As we all know, the COVID-19 pandemic has been affecting all parts of our lives, including classes and groups. We are happy that in the spring of 2022 we will be able to offer some groups in-person again. We will also have a couple that are still online, or a hybrid of online and in-person. Please note: we have to follow the guidelines of the University of Illinois, so whenever a group or class is indoors, all members need to wear a mask/practice social-distancing. Thanks for your understanding about this.

These are informal groups of international men and women who meet to gain practical experience speaking English. Classes are FREE, but regular attendance is encouraged. In general, classes start the week of January 24, 2022 and end the week of May 9, 2022, but classes vary so please check carefully. No classes the week of spring break, March 14-18, 2022. Please email teacher/group leader to register for each class and to get more information. For more information on these classes, or about inexpensive private English tutoring, please email Vivienne Mackie, vivienne.mackie@gmail.com. You can also find us on Facebook at International Hospitality Committee. We’d love for you to join us.

Please note: participants must bring their own materials and supplies to practice or make their projects. Sewing machines are supplied.

**DAY: Saturday Friendship Group**
TIME: 1-2:30pm This group meets every 2nd and 4th Saturday in Orchard Downs, at 2044-A S. Orchard Street (but not during spring break).
This group is by appointment. Please contact the leader.
LEVEL: Any level is fine
LEADER: Ms. Christina Myers
EMAIL: ckmyers2@gmail.com
Please note: this is for anyone interested in meeting to talk, have Q & A, meet a few other people, have a walk in a park sometimes.

**DAY: Saturday “Readers Enthusiast” Group**
TIME: 2:30-3:30 pm This group meets every 2nd and 4th Saturday in Orchard Downs, at 2044-A S. Orchard Street (but not during spring break).
This group is by appointment. Please contact the leader.
LEADER: Ms.Christina Myers
EMAIL: ckmyers2@gmail.com
Please note: Audiobooks/CD supplied. Discussion to follow.

**B: Tuesday Friendship Group**
DAY: Tuesdays
TIME: 3:30-5pm
DATES: Starting February 1, 2002
PLACE: To be announced. Please contact leader.
LEVEL: Any level is fine. This is an informal group and a chance to meet some people and to chat, even if we can’t always meet in person right now. Please email Mr. Todd Epps for details about how and where to connect.
CONTACT: Mr. Todd Epps
C: Wednesday morning English Discussion Group (online, although that may change later)
DAY: Wednesday
DATES: Starting February 2, 2002
TIME: 10-11:00 am
LEVEL: Any level is fine
LEADER: Ms. Risham Sidhu
EMAIL: rsidhu3@illinois.edu
Note: Please contact leader for online link. This group will have informal discussions in English about different topics. Please bring ideas for anything you would like to talk about.

D: Thursday Friendship Group—an Online Group
DAY: Every Thursday (online)
TIME: 10:00-11:00 am
DATES: starting January 20, 2022
LEVEL: Any level is fine.
CONTACTS: Please contact Ms. Saiko Rosenberger to get the Zoom link
EMAIL: rsrnbrgr@illinois.edu

E: Thursday Friendship Group at Krannert Center for the Performing Arts
Location: Krannert Lobby, Stage 5 (meet at Intermezzo Café first, then we will move to the lobby)
Address: Krannert Center for Performing Arts, 500 S. Goodwin Ave., Urbana, IL 61801
Map: Krannert Center Performing Arts
Date: 1/27, 2/24, 3/24, 4/28 (4th Thursdays)
Time: 4:45 - 6 pm
Contact: Christina Myers
Email: RSVP at ckmyers2@gmail.com
A mask is required. Dinner can be purchased at the Intermezzo Cafe.
Please note this is for anyone interested in meeting to talk, listening to music, and unwinding with Krannert “Uncorked” and dinner (optional).

F: Friday afternoon English Discussion Group (online, although that may change later)
DAY: Friday
DATES: Starting January 28, 2002
TIME: 2:00-3:00 pm
LEVEL: any level is fine
LEADER: Ms. Alexa Flores
EMAIL: aflor4@illinois.edu
Note: Please contact leader for online link. This group will have informal discussions in English about different topics. Please bring ideas for anything you would like to talk about.

G: International Spouses Book Club
A group has formed an informal book club that will be meeting regularly. The group still needs to plan a list of titles and when they will meet, so contact the group leader in the meantime.
PLEASE CONTACT: Adriana Rom.
EMAIL: adriana3400@gmail.com
FACEBOOK: Ask to join The Online Book Club (a private group of IHC)

H: Other opportunities to practice your English conversation and to meet other people

1. ETC COFFEE HOUSE
1203 W. Green Street, Urbana, Wesley Foundation
CONTACT: Julie Dowler
EMAIL: jdowler@wesleyui.org
Tel: 217-344-1120
Fridays 4-6pm
An opportunity for international discussions and casual refreshments with native speakers of English.

2. Join your local LIBRARY --- check out books and audio books, ask a librarian questions about books, CDs, movies and more. To join, you need ID and proof of residence (like an account in your name with your local address)

3. Krannert Uncorked
Stay tuned to see if this event will return in the Spring.
It’s in the lobby of the Krannert Center for Performing Arts, Goodwin St, Urbana (on campus)
Free wine tasting most weeks and free music 2-3 times a month, when it takes place. We are not sure yet for the spring.
Thursdays 5-7pm

GOOD LUCK, AND HAVE A GREAT SPRING.
Thanks,
Vivienne Mackie, vivienne.mackie@gmail.com