

### **BAYNOTES**

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

# GREEN BAY AREA BRANCH SPRING LUNCHEON/ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am – 1:30 pm

S.I.L Waterfront Restaurant (formerly Cassandra's)

1212 Marine St. Green Bay
(Just off Monroe St on the riverfront, near Zeller's Ski/Sport)

3 of our scholarship recipients will speak, including the recipient of the Patricia Hinckley named scholarship Branch year in review - new branch officers introduced

Reservation form is separate attachment on this email – reservations due Wed. May 27th

#### INTEREST/STUDY GROUPS

#### TOUR THE WORLD THROUGH ART

Thursday, June 25, 9:30 to 11:30am Maryl Hitchcock, hostess 1202 Fox River Dr., De Pere Julia Laes will speak about a group of black artists that lived in Florida called The Highwaymen. This group of 26 African American landscape artists were self-taught and self-mentoring. They created a body of work of over 200,000 paintings, despite facing many racial and cultural barriers.

**BOOK GROUP** – meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Reader's Loft at 3:00pm.

Tuesday, June 23<sup>th</sup>. Book: <u>Invention of Wings</u> by Sue Monk Kidd. "The book is the fictionalized history of the Grimké sisters, Sarah and Angelina (Nina), who were at the forefront of the abolitionist and women's rights movements, wound around the intriguing narrative of a young slave, Hetty, who was given to Sarah as an 11th birthday present. Sarah despises slavery, even at that early age, and out of principle attempts to reject the gift."(NPR books Web site)

#### **BRANCH COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES**

### MEMBERSHIP NEWS Maryl Hitchcock & Janice McCarthy

New member coffee dates: June 24<sup>th</sup> (10:00 am-noon) and June 29<sup>th</sup> (7:00 -9:00 pm) at Maryl Hitchcock's house, 1202 Fox River Dr. De Pere.

#### RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY

Now is the time to renew your membership for the 2015-16 year! Please update the form on the last page of this email. All renewals need to be in by June 15, 2015. If you renew by the date of the luncheon 5/30/15 your name will be entered in a drawing for free national dues (\$49).

Branch member Mary Barker will be attending the National AAUW convention in San Diego CA June 18-21. We look forward to hearing all she learned.

Correction to Janice Schonke's email – it should be januartist1@gmail.com

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

Petals & Porcelain – a celebration of flowers, art and fine China. June 5,6,7. 12:00 – 4:00. \$7.00 per person. Hazelwood Historic House, 1008 S. Monroe Ave. GB Celebrate exquisite fresh flower arrangements by top local designers paired with Hazelwood's superb collection of china painted by Frederika Crane (1854-1930). Visit with artists painting on the grounds and enjoy a variety of demonstrations throughout the weekend, including the art of making herbal sachets and floral arranging. Enjoy refreshments and live music.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Sandy Melroy

My 2 years as President has been a blessing in learning more about our branch history, the members, their dreams, goals, and potential. We have a lot of members who are inspired strong, passionate women -- that's the real gift of our AAUW. I know you will each continue to look for ways to keep growing and doing positive things for yourselves and for others in the community. We are growing the branch in many ways and I look forward to the new officers who will be elected at the Spring Luncheon to take our branch forward with even more growth of our mission and improving lives locally and further afield for women.

The office of president has been as steep of a learning curve as I expected it would be in learning the structure of the branch business. I couldn't have had a better team to help accomplish our branch activities than those who were willing to serve as officers and those who served as 'personal mentors' to me along the way. We accomplished a LOT as you will see and remember when we present the overview of the year at the Spring Luncheon. I have a lot of respect and thanks to those on the leadership team who have made this year a success - Elaine Wagner, Mary Schmidt, Nancy Anderson, Maryl Hitchcock, Janice McCarthy, Bev Braun, Barbara Wilson, Jill Lauritsen, Stella Frigo, Dotty Juengst and Ginnie Erdman. I hope you will be at the luncheon and applaud the efforts and time this year's leaders have given to the branch. We have some great things 'in the works' for next year already and we will need you and others to be a part of the future success of our branch.

#### **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

Jill Lauritsen

2015 Scholarship Recipients
Congratulations to the following women on receiving one of four \$1,000 scholarships that we offer. Three of them are from last year's Dreamers and Doers/Greater
Community Foundation funds, the fourth scholarship is from funds that were received from memorials in memory of Pat Hinckley who passed away last May 18th.

Shainna Flynn is 27 and engaged to Matt Szwet. She will be a senior at UWGB majoring in education. She works part time in the Green Bay School System. She's been involved with The Phuture Phoenix, an animal shelter, and translating Spanish for her job. Shainna will do her student teaching in Fall of 2015 and then graduate in May 2016. She hopes to be hired with the Green Bay Public School District and wants to work in a bilingual classroom. She and Matt will be married June 6th. Shainna was chosen for the Pat HInckley Scholarship.

Michele Hennessey will be junior at Bellin College majoring in radiology. She is 25 and has a three year old son, Owen. She and her partner, Christopher live in Appleton and she commutes several times a week while holding two part time jobs and maintaining a 3.81 GPA. She changed her majoring after the veterinary clinic which she worked for received a CT scan. "Diagnosing a problem quickly and easily" to help people by imaging is an area that has vase opportunities. Michele looks forward to completing her degree and being involved with the latest diagnostic techniques.

Cassandra Raymond, 29, is from Green Bay and Studying Art at UWGB. She is the mother of three children ranging in age from 1 to 11. Cassandra has changed her major twice before finding her true calling in art where her "heart actually lives". She's hoping for an internship this summer to gain more experience and open her scope to more learning opportunities. She wants to be an example to her two children, other women, adult learners, and single parents.

Angela Smet, 31, is mother of 8 year old Maia and will be a junior in fall at UWGB majoring in Human Biology and then continue on to apply to the Physician Assistant Program in Madison. She is a teaching assistant in Human Anatomy/Physiology and volunteers at Paul's Pantry and at the Critter Counter part of the Wild Life Sanctuary. Many a night Angela she puts Maia to bed, cleans up and then starts to study. She lost her job due to downsizing and family support due to religious reasons. Her goals to "finish someday are now immediate".

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

During 2014-2015 academic year, AAUW awarded more than \$3.7 million in fellowships and grants to women nationwide.

## DREAMERS & DOERS VOLUME 2 UPDATE

**Dotty Juengst** 

Over the winter and spring the committee has continued meeting to plan the update to the Branch's book Women of Northeast Wisconsin Dreamers and Doers. We plan both a hard copy and digital copy of the second volume. The updated book will include all the women nominated for the Dreamers and Doers Award. There are 59 women to date. We have assigned these nominees to our writers/interviewers to prepare profiles for the book. We still have 12 women nominees that need to be assigned to a writer. Our writers are working very hard to complete these profiles. We have writer's retreats at Sara Ramaker's home. Sara has areas where we can work alone or together to help when there is a question. Our next writer's retreat will be on June 29 at 9:30 AM. Please join us if you would like. Anyone who has an interest in helping is more than welcome to come to our meetings. If you need more information please call Dotty Juengst at 469-1919.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

New groundbreaking research report, Solving the Equation: The Variables for Women's in Engineering and Computing. Women make up only 12% of the engineering workforce and 26% of the computing workforce. Support is needed to get the report in the hands of decision makers in boardrooms and statehouses and on Capitol Hill.

#### LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND

Stella Frigo

#### **Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF)**

As we know, American Association of University Women was established to empower women. For 130 years, AAUW has been challenging discrimination in the work place, academia, and our society. The way to challenge the system is through legal actions creating the need for the Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF). LAF includes the following: legal case support, helping find legal advocates, explaining legal rights at work and on campus, and providing campus outreach and travel grants. The money that our branch collects goes to support all of the above activities. At the spring luncheon, I will be passing the LAF basket. (Information from AAUW/LAF Web site)

#### **MILESTONES FOR AAUW**

from AAUW National

AAUW secured a victory for improving campus safety with the Campus saVE Act. These are new regulations are crucial to implementing campus safety provisions of the Violence Against Women Act.

AAUW supported Peggy Young in her lawsuit against UPS after her request for Premedically necessary and temporary light-duty work during her pregnancy was rejected and she had to leave her job. UPS had previously accommodated male workers who made light-duty requests, Peggy sued, claiming discrimination. She awaits the Supreme Court's decision.

There were **several requests for Sara's Seafood Chowder recipe** from the April meeting. Here it is – from Sara Ramaker

It is one of my mother's (Bette Hayes) and I am happy to share the recipe. I just hate to admit how very easy it is. If you can open a can, you too can cook. Please note can sizes have changed since Mom wrote this recipe for me. Depending how thick you like the soup you can add more of the fish and seafood ingredients without changing taste too much.

#### Seafood Chowder Serves 8

1 can cream of mushroom soup

1 can tomato bisque

1 1/2 cup milk

1 20 oz can sliced white potatoes (drained) (I often cut them into smaller bites.)

1 8 oz can peas (drained)

1 8 oz can crabmeat (drained and flaked)

1 7 oz can tuna (drained and flaked)

1 6 oz cab minced clams

1/4 lb shrimp, small cooked and cleaned (I often use 2 cans of small shrimp drained.)

2 Tablespoons grated onion

1/1/2 cup light cream

salt and pepper to taste (I do not add any as usually plenty in soups and other food.)

Blend soup and milk. Add all other ingredients, except cream. Heat thoroughly and slowly. Just before serving add warm cream. Heat well, but do not boil. Enjoy!



#### empowering women since 1881 2015 AAUW Green Bay Branch Schedule

May 26 3:00-5:00pm Book Discussion Group - Sing Them Home by Stephanie Kallo	<b>May 26</b> 3:00-5:00pm	Book Discussion	Group - Sing Them H	Iome by Stephanie Kallos
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May 30 11:00 – 1:30 Branch Spring Luncheon and Annual Mtg

**June 11** 9:30-11:30am Art Study Group

June 18-21 AAUW National Convention, San Diego, CA

June 23 3:00-5:00pm Book Discussion Group - Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd

**June 24** – 10:00 am – noon New Member coffee, Maryl Hitchcock's

**June 29** - 9:30 am Dreamers & Doers Writing Retreat at Sara Ramaker's.

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**July 28** 3:00-5:00pm Book Discussion Group - Never Let Me Go by Kazuo Ishiguro