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STEM MATTERS

UW-Green Bay and AAUW are collaboratively sponsoring an informative dinner event to highlight STEM initiatives and their impact on the Greater Green Bay communities



An evening hosted by
Chancellor Gary Miller and Georgia Nix Miller

Monday, October 29, 2018

5:30 – 7:00 pm

**UW-Green Bay Cofrin Library – Library Commons
2420 Nicolet Dr. Green Bay**

Please invite a guest or someone you know who is interested in STEM and finding out about the new STEM Innovation Center

Buffet dinner will be served (limited seating)

Car Pooling available – call Linda Birder 362-4929, Dotty Juengst 469-1919,
Sara Ramaker 366-0910, Mary Schmidt 432-4493, Wendy Janosik 988-3928

Parking available in Weidner Center Parking Lots Directions and maps available at www.uwgb.edu/maps

The STEM Innovation Center has for many years been a dream and then a vision for Brown County – creating a special place to nurture a culture of science, technology, engineering and math to sustain and grow this region for the 21st century and beyond. Through innovative collaboration between Brown County, UWGB and the Einstein Project, our community will see this vision come to fruition with the Fall 2018 groundbreaking of the STEM Innovation Center within the UWGB Phoenix Innovation Park. This new facility will house Brown County Extension Programs, Einstein Project STEM programs and the UWGB Richard J. Resch School of Engineering.

Please join us for an evening with the leaders of this collaboration and learn how AAUW and our community can support and become involved in the new array of programs.

RSVP to Morgan Fuller at rsvp@uwgb.edu or 920-465-2074 by October 19th.

INTEREST/STUDY GROUPS

ART STUDY GROUP

Laura Fischer-Bonvallet & Sandy Melroy

Thursday, October 18 10:00am – noon

Rahr West Art Museum – docent tour of mansion and table setting exhibit. Cost: \$5.00. Lunch after at Courthouse Pub on your own. Call Janice McCarthy by Oct. 11 to reserve your spot. 920-497-0252 or Janicemccarthy7@hotmail.com

This is a Queen Anne style Victorian mansion built in 1891 at the cost of \$35,000 to \$50,000. It was designed by the same Milwaukee architects who designed the Pabst Mansion in Milwaukee. The first table setting exhibit at the Rahr-West was introduced more than 30 years ago by Ruth West. The exhibit originally featured traditional table settings of fine china and crystal but has taken on a life of its own. It's not unusual to find tin plates or coconut shells in place of china or a picnic blanket instead of a table. (A hostess will be available to answer questions)

AFTERNOON BOOK GROUP

Wendy Schroeder

Meets the 4th Monday of each month at the Reader's Loft at 3:00 pm.

Monday, October 22

Book: **I Look Just Fine When You're Not Around** by Ann Garvin

Leader: Joanne Rathburn.

Everything is falling apart in psychologist Tig Monahan's life. Her mother's dementia is wearing her out; her boyfriend takes off for Hawaii without her and her sister inexplicably disappears, leaving her newborn behind. When a therapy session goes horribly wrong, Tig finds herself unemployed and part of the sandwich generation trying to take care of everyone and failing miserably

¡Adelante! Book of the Month Club

Mary Barker & Sara Ramaker

Meets every third Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm at the Green Bay Distillery.

Wednesday, October 17

Book: **Brain on Fire: My Month of Madness** by Susannah Cahalan.

When 24 year old Susannah Cahalan woke up alone in a hospital room, strapped to her bed and unable to move or speak, she had no memory of how she'd gotten there. Days earlier, she had been on the threshold of a new adult life, she was beginning her first serious relationship and a promising career at a major New York newspaper. Now she was labeled violent, psychotic, a flight risk. *Brain on Fire* is an unforgettable exploration of memory and identity, faith and love and a profoundly compelling tale of survival and perseverance.

SOFA BUS TRIP

We are in need of 16 more adventurers for a full bus to the SOFA (Sculpture Objects functional Art and Design) Fair in Chicago on Friday, November 2nd.

SOFA is distinguished from other top art events by its focus on three dimensional artworks that cross the boundaries of fine art, decorative art and design.

Cost: \$75.00 includes bus ride, refreshments, entrance fee and contribution toward women's scholarship fund. Lunch will be on own Call Janice McCarthy for more information – 920-217-7602.

The SOFA Chicago trip is the fundraiser for our scholarship program. Not all of our members can go on this trip. If you are not going please consider a donation to the scholarship program.

Your check can be made out to GB Area AAUW and mail to:

Janice McCarthy, SOFA Trip Scholarships
2320 Canter Lane, #8, Green Bay, WI 54304

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Wendy Schmidt-Janosik

Please note corrections to the Branch

Membership Directory:

*Program page & Leadership Directory: Wendy Schroeder phone: 4947-2363

*Robyn Lauritsen: 233 N. Broadway Apt. O DePere 54115

*Mary Woodbridge: 920-362-8900

Please email any other corrections or additions to Lisa Ubbelohde

This year our AAUW branch is offering the opportunity to purchase some items of clothing with the **AAUW Logo specific to our chapter**. There will be three options available - a fleece vest, polo shirt, and Vneck Tshirt. In addition to being a comfortable wardrobe addition, our hope is to stimulate conversation about our organization and attract members by wearing clothing with the AAUW logo. The items are modestly priced with a minimal markup. The extra money will be used to help raise cash for our general fund.

Here are the specifics on the three clothing options that will be available:

Fleece Vest - (Sizes- XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL,3XL,4XL; Colors – Light Royal, Black, Pearl Grey)

Polo Shirt (Sizes- XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL,3XL,4XL; Colors – Black,Forrest Green, Kelly Green, Maroon,Purple, White,True Royal,TrueNavy)

Vneck Tshirt (Sizes- XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL; Colors-Red,Asphalt,Black,Charcoal, Fireberry, Heather Grey, Navy, Mint, White)

The **Vest** would be \$25.00 up to an xlarge; \$27.00 2xl;\$30.00 3xl; \$32.00 4xl

The **Polo** would run \$22.00 up to a 2xl; \$24.00 for 3xl; \$26.00 for 4xl;

The **Vneck** would run \$15.00 up to an xlarge; \$17.00 for 2xl

The vendor requires a minimum of 12 pieces for embroidery and for screen printing. It takes 7-10 business days after approval of art to have clothing delivered.

Please complete the order form attached to this newsletter by October 26th.



SCHOLARSHIP

It was presented at the last board meeting that we would like to name a branch scholarship this year in honor of branch member Jean Ketcham who passed away August 2018. If you would like to contribute to this named scholarship please send your check to treasurer Jan Davis, noting it is for this purpose.



Jean was a 50 year member and very active in our branch as past president, treasurer and book fair member. In speaking with her son he remembers “mom” on the phone making calls to members, arranging meetings and AAUW a big part of his growing up.

Branch Board Meeting

Monday, November 5 5:30 pm

Sara Ramaker's home

2545 Oakwood Ave. GB

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sara Ramaker

I am sorry to miss our first meeting. I like the meetings when we have time to reconnect as friends. I also wanted to hear about our new media presence. I know from experience Rachel Ritter is a very good teacher. Dotty Juengst and her writers have made such progress on the Volume II of the Dreamers and Doers. What is already on website is so impressive. I hope you all had a lovely evening. Thank you to Dotty and Rachel for presenting. Thank you to Jill Lauritsen and Linda Birder getting the meeting place and handling all the details.

Summer is supposed to be a quiet time for AAUW, but it was not quite for our program vice-president, Linda Birder. She has done a fantastic job keeping us focused and organizing all of this year's programs. We have a wonderful variety of programs planned for this year's branch meetings. We have wonderful opportunities for the Art Group. (Hope you have signed up for the SOFA trip in November. This will be another fun trip and also raise scholarship moneys.). Our reading groups are all set. By now you should have received the one-page program sheet and your copy of the directory. (As a reminder, please do not share our member directory without approval by our board.) We are excited about partnering with Resurrection Catholic Church on three programs on topics important in our community. We hope this will attract more people to our programs. Thank you, Linda, for all your hard work and energy. Thank you to all the other members, namely: Pat Finder-Stone, Georgia Miller, Bev Braun, Dotty Juengst, Eileen Littig and Jill Lauritsen (and anyone else I missed) who gave their time contacting possible speakers and finalizing dates and times. Thank you to Rachel Ritter creating the one-page branch program sheet. Thank you to Lisa Ubbelohde for once again putting together our member directory and to Wendy Schmidt-Janosik for following up with the members who had not renewed their membership. It is

always a pleasure when at our first meeting, we can look at our year and know exactly what we are doing. Of course, this does not mean the work is over: the "devil is in the details." We will no doubt call on others to help as the year progresses.

. I will be back October 8. I will be happy to coordinate rides at that time. Looking forward to seeing all of you there.

WHY I AM AN AAUW MEMBER

Maryl Hitchcock

Originally, probably out of a sense of obligation or maybe just guilt I joined AAUW. It was 1950 and we had moved here from UW Madison when I got a call from the Green bay branch president Lorraine Evenson. She had been contacted by the Racine branch with my name as a prospective member. It turned out that my mother, with her long connection there suggested the idea. OMG!! How embarrassing was that?

Even though I had grown up with AAUW small group meetings at our house, especially the Child Study group, it never occurred to me to actually join, not then anyway. However the upshot was I did join and so have carried on a family tradition. In fact, we now have 4 generations of women in our family as AAUW members, including my granddaughter who is in our own branch.

Why have I stayed for 68 consecutive years in our branch? There have been many changes over time. We're smaller now. We don't have the 250 members we had when I was membership chair the first time – before women entered the work force following World War II, but that has its own advantages. Members no longer traditionally work their way up the ladder to the "top" by serving on numerous committees. Now we appreciate new members jumping right in to volunteer their time and talents in whatever appeals to them. Our size gives us a cohesiveness not possible in a larger

group. We get to know each other faster and better. Life-long friendships are forged through working together toward a worthwhile common goal and having fun along the way. We have evolved with the times!

Here is an advantage that younger women probably take for granted: In the “olden days” women were often identified by their husband’s careers or accomplishments, know under their husband’s name. For example: as late as 1971 our own directory listed me as Mrs. Robert Hitchcock. Unmarried women were of course “Miss”. With gradual progress – YAY – we finally made it to our own first names. We have our own identity. Dare we say we don’t care what husbands past, present, or ex or non-existent “do”? Here, we are interested in each other as individuals, each with our own accomplishments. And in a great leap forward now even allow men to join AAUW!

Here’s some advice: When you have the chance, attend a national convention. The collective education represented there under one roof is so impressive, you’ll never drop out. We are unique. We have an important history behind us and important goals ahead. We matter! Our branch itself is rife with stories – happy, sad, and inspiring. You can see the UWGB archives to get a sense of who we are and what we do and have done. So hang in there girls. In the twinkling of an eye you too can be a life member!

WANTED:

LAF needs **baskets** for displaying raffle items. Gently used are fine. In addition LAF appreciates any donations to be used as **raffle items**. Bring items to any branch or board meeting or contact Mary Schmidt.

DINE WITH EINSTEIN

Beverly Braun

We can support STEM and the Einstein Project through their “Dine With Einstein” event. A portion of the day’s profits will go to Einstein to raise awareness and funds for their mission.

- 10/8 – Los Banditos – 2335 W. Mason GB
- 10/9 – Glass Nickel Pizza – 416 Dousman, GB
- 10/10 – The Creamery – 114 Pine St Downtown GB
- 10/11 – Nardi’s Affogato Bar – 109 N. Broadway, DePere
- 10/12 – Eddie Whipp’s – 5073 WI – 29 GB

BRANCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

- President: Sara Ramaker
- Vice-president programs – Linda Birder
- Membership – Wendy Schmidt-Janosik
- Treasurer- - Janice Davis
- Secretary –Neicy Thorsen

BRANCH CHAIRS

- Legal Advocacy Fund - Mary Schmidt
- Dreamers and Doers - Dotty Juengst
- Scholarship – Laura Fisher-Bonvallet
- BayNotes - Barbara Wilson
- Website – Mary Barker
- Facebook page – Rachel Ritter
- Hospitality – Sue Hendricks

INTEREST GROUP CHAIRS

- Adelante Book Group – Mary Barker
- Afternoon Book Group – Wendy Schroeder
- Art Study - Laura Fisher-Bonvallet
- STEM – Linda Birder
- Water Study – Carol Pearson
- Movies – Bev Braun
- Human trafficking –
- Voting – Linda Birder
- Pay Equity – Bev Braun
- Immigration – Janice McCarthy
- Social – Jill Lauritsen
- Wine Study – Mary Barker & Maryl Hitchcock