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President's Message

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Back to the future! We're going to reinstate a discussion session at the start of our branch meetings. We had them for years, and now seems to be a good time to reintroduce them.

Prior to the scheduled program, we'll set aside a period of time to discuss relevant branch matters and to open the floor to an exchange of ideas, questions, comments and suggestions from the members. Maybe you have some ideas to share.

For example, there's a suggestion afoot to introduce a new interest group based on the Great Decisions program sponsored by the Foreign Policy Association based in New York and covering timely topics on international issues. Come to the October meeting on Monday, October 19 at the Linwood Library and hear all about it. Perhaps other members have other suggestions. Let's hear about them.

It's an opportunity to keep abreast of branch developments and to share ideas and reactions among the members. Remember, your opinion matters! The Branch belongs to its members.

Important Message: If you have any changes or corrections to your entry in last year's roster please get the information to Barbara Wolnerman or Stella Hordes no later than **September 16**. No changes can be made after that date.

Barbara Phone: 226-8733 Email: blw425@aol.com

Stella Phone: 926-1971 Email: sghordes@aol.com

(All new members' information that was not included in last year's roster will be listed this year.)

The Health Benefits From Yoga October's Program

Kathy Zeigenfus, Program Committee
kzeigenfus@aol.com

Where: Linwood Public Library-Seniors' Room
301 Davis Ave. Linwood

When: Monday, **October 19**, 2015

Time: 7:00 PM

Light Refreshments Served Afterwards

Our October meeting will take place at the Linwood Library at 7:00 PM. It will feature Dr. Robyn Tiger, physician, yoga therapist, and yoga teacher. She will discuss how you can benefit from practicing yoga, regardless of your body type, physical ability, or age.

Come and learn how yoga is defined, the mechanisms by which yoga elevates your health and the research that proves its benefits. Wear comfortable clothing as we may experience breathing techniques, movement, and meditation.

Parking is available in the front of the library and the Seniors' Room is on the left hand side of the building.

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S.O.S. Tech Support Needed

Diana Intenzo diainzo75@comcast.net

Attention all you tech savvy folk out there! The Branch needs some of your expertise in carrying out its functions. We need help in the following areas:

1. Sending out emails to the membership at large concerning timely announcements about branch matters, reminders, and alerts
2. Maintaining the Branch web page.
3. Entering information into the AAUW data base for new members and dues payments.

We really could use your help, so please don't hesitate to step forward. Interested parties please contact Diana Intenzo (diainzo75@comcast.net) or call 609-653-1426.

Membership

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Please welcome our new members:

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Advanced Degrees: Rutgers University NJ MSW

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Stockton University BA Business BA Education
Cert. Reading Recovery NYU; Cert. ESL Georgian Court

A hearty welcome back to former member

Myra Gaynor

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Rider College NJ BS Business Education
Rider College NJ MS Business Education

AAUWNJ Fall Focus Meeting

October 17, 2015: 8:30 am to 2:30 pm
Forsgate Country Club
375 Forsgate Drive, Monroe Twp. NJ 08831

Anyone interested in attending the State AAUW fall meeting, contact:

Susan Buccellato, Program VP
boochohouse@msn.com 732-536-1028

Here's an opportunity to meet other NJ Branch members and discuss pertinent matters related to women's issues.



At the Noyes

COLLEGE CONNECTION
Gail Davis ghdath@comcast.net

With the help of Carolyn Bassett, Mary Rydzewski, Kathy Zeigenfus and me (Gail Davis) we will staff Buccaneer Days at ACCC- Mays Landing on Sept. 15/16 to sign up students for free email AAUW MEMBERSHIPS.

SCHOLARSHIPS

KAREN Poorman and I are inviting all 7 scholarship recipients (2 from Stockton and 5 from ACCC) to our scholarship fundraising luncheon on **November 14** at noon on at Linwood CC. There is an exciting speaker so sign up and come to meet them. Gail Davis and Karen Poorman.

