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# President's Message Linda Harmon linda.harmon@gmail.com Debbie Walker wdeborah538@gmail.com

Thanks to **Gail Vreeland and Lynne Walters** for a very successful **New Member Social on September 13**<sup>th</sup>. The event was very enjoyable and we all learned more about each other. A warm welcome to all of our new members!

The **September 20<sup>th</sup> Welcome Back Dinner** was a resounding success, thanks to the planning of the Program Committee: **Karen Poorman, Diane Koob, Gail Davis, Connie Smedley, Carol Zerbe and Claire Moyer.** We not only were reminded of the many events and activities of our branch, but had the opportunity to learn more about each other! A special thanks to Helen Riso and Lisa Goodwin for making all of the dinner arrangements!

I am very pleased to announce that Arlene Groch, a new member, will be our **Title IX Coordinator and Scholarship Chair**. Arlene, thanks so much for stepping right up! If you are interested in helping Arlene with the work of Title IX, please let her know: <a href="mailto:aggroch@mac.com">aggroch@mac.com</a> or call 609-646-9447.

I hope to see all of you on **October 13<sup>th</sup> Picnic at Birch Grove Park for a pot luck luncheon.** Details are in the newsletter.

Please sign up for our November 3<sup>rd</sup> Fundraiser ASAP. The information is in this newsletter. This is our big fundraiser for scholarships for our local colleges. We welcome guests and potential new members. Reservations must be made ahead!

If you have not visited www.aauw.org/ recently, it is worthwhile reading. In addition, if you do not take part in the "**Two Minute Activist**", do take a moment to sign up: <a href="https://www.aauw.org/what-wedo/public-policy/two-minute-activist/">https://www.aauw.org/what-wedo/public-policy/two-minute-activist/</a> The Two Minute Activist makes it simple to let your Senators and Representatives know how you feel about issues affecting women today. Let your voice be heard!

Enjoy the cooler weather!

Program Karen Poorman karenpoormansjawe@gmail.com

Committee: Carol Zerbe, Diane Koob, Connie Smedley, Claire Moyer, Gail Davis

On Saturday, October 13, we will hold a picnic at Birch Grove Park in Northfield at 1:00. There is a pavilion that we can use for inclement weather. The event will be college themed. Congratulations if you still have your college t-shirts, hoodies and sweatshirts and can fit into them. The rest of us can

go on line to our college stores and order them. Mine cost less now than they did when I was in college (I bought an under grad hoodie and a grad school t-shirt). I am ready! Bring a lawn chair if you can't sit on a bench and a potluck food. The speaker will discuss human trafficking and active self-defense for women.

E-mail <u>karenpoormansjawe@gmail.com</u> if you did not register for the picnic at the September dinner. There will be a \$10 fee paid at the time of the picnic to be used toward expenses and scholarships.

Saturday, November 3, will be the Fundraiser at the Linwood Country Club (form below) at noon, lunch 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 1, will be the holiday get-together, noon, at the Northfield Library. There will be a \$10 fee to be used toward expenses and scholarships.

Tuesday, December 11, is the **Longwood Gardens trip** leaving at 1:30 p.m. from the Shore Mall and returning at 9:00 p.m. **There are seats available.** Contact Karen Poorman at the e-mail address above if you have not already registered, to check on availability. Those who have registered should send their check to Beverly Schechtman, 100S Berkley Square, Unit 9G, Atlantic City, NJ 08401 as soon as possible. If necessary, we will compile a waiting list if the bus fills. I must have the name, cell phone and e-mail of everyone who is going to be on the bus (Not simply "Judi's sister") for emergency contact purposes. **If you are eating in the 1906 restaurant, you must make your dinner reservations now.** We plan to be in the gardens between 3:30 p.m. and will leave at 7:30 p.m. You can make reservations through <u>opentable.com</u>. You can also eat at the Cafe', but it may be crowded.

#### **STEM Gail Davis** gddath@comcast.net

We will be beginning our request for Teacher nominations of students for Tech Trek 2019 by the end of October.

Next up is TWEEN TECH scheduled for Wednesday, January 4 from 8:15 - 2:30 (snow date Jan.7) at Stockton university. We need at least 20 volunteers to lead 6th - 8th grade girls to their workshops in the a.m. and p.m. Lunch is provided as are the workshop banners to lead your group. It is fun, not taxing and I know I have learned something each time. There may be an 'orientation meeting' ahead of the date just to acquaint volunteers with the logistics of leading students to their workshop. Please contact me, ghdath@comcast.net or call 1-609-513-6281 and let me know if we can count on you.

### Fundraiser Carol Zerbe czpaints@Verizon.net Gail Davis ghdath@comcast.net

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend our "Early Hollywood Pioneer Women" themed scholarship fundraiser on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. It will be held at the Linwood Country Club. It's going to be fun, informative and with the usual baskets and items to win.

Remember to contact Gail or Carol with your basket items and if you want to help with Centerpieces.

See the Fundraiser information and Reservation Form below.

## **AAUW FUNDRAISER**

Saturday, November 3, Linwood Country Club

#### Featured speaker - Sharon Harris-Zlotnick

TOPIC: EARLY HOLLYWOOD PIONEER WOMEN ----Who were they?

When people think about the early days of Hollywood, they often remember the moguls who founded several iconic movie studios. But, what about the women who forged their own paths and whose influences are still felt today? Their presence and perseverance made a difference.

Whether in front of or behind the cameras, women have played a central role in the Hollywood success story. This presentation will introduce groundbreaking women, many familiar to millions, whose actions and grit changed the industry and society.

Sharon Harris-Zlotnick has been an Atlantic County freelance journalist since 2000. For 25 years, she has written for multiple American and international business magazines, concentrating primarily on the casino and arcade industries.

Sharon has also written thousands of consumer feature stories/columns for numerous weekly and monthly publications. She has interviewed all types of people, from entertainers to government officials and corporate executives to everyday business people and citizens. Many of you will remember her from the FELS course "Hooray for Hollywood" which examines different film themes through the years.

Date Saturday, November 3, 2018. Where: Linwood Country Club. Social Noon Lunch 1 p.m. Price: \$45

# Menu Choices: Roasted Chicken Breast OR Broiled Salmon OR Pasta Primavera

Deadline for reservation October 25, 2018	
Please return the reservation form together with your check for \$45 made out to AAUW. Send to Helen Riso 619 Pitney Road, Absecon NJ 08201	
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RESERVATION FOR THE NOVEMBER 3RD AAUW FUNDRAISER	
Name	. Phone Number
Menu Choice	
Due October 25 <sup>th</sup> . To:Helen Riso. 619 Pitne	ey Road, Absecon MJ 08201

#### **INTEREST GROUPS**

### Conversational Spanish Jeannette Flax jcflax@yahoo.com

Would you like to practice speaking Spanish? Join our conversation group, which meets every Monday that the library is open from 4:15 to 6:00 at the Otto Bruyns Library, 241 Mill Road, Northfield. Please note that we will not meet on Monday, October 8 because the library will be closed for Columbus Day. For more information, please call Jeannette Flax (609) 653-6177.

#### Stockton Children's Theater Vicki Biron vickibiron@comcast.net

Here are the dates for the Stockton's Children's Theater. If you would like to volunteer to usher, please email me at vickibiron@comcast.net or text me at 609-703-3788. Volunteers need to be at the PAC at Stockton by 9:45 AM. Park in lot 6. I will remind you a few days prior to the show.

1.Friday, November 2,2018 at 10:30am

2.Friday, December 7, 2018 at 10:30am

3. Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at 10:30am

4. Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 10:30am

5. Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 10:30am

Thanks for your help. Enjoy!

Creole for Kidz featuring Terrance Simien

The Nutcracker

The Franklin Institute, The Human Body

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The Bay Atlantic Symphony Education Concert

#### Book Group Mary Lou Breidenstine breidensti@aol.com

The Book Group will meet on Wednesday, October 3 in the downstairs area of the Linwood Library at 7:00. The front door will be locked at eight. If you plan to arrive late let me know and I will open the door. The book for the evening is "A Piece of the World: a Novel" by Christina Baker Kiine. Gail Zona will lead us. Be sure to bring your suggestions for the coming year as all scheduling will be done then. All are welcome. Please send me your email address if you are not on my email list and wish to be included in the book club.

# Ethnic Lunch Group Ann-Maria Guevara amguevara@comcast.net Gretchen Braunwarth gretchenb66@gmail.com

Our inaugural luncheon will be held at **FUSION PLATE**, 947 Asbury Ave., Ocean City, on Wednesday, Oct. 17 at **noon**. Fusion Plate offers "iconic dishes from China, Cambodia and Thailand" and features such favorites as Lettuce Wraps, PHO (flavor-packed Vietnamese soup), Pad Thai (stir fried noodles), Banh Mi (pork and Asian vegetable sandwich) and Clay Pot Fish (fish baked in a sweet-savory mahogany sauce) **HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US!** Please email Ann-Maria Guevara (amguevara@comcast.net) no later than **Monday**, **Oct.15** if you plan on joining us.

### Travel Group Carolyn Bassett geoca41@gmail.com

**RETRACING THE STEPS OF LEWIS AND CLARK** will be the topic on October 17 for the Travel Group. Gail Zona and her husband took a steamboat ride on the Snake and Columbia Rivers ending at the Pacific Ocean, just as Lewis and Clark did. Gail will be sharing their adventure and telling us about some of the history they experienced on this fascinating trip. Place: Linwood Library at 305 Davis Ave.

A large group enjoyed Bonnie Warwick's presentation on Laos, Cambodia, Thailand and Vietnam. Next up: Debbie Walker will present her trip to the Northern Rockies National Parks.

#### DATES TO REMEMBER THIS MONTH:

October 3 Book Club Group 7 p.m.

October 13 Branch Meeting Birch Grove Park 1 p.m.

October 17 Ethnic Lunch Group 12:00 noon

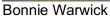
October 17 Travel Group 7 p.m.

October 26 Board Meeting 5:30 p.m.

#### PHOTO ALBUM

#### **Travel Group**







Diana Intenza and Gail Zona



Members

#### Great Discussions summer reunion at Arlene Groch's home



Arlene Groch, Lynne Walters, Diane Koob, Claire Moyer, Diana Intenzo, Pam Family, Michelle Bucci, Lori Golden, Carolyn & George Bassett, David Golden.

## September 20 Welcome Back Dinner









Gretchen Braunwarth, Ann-Marie Guevara Ann Marchesani & robot Lisa Godwin Helen Riso Karen Weis