



# THE FORUM

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## President's Message - Gail Vreeland

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Now is the time to get involved! AAUW-Atlantic County Branch is an active, dynamic organization with 125 members. Our mission is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. Are you doing your part? There are many ways that you can participate. You can attend meetings, outings, and special events. You can join any of the small interest groups, such as Book, Travel, Movie, STAR, and Spanish Conversation. We are in the process of forming a Women's Advocacy Group to address issues like Human Trafficking, Stem, and Pay Equity. Now is the time to get involved! You can volunteer for our community out-reach projects, such as The Women's Center, Children's Theater, Success by 6 reading program. You can donate to our sponsored charities and scholarships. Now is the time to get involved! You can help decorate, make food, clean up, sell raffle tickets, make up baskets, or be a speaker. You can volunteer to be an officer on the Board of Directors, or a committee Chair, or a committee member. Let this be your year to get involved! Think of what we could achieve together! The possibilities are limitless!!!

## Program News - Lucy Jerue

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### Arts Garage on Saturday, March 8

Our program for March will be an outing to the Noyes Museum Arts Garage in Atlantic City. The address is 220 Fairmont Ave. We will gather in the lobby of the Arts Garage at **1:30 pm** and enjoy the galleries, see artists at work in their studios and have a tour of the African American Museum. Lunch on your own is a good idea. There are many restaurants at the nearby Walk.

If you are driving in, you may park for FREE in the adjoining Wave Garage when you spend \$25 or more at the shops in the Arts Garage. You will receive a voucher from the vendor to take with you when you exit the garage. You may also take the train in from Absecon or Egg Harbor City and just walk across the street. There is no admission charge. Pre-registration is not necessary. Just be there at 1:30 pm on March 8 and we will begin our visit.

If you want to learn more about the Arts Garage, visit the website at <http://artsgarageac.com/>

## **ANNOUNCING AAUW ATLANTIC COUNTY BRANCH'S 2014 WOMAN OF DISTINCTION AWARD**

### **HONOREE "COOKIE" TILL**

Caroline "Cookie" Till is the owner of "Steve and Cookies" by the bay in Margate, N.J. A life-long resident of the area, "Cookie" enjoys giving back to the community. She is passionate about healthy eating. Her concern for children's health has inspired her to partner with schools, churches, youth organizations and volunteers from the community to develop community gardens. In addition she has started cooking classes at the Boys and Girls Club in Atlantic City led by local casino chefs. Her popular Margate "Farmers Market" featuring fresh, home grown produce is a further testament to her vision. The Atlantic County Branch of AAUW is proud and delighted to have "Cookie" as our 2014 honoree.

### **Hamlet Theater Outing - Diana Intenzo**

We're scheduling another theater outing at Stockton – this time to see Shakespeare's Hamlet on Friday, **March 28** at 7:30, preceded by dinner at the Italian Gourmet. The performance is presented by The Philadelphia Shakespeare Theatre.

The book group will discuss the play at their meeting on Wednesday, **March 26** at Gail Vreeland's house, so please feel free to attend this discussion. The details of the outing are as follows:

Date:	Friday March 28 at 7:30
Place	Stockton Performing Arts Center
Ticket price	\$34 (\$28 for orders of 10 or more)
Dinner:	5 pm at the Italian Gourmet, Pitney & Jimmie Leeds Rd. Friends and family welcomed

If you are interested in attending – please contact Diana Intenzo at [diainzo75@comcast.net](mailto:diainzo75@comcast.net) or call her at 609-653-1426. She'll order the tickets and make the dinner reservation.

Don't hesitate! Come and see this great literary treasure.

### **Careme's**

On **Tuesday, April 1, 2014** the Cape May County and Atlantic County branches will meet for a luncheon buffet at Careme's, the restaurant of the Academy of Culinary Arts of ACCC in Mays Landing.

The buffet will begin at **11:30 a.m.** Included are soup, hors d'oeuvres, cold salads, poultry, fish and meat entrees, carving station, vegetables and starches, rolls, assorted desserts, coffee hot/cold tea, soft drinks and water service.

The cost is \$20 cash only (no debit/credit cards or checks, please). Payment will be at the door but a reservation must be made in advance by **March 23**. Send your reservation to Barbara Heinrichs by e-mail at [bheinrichs46@earthlink.net](mailto:bheinrichs46@earthlink.net) with the word Careme's in the subject line or by telephone (609) 889-1647. **E-mail is preferred.**

We had an excellent time last year and hope to do it again this April.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN

Atlantic County Branch Presents

***2014 Annual Woman of Distinction Award Luncheon***

HONORING

**Caroline “Cookie” Till**

Restaurateur and advocate for local gardening and healthy nutrition.

**SATURDAY, April 5, 2014**

**ATLANTIC CITY COUNTRY CLUB**

Social – Noon      Lunch - 1:00 PM

Donation - \$35.00 per person

**Menu Choices :** Chicken Francaise, Baked Salmon or Sliced Tenderloin of Beef

Please make checks payable to AAUW and mail with Reservation Request Form to:

Helen Riso, 619 Pitney Road, Absecon, NJ 08201 by **March 25, 2014.**

**Reservation Request Form**

**AAUW 2014 Woman of Distinction Luncheon**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

MENU CHOICE(S) \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SEAT ME WITH \_\_\_\_\_

Sorry, I cannot attend. Enclosed is my donation. \_\_\_\_\_



## Treasurer's Report - January 2014

**Diana Intenzo** diainzo75@comcast.net

### Operating Account:

#### Expenditures:

Newsletter	\$ 62.44	
Hospitality	<u>19.94</u>	
Total		\$ 82.38

**Balance 1/31/14**

\$ 5,317.17

### Scholarship/Education Account:

ACCC Scholarship money \$ 4,400.00

**Balance**

\$ 5,666.35

### Membership

**Barbara Wolnerman**

Thank you to all members who have brought guests to our meetings and events many of whom have enthusiastically joined our branch this year.

Please note that between now and **March 31** we are able to offer half price dues at \$34.50. Anyone who joins after **April 1** will pay full price but will then be covered for the balance of the year and next year as well.

If you know of anyone who would like to receive our prospective member packet please contact me at 609 226-8733 (a change from the roster) or at BLW 425@aol.com.



Projects Committee at work. Submitted by Diana I.



## *Welcome Our New Member*

### **Meg Connelly**

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Caldwell University, BA French/Sec. Ed.  
Advanced Degree: ESL Certification

### **Nominating Committee**

Gail Davis, chair, Connie Smedley and Audrey Moloney

We are looking to fill the important position of **Recording Secretary**- this position would go from May '14- May '16

The following Chair positions have been filled:

Scholarships: Karen Poorman and Gail Davis  
Woman of Distinction: Tula Christopoulos  
Public Policy: Michelle Douglas

We are looking for those who would like to serve as Chairs for the following Committees:

**Children's Theater** (solicit volunteers to usher at Stockton 3-4 times per year)

**Fundraising**- initiates and coordinates various fundraising for scholarships and AAUW Atlantic Country

I am hopeful that our members will step forward to contribute to AAUW Atlantic County. Please contact me at

GHDATH@COMCAST.NET or 609-513-6281 ( cell).

We are saddened to note the death of **Edith Bankert**, a member of the Little Gardens Club of Atlantic City, and a lifetime member of AAUW-Atlantic County Branch. Edith performed in many of the skits put on by the Book Group for the pleasure of our members. She will be sadly missed by all of us.

Gail Vreeland

### **Children's Theater**

**Christine Ecker** mcmmecker@msn.com

Stockton PAC's Imagination Station Children's Theater series includes two more shows for the 2013-2014 season. Wednesday **April 16th**, 2014; Tuesday **May 6th**, 2014. All shows begin at 10:30am.

Stockton would like us to provide 6-8 ushers per show. If you are able to usher at any or all of these shows, please email your contact information to mcmmecker@msn.com Thank you.

### **Officers**

**President:** Gail Vreeland  
**Program VP:** Lucy Jerue  
**Membership VPs:** Barbara Wolnerman & Jane Landau  
**Treasurer:** Diana Intenzo  
**Recording Secretary:** Carol Zerbe  
**Corresponding Secretary:** Terry Dailey

### Travel Group

**Carolyn Bassett** geoca41@gmail.com

The March Travel Group will meet at the home of Lucy Jerue on Wednesday, **March 12 at 7 pm.** Lucy will be presenting her trip to Amsterdam, Bruges, Giverny, and Paris - sounds like a dream trip to me! Let Lucy know if you plan to attend. Meanwhile, our February travel group was postponed due to icy cold conditions. Gail Zona will try again on Wednesday, **April 2** at her house to tell us about her trip to the Lower Peninsula of Michigan including Macinac Island. Both these groups will be meeting at the northern end of the county, so if people from the south want to carpool, let Carolyn Bassett know and we can ride together. And, I hope we'll get some members who haven't come out before to join us.

### The Book Group will discuss *Hamlet* at the meeting on Wednesday, March 26



Carolyn Bassett, presenter, and Mary-Lou Breidenstine, chair, at book discussion on *The Lacuna* at Claire Moyer's.

### AAUW Art Contest: You May Vote

Two of our members have submitted entries to the National AAUW Art Contest. You may go onto the AAUW National website and vote once a week throughout the month of February for your favorites. Lucy Jerue has submitted "Poinsettia" and Carol Zerbe has submitted "Archways" and "Lobster Buoys II." Please support our members with your votes.

### Conversational Spanish

**Claire Moyer** clairekm@mac.com

Do you want to be part of an informal group that converses in Spanish with abilities ranging from beginner-plus to native speaker? If so, please join the Spanish Group that meets every **Monday** throughout the year from 4:15 until 6:00 at the home of Claire Moyer. Please call her at 609-641-8287 for more information and directions to her home.

### Editor's Corner: A Place to Share Good News

Congratulations to Carol Zerbe on her very successful art opening held Friday night February 7 at Latz's By the Bay Restaurant in Somers Point. The beautiful watercolors pertain to light and shadows in a variety of locations within the US as well as Jazz inspirations. All paintings are on sale and will be displayed for the next three months. We are very proud of you Carol! (Submitted by Barbara W.)

Wish you could receive timely updates more often? Visit our new Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/AAUW.Atlantic> or click the *thumb*. (You do not need to join Facebook to view the page.)

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# Technology Part 2





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Board Mtg. 1:00 pm	4	5	6	7	8 Arts Garage 1:30 pm
9	10	11	12 Travel Group 7pm	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Careme's reser- vations deadline	24	25 WOD Luncheon Reservation Dead- line	26 Book Club	27	28 Book Club @ Stockton	29
30	31 Dues Discount deadline	April 1 Careme's				

The purpose of AAUW is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.

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**DATED MATERIAL**