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FRIENDS OF AMERICAN WRITERS



Wednesday, February 14, 2024, Program 12:00 Noon at the Fortnightly of Chicago

Program: Leslie Goddard as Grace Kelly



In this historical portrayal, award-winning actress and historian Leslie Goddard portrays Grace Kelly: the woman who transformed from a Hollywood star to a real-life princess.

Luncheon reservations and cancellations are due no later than 6:00 PM Tuesday, February 6th.

Call: Pat Adelberg - (847) 588-0911 or Peggy Kuzminski - (cell) (773) 710-8637 for reservations

You don't want to miss this event! Make your reservation ASAP. Luncheon will be served at noon in the main floor dining room of the Fortnightly Club of Chicago, 120 E. Bellevue Place. The Fortnightly has COVID-19 safety measures in place. The seating is tables of 6 – 8 socially

distanced. Proof of vaccination is no longer required. Please remember that vegetarian meal requests are special orders, and the Fortnightly chef only prepares the number of meals that are requested. Do not ask the staff for a vegetarian meal at the luncheon if you did not pre-order one at the time of your reservation.

- √ Cost is \$45.00 Pay by check(preferred) payable to FAW at the door. Cash is accepted also.
- √ Vegetarian meals should be requested at the time you make your reservation.
- ✓ You must call to cancel your reservation, otherwise you will still be charged.
- ✓ Group reservations please only have one person make the group request to avoid confusion.

√ You may request a permanent (standing) reservation for all the meetings. You must then call and cancel any program you can't attend—otherwise, FAW will still be charged for your meal and we must charge you.

<u>Menu</u>

First Course: Beet & Berry Salad with Mixed Greens, Goat Cheese, Sherry Vinaigrette

Main Course: Grilled Chicken Breast, Fregola Sarda(pasta), Roasted Root Vegetables, Peppercorn

Balsamic Reduction

Dessert: Cranberry Cake with Ginger Whipped Cream

President's Message - Ida Hagman



As I look out my window this morning I see snow, fog, and a gray sky. Fortunately, this soggy weather will pass and before we know it, it will be February 14. I look forward to celebrating Valentine's Day at the Fortnightly. This is the first February since I have been a member that we have had a luncheon on Valentine's Day, which should be special. I hope to see you there. One little

change in the check-in procedure -- if you have paid by Zelle, let the patient angels at the check-in table know that you paid by Zelle. They provide a list of people who have not paid after each luncheon to the Treasurer.

Another bit of business -- the FAW nomination committee is beginning its work to fill positions for next year. If you are interested in a role as an officer or as a chairperson, let Christine Spatara, Helene Madsen or I know.

As always, thanks for your support and participation in FAW.

AWARDS COMMITTEES

Both the Young People's Literature and Adult Literature Committees are in the thick of things, furiously reading and evaluating the many books submitted. Consider joining one of these fun, collegial groups for next year.

We always need more readers!

Upcoming Programs

March 12, 2024

Author Kathleen Mundo presents *Badger State: A Wisconsin Memoir*, her account of a hardscrabble childhood in Racine, Wisconsin.

April 10, 2024

Performer Ellie Carlson presents "Unmentionables: a History Of Women's Undergarments."

May 10, 2024
FAW Literature Awards