FUNDRAISING BASKET COMMITTEE

Marie Turnbull has everything in order and we are accepting any contributions from YOU OUR MEMBERS at the Sept. 21 meeting at 5pm at Seaview. If you need **solicitation letters** we will have them at Sept and Oct. meetings.

TECH TREK- amazing start this year as an inaugural beginning and we are hopeful for a STATEWIDE CAMP at Stockton next summer. I volunteered for Student Selection for southern NJ. I will be in **need of help** both in contacting schools and interviewing students (families also). Many of us participated in student selection last year and it was a fun process. Of course the 'statewide' effort requires help from other chapters in our state. Our Cape May County sisters helped quite a bit as did many of our members.

**USHERS NEEDED FOR STOCKTON
CHILDREN'S THEATER PERFORMANCES**

Stockton's Children's Theater will have three performances this winter. They are

Nutcracker Education Performance on Friday,
December 11, 2015 at 10:30am

Somers Point Jazz Education Performance
on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 10:30am

Bay-Atlantic Symphony Education Performance on
Tuesday, May 24, 2016 at 10:30am

If you'd like to sign up to usher, please e-mail me at **vickibiron@comcast.net**, or call or text me at 609-703-3788. You will need to arrive by 9:45 AM. When you sign up, you will get a reminder call a few days prior to the performance.

AAUW - Boscov Event Fundraiser
Gail Zona gzona1@comcast.net

EXTRA! EXTRA! Have you purchased tickets (\$5 each) for our Boscov fundraiser on Tuesday, **October 20??**

All this money stays in our branch treasury AND you, family and friends have the opportunity on that day **ONLY** to save 25% on your Boscov purchases. Great gift idea for you and those on your gift list. The over 50 Boscov stores in the NE states will be shopping that day - it makes a nice gift for all friends/family living in these areas too. Call/email Gail Zona (609)641-1986 or gzona1@comcast.net

2015-16 Officers

President:	Diana Intenzo
Programs:	Kathy Zeigenfus (October)
Membership:	Barbara Wolnerman & Marie Turnbull
Treasurer:	Beverly Schechtman
Recording Secretary:	Stephanie Cash
Corresponding Secretary:	Terry Dailey



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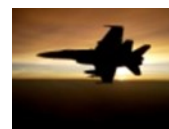
American Association of University Women, Atlantic County Branch

Scholarship Fundraiser

November 14, 2015 12 Noon

Linwood Country Club

Guest Speaker: Commander Corry Juedeman Prestidge Ret.



Commander Prestidge attended Washington State University on a 4 yr ROTC scholarship graduating Cum Laude. She was commissioned an ensign in the US Navy and received flight training in Pensacola, Fla. and Corpus Christi, Tx. She served at air stations in Miramar and Point Mugu in California and completed two deployments to the Arabian Gulf before serving as an Instructor Pilot and Landing Signals Officer. She later served in Atlanta where she deployed numerous times to Central and South America in support of Counter Narcotics Operations. Commander Prestidge was assigned to the Naval War College in Newport, R.I. where she earned a Master of Arts Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies. She served as Commanding Officer of Navy Recruiting District San Antonio before retiring from the Navy in 2014. She holds numerous awards and decorations including the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.



Interest Groups

STAR

Carolyn Bassett geoca41@gmail.com

STAR (Sisters Together Against Racism) will meet at 6:30 on **September 28** in the Allied Health Office at the back of the Mainland Professional Office Park at the corner of Zion and New Road. Joe Wilkins, local author and columnist for "The Current," will speak about his newest book, Kennedy's Recruit, which deals with the Civil Rights Movement, among other things. All are welcome.

Travel Group

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AN EXPLORATION OF GREECE :

Tula Christopoulos and Judy Courter will make a presentation combining two trips to Greece on **October 14** at 7pm at Tula's home in Absecon.

Tula wrote:

We will begin with our 2005 Odyssey, sailing the Ionian Sea and visiting Delphi and Arcadia in the Peloponnesos, and follow up with the Dionysian Wine Society's 2015 wine tasting journey through Athens, Crete, and Santorini.

Doesn't that sound fascinating?

Let Tula know if you plan to come by phone or e-mail: 484-8044 or tegea111@aol.com.

As usual, I am looking for people who have taken interesting trips that would be willing to share their experiences with the group. We have had wonderful programs both with projected pictures and without, so don't feel you can't do a program if you don't have a "slide show." Please give me a call if you have taken a trip others would find interesting.

Book Group

Mary Lou Breidenstine breidensti@aol.com

The Book Group will meet on Wednesday, **September 30 at 7:00** at the home of Mary Lou Breidenstine. Carolyn Bassett will lead a discussion of Flora by Gail Godwin. This coming of age novel should give us lots to talk about. We will choose books for the coming year. If you have suggestions, this is the meeting to share them. New people are always welcome.

Ethnic Cuisines

Phyllis Trackman lptrackman@comcast.net

RAMA THAI October 15 12:30

ENGLISH CREEK SHOPPING CENTER
(AC MOORE/ SHOPRITE)

BLACK HORSE PIKE. EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP

Please email PHYLLIS LPTRACKMAN@COMCAST.NET
by Oct. 9 if you wish to attend.

TRAVELS IN SCOTLAND:

Pam Family and Claire Moyer will give a photographic presentation about their two separate trips to Scotland which included St. Andrews, Edinburgh and Glasgow with emphasis on the world-renowned Victorian architect Rennie Mackintosh. Glasgow is the home of the world's largest concentration of Mackintosh's amazing work in the art nouveau style...incredibly beautiful!

The program will be held on Wednesday, **November 4** at the home of Claire Moyer at 7:00PM. Please let her know by phone (641-8287) or by email (clairekm@mac.com) if you plan to attend.

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.

Title IX-Know the Score

By: Michelle J. Douglass, Esq.



What is Title IX?

Title IX was the first comprehensive federal law to prohibit sex discrimination against students and employees of educational institutions. Title IX benefits both males and females, and is at the heart of efforts to create gender equitable schools. The law requires educational institutions to maintain policies, practices and programs that do not discriminate against anyone based on sex. Under this law, males and females are expected to receive fair and equal treatment in all arenas of public schooling: recruitment, admissions, educational programs and activities, course offerings and access, counseling, financial aid, employment assistance, facilities and housing, health and insurance benefits, marital and parental status, scholarships, sexual harassment, and athletics.

Know the Score: Investigate Title IX Compliance in High School Athletics

How do athletics comply with Title IX?

Title IX requires that schools, which receive federal funding, provide equal opportunities for members of both sexes. It addresses the availability, quality and kind of benefits, and the opportunities and treatment that athletes receive.

Forty years after Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 became law, many high school athletic programs still don't comply with Title IX's requirements, and the number of expensive lawsuits brought against noncompliant schools is growing.

Investigate Sports Equity

You can take an active role in investigating Title IX compliance and equity in athletics by simply observing and documenting teams in your town. You can choose to address all three issues listed below or focus on just one. Similarly, you can choose to investigate all the schools in your district or focus on one school. Remember that schools are covered by Title IX only if they receive federal funding. Some private schools may not be covered.

Investigate the number of girl athletes.

Investigate whether girls have equal access to facilities and equipment.

Investigate whether girls have access to fair scheduling.

Evaluate your findings.

Are girls' and boys' teams treated similarly?

Were there concerns about how girls' teams were treated?

Reach out to friends or neighbors with connections to the school's athletics program. Share your findings with them and suggest that they approach the school's Title IX coordinator

Do You Agree that we should start a **TASK FORCE**?
If so, contact (text or call): Michelle J. Douglass, Esq. at 609-247-3467.

October

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			9/30 Book Group 7pm	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Travel Group 7 pm	15 Ethnic Cuisines 12:30	16	17
18	19 Yoga Program 7pm	20 Boscov's Fundraiser	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	



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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