December 2014



BAYNOTES

Empowering Women since 1881 – Through Advocacy, Education, Philanthropy and Research

AAWW Branch Holiday Lunch

Saturday, December 13, 2014

11:00 am – 1:30 pm

Village Grille 801 Hoffman Road

Entertainment: Carol Rucker, cellist & Performers from the Birder Studio of the Performing Arts

Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) raffle/donation will take place to support our Branch contribution.

Menu: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetables, coleslaw & cranberry sauce. Rolls, butter. Assorted bars from Uncle Mike's bakery. Coffee & tea. Cost: \$18.00 (includes tax & tip)

Please RSVP by Friday, December 5, 2014. Send check for \$18.00 made out to AAUW to: Lisa Ubbelohde, 417 Harvard St. Green Bay, WI 54303

INTEREST/STUDY GROUPS

Thursday, December 4 Holiday Brunch at Diann Malaug's 1115 Fox Piyer Dr

at Diann Maleug's 1115 Fox River Dr., DePere. 9:15-12:00. Please RSVP to Diann at 336-7422 to plan for food.

New Study Group! TOUR THE WORLD THROUGH ART

Thursday, January 8 9:30-11:30 am Diann Malueg's home, 1115 Fox River Dr., DePere. RSVP to Maryl 336-5173 At our first meeting we viewed some of the world's greatest paintings and were encouraged, by Prof. William Kloss, to **TRUST OUR OWN EYES** – to see and think our way into a painting. At the same time we were encouraged to "**check our opinions at the door**"---to not exclude certain subjects and/or certain styles of art. As a partial guide to assessing art we began to view art in an orderly process considering the subject, style, interpretation, context and emotion. With this in mind, we studied art works by Leonardo da Vinci, Raphael and Correggio. In January we will cover Michelangelo and Grunewald as well as Brugel, El Greco and Caravaggio. 3rd meeting of Art Study Group- February 5. Wed, Dec, 10th 5:00 pm– 7:00pm meeting to plan for upcoming branch program and activities. Contact Sandy at 920-227-8038 with details for meeting location. All branch members welcome to attend.

BOOK GROUP – meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Reader's Loft at 3:00pm. Tuesday, January 27, 2015. Book: **Grace and Grit by Lilly Ledbetter**: the Courageous Story of the Woman at the Center of the Historic Discrimination Case That Inspired the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Restoration Act. Reader's Loft will give AAUW members a 15% discount.

OUT AND ABOUT – Events to find other AAUW members gathering for education, shared interests and FUN

See our AAUW decorated tree at the Festival at Trees at the National Railroad

Museum. Local businesses and organizations sponsor and decorate trees that will be on display from Friday, November 28 through Sunday, January 4. This year's theme is "Holly, Jolly Christmas!" Museum admission from Friday, November 28 through Sunday, January 4 is \$5.00. Children under age 3 are always free.

Branch gift wrapping at Barnes & Noble -

Please help us raise money to offset costs for our branch tree at the Festival of Trees. Available dates to wrap: Dec. 7, Dec. 19, Dec. 22. Times vary. Please call Bev Braun, 499-4061 or email: <u>bbraun5@new.rr.com</u> to sign up.

BRANCH COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Maryl Hitchcock & Janice McCarthy

Champagne and Hot Fudge Sundae Membership Gathering

We will be having another new and potential member get-together on February 12, 2015, but we need your help. Who do you know that is eager to share her passion for social justice with a group of 52 other committed women. Send her name, address, telephone number and/or email address to Janice at (janicemccarthy7@hotmail.com) or call Maryl Hitchcock at 336-5173. Better yet, whoever sends us the most names for potential new members gets a free glass of champagne and a hot fudge sundae.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS add to your directory

HANAWAY, MARY 7280 St. Pat's Church Road Greenleaf, WI 54126 Cell: (608)770-9830 Email: <u>mehanaway@hotmail.com</u>

HENDRICKS, SUE UW-Stout, Home Ec Ed Occupation: Retired Executive Chef 711 Morris Street De Pere, WI 54115 Home: 336-7633 Email: <u>Chefsu@new.rr.com</u>

Ruth Binoniem - new address: 2445 Antares Terrace GB 54311

Membership Directories

Anyone who has not picked up a Membership Directory and would like one mailed, contact Janice at 497-0252 or email:janicemccarthy7@hotmail.com.

LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND (LAF) Stella Frigo

At the December Holiday Brunch, I will be collecting monies for the Legal Advocacy Fund. We will have a little fun by having a raffle. If you are unable to attend the brunch, you may mail me a check made out to AAUW/LAF. Your donation will be tax deductible. My address is: Stella Frigo, 2131 Dollar Rd. De Pere, WI 54115.

DREAMERS & DOERS Barbara Wilson

Our 9th annual Dreamers & Doers dates are set. The After Hours event is a social time for the community and will be Thursday, April 9 and the Awards Luncheon on Saturday, April 11th will celebrate our Dreamers & Doers nominees and award winner. Each member of the Branch is encouraged to help with planning and event day.

You can help right now by:

* Publicity – getting nominations forms out to womens groups and agencies that wish to honor present day women on their accomplishments in the community. *Soliciting businesses as sponsors or advertisers.

*Help with tickets (printing, distribution) for

After Hours and Luncheon. Call Barbara Wilson 619-0930 or Jill Lauritsen 592-9987. For more information and nomination forms go to our branch website

SPECIAL THANK YOU

to Kristine Rivall and Mary Schmidt for getting our Green Bay Area Branch website up and running - <u>www.greenbayarea-</u> <u>wi.aauw.net</u>. Check it out, it looks great!

NEEDED: Public Policy Branch Chair. Report to Branch on information from State and National. Call Sandy if you are interested for more information.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Sandy Melroy

Time rushes by with a whoosh, doesn't it? Our branch activity has been varied this fall, and special thanks go to branch member, Carol Pearson, for the great program she gave this month on the impact that the Einstein project is providing through science kits to our schools. Einstein's mission supports our own AAUW mission, encouraging opportunities for girls to reach higher levels of academics and careers for higher paying jobs. Please visit their website at <u>www.theeinsteinproject.org</u> to find ways you can volunteer and lend support. December will be a busy month for our branch. We have several events planned to feel the holiday spirit in the next few weeks, while connecting with other AAUW members. I also invite you to a meeting on Wed, Dec, 10th at 5 pm to plan for an exciting possibility for our branch in 2016. Our branch is considering hosting an event for Lilly Ledbetter to speak on her experience with pay equity and the bill that was passed into law by President Obama in 2009 in her name. This will be a huge endeavor and one that will literally need a different team to make a reality.

Women join AAUW for a variety of reasons, but the main goal that encompasses all points of our mission is that we are thinking of women of all ages and wishing their lives to be as full as possible. That's why working toward equity for women and girls is crucial. Our branch is only as effective as our current members make it – we need EVERY member's input as to how we can continue to work toward this goal. Please contact me with your feedback on activities, program ideas to benefit our members and others in the community, and how we can connect stronger with the state and national organization.

We are at the beginning of the busy holiday season. I hope you will join me in thinking of others who may not feel as blessed with health, safety and loved ones close by. Do what you can to encourage and lift each other up. You never know when the life you are leading is modeling for someone else – and this talented AAUW membership indeed are models for our community.

All the best – Sandy Melroy

PAT HINCKLEY MEMORIAL

At our October Branch Meeting Jill Lauritsen presented our branch with a china cup and saucer given to us by Jim Hinckley from Pat's collection. As you know they were a centerpiece at our Dreamers & Doers luncheons. It is a wonderful remembrance of Pat for our group. Look for it at each of our meetings.

Jill and Sandy are exploring the idea of a garden stone with a named plaque in Pat's honor at Heritage Hill to commemorate her as a Dreamer and Doer in our community.

If you would still like to send a memorial for Pat you can Make out a check to greater green bay community fund and write "AAUW D&D" in the memo line, or make a donation to our AAUW Branch and send it to Mary Schmidt at 2410 Bittersweet Ave. GB 54301. Write "memorial gift to Pat Hinckley in the memo area.

UPCOMING BRANCH ACTIVITIES

Branch Meeting; Tuesday, January 27th at Reader's Loft. 3:00 pm. Discuss book by Lilly Ledbetter, <u>Grace and Grit.</u>