

Women Transcending Boundaries Monthly Newsletter



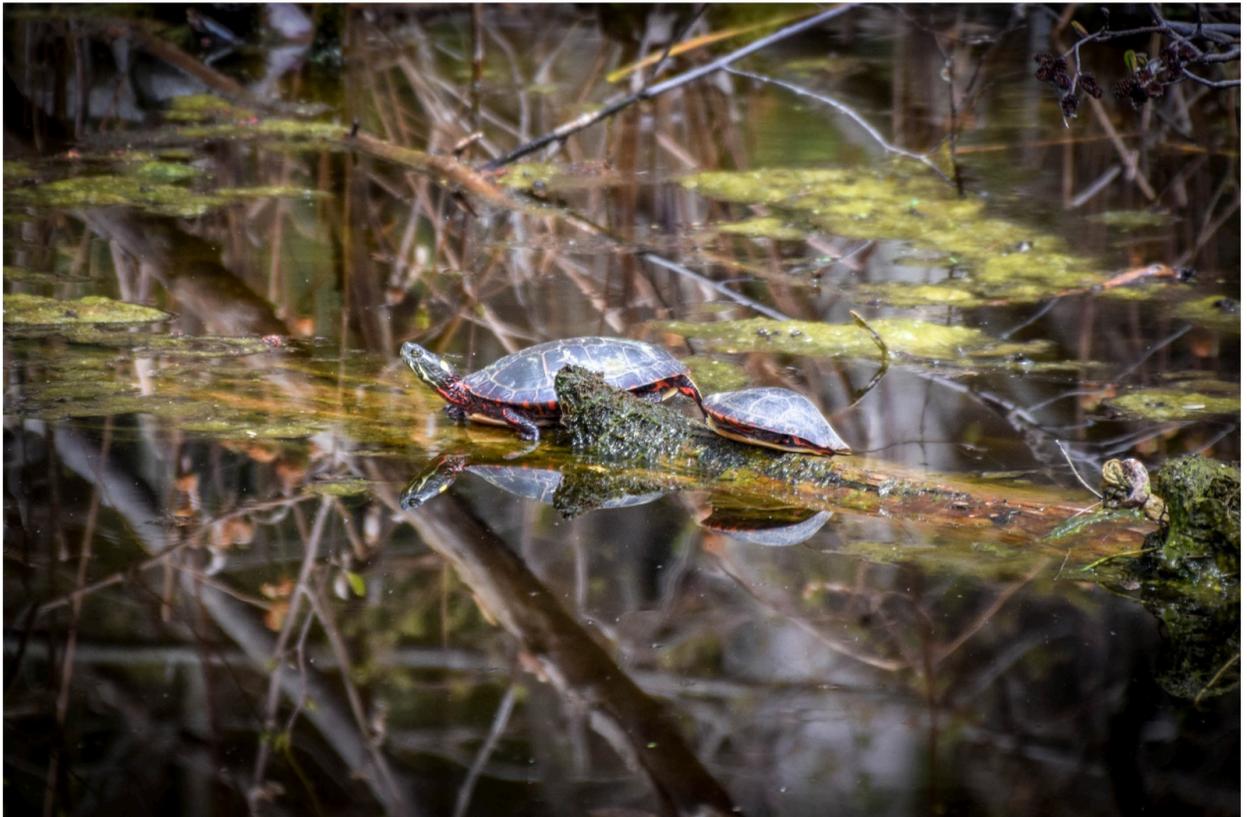
All information also available on our website wtb.org

Summer 2022





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SUMMER



JULY

BOOK CLUB

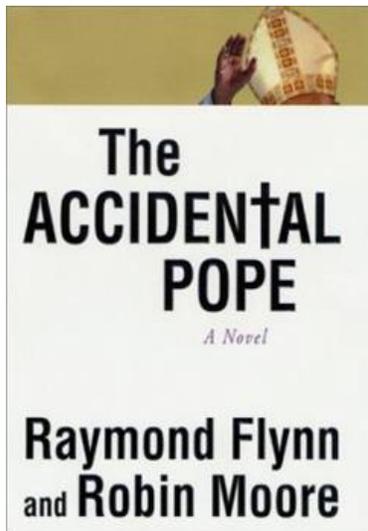
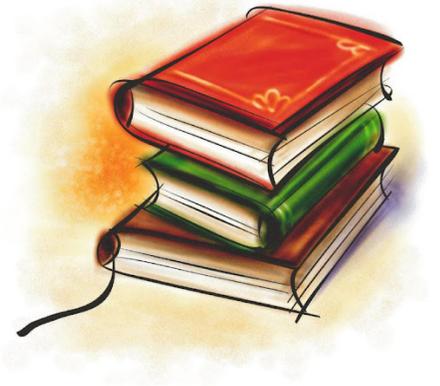
The Accidental Pope

by Raymond Flynn and Robin Moore

Monday, July 11

7:00 - 9:00 pm

Via Zoom

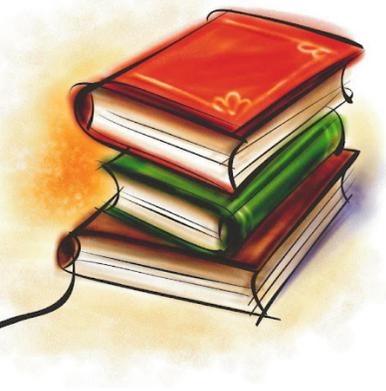


THE ACCIDENTAL POPE

by Raymond Flynn and Robin Moore

The former US Ambassador to the Vatican and the bestselling author of *The French Connection* join forces to write an unforgettable, compelling novel about a humble fisherman who is elected as the next Pope.

Written with the style of bestselling novelist Robin Moore and the political brilliance and authority of former U. S. Ambassador Raymond Flynn, *The Accidental Pope* is not a religious book about politics, nor a political book about religion, but a story that gives insight into the Vatican and the role of the Holy See in world events. *The Accidental Pope* is a globetrotting tale full of suspense, drama, and humor.



AUGUST

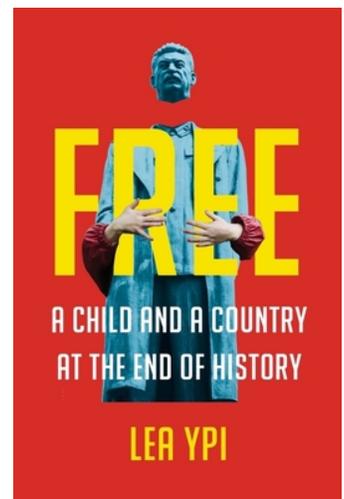
BOOK CLUB

**Free: A Child and a Country at
the End of History**
Monday, August 8
7:00 - 9:00 pm
Via Zoom

FREE: A CHILD AND A COUNTRY AT THE END OF HISTORY by Lea Ypi

A reflection on "freedom" in a dramatic, beautifully written memoir of the end of Communism in the Balkans.

For precocious 11-year-old Lea Ypi, Albania's Soviet-style socialism held the promise of a preordained future, a guarantee of security among enthusiastic comrades. That is, until she found herself clinging to a stone statue of Joseph Stalin, newly beheaded by student protests.





President:	Melek Yavuz
Vice President:	Lorraine Markley
Treasurer:	Louann Healy
Corresponding Secretary:	Betty Lamb
Recording Secretary	Carol Lipson and
for Council Meetings:	Rosalie Young
Recording Secretary for Membership Meetings:	Cara Steiner

**The following shall serve as WTB Council Members
for the organizational year 2022– 2023:**

Lina Alsafadi	Ann Port
Barbara Bova	Cindy Rahrie
Louann Healy	Susan Savion
Betty Lamb	Cara Steiner
Carol Lipson	Melek Yavuz
Lorraine Markley	Rosalie Young
Gay Montague	Danya Wellmon
	Betsy Wiggins

The following shall serve as WTB Advisory for 2022-2023:

Muna Alany	Patti McGuire
Judy Alderman	Joy Pople
Judy Antoine	Smita Rane
Joan Burstyn	Yassin Sarr Fox
Jennifer Crittenden	Bonnie Schultz
Daryl Files	Liz Spence
Terra Hamatuk	



I believe that the circles of
women around us
weave invisible nets of LOVE
that carry us when we're weak
and sing with us when we are
strong. Let's lean back and let
the arms of women's friendship
carry us and help us know
ourselves better,
and live our lives together.

WILD WOMAN SISTERHOOD

WTB JAMES B. WIGGINS AWARD

This award, in the amount of \$750, is given in memory of James B. Wiggins, chairperson of the Department of Religion and dean of Hendricks Chapel at Syracuse University, and an early supporter of the efforts of his wife, Betsy Wiggins, to cofound Women Transcending Boundaries.



This year's winner is Yasmine Kaanan.



Yasmine Kaanan received the James B. Wiggins Memorial Award in recognition of her leadership achievements and commitment to building bridges of understanding through her own literary gifts and her dedication in mentoring the gifts of others.

WTB COFOUNDERS AWARD

2022 WTB Interfaith Cofounders Award, in the amount of \$250, is given in honor of WTB's cofounders, Betsy Wiggins (a Christian woman) and Danya Wellmon (a Muslim woman) who came together after 9/11 to start what has become Women Transcending Boundaries.

This Year's Winner is: Anjana Allay



Included in photo are Betty Lamb & Barb Bova

Anjana Allay was recognized because of her service to her school, church, and community, and efforts to bring diverse groups of people together by fostering interpersonal connections. Anjana has improved understanding across differences by freely sharing with others her Nepalese culture and her journey as a New American.

WTB INTERFAITH AWARD

2022 WTB Interfaith Achievement Award of \$1000 is presented to a graduating senior woman whose leadership and accomplishments exemplify WTB's mission to promote understanding and acceptance among people of diverse cultures, faith traditions and backgrounds.

This year's winner is: Martine Dosa



Included in the photo Sue Savion & Carol Lipson

Martine Dosa was awarded the 2022 WTB Interfaith Achievement Award in recognition of her efforts to promote understanding among people of diverse cultures and to cultivate empathy through productive dialogue and study.

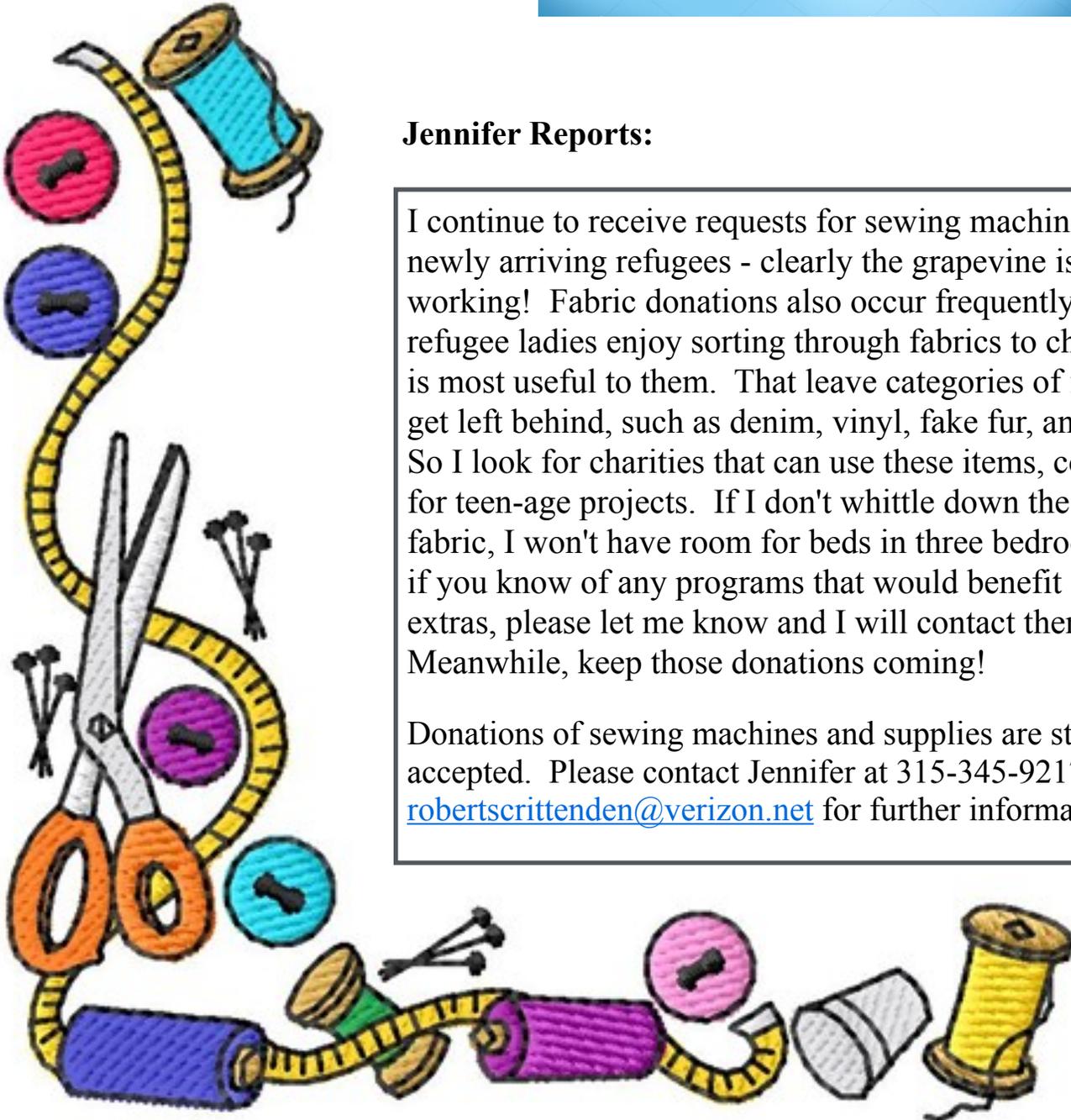
REFUGEE SEWING:



Jennifer Reports:

I continue to receive requests for sewing machines from newly arriving refugees - clearly the grapevine is working! Fabric donations also occur frequently, and refugee ladies enjoy sorting through fabrics to choose what is most useful to them. That leave categories of fabric that get left behind, such as denim, vinyl, fake fur, and others. So I look for charities that can use these items, commonly for teen-age projects. If I don't whittle down the excess fabric, I won't have room for beds in three bedrooms! So if you know of any programs that would benefit from these extras, please let me know and I will contact them. Meanwhile, keep those donations coming!

Donations of sewing machines and supplies are still being accepted. Please contact Jennifer at 315-345-9217 or robertscrittenden@verizon.net for further information.





World
Refugee
Day **Syracuse**

Where: City Hall
233 E. Washington Street
Syracuse, NY 13203

When: Saturday July 9th
Time: 10:00AM - 11:00AM
Celebration to follow at
City Hall
11:00 AM - 1:00PM

CULTURAL PERFORMANCES
INTERNATIONAL FOOD TRUCKS



Flag Raising



Organizes by The New Americans Forum
For Information call Tai 315-952-7429 Email: kokopelli323@gmail.com



WORLD REFUGEE DAY 2022

Need Volunteers July 9, 2022 City Hall

7:00 am - 9:30am

Help set up tables & chairs

8:00am - 11:00am

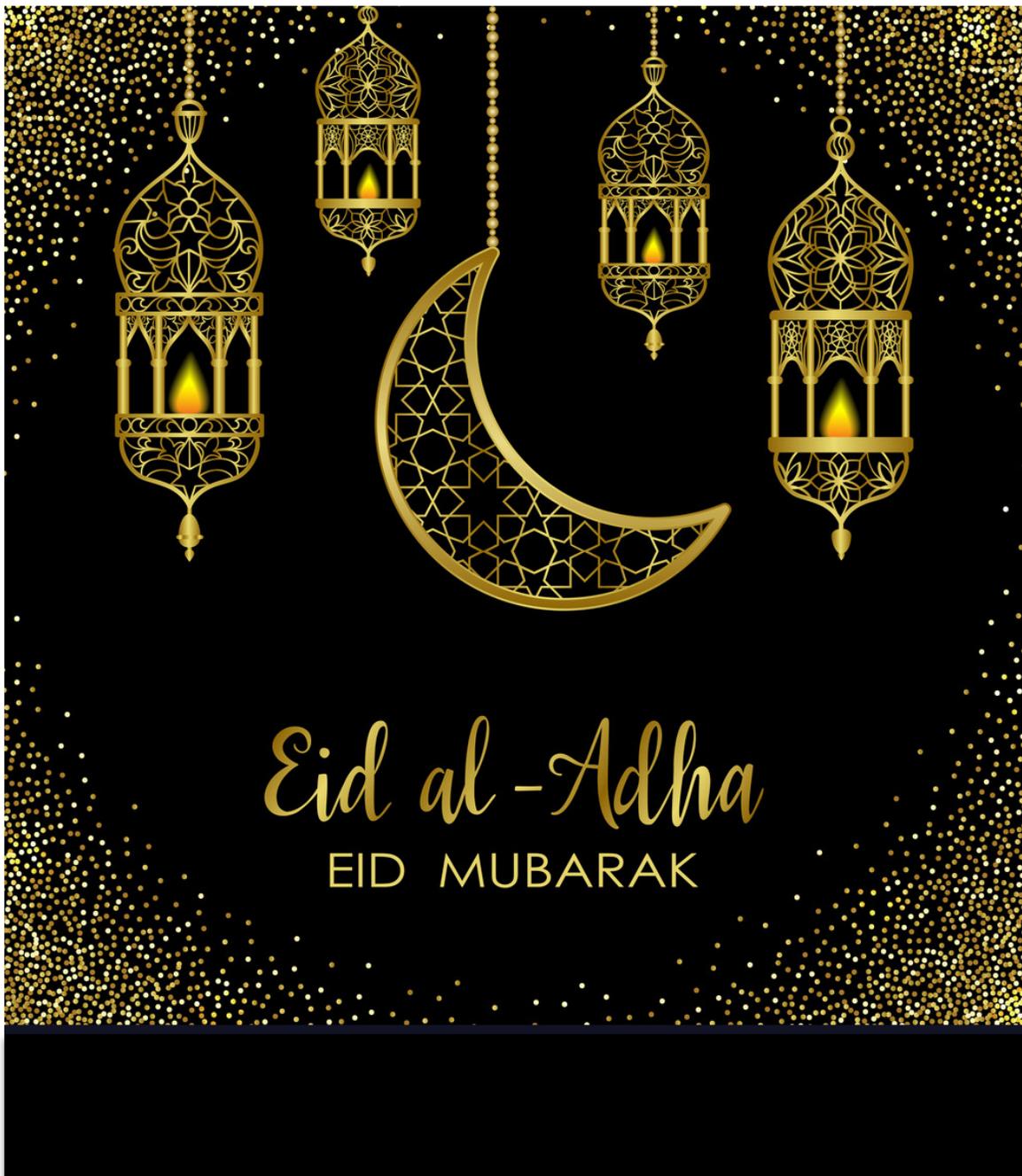
Welcome guests, help set up flags,
distribute t-shirts, set-up for ceremony

