



# **PROMOTING WOMEN'S EQUITY THROUGH EDUCATION FOR OVER 100 YEARS**

# Welcome Summer

# **Presidents' Message**

Dear AAUW Members:

This is our final newsletter submission of 2023-2024, and we cannot believe how quickly this year has passed. We won't review all the programs and activities that occurred as you will read the reports from the leaders of each group. We do want to acknowledge the work of the elected and appointed officers as well as the many volunteers who have demonstrated their dedication to the AAUW vision.

Please join us in thanking the following officers who spent hours making sure that our chapter remains the largest and most viable in the state.

Shelley Cohen, Programming VP, Kris Baker, Membership VP, Finance officer, Lois Fried, Board Secretary, Joan Leavy, Community Partnerships, Virginia Rettig, Scholarship Officer, Karen Poorman, STEM Officer, Theresa Basquez, Treasurer, Linda Karp, Diversity Officer, Sharone Brown-Jackson, Fundraising Officer, Kathy Zeigenfus, Public Information Officer, Pam Tyson, Public Policy Officer, Arlene Groch, Events Coordinator, Lisa Goodwin, and Newsletter Editor, Anne Carson.

In addition, thank you to the Atlantic Women's Charitable Organization (AWCO), led by Dr. Claudine Keenan, president, for supporting AAUW's mission and vision. The purpose of AWCO is to support AAUW Atlantic County Branch's scholarships and educational programs that embody the AAUW mission, and which support similar non-profit entities whose which mission is the same.

Together, we are making a difference by providing access to education for women pursuing their education at either Stockton University or Atlantic Cape Community College who may not have been able to do so. Our work together is impactful! We are proud of our efforts.

Enriching and enhancing the opportunities afforded to our members are realized through our interest groups. Please accept our gratitude on behalf of AAUW to Jeanmarie Mason, Kris Baker, Valerie Koob, MaryLou Breidenstine, Gretchen Braunwrath, Ann-Maria Guevara, Carolyn Bassett, Aida Colon, Theresa Sartorio, Lynne Walters, and Jeannette Flax.

It is with pleasure that we announce the slate of officers for 2024-2025. Thanks to Linda Karp for heading the nominating committee and to Jackie Shelley-Tasoff who helped to fill the vacant positions on the board. This slate was voted into their positions during a special meeting held on May 2.

• Membership Vice President Shelly Meyers 2024-2026

٠	Finance Officer	Jackie Shelley-Tasoff	2024-2026
٠	Board Secretary	Priscilla Gay Laubert	2024-2026
•	Community Partnerships	Nicola Tasoff	2024-2026
•	Scholarship Officer	Lois Freid	2024-2026
•	STEM Officer	Theresa Basquez	2024-2026
•	Treasurer	Linda Karp	2024-2026

Members of Atlantic County AAUW have assumed state-wide roles which are:

AAUW Funds Director-Virginia Rettig,

State of NJ STEM Director-Theresa Basquez, and

Member of the Nominating Committee of the Southern NJ District-Jackie Shelley Tasoff

We encourage all AAUW members to join committees and be a presence in the many programs and activities we offer.

In closing, thank you all for stepping up to assume leadership responsibilities in AAUW. We are proud to be on your team.

Warmest regards always

Shelly Meyers, Co-President of Atlantic County Chapter of AAUW Jean McAlister, Co-President of Atlantic County Chapter of AAUW

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# **Program Vice President**

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Please join us for our **Annual Installation** of **Officers** plus a presentation of:

# Gardening in South Jersey

George Bassett, Rutgers Extension Services Master Gardener, will discuss plants & flowers native to our area and offer tips on how to create and sustain beautiful gardens.

Monday May 20, 2024 • 7pm Linwood Library 301 Davis Ave, Linwood, NJ 08221

Dessert will follow the presentation RSVP Please- by May 15th: This is a FREE Event, but we need a head count for dessert. Linda Karp: lindakarp@gmail.com • (609) 432-4670 Bring a friend to learn about AAUW and the great programs we offer.



The Planning Committee met via Zoom in April to discuss the topic for our May branch meeting to be held on Monday, May 20th at 7pm in the Linwood Public Library. The day of the program was selected due to room availability. We will begin with the installation of branch officers for 2024-2025. Our committee opted for a program on Gardening that will include discussion of plants and flowers native to southern New Jersey. The presenters will be local Master Gardeners including George Bassett. Come prepared to ask questions on how to grow and maintain successful gardens. After the presentation,

there will be special desserts set out for attendees. This program is free, but please RSVP by May 15th to Linda Karp so she'll know how many goodies to order.

This will be our last meeting until September. Our committee will meet during the summer to map out next year's programming starting with a welcome back branch meeting in September. I want to thank all the creative worker bees in our committee who pitched in to make April's AAUW Woman of Distinction program a success. We always welcome new members to the planning committee so please contact me if you want to join us.

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Congratulations to our chapter for having the most members (127) in New Jersey. We have had this honor for a few years now. Due to our STEM programs, interest groups and thought-provoking programs we continue to advance AAUW's mission. Please welcome the following new members.

Annette Basile-Borgia of North Cape May Nancy Kahane of Ventnor Sheryl Coleman of Cape May Court House Harriet Walcott of Cape May Court House Nancy Jarrin of Egg Harbor Township Janine McGuire of Somers Point Beth Poinsett of Ocean City Christine Gaudry of North Cape May Marcia Shomo of Linwood

Recently I learned of the passing of two of our members.



Barbara Heinrichs of North Cape May was a joint member and a valued part of the Cape May Branch Officers. She has been a member since December 2004. Her obituary can be found <u>here</u>.

Gene Goudreau of Linwood. Gene's obituary can be found <u>here</u> and her involvement with our organization is mentