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Program Chair - Lucy Jerue *ljerue@comcast.net*

May 20th Dinner and Program will take place at the Smithville Inn

Our guest speaker will be Marilyn Kleinberg, Executive Managing Director of eWomen Network of Southern NJ. This is a business organization that provides opportunities for women to connect personally and professionally.

Marilyn will speak about the competitive world of business and will weave her own story of ups, downs as she shares the personal journey that enabled her to come out on the other side, ready to make a difference.

We will also install our new officers at this meeting.

So, please come out to hear Marilyn's dynamic talk and to support our incoming and outgoing officers.

The cost of the dinner is \$25. We will have a social hour between 5-6 pm with dinner at 6pm. Use the tear off below to register and indicate your menu selection. Guests are welcome.

Registration for Smithville Inn May 20th dinner meeting

Menu selections:

Smithville Chicken_____ Pan Salmon_____ London Broil_____

Please indicate your seating preference_____

Please send your check payable to "AAUW, Atlantic County"

to Helen Riso, 619 Pitney Rd. Absecon, NJ 08201 (641-7085)

Registration deadline is May 10

Treasurer's Report - Betsy Reed *hbreed@verizon.net*

Balances on hand as of April 1, 2013

Operating Account - Checking - \$3,974.63
Operating Account - Savings - \$6,853.25
Education Account - Checking - \$8,969.39

DUES ARE DUE NOW FOR 2013-2014

Dues are \$69 (\$49 National, \$10 State and \$10 Local) and are payable on line (see below) or by check made out to AAUW and mailed to:

Betsy Reed
82 Marshall Drive
EHT, NJ 08234

Dues can also be paid **online** by going to www.AAUW.org.

Click on Membership, Click on Renew and follow instructions as written.

I am asking that you **pay your dues NOW** while you think about it as we are changing Treasurers this year and early payment would be very helpful. **PLEASE, no later then June15th. AFTER June 28th, send your payments to:**

Diana Intenzo
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Scholarship Committee - Diane Mozzo & Freda Strickler

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In September 2012, our branch contributed \$500.00 to the AAUW general fund supporting all of AAUW's national programs. **On May 20**, at Atlantic Cape Community College, there will be an awards ceremony where AAUW Atlantic County will award a **\$1000 scholarship to a graduating female** who will be completing her baccalaureate degree at a New Jersey college or university. Finally, in June, scholarships in the form of a **\$300 gift card to the bookstore** will be awarded to **eight female high school seniors** from Atlantic County who will be attending Atlantic Cape Community College in the fall. The high schools are Atlantic City, Mainland, Hammonton, Pleasantville, Oakcrest, Egg Harbor Township, Cedar Creek, and Absegami. Mainland's Awards night will be June 18, and the other schools have not sent their dates. **If anyone is interested in presenting at an awards night, let Diane know.**

Final President's Message - Connie Smedley conniesmedley@hotmail.com

Don't cry because it's over...smile because it happened – Anonymous

The last two years have been some of the best of my life because I was fortunate enough to be your President. What a great two year tenure this has been!

Our membership continues to grow because we do great things together and have a wonderful time in the process. We are one of the largest chapters in the State of New Jersey because of our activities.

Our programs have been engaging, enjoyable, and educational. We had two Woman of Distinction programs where we recognized valuable contributors to Atlantic County. Our fundraisers have allowed us to increase scholarship opportunities for women in Atlantic County.

Our special interest and satellite groups including our book and travel clubs, movie/dinner group, Spanish club, and STAR provide a diversity of opportunities to all of our members.

So many people have said to me, "What a great group your AAUW chapter is." And "Isn't it wonderful," I say in response, "because we all work so well together."

Thank you for honoring me with your trust and for supporting everything we have done together over the past two years.

I love you all,
Connie

Welcome to new members:

Susan Wolfe, 200 Arbor Court, Linwood, NJ 08221 609-432-1664 wolfesus@gmail.com
B.F.A. - University of the Arts M.ED. - Tyler College of Art

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Travel Group Carolyn Bassett geoca41@gmail.com

The Travel Group will meet **April 24 at 7 pm at Carolyn Bassett's house** where Pat Yacoville will present an account of staying for a month in Paris in an apartment she and her husband rented two years in a row. Many of us have dreamed of doing something like this: come find out how. Please let Carolyn know if you are planning to come.

Book Group - Mary Lou Breidenstine breidensti@aol.com

Join the Book Group at Terri Dailey's on **May 29 at 7:00** for a discussion of "**The Hunger Games**" by Suzanne Collins. This provocative futuristic novel promises to provide a springboard for a stimulating discussion.

Get a head start on the summer book group by reading "**Barchester Towers**" by Anthony Trollope. This book continues the events began in a short novel named "The Warden." If you have not read "The Warden," you are missing a delightful and still timely story. Dates will follow. All are welcome.

Joint Cape May and Atlantic Branch Luncheon

Careme's - March 27, 2013



Scholarship recipient Zuleika Delgado



The buffet salad line



Gail Zona and Kathy Flynn



**Zuleika Delgado, Karen Weis, Pat Gentile
(Atlantic Cape), and Connie Smedley**

AAUW Woman of Distinction - Peggy Lloyd



Sandy Miller, Peggy Lloyd, Jo Frances Stow



Betty Welch, MaryLou Harvey, Loretta Sheets



Carole Zerbe, Diane Alverson



**Cathy Finnegan, Gail Zona, Connie Smedley,
Jo Frances Stow**



Peggy Lloyd, Bill Scheibel, Carolyn Lloyd

Our Atlantic County Branch AAUW hosted another outstanding event (our 10th) honoring a woman who has contributed to improving lives in Atlantic County. In the case of Peggy Lloyd - it also extends to Ocean City, NJ. Peggy Lloyd's enthusiasm and support of the arts, music and sports includes youth, adults and those with disabilities. This petite and energetic lady of 99 delighted everyone as she spoke of her dedication to educating the next generation.

Special thanks to the Committee of Diane Alverson, Carolyn Bassett, Ann Smith Gray, Anne McLaughlin, Audrey Owen, Helen Riso, Loretta Scheetz, President Connie Smedley, Carol Zerbe and Gail Zona, Chair.

Gail Zona Inducted into ACWHF on March 21, 2013.

Congratulations to Gail Zona who was inducted into the Atlantic County Women's Hall of Fame on March 21, 2013.

The ceremony was held in the ballroom of the Golden Nugget Casino at the Marina. Twenty AAUW members and friends attended to share in acknowledging Gail's achievement and to enjoy the delicious hors d'oeuvres and dinner and the induction activities at the end of the evening.



Henry Zona, Gail Zona, Michael Zona

Gail richly deserved this honor thanks to her involvement in numerous community activities over her lifetime and for the prominent role she played in the creation of STAR (Sisters Together Against Racism), which promotes tolerance and understanding among people of different ethnic and racial backgrounds. STAR grew out of a community outreach program that Gail arranged and conducted on behalf of AAUW, Atlantic County more than a dozen years ago.

With Gail's induction, our branch now has eight members who share the honor of also being members of the ACWHF: Karen Aarons, Lynn Caterson, Deborah Davies, Joanne Drane, Ann Smith Gray, Dianne Lennon, and Helen Walsh. And Tula Chrisopoulos sits as a member of the ACWHF board. Congratulations to all these outstanding women for their service to the community and the betterment of others.

Submitted by Diana Intenzo

S.T.A.R. Sisters Together Against Racism - Gail Zona

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Our next meeting will be at the home of Juanita Habron in Pleasantville on Monday April 22nd at 6:30pm. The subject and discussion will be the book and documentary, "Half the Sky". The lives of women in three different parts of the world (Nigeria, Malaysia and Egypt) will be explored with the focus on how their societies can/will improve the current status of girls and women.

50th College Fair - Gail Davis and Karen Poorman

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The 50th college Fair was held on the campus of ACCC on a Fall Sunday afternoon (1-3) of 2012. Fifty-four colleges attended.

It is always held in conjunction with ACCC's Culinary Institute open house. Karen Poorman and Gail Davis coordinated with Kiwanis and ACCC to host. Kiwanis contacted colleges, received their payment, rented tables and chairs and did signage for those colleges attending. AAUW had a table by the front door with our banner (tho we both felt that AAUW does not explain what are organization is), membership materials and sandwiches. water and snacks in the cafeteria for the college reps. All expenses for both Kiwanis and AAUW were covered giving both organizations some profit..

Kiwanis is a bit uncertain about continuing co- sponsorship as they are exploring merging with another organization and it will not be until early June that they will know if the merger is going through and if the other organization would be willing to continue College Fair sponsorship.

The big question is: If they choose not to continue would AAUW want to do it 'solo'? It has been well received by the public, ACCC, and both Kiwanis and AAUW.

MAY 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4/24 <i>Travel Group</i>			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 <i>Registration deadline: Smithville dinner</i>	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 <i>Dinner @ Smithville</i>	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 <i>Book Group</i>	30	31	

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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