11:00am - 2:00pm

Help organize music & dance groups,
food & clean-up

Contact Rhonda rbutler@ifwcnny.org 315-449-3552 ext. 127





This Saturday, July 10, Muslims around the world will celebrate Eid al-Akha. Pronounced EED al-UHD-huh, it is also known as the Feast of Sacrifice or Greater Ed. It is a major Islamic festival that takes place at the end of the Hajj. Hajj is the pilgrimage to Mecca It is the Fifth Pillar of Islam and therefore an important part of the Islamic faith.

For more information, please visit: <https://fountainmagazine.com/2017/issue-118-july-august-2017/abraham-a-story-of-true-submission>



**Are you interested in leadership opportunities
in Women Transcending Boundaries?**

WTB will be meeting later this summer to plan our program and activities for next year. Please consider serving on one of our committees this coming year. Programs and project ideas, reaching out in service, fundraising, social media and publicity—whatever your interests and gifts, we welcome your involvement. Fresh ideas, skills and voices will help WTB.

**It's easy to contact us through our new email address:
wbtbeny@gmail.com**

**HAVE YOU BECOME AN OFFICIAL MEMBER
OF WTB for 2022??**

[Click Here](#) to use our online form and become a member today! Dues are appreciated but not mandatory.

Alternatively, you can fill in a 2022 Membership Form and mail to WTB, PO Box 6847, Syracuse, NY 13217.

Our membership year runs from Jan 1st to Dec 31st. Thank you for supporting WTB's mission with your membership!



Women Transcending Boundaries, Inc.

A Metro Syracuse Women's Group Founded After 9/11/01

P.O. Box 6847, Syracuse, NY 13217

www.wtb.org

2022 MEMBERSHIP FORM

New Member ____

Renewing Member ____

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phones: (home) _____ (work) _____ (cell) _____

E-mail: _____ Occupation: _____

Religion (optional): _____ Native Country: _____

How did you first learn about WTB? _____

Do you have special interests that bring you to WTB? _____

Would you like to receive more information about specific needs and volunteer opportunities ...
within WTB? in the greater Central New York community?

Dues (\$25 per year) \$ _____

***Note:** Dues are appreciated but not mandatory for membership. However, you must fill out and submit this form in order to be a WTB member.*

Donation: \$ _____

Your additional donation will help fund WTB projects, activities and scholarships. Thank you!

Total paid on ____/____/____ by cash ____ or check ____ \$ _____

Women Transcending Boundaries, Inc.
is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) charitable corporation.
All dues and donations are tax deductible.

Please submit this completed form at any WTB meeting or by mail to the address at the top of this form.

WTB Mission Statement:

We are an egalitarian community of women coming together to respect and learn more about each other's various spiritual beliefs, cultures, and common concerns. It is our intent to share our experiences with the wider community, to educate, and to serve.