

BAYNOTES

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DINNER AND A MOVIE

Monday, January 20th

(Inclement weather date Jan. 21)

Sandy Melroy's home

1931 Rainbow Ave. De Pere

(Hwy 41 to Scheuring Rd exit; east to Lost Dauphin Rd;
south to Colleen Dr; east to Rainbow Ave, turn right)



5:30 pm Dinner 6:30 – 8:30 pm Movie 8:30-9:00 Discussion

The title of the movie is a surprise – revealed on movie night.

The group voted on the choices at the first meeting this year. (It was an overwhelming choice)

The main entrée will be Baked Ziti (ziti pasta with marinara and Italian Sausage and mozzarella cheese) provided by Sue Hendricks. Bev is providing raw vegetables and Sandy is providing coffee and Crystal Light, as well as dishes, cutlery and napkins

Please consider bringing an appetizer, salad or dessert, maybe some wine.

Please RSVP your attendance and food you can bring to Bev Braun bbraun5@new.rr.com or 499-4961

It will be a fun evening.

Please do not stay home, because you do not want to drive.

There are many of us very happy to carpool.

LOOKING AHEAD TO FEBRUARY BRANCH MEETING

Monday, February 17th

Program: Human Trafficking Panel: an update

with Dawn Spang, Outreach Coordinator with Eye Heart World;
Detective Craig Pakkala GB police; Kimberly Hardtke, Assistant DA
Meeting will be at Resurrection Church 333 Hilltop Dr. Allouez

INTEREST/STUDY GROUPS

¡ADELANTE! BOOK GROUP

Mary Barker & Sara Ramaker

Wednesday, January 15

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Place: Green Bay Distillery, 835
Mike McCarthy Way, Green Bay

Leader: Nancy Anderson



Book: My Name is Anne She Said, Anne Frank: The Memoires of Anne Frank's Best Friend by Jacqueline van Maarsen

A touching and intimate autobiography, this account recalls the author's remarkable childhood friendship with Anne Frank while attending a special school for Jewish children in Amsterdam during the late 1930s. Van Maarsen's memoir recollects her family's near escape from the Netherlands only months after the Frank family went into hiding-or moved to Switzerland, as van Maarsen was lead to believe-and provides a revealing look into life under Nazi occupation. Written by a one-time friend who only discovered the truth about Anne's fate after the war ended.

ART STUDY GROUP

Laura Bonvallet-Fisher

Thursday, January 16.

10:00am to noon

View the DVD "State of the Art". After an exhilarating national journey of artistic discovery, 100 under-recognized American artists were selected for one unforgettable exhibition.

<http://www.pbs.org/show/state-art/>

Jill Lauritsen, 310 N. Van Buren St.

Sue Hendricks is co-hostess.

Please RSVP to Jill no later than January 13.

Jill2bz@new.rr.com or 920-227-8030.

AFTERNOON BOOK GROUP

Wendy Schroeder

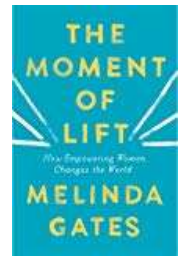
Monday, January 27

Place: TBD Call Wendy 370-0100 or wlschroeder7@gmail.com.

3:00 pm

Leader: Marilyn Rabideau

Book: **The Moment of Lift** by
Melinda Gates



For the last twenty years, Melinda Gates has been on a mission to find solutions for people with the most urgent needs, wherever they live. Throughout this journey, one thing has become increasingly clear to her: if you want to lift a society up, you need to stop keeping women down. In this moving and compelling book and for the first time, she writes about her personal life and the road to equality in her own marriage. Throughout, she shows how there has never been more opportunity to change the world – and ourselves. Writing with emotion, candor and grace, she introduces us to remarkable women and shows the power of connecting with one another. When we lift others up, they lift us up too.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

No January Board Meeting. Next meeting is

Monday February 3rd 5:30 pm

Sara Ramaker's 2545 Oakwood Ave. GB

Barnes and Noble Gift Wrapping

Bev Braun

Because I was in the hospital fighting a respiratory illness, the gift wrapping days were fewer than other years. We still had a successful Scholarship donation activity of \$436.40.

It is always a lot of fun to chat with the shoppers about their gifts and the reason our organization is doing this community activity.

MEMBERSHIP

Wendy Schmidt-Janosik & Nancy Anderson

Congratulations to Sunshine Tourtillott on her graduation from UWGB this December.

Jan Davis had knee surgery a few days ago and says she is moving slowly but improving. Her daughter is with her until January 11.

Barb Jenkins fell and hurt her shoulder and has had surgery. For the next two weeks, she is at Felician Village, Room 208, 2635 21st St., Manitowoc, WI 54220

Lisa Ubbelohde reports she has moved back to her home on Harvard St. as of January 3rd. she is wearing a waking book and using a walker. No driving for quite some time. Thank you for cards, calls and visits. Hoping all have a happy and healthy 2020.

Meet new member Charmaine Rimple:

Bev Braun is the AAUW member who invited me to join the local AAUW. Bev is a long-time colleague through another professional organization founded by Ellen (Swallow) Richards. The current name of the other organization is Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS).

As far as my schooling, my resume finds that I am a lifelong learner as is the same for all AAUW members. First, I attended and graduated with a Diploma from the Ray-Vogue Schools, Chicago, IL and next I graduated with a degree of Bachelor of Science from the University of Wisconsin Stout, Menomonie, WI. I hold two Master of Science degrees. The first from University of Wisconsin Green Bay and the second from Walden University, Minneapolis, MN.

I was so pleasantly surprised to meet up with Dr. David Littig, at the first AAUW meeting that I attended. Dr. Littig was the major professor for my thesis: Public Participation: How Do People Participate in a Small Community?

And new member: Karen Wieske

I have attended previous AAUW tours and events as a guest of Sandy Melroy. The experiences were enjoyable, enlightening, and engaging. Meeting Nancy Anderson in a workout class provided the final catalyst to join AAUW.

I was born in Menominee, MI and earned a Bachelor of Art Education degree from UW-Oshkosh in 1970. I taught art for the West De Pere School District until retirement in 2005.

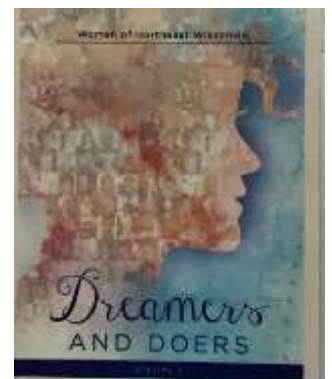
I have been a participant in community art and fund raisers as a volunteer at The Art Garage. I am a current member of the Green Bay Art Colony and N.E.W. Woodworkers Guild. I am passionate about fly fishing, dogs, and cottage time in Florence, WI.

DREAMERS & DOERS BOOK VOL. II

Dotty Juengst

If you haven't ordered your copy of Dreamers of Dreamers Volume II yet, you can do so now (see attached order form) and pick up your copy at the January Branch meeting. We will also have a small supply of Volume I for sale (\$15.00) at the meeting.

Thanks to all the members who volunteered at the Barnes & Noble Book fair. We had a lot of interest in the book and many people had their purchased wrapped. Check out the Women of Northeast Wisconsin Dreamers and Doers Facebook page to see some pictures. A very special thanks to Cynthia Widen who provided the leadership in building the Branch's relationship with Barnes & Noble.



WATER STUDY GROUP

Carol Pearson

UW-Eau Claire Researchers Find Microplastics In Boundary Waters Wilderness Area By Hope Kirwan, Dec. 2

A team of researchers at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire have found microplastics in the million-acre Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCA). Plastics, and in particular fibers, have been found in water, soil and worms collected during nearly two weeks of fieldwork.

Biology professor Todd Wellnitz and a team of four student researchers began the study by collecting earthworms from the BWCA in June. In an article released by UW-Eau Claire, Wellnitz said they found high concentrations of plastics in some of the samples.

"We found 80 pieces of microplastics in one earthworm that we examined," Wellnitz said. "That blew me away."

Read more at: [UW-Eau Claire Researchers Find Microplastics In Boundary Waters Wilderness Area](#)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Sara Ramaker

2020!! I cannot believe it. I cannot be that old! I hope you all had a lovely holiday season and that you are all looking forward to a great new year. I have to say the many grey days we have experienced lately do not elevate my mood. The last two sunny mornings have really made a difference.

December Branch Luncheon

Just want to again thank Jill Lauritsen and her social committee, Nancy Anderson, Carol Pearson, and Barb Wilson for putting together a lovely Christmas brunch on very short notice. It was very helpful that Karen Kersten was willing to accept reservations.

Linda Birder did some last-minute planning to help the kitchen with our orders. Thank you, too, to our LAF Chair, Mary Schmidt who put together some lovely gifts for the annual fundraiser raffle. Special thanks to all who attended and who supported the raffle.

Our AAUW Branch was very busy in December

1. Gift Wrapping: Bev Braun, once again spearheaded the wrapping at Barnes and Noble. One certainly needs patience and, sometimes, an extra layer (It can be cold by the door.), yet, wrapping at Barnes and Noble can be enjoyable. It gives us a chance to talk about AAUW (and each other) as well as make some money. Barnes and Noble provides the paper and tape. Bev provides the bows. (Customers noticed AAUW has bows!) One day very near Christmas, Barnes and Noble ran out of tape!!! Bev asked her sister Sue to pick up some tape so we were able to continue wrapping. For a while we were wrapping using very minimal tape. Thank you to you, Bev, and all those who took a turn wrapping at Barnes and Noble.

2). Dreamers and Doers Book: Our Dreamers and Doers book is now available. It is gorgeous. I hope you will all buy a copy and also support our Dreamers and Doers fundraising activities that we will be pursuing over the next few months. The book is the collaboration of many, but only Dotty Juengst could have stayed focused and forced us to finish it. I marvel at her ability to keep us all on task. (I know this to be true, because I was one of the big procrastinators.). Books can be purchased through us. (The form is at our website: <https://greenbayarea-wi.aauw.net/files/2019/11/order-form-Nov2019.pdf>). It is also available at Barnes and Noble, but we have to share some of the profit with them.

3). Dreamers and Doers Book Fair at Barnes and Noble: Through the efforts of our marketing expert, Cynthia Everhard-Widen, AAUW was able to

organize a Book Fair in December. Cynthia introduced us to Noah Jenquin, Barnes and Noble Community Development Manager who is enthusiastic about the book and encouraged us to have a book Fair December 15. We had hoped we would have the book available to sell, but with the rush at Christmas we could not get copies in time. We had a lovely poster of the book cover and got some people to sign up to be called for copies. Book Fairs are interesting. AAUW gets a percent of all the sales for a set period if people mention our name or hand in a voucher. Unfortunately, we are not allowed to tell people that unless they approach us first. It costs people nothing so once they learn most are agreeable. Lindsay Mather was able to get some customers to talk to us using free cookie samples. Barnes and Nobel is willing to contribute the samples.). Although it was a Packer game day, we had enough to receive about \$100.00. Noah wants us to plan another book fair in May to really sell our book.

Looking forward to 2020:

We have much to look forward to in our 2020 branch meetings. We have our fun and relaxing movie night on January 20th. We have a panel on Human trafficking in Green Bay area on February 17, on March 18th, a program on Jessie Jack Hopper, a Wisconsin suffragette who made sure Wisconsin was the first state to officially approve the 19th Amendment granting women the right to vote, and, last but not least, we have our big celebration of our new book, Dreamers and Doers, Volume II and the women who are honored in it for their wonderful contributions to our community. It will be held in the ballroom of the Northland Hotel on April 23. Of course, we also have our book club meetings, art group meetings, wine study meetings. We hope to stimulate, educate, entertain and support the AAUW policies promoting women in 2020. They say life is a journey. Do join us and “enjoy the ride!”

Liability Insurance for our Branch

Sara Ramaker

Just thought you should know....In order to hold our meetings at Resurrection Catholic Church in 2019-2020, our branch needed liability insurance. This was not so easy to purchase and required the help of several members, especially Lindsay Mather. Our national does not arrange for insurance for its branches, but it did tell us about an inexpensive group policy. The problem with this was it is a yearly fee and is effective January through December. It was expensive to buy for just the four months of September, October, November and December 2019. Fortunately, Jill Lauritsen recommended a local insurance agent who found us a monthly policy at a reasonable price. It was, however, more expensive if one compared it to a full year. So, members did the work to make sure that the branch purchased the monthly insurance for the four months and have now purchased the national policy for 2020.

2020 ELECTION – GETTING READY TO VOTE

Linda Birder

With the election coming up this year the Coalition of Voting Organizations (COVO) can use your help with voter registration. March 16-March 20 – COVO will be at UW-Green Bay all week to register students. Daytime and evening volunteers will be needed. Check your availability for these days – contact information to follow

January Branch Calendar

Jan. 20– Branch Meeting
Jan. 15 – Adelante Book Group
Jan. 16 – Art Study Group
Jan. 27 – Afternoon Book Group