



American Association of University Women Greater Rochester Area Branch

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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY BRANCH RECEPTION FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2015 5 PM

Spend an evening "Looking Back, Thinking Forward" with a presentation by Barbara LeSavoy, Women and Gender Studies Department Chair at The College at SUNY Brockport and GRAB AAUW Member.

Please join us from 5-7 pm for discussion and international appetizers, including sushi, stuffed grape leaves, assorted olives and cheeses, vegetable fritters, meatballs and sweets in honor of International Womens Day at the Perkins Mansion 494 East Avenue Rochester, NY 14607.

Cost is \$15. This event is open to AAUW and non AAUW members.

Registration: To RSVP, please call Ellen Lewis by Tuesday, March 3 at 585-435-7202 or e-mail her at elewis@perkinsmansion.org

NIGHT OUTS: ST. PATRICK'S DAY TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2015 5-7:30 PM

Join us FROM 5-7:30 pm at the Perkins Mansion for a festive Night Out on St. Patrick's Day ! Bill of fare will include appetizers of corned beef and cabbage, Irish potatoes, Irish stew, green velvet cake and of course, Bailey's Irish Crème coffee !

Cost is \$20 and includes your first drink.

Registration: To RSVP, please call Ellen Lewis before Tuesday, March 17 at 585-435-7202 or e-mail her at elewis@perkinsmansion.org



AAUW is a powerful advocate and viable leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

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We Need Your Vote

AAUW national voting will begin on April 15 online and will close on June 19, 2015.

This is an important year to vote.

1. National Board Member elections

2. Approval of eliminating all educational requirements for membership.

Our chapter does not support eliminating educational requirements for membership.



If you wish to have a paper ballot you may request one beginning April 1 through May 8.

Ballots must be mailed by May 26, 2015. Members will need their national number to vote

<http://www.aauw.org/resource/candidates-for-election-to-the-aauw-board-of-directors/>

SAVE THE DATE! April 17th - 19th, 2015

AAUW Leading the Way: Women Leadership in the 21st Century

Special Recognition:

A celebration of the 125th Anniversary of the AAUW Buffalo Branch

Workshops will address topics such as :

21st Century Education Issues

The Trials, Tribulations and Triumphs of Women

Elected Officials: Women Leading NY into the 21st Century

Countdown to the Century of Women's Right to Vote in the US

Domestic Violence and Women's Self Empowerment
And more!

Register for Convention now. After March 15th there will be a late fee. All the forms and information are at <http://www.aauw-nys.org/convention.htm>.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

Please join us at the Perkins Mansion on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 from 12-1:30 pm.

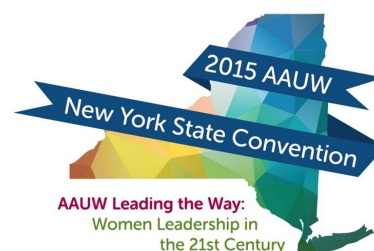
Topic: Immigration

Facilitator: Regine Calvar

Please bring your own lunch.

Open to the public. Please feel free to bring friends.

Please RSVP to Beth at 585-244-8890 or bgarver@aauw-rochester.org.



Women Helping Girls



On Feb 16, 20 girls and 10 adults attended the WHG conference at the Perkins Mansion for the all day event: The Gift of Words with Speaker Phyllis Wheatley.

NEW INTERNS AND HELPERS

Emily Tanner is a new intern from SUNY Brockport. Please welcome her, if you see her.

We welcome 3 senior students from Nazareth who will be assisting Gaynelle with designing the mentor program and training sessions for Women Helping Girls.

TechSavvy

by AAUW



Tech Savvy is a daylong science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) career conference designed to attract girls in sixth through ninth grade to these fields and to inform families about STEM education and careers.

On March 14 WHG will be going to Buffalo for the annual STEM Tech Saavy event.

Although the program focuses on exciting girls about STEM, Tech Savvy also includes an important program for parents. This component encourages families to reinforce the girls' interest in STEM.

Tech Savvy was founded in 2006 by the AAUW Buffalo (NY) Branch. Tech Saavy is an annual event, serving upwards of 700 girls





IN MEMORY OF JANE ARUNDEL

AAUW lost a valued member in December with the death of Jane Arundel.

Jane had a successful career as a teacher at #52 school in Rochester for over 30 years.

Retirement gave her time to participate in her many other interests. She was an accomplished tennis player, and also enjoyed golf, skiing and hiking. She traveled extensively in the United States, and also in Europe. She was a bridge player, and an excellent quilter as well. At GRAB AAUW Jane brought her enthusiasm to many activities, including bridge, Nights Out, and our Caribbean cruise.

A positive outlook on life, and a keen sense of humor endeared her to her many friends. She is sorely missed by all who knew her.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS !

Welcome to Gwen Clifton, a part-time student in the Greater Rochester Collaboration Brockport & Nazareth College MSW Program. She is a social worker for NYS Office for People with Developmental Disabilities and is a liaison for Domestic Violence for 10 counties.

Welcome to Charlotte Marcy, who is a friend of Regine Calvar.

Welcome to Dr. Katherine Detherage, who is a retired Nurse and Teacher, and invited guest at AAUW activities.

Welcome to Margie Lovett-Scott, who is a friend of Beatrice McCloud and a retired Teacher, Researcher and Publisher.

Welcome to Dr. Janice Harbin, CEO and Dentist at Anthony Jordan Health !

- Stephanie Augonis, Membership VP

FROM THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Annual Appeal letters were sent to all members on November 1. 45 women responded with total donations of \$7030. The gifts by category are as follows:

Legal Advocacy Fund—\$195

Education Fund \$95

Educational Loan Fund \$975

House and Garden \$4350

Jennifer Lindley Scholarship Fund \$375

Sharon Lockwood Scholarship Fund \$160

Women Helping Girls \$880

Grateful appreciation is extended to the following members for their contributions to this Annual Appeal:

C. Achilles, S. Augonis, A. Bell, L. Cappellino, S. Carbone, M. Castle, L. Clement, E. DeWitt, B. Drachman, J. Erskine, K. Eveleigh, C. Foster, F. Fumia, M. Ginther, M. Gordon, V. Goyer, M. Harrison, C. Hopkins, N. Jones, J. Kinz, J. Kohout, A. Kress, S. Lawrence, E. Lewis, B. Lindley, M.J. MacEwen, M. May, M. Merritt, A. Miller, S. Miller, L. Mitchell, D. Pecararo, G. Schlageter, J. Schmidt, G. Shakes, M. Stiffler, M. Tedeschi, E. Thoburn, S. Townsend, J. Trabert, K. Troiano, M. Wadsworth, E. Webb, J. Welton and C. Zavada

-Vicki Fumia, Lisa Hoffman, Nancy Jones, Anne Miller, Dorothy Pecararo, Marilyn Tedeschi and Myrtle Merritt, Chair and VP for Development

WOMENS HISTORY MONTH AND INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY DIALOGUE

The fifth annual Women's History Month and International Women's Day

Dialogue event, featuring Karen Beals and Elizabeth Cady Stanton

as portrayed by Dr. Melinda Grube

Saturday, March 1, 2015 3:00 pm in historic Seneca Falls, New York, at

Women's Rights National Historical Park.

Join Dr. Melinda Grube in her unique and uncanny portrayal of

Elizabeth Cady Stanton. She will dialogue with Karen Beals, former

Director of the United Way of Seneca County to discuss women's struggle for equality and its impact on the family.

All are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, visit www.womensrightsfriends.org or call 315-521-3461.



Melinda
Grube as
Stanton

- MARDI GRAS RECAP -

More than 20 women came out on a cold February night for Nights Out for Taste of New Orleans Mardi Gras on Feb 17 at the Perkins Mansion.



GRAB AAUW Members Regine Calvar, Ellen Lewis, Guest Nora Tuthill and GRAB AAUW Program Coordinator Beth Garver Beha at the Feb 17 Night Out Taste of New Orleans.

GRAB AAUW Leadership Development Program

We are excited to support the Young Women's College Prep mentoring program which began in December. The following one-hour presentations will be facilitated at the school located at 311 Flower City Park in Rochester.

Monday, March 16th at 5:30pm – The value of community service and community engagement.

Saturday, May 16th at 9:00am – Preparation for the world of work, dressing and speaking professionally and mock interviews.

GRAB AAUW has several dynamic speakers with a wealth of knowledge on the above topics. The Leadership Development program welcomes your participation.

Anyone interested in participating, please contact Helen Jae Cheves at 585-395-9230.

INTEREST GROUPS

Tea and Titles

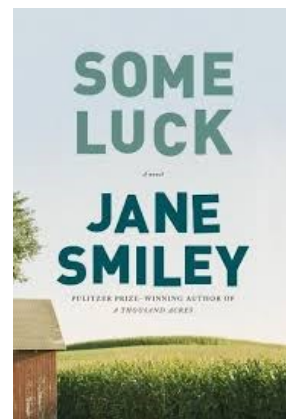
Wednesday, March 25 - 2:00 pm

Tea and Titles will meet on Wednesday, March 25 at 2:00 PM when ANNE BELL will lead the discussion on **SOME LUCK** by JANE SMILEY. Jane is a Pulitzer Prize winning novelist and a prolific author. Her latest work "Some Luck" is a family novel about the author's grandparents, who are Iowa farmers, and their descendants.

Join us for refreshments and lively discussion.

All are welcome to attend.

Co-chairs: Maureen May: 385-1133 and Joy Kinz: 392-7134



INTEREST GROUPS AND EVENTS CALENDAR FOR PERKINS MANSION

Retired Teachers Bridge

Meets the 1st Tuesday at 10 am

Carol Achilles – 421.0876

Duplicate Bridge A

Meets the 1st Friday at 10:00 am

Pauline Sherwood – 671.3556

Duplicate Bridge B

Meets the 4th Wednesday at 10:00 am

Jean Erskine – 266.5055

Crazy 8s Bridge

Meets the 2nd Tuesday at 10:00 am

Carol Achilles – 421.0876

Mystery Book Club

Lynne Mitchell – 381.7145

Bimonthly meetings

Tea and Titles

Maureen May- 385.1133

Joy Kinz- 392.7134

Monthly meetings

Preserving and Canning

Michele Conners-585-507-9572

Night Out At the House!

Marlene Gordon – 402.5529

Cynthia Herriott

Gaynelle Wether

Social evening for members and guests!

****Bridge leaders: Please call Blake Kowalski at 489.2539 the night before to give him your set up numbers.**

MARCH 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 10 am Retired Teachers Bridge	4 12-1:30 Communi- ty Conver- sation– Immigra- tion	5	6 10 am Duplicate Bridge A 5 pm IWD event—Branch Reception	7
8	9	10 10 am Crazy 8s	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 4 pm Board Meeting 5-7:30 pm St Patty's Day Night Out	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 10 am Duplicate Bridge B 2 pm Tea and Titles	26	27	28

GRAB AAUW BOARD MEMBERS

Vision

GRAB AAUW is a World Class Lifelong Learning, Teaching and Study Center for all generations of Women & Girls and seen as a key Community Resource and Driving Force for any and all Women's Issues in the Greater Rochester Area.

Diversity Statement

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AAUW Promise

By joining AAUW, we belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

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Educational Opportunity Fund - TBD
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The deadline for the
April Newsletter is

March 15, 2015

Please email items to
bgarver@aauw-rochester.org
Or grabaauw@gmail.com.

We welcome suggestions or contributions to include in future newsletters. Please contact us at the mailing address above.

Articles submitted are printed at the discretion of GRAB.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to Margaret Harrison !