

Greetings!

Summer is coming to a close bringing the excitement of autumn and the beginning of branch meetings with a variety of entertaining, educational and just plain fun opportunities.

Our year will begin with an autumn celebration on **Monday, September 16 at the Village Grille** in DePere with a presentation by the **dynamic speaker Fr. James Neilson on The Art of Healing.**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! We are proud to present:

October 21.

Dr. Rekha Vijayan. Introduction: Lindsay Mather.

Mental health is a profoundly important component of every person's overall health, and its importance is matched only by its complexity. An infinite number of variables have an impact on a person's mental health, and early experiences — particularly early *traumatic* experiences — can have long-lasting effects that continue into adulthood. In this presentation, Dr. Rekha Vijayan, a psychiatrist with Bellin Health Psychiatric Clinical Services in Allouez, will discuss issues related to the impact of trauma on mental health, with particular focus on the types of trauma to which young women and girls are commonly exposed; the ways in which trauma impacts their mental health, both immediately and throughout their lives; and various ways we as members of the community can get involved to help trauma survivors live full and healthy lives.

Location: Resurrection Catholic Church 333 Hilltop Dr.

5:30-6:00 Refreshments - light supper 6:00-7:00 speaker

November 18.

David Littig and guest. Introduction: Eileen Littig

In Puerto Rico, Maria did more than take lives and destroy property. It triggered a popular political uprising to transform its status.

When Hurricane Maria hit and devastated the island of Puerto Rico on September 16, 2017, more than 166,000 homes were severely damaged and left without water and electricity. Fatalities have climbed to 4,600 deaths and damages to \$90 billion. While the U>S> response has been slow and heavily criticized, the most important consequence which emerged from Maria and its aftermath was a massive popular uprising forcing the resignation of the governor. The questions are, how and why did Puerto Rico come to be? How did its status as a U.S. colony since 1898 affect its government and economy? Which path will Puerto Ricans chose for their future? Independence? Statehood? Or Modest changes to its current status?

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December 7 (Saturday) Christmas Holiday Brunch ten'et 2475 W. Mason St. Green Bay
11:30. Social. 12:00. Luncheon and Entertainment. LAF items displayed.

January 20 (January 21snow/ice makeup day) Film night! An evening of fun and a shared meal
Sandy's Melroy's home 1931 Rainbow Ave. DePere
Enjoy the movie: 5:30. A light dinner followed by movie and popcorn!

February 17.

Human Trafficking Panel: an update. Dawn Sprang, Detective Craig Pakkala, Kim Hardtke

Introduction: Lindsay Mather

While it may seem like a problem that only affects big cities or foreign countries, human trafficking is a very real problem that affects every community, including Northeast Wisconsin. During this presentation, a group of multi-disciplinary partners will discuss the realities versus the myths of human trafficking, how service providers and law enforcement are working to support survivors, and how our rare and local communities are working together to hold perpetrators accountable. Presenters will include Dawn Sprang, Outreach Coordinator with Eye Heart World, an organization that supports and advocates for survivors of human trafficking; Detective Craig Pakkala, who specializes in human trafficking investigations for the Green Bay Police Department, and Kimberly Hardtke, as Assistant District Attorney and Violence Against Women Resource Prosecutor for the Brown County District Attorney's Office.

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March 18 *a Wednesday* Introduction: Sara Ramaker

Jessie Jack Hopper: a portrayal

Helen Bannan, associate professor emerita of history and women's studies at UW Oshkosh, has been doing research for a biography of Jessie Jack Hopper (1864-1935) since 2005, when she had her first sabbatical after 30 years of teaching women's studies and women's history in state universities in four different states. She became so wrapped up in the research that she retired early to continue it. Since 2008, Bannan has been portraying Hopper mostly to women's groups primarily in Wisconsin. Hopper, a prominent leader of women's clubs in Oshkosh, became deeply involved in women's suffrage during Wisconsin's referendum campaign in 1911-12, when the male voters of the state had the opportunity to vote on whether women should be enfranchised. They said no at the time. It took seven more years of intensive effort before Wisconsin would lead the way to ensuring that all American women could vote. It became the first state to ratify the 19th Amendment in June 1919. *Please join us and learn what happened 100 years ago through the eyes of a participant in the struggle.*

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April 23 CELEBRATE WOMEN of Northeast Wisconsin Dreamers and Doers in Volume II. This publication is a project of our branch. Learn how these women changed NE Wisconsin.

5:30 HOTEL NORTHLAND. MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW. Contact: Dotty Juengst

May 2 ANNUAL LUNCHEON MEETING AT MACKINAW'S

May 18 Cocktails and Convo. Sara's home

July PICNIC at Judy Johnson's home

For events in various interest groups: immigration, art, wine, movie and book groups including many opportunities for continued learning and fun:

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