



Presents

# BOOKS & COFFEE

SEASON 2017-2018

**FREE No Reservations Required 10:30 a.m.**

**Inside Selby Library's Geldbart Auditorium, 1331 First Street, Sarasota, FL**

**NOVEMBER 14:** *TOO YOUNG TO BE OLD* by Dr. Nancy Schlossberg addresses changes, challenges, relationships, learnings and loves. The author will use personal stories of widowhood and romance, how to use coping skills; deal with health issues; understand family status; resolve our love-hate feelings about growing older and navigate through transitions. Dr. Schlossberg, Professor Emerita at College of Education, University of MD has published nine books and won many distinguished awards. Book sales and signing to follow the program.

**DECEMBER 12:** *CITIZENS OF LONDON: The Americans Who Stood with Britain in its Darkest Hour* by Lynn Olsen. "The behind the scenes story from the perspective of three key American players in London: Edward R. Murrow; Averill Harriman; and forgotten hero, John Winant, US Ambassador to the UK." Reviewed by Charlotte Thompson, former librarian, facilitator of the Selby Library's discussion Group Cirque d'Books. She'll revisit a dark time of history and learn of three Americans who will make us proud.

**JANUARY 9:** *THE FOUR HIRAM BINGHAMS*. These same-name-men spanned two centuries of our history. Their experiences took them to widely varied areas in the world. Their careers and activities reflected the changing values of America, 1789-1988. One of the Bingham inspired a character in Michener's *Hawaii*; Indiana Jones, another. Irving Kushner, Emeritus Professor of Medicine at Case Western Reserve, University of Cleveland will discuss this remarkable, yet not widely known family.

**FEBRUARY 13:** *HOT FUDGE SUNDAE IN A WHITE PAPER CUP-A Spirited Black Woman in a White World* by Gwendolyn Calvert Baker. The author, now a Sarasota resident, will take us through her years as National Executive Director of YWCA, her time on the NYC School Board, and her role as President of UNICEF. She worked for multicultural education throughout her career. You will learn of her early life, its impact on her later years and the reason for the unusual title of her memoir.

**MARCH 13:** *JERZY* by Jerome Charyn is a fictionalized account of Jerzy Kosiniski, a controversial author and a sensational "maneuverer". He was considered an important, post WW II modern writer of his time. You will learn about the seriousness of his writing underneath his humor and playfulness, and see a clip of the movie Jerzy wrote-*Being There* which became a movie with Peter Sellers and Shirley McClaine. Reviewed by Dr. Martin Tucker, whose former presentations have always enlightened and entertained.

**APRIL 10:** *IMAGES of AMERICA-BEACHES & ISLANDS* by Amy Elder. The author loves this part of America and will present, via power point, views of some of the best local beaches and islands while educating us on local lore and the historical background of our well known, well-loved places. Discover facts and information which may surprise and delight you. There may even be a quiz!

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