Dear Members,

I am sorry to have missed the 4th of July event at the home of Mary and Ken Gilhooly. My many thanks to both of you for your extraordinary hospitality for this event and so many other events.

The WhatsApp group continues to provide a great way for our members to stay in touch with one another as we share our travels and adventures and updates with one another. If you are not part of the WhatsApp group (aptly called Staying in Touch), please let me know and we will be sure to add you.

The website is a great source of information particularly for upcoming events. I encourage you all to check in (visit the website) each month. Mary Gilhooly (boy that name comes up often) has done a fantastic job maintaining the site. Please send her any photos you are willing to share with the world! Try to avoid photos with members but do share pictures from events showing decorations, book club meals, places visited. Mary will review them and post them.

Hats off to the keeper of records – Carolyn Beecham. We have a new directory, and the Birthday list continues to grow. I plan to post the directory in the members section of the website. Please let me know if you have concerns about posting this information. We can always continue to provide it my email only.

Please use the WhatsApp chat or the website to share information which will benefit our members. You can run items by me or Mary before posting if you wish. Mary has provided some information regarding voting as well as a call out for Americans to audition for movie productions. I did answer a call out once and spent a day on the set of *National Treasure, Book of Secrets*. I was asked to be an extra in a few scenes with Nicholas Cage and Ed Harris. I did not make the final cut, but it was very interesting to participate.

I hope you all enjoy the rest of the wonderful summer.

Ann Chappell