to Saturday September 26th, 2020. It was held outdoors on the grounds of Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church. 45 Members attended. To allow the Board and the membership to meet by electronic means when necessary it was imperative to amend the Bylaws and consequently a vote was taken on these amendments. Following the meeting Chocolate treats were provided to all and Lorraine Riedesel, manager of the Beatrice Library gave an informative talk on the "1918 Pandemic".

"Reinventing Our Club" and maintaining membership have been central to the club's leadership during the last months of 2020. COVID 19 having escalated rather than abated during the autumn has meant that retaining membership is central to the life and health of the club. To determine the needs of members at least two surveys have been conducted. Initiatives such as walking together (but socially distanced) in local parks drew some interest while the weather held. Outdoor tailgates were also suggested to be held on "game days". Virtual activities and a Pen Pal project were offered through the auspices of FFI

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and suggestions from other clubs were considered for virtual gatherings and entertainment.

One result of the membership surveys was clear. There was little interest in a Holiday Party this year. Most of the membership is not ready to the brave a restaurant or group gathering indoors in 2020. In place of the annual holiday party, the Social Committee worked with the Center for People in Need to provide gift bags for The Holiday Gift to Others.

A fourth edition of the club's "Passport" Newsletter was published online in November. Photographs of the AGM and some member profiles made for interesting reading. Monthly Board meetings and Saturday Breakfasts continued throughout the quarter through the auspices of Zoom. The surveys mentioned above also indicated that there was a certain reluctance amongst some of the membership to Zoom, however it is one avenue of communication that has kept our club and others alive in 2020.

The greatest credit for keeping FFL flourishing so well in 2020 goes without doubt to our president Arlene Rea and the Friendship Board of Directors. This has been an extremely tough year for businesses, the arts and social organizations. Arlene and her team have devoted a great deal of time and energy to staying in touch both with FFL and with the national organization. Please join me in congratulating them on a job well done!

Mary Verschuur, Historian December 16, 2020

Getting to Know Carolyn Harp

by Phyllis Arth

ave a drink with Carolyn! Join her at McDonald's in Van Dorn Plaza for coffee and at her favorite restaurant, Mi Tierra's, for a Margarita. If you enjoy Turner Classic Movies or Masterpiece Theatre, you are watching Carolyn's favorite TV shows.

Carolyn grew up in a small town in South Central Kansas, Belle Plaine. Her mom reminded her, "Remember who you are, and act accordingly." That's according to her dad being the principal of the high school. When Carolyn was a sophomore her dad left public school to buy and run the only grocery store in town, an IGA. She worked in the store then, and summers, to help pay for college. Her father also taught adult Sunday school at the Methodist church. Carolyn remembers

being entertained by him on Saturday evenings, as he listened to the radio and rooted for his favorite boxers – while preparing his Sunday School lessons.

Her favorite city outside the USA is Dresden, Germany. Carolyn's church, Westminster Presbyterian, has a 25-year relationship with their sister church in Lohmen, Germany. Initially, this church was in East Germany. She has seen Lohmen recover from sparse, frugal communist rule. Members of her church were visiting, in 1989, when The Wall came down. Carolyn has visited three times, and friends in Lohmen have toured her through Dresden's beautiful art galleries, museums and churches and she has seen the rebuilding of the city after World War II destruction.

Carolyn would like to meet Josh Groban, the singer/songwriter/pianist. His music and singing warms her heart, and listening to him gives her pleasure.

Carolyn enjoyed Thailand with our Friendship Force. She has also gone on many exchanges in the US: Charlotte, NC and Fort Myers, FL; Missoula, MT; Niagara Falls; and Seattle and Portland. She particularly enjoyed home stays.

Carolyn joined FFL in 2013 and is co-chair of the Membership Recruitment Committee.

Getting to Know



Wendy Horacek

by Phyllis Arth

magine Wendy Horacek in her childhood, enjoying her family farm near Clarion, Iowa. She was depended upon to cut up a chicken properly – a sequence – not just whacking - her family lessons result in identifiable pieces. It's a lesson she proudly uses today. As a young child Wendy looked forward to being with her dad in summer. Wendy would ride on the hitch when he was cultivating. Her job was to pull out the weeds the machine missed. She would jump off the hitch, pull the weed, skip to catch up with the tractor and jump back on - her dad didn't need to stop the tractor.

Now, as an international traveler, her favorite city is Amsterdam. It was her first Friendship Force trip. She visited a cousin who lived in a fourth-floor walk-up. She enjoyed the ease of walking and using city transportation.

She would like to visit with President Obama. Imagine them talking over dinner at Lazlo's and sipping coffee at Bagels & Joe. Wendy often laughs at the insight of the Pluggers comic and relaxes while knitting sweaters and catching up to The Crown, on TV.

As Journey Resource Coordinator and joining FFL in October of 2008, Wendy hopes we all will be traveling soon.



Ann Quinlan

by Phyllis Arth

nn's father read bedtime stories enthusiastically and with added commentary. He taught her that the power of reading was more than the printed words, more than the obvious meaning, more than the intellectual side of ideas – and led her to her career as an English teacher. She grew professionally, attending English conventions. She has met many famous authors, including one of her favorites, Ray Bradbury.

Crème Caramel Crème Caramel . . . is your mouth watering? That's Ann's favorite dessert. Imagine her at Billy's, her favorite restaurant, smiling over her dessert spoon.

Ann has toured three presidential libraries: Abraham Lincoln/Springfield, Illinois; Harry S. Truman/Independence, Missouri; and Dwight Eisenhower/Abilene, Kansas. Teachers enjoy educational vacations!

On TV, Ann tunes into the Amazing Race, vicariously traveling the world. She has been to some of the sites they visit and imagines herself in new places. She could enjoy the producer's job of selecting teams, assigning challenges and choosing globe-traveling locations.

Ann joined in September of 2015 and is serving her second year as Secretary of our Friendship Force. She has been impressed with the enthusiasm and optimism of fellow board members. Everyone is looking forward to traveling!

Getting to Know



Maxine Moul

by Phyllis Arth

Maxine, Vice President. joined FF L in June of 2017.

axine has a good reason for not taking up the habit of drinking coffee: Her beloved grandmother, a women less than five feet tall, told her coffee stunts your growth. And her grandmother drank a lot of coffee! Maxine often spent weekends quizzing her grandmother about family history. She found that her maternal grandpa immigrated to the US in 1904 and soon intended to marry a young American girl. The family in Sweden disagreed. They found and "mail-order" a bride to him.

Maxine's dad taught her about optimism and rewards when he treated her to ice cream cones after trips to the doctor's office. Her mother taught Maxine to work hard and find the humor in little things.

Maxine worked hard enough to earn a page in Wikipedia! It notes her many significant career and political accomplishments. She has met many famous politicians, including Bobby Kennedy and Barack Obama. Wikipedia does not mention she debated Hillary Clinton in 1992. Bob Kerry was running for President and Maxine often traveled the country as his surrogate. Maxine was in New Hampshire; Hillary, also a surrogate for her husband who was running for President, was in New Hampshire – so a radio debate ensued. Maxine says that was hard work!

Maxine's ties to Sweden are strong. Stockholm is her favorite non-US city. She first visited in 1981, with her family. She has returned twice since then. A favorite Swedish cousin toured her through the birth places of all four grandparents. Her many cousins have taken her to lovely non-tourist spots. Maxine is hoping to join Friendship Force International's cruise later this summer and add on another trip to Stockholm.



Linda Kistler

by Phyllis Arth.

Linda joined FFL in July, 2012. She is currently the Saturday Breakfast coordinator.

inda was asked about childhood memories. She remembers fondly coming home from kindergarten to enjoy Howdy Doody on TV. She also acknowledges the loving and wise influence of her father. On the day of Linda's First Communion it was pouring rain. Her dad swept her up and carried her up the steps of the Omaha Cathedral so she would not soak her new, dressy shoes. Her dad also taught her about integrity and equality, stressing "No one is better than you." The memory of President Kenney's assassination is sharp: She was a junior in high school, in American Government class. A student barged in to announce, "The president has been shot" and to

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look out the window to see the school's flag being lowered to half- staff. That made the loss very real, very local. Linda met and shook hands with Fabian at the Nebraska State Fair. When she went to New York City to sing at Carnegie Hall, she came face to face with Kevin Bacon. She would like to meet Pope Francis.

Linda's family's traditional Thanksgiving celebration is an example of the philosophy of Friendship Force. "We welcome non-family to our table. We have hosted people from Bulgaria and Tajikistan, ex-spouses of family members, various friends who needed a holiday home and people who were invited without our knowledge."



Gayle Bayer

by Phyllis Arth

ayle's mother's stollen bread, that dense mix of bread, nuts, spices and candied fruit topped with stiff marzipan icing – is a mouth-watering part of her Christmas morning traditions. Mom still makes the German treat and Gayle still enjoys it. Another favorite, early memory with her mother: As a storm wound down, Gayle's mom cuddled her as they admired a rainbow outside the kitchen window. Gayle's mom was also a classroom teacher.

Gayle remembers playing catch with her dad. He'd advise, "Keep your eye on the ball!" Before becoming an administrator for Lutheran schools, he had played in the Nebraska Farm Leagues. Her traveling spirit may have started with his career involving accepting new positions and moving the family. Gayle lived in several communities, also moving between Lutheran and public schools. Gayle attended Lincoln High School and graduated from Forest High School, Ocala, Florida.

It was Gayle's dad that broke the news about JFK's assassination. She was a fourth grader – in history class, he was the principal. He came into the classroom to announce the President had been shot. He also asked students to say a prayer.

In 8th grade Gayle was home from school, sick with bronchitis. She took Gone with the Wind from her mother's bookshelf and read it completely. It remains her favorite book, and she has reread it several times. Gayle is in good company, Wikipedia says, "As of 2014, a Harris poll found it to be the second favorite book of American readers, just behind the Bible."

Gayle's TV viewing has changed over the years. She remembers laughing with The Beverly Hillbillies – especially Granny. Now, it's anything on Masterpiece Theatre.

Gayle and husband Milt, who joined the club in 2004, have enjoyed many Friendship Force trips. When the King of Thailand died and our Friendship Force trip was delayed for a year, they arranged to immediately join a Cosmos tour. Gayle and Milt were totally on their own in Bangkok and Chang Mai for a few days. People were kind and they managed well. Gayle says she has not traveled to a place she did not like.

Gayle is the Courtesy Chair for Membership.



2021 Calendar of Activities February through June

February 1	FFL Board Meeting	1:00 PM	via Zoom
February 4	Happy Hour, Dorina Mahler	4:30 PM	via Zoom
February 11	Russia, Wendy Horacek	2:00 PM	via Zoom
February 13	Breakfast, Linda Kistler	8:30 AM	via Zoom
February 23	Winter Stroll, Gateway Mall	1:00 PM	
February 26	Morocco, Maxine Moul	2:00 PM	via Zoom
March 1	FFL Board Meeting	1:00 PM	via Zoom
March 13	Breakfast, Linda Kistler	8:30 AM	via Zoom
April 5	FFL Board Meeting	1:00 PM	via Zoom
April 10	Breakfast, Linda Kistler	8:30 AM	via Zoom
May 3	FFL Board Meeting	1:00 PM	via Zoom
May 8	Breakfast, Linda Kistler	8:30 AM	via Zoom
May 10	Newsletter articles dues with flexibility		

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