

Connections General Meeting

October 21 2025

Attendance: 51

Zoom Attendance: 3

Recorder: Linda Bakian

President: Marianne Siccardi

- Today's meeting will be shortened because another group is scheduled to use the room.
- If you want to pay your dues today, Lee Atieh is in the back of the room. Dues can also be paid at the November general meeting or sent to Lee Attieh's home address. December 1 is the deadline for paying.
- The vote on the constitution is tabled so that the suggestions made by members can be reviewed. Members' suggestions are welcomed, and Sue appreciates that people were reading it.
- The Nominating Committee nominated Pat McDonagh for Second VP. The vote will be taken at the November meeting.
- Lee Atieh reported the audit was completed, and the accountant wrote, "The books are clean and all transactions are in balance."
- The activity leaders are asked to RSVP for the thank you luncheon on November 5th, at T.S. Ma.. They were asked to submit a brief summary of their activities by November 8.

Activity Leaders

- Denise Santora Mosher: Luncheon
 - The next luncheon is on November 11, at Fiona's, in Midland Park. The cost is \$29.50. November 4 is the deadline for her to receive the check.
- Brenda Brunelle: Opera Group and Zoom Book Group
 - The next opera is La Boheme, on Saturday, November 18, at the AMC Garden State. Friends and family members are welcome.
 - The Zoom Book Group meets on the fourth Thursday of the month. The October book is *Hamnet*. The November meeting is on the 28th, and the book is *The Brass Verdict*.
- Sue Steele and Sue Cassell: Movie Group
 - At the previous month's meeting attendees were divided into small groups, and to honor Robert Redford chose one of his films to watch. A member of each group reported to the whole group. For next month, each small group will focus on a Diane Keato film. An email will be sent to all members, and Janet Daly will post the information on the website.
- Carolyn Seibel: Trips
 - Carolyn thanked the members of the committee for "holding down the fort" while she was out of commission.
 - The next trip is to see *Just in Time*, on October 26. If there is a strike, the tickets will be refunded and the bus company will credit the cost.

- There are 3 tickets left for the Radio City Trip, and if a member wants to go, she should see Carolyn. The trip will be opened to non-members if members don't sign up.
 - New trips will be announced until April.
- Bridget Cena: Connections Cares
 - Please contact her so she can reach members when necessary.
- Margie Rightmeyer: The Strollers
 - The group meets at the Duck Pond, on Thursdays, at 3:00. Members are encouraged to give it a try.

Activity: Danuta Kuc gave a lecture entitled Rough to Stone..