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The Canadian Club of Belgium, The American Club of Brussels
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welcome you to our **Reading Group**
on the **second Wednesday** of the month [7:00–9:00 p.m.]

(CCB, ACB and AWCB members only)

We ask you to present a book of your choice (American or Canadian authors preferred) that you have read and really enjoyed. This will give all members, passionate about reading, a chance to read and discuss different literary genres.

Even if you have not read the selected book and if you do not have a book you wish to present, please feel free to join us anyway – even at the last minute.

Reading Group Contact

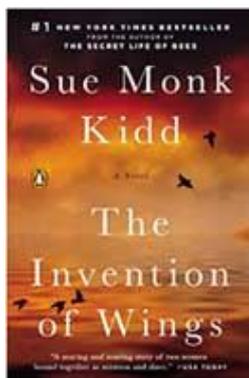
(also for venue details)

Geneviève Bergiers • Tel. 02/660.57.65 • genevieve@chiropractorbergiers.be

2018 dates open for your suggestions: February 14 • March 14 • April 11 • May 9 • June 13

On **November 8**, Heidi will present

The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd



In this book, Sue Monk Kidd presents a masterpiece of hope, daring, the quest for freedom, and the desire to have a voice in the world. The novel begins on Sarah's eleventh birthday, when she is given ownership of ten year-old Handful, who is to be her handmaid. We follow their remarkable journeys over the next thirty five years, as both strive for a life of their own, dramatically shaping each other's destinies and forming a complex relationship marked by guilt, defiance, estrangement and the uneasy ways of love.

About Sue Monk Kidd

Kidd's other best-sellers include *The Secret Life of Bees* (2002) and *The Mermaid Chair* (2005). She has co-written a bestselling memoir with her daughter, Ann Kidd Taylor, titled *Traveling with Pomegranates: A Mother-Daughter Story* (2009), as well as authoring several acclaimed memoirs, including *The Dance of the Dissident Daughter* (1996). Kidd lives in southwest Florida with her husband, Sandy and their black Labrador retriever.

Venue:

BOSQUET 58, Rue du Bosquet 58, 1060 Brussels (St-Gilles)– Tel. 02/544.13.15

Metro: Hôtel des Monnaies / Munthof

More info about the Clubs:

www.ccbcanada.be • www.awcb.org • www.americanclubbrussels.org

Game Night at CHEZWaWa

Monday, November 13 2017



The American Club of Brussels and our friends at CHEZWaWa invite you to join us as we revive that greatest of traditional past times, 'The Game Night!' We're going back in time to the days before the internet and bringing the board games back. Chess, Monopoly, Scrabble...Snakes & Ladders! Hell, weather permitting, we could even try some Twister for the more flexible among us.

If you have any board games at home, please bring them along and join in the fun!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Event details:

Date: Monday, November 13, 7:00 p.m. until ?

Place: CHEZWaWa, Rue Américaine 91, 1050 Brussels (tel. 02/534.63.30).

Public Transportation: Bus 54 (Trinité), bus 60 (Washington), tram 81 (Trinité).

Price: depending on your own consumption.

Reservations are due by Thursday, November 9, at:

<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-2677833>

Cancellations: If you signed up but cannot attend, please let us know. Thank you.

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Second Tuesday Historic Bar Tour

November 14, 2017



La Porte Noire

Rue des Alexiens 67
1000 Brussels

Come and join other beer and Brussels lovers as we embark on another Second Tuesday Historic Bar Tour social hour near the Sablon area. We visit a very old pub (and former convent), *La Porte Noire*, with quite a history. From their website:

"The Porte Noire traces its history back to the 16th century, with its subterranean vaulted ceilings, a water well and vintage icebox. In fact, this enchanting tavern once served as a kitchen for the nuns of the Alexien Convent.

Long abandoned after the nuns' departure, the cellar was finally restored in 1995 and converted into what has become one of Brussels' most popular beer and whisky taverns. Its fine choice of beverages, knowledgeable barmen, and medieval atmosphere give the tavern a truly Celtic feel. No wonder the tavern's three central rooms have hosted so many memorable Saint Patrick's Day parties. So push the door, walk down the stairs, and discover 100 exceptional Belgian beers, 11 taps, 80 fine brands of whisky, friendly barmen, rock and roots, and a decidedly relaxed ambience-all in an unforgettable Celtic setting!"

The Historic Bar Tour events are held the second Tuesday of each month and take place at different and great locations throughout the city of Brussels. Everyone is welcome and feel free to bring friends!

Event Details:

Date: Tuesday, November 14.

Time: 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Place: La Porte Noire, Rue des Alexiens 67, 1000 Brussels

Website: <https://www.laportenoire.be>

Price: Dependent on your own consumption.

Please register by Monday, November 13, at

<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-2705199>

so that we know how many to expect. Thank you.

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Further information or to find the ACB group:

Text or call Carl Mir at 0494/27.97.63.

Romeo and Juliet vs. West Side Story



Join us on Sunday, November 19 for a very special concert by the **Antwerp Symphony Orchestra**.

Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers have inspired some truly glorious music. Prokofiev's Romeo and Juliet captures the passion of Shakespeare's timeless tragedy about warring families with music at once tender, virile, and heart-breaking — filled with the ardor of the doomed young lovers. Not only does it contain much of the composer's finest and most instantly appealing music, it is also considered one of the most exceptional musical realizations of Shakespeare. Next, Bernstein's West Side Story brings the feud between the Montagues and Capulets to rival Puerto Rican and white gangs in New York.

With the Antwerp Symphony Orchestra under the baton of promising Chinese conductor Elim Chan.



The Antwerp Symphony Orchestra is resident at the new Queen Elisabeth Hall, next to the Antwerp Zoo and the Centraal Station. The orchestra has chosen an American theme for its 2018-19 season, including the music of Bernstein, Sousa, Pixar soundtracks, etc.

The price includes the best seats in the house, a program booklet and a glass of bubbly in their exclusive business lounge.

Please note that this event is limited to 20 participants, so please sign up quickly.

Event Details:

Date: Sunday, November 19, 2017.

Time: 10:45 a.m.

Place: Queen Elisabeth Hall, Koningin Astridplein 26, 2018 Antwerpen.

Price: €45. ACB/AWCB/CCB members receive a discounted price of €40.

Reservations are due by Wednesday, November 15 at

<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-2707779>

Payment in advance to ACB account BE55427919588144 (KREDBEBB). Please mention "Antwerp Orchestra" in the reference section of the bank transfer. Online payment with a credit card is also possible (through PayPal, but no actual PayPal account is required); pay when registering or use the link provided in the invoice.

Cancellations are possible until noon on Wednesday, November 15. Participants cancelling after this time, as well as no-shows, are charged the full cost of the event.

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Traditional Thanksgiving Dinner



Come join us for one of the American Club's most popular events: a traditional Thanksgiving dinner, consisting of roast turkey with all the trimmings, followed by an assortment of real American pies. This very American event will be held on Thanksgiving itself, i.e., on Thursday, November 23rd at 7:00 p.m. at the Marriott Brussels Grand-Place Hotel. Whole turkeys are carved and served family style at tables for eight. It's just like home, only better, because someone else does the cooking! The menu will be

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Apéritif</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">◆◆◆</p> <p style="text-align: center;">New England Clam Chowder</p> <p style="text-align: center;">◆◆◆</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Turkey with stuffing Mashed potatoes & gravy Sweet potatoes Green beans with mushrooms Corn pudding Beets Cranberry Jelly</p> <p style="text-align: center;">◆◆◆</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pecan pie • Apple pie • Pumpkin pie</p>

We look forward to seeing you at one of the Club's very best annual events!

Event Details:

Date: Thursday, November 23rd, 2017.

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Marriott Brussels Grand-Place Hotel, Rue Auguste Orts 3-7, 1000 Brussels.

Price: €80 (includes apéritif, one-half bottle of house wine, soft drinks and mineral water); €45 for children under 12. ACB/AWCB/CCB members receive a discounted price of €75.

Public Transportation: Metro lines 3 & 4; bus 86: Bourse; buses 48 & 95: Grand-Place.

Reservations are due by Friday, November 17, at:

<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-2678956>

Payment in advance to ACB account BE55427919588144 (KREDBEBB). Please mention "Thanksgiving" in the reference section of the bank transfer. Online payment with a credit card is also possible (through PayPal, but no actual PayPal account is required); pay when registering or use the link provided in the invoice.

Cancellations are possible until noon on Friday, November 17. Participants canceling after this time, as well as no-shows, are charged the full cost of the event.

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If you have any board games at home, please bring them along and join in the fun!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Event details:

Date: Monday, December 4, 7:00 p.m. until ?

Place: CHEZWaWa, Rue Américaine 91, 1050 Brussels (tel. 02/534.63.30).

Public Transportation: Bus 54 (Trinité), bus 60 (Washington), tram 81 (Trinité).

Price: depending on your own consumption.

Reservations are due by Thursday, November 30, at:

<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-2677892>

Cancellations: If you signed up but cannot attend, please let us know. Thank you.

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Holiday Reception on the Grand-Place



Join us on the evening of Monday, December 11 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. for the ACB's holiday reception! One of the Club's most popular events, the reception will be held in the Gallery, a private room at the Hard Rock Café on the Grand-Place/Grote Markt. Join us for a welcome glass of cava, followed by an open bar with wine, beer, soft drinks, water and zakouskis at one of the most beautiful buildings on the Grand-Place, complete with a fabulous view of the Christmas tree and the sound and light show.

We will have a tombola with nice prizes, so be sure to bring your business cards!

We look forward to seeing many of you for what promises to be a magical evening and a marvelous way to kick off the holiday season.



Event Details:

Date: Monday, December 11, 2017

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Place: Hard Rock Café, Grand-Place 12A, 1000 Brussels

Price: €40. ACB/AWCB/CCB members receive a discounted price of €35.

Public Transportation: Buses: 38, 63, 65, 71, 86: Gare Centrale/Centraal Station; Buses 48 & 95: Grand Place/Grote Markt; Metro lines 1 & 5: Gare Centrale/Centraal Station.

Sign up: Reservations are due by Thursday, December 7 at

<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-2695332>

Payment in advance to ACB account BE55427919588144 (KREDBEBB). Please mention "Holiday Reception" in the reference section of the bank transfer. Online payment with a credit card is also possible (through PayPal, but no actual PayPal account is required); pay when registering or use the link provided in the invoice.

Cancellations are possible until noon on Thursday, December 7. Participants canceling after this time, as well as no-shows, are charged the full cost of the event.

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