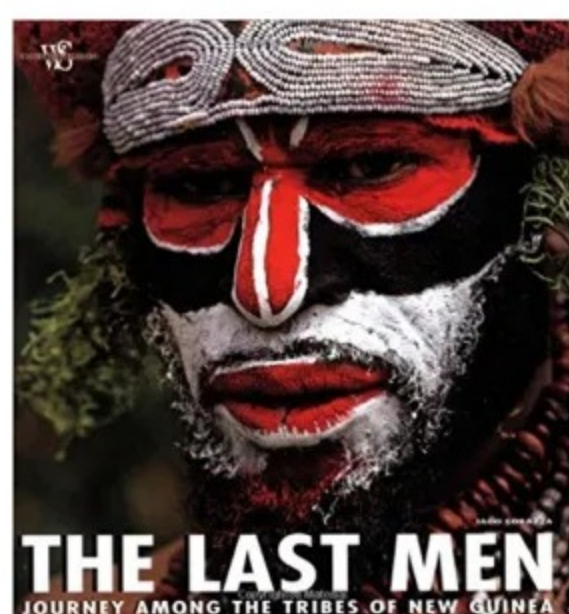




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## On the shelf: New Year, New Books

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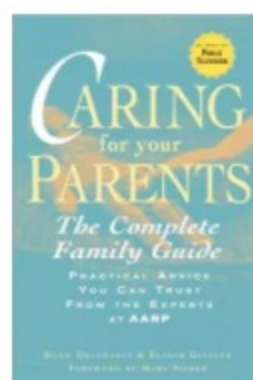
*The Last Men: New Guinea*, by Iago Corazza

New Guinea is the second-largest island in the world, located north of Australia, from which it was separated after the last ice age. The island has a complicated history, and presently is split into two halves: the west side is divided into two provinces of Indonesia, (Papua and West Papua), and the eastern half is the independent country of Papua New Guinea. Amazingly, the just over 7 million people on the island are divided up into almost 1,000 different tribes, each with its own language. It is the most linguistically diverse spot on the planet.

Corazza's book focuses on the unique photographic depiction of these endangered cultures, with succinct commentary. Some of it just seems truly bizarre, as if the author had dropped in on another planet altogether, but maybe that's what they would say about us. In any case, Corazza provides unforgettable images for the armchair traveler.

*Caring for Your Parents: The Complete Family Guide*, by Hugh Delehanty

The title says it all: this is an excellent guide put together from AARP. It covers the full gamut of important areas, from the physical, to emotional, financial, legal, support systems, living arrangements, and more. This book is a really good one to start with if you are looking ahead, or if you are involved in caregiver issues now.

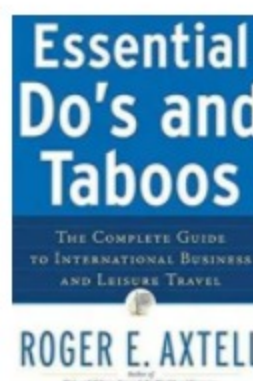


*The Complete Legal Guide to Senior Care*, by Brette McWhorter Sember, ATT

No one wants to deal with legal issues as we or our parents get older, but we need to do it. Once you've taken care of some of these legalities, you'll feel much better, and this guide will help you to understand in plain English, the best ways to protect yourself and your loved ones as we/they age.

*Essential Do's and Taboos: The Complete Guide to International Business and Leisure Travel*, by Roger E. Axtell

Whether you are traveling for business or fun, this is a handy guide. The *New Yorker* says, "Roger Axtell is an internationalist Emily Post." He's written nine other books on this subject, and travels and lectures extensively on up-to-the-minute protocol and civility for other cultures.



*Insects & Flowers: The Art of Maria Sibylla Merian*, by Maria Sibylla Merian

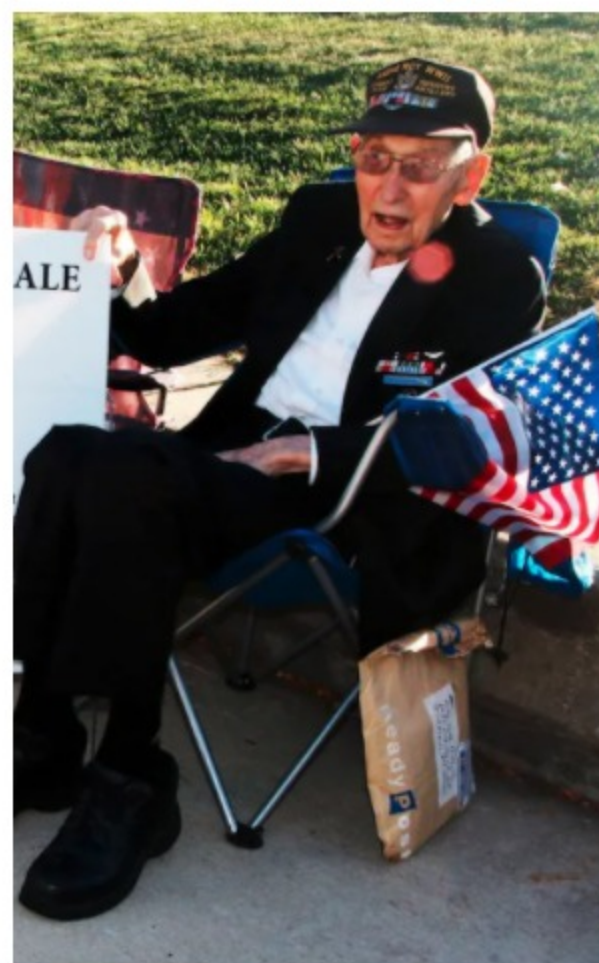
Born in 1647, in Frankfurt, Maria grew up to become a renowned botanical and entomological artist. When the J. Paul Getty Museum hosted an exhibition of her work last summer, they published a small, delightful book that reproduces some of the color plates in her larger works. It's like looking at separate tiny pieces of an amazing world. You'll want to know all about this unusual woman and her work after taking a peek at this lovely book.

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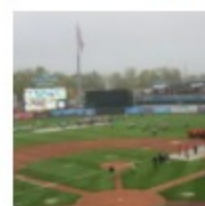


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### ENTERTAINMENT



Civic Theatre brings Broadway to the ballpark  
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GVSU to showcase pieces by Mathias Alten, 'Dean of Michigan Painters,' in statewide traveling exhibition  
 By: Peg West, Grand Valley State University



Opera GR livestreams collegiate competition  
 By: Joanne Bailey-Boorsma

### ANNOUNCEMENTS



Local Boys Scouts Council hosts movie and party to benefit scouting  
 By: Joanne Bailey-Boorsma



Downtown Market hosts 'Sip & Savor' event  
 By: Kimberly Inniger, Downtown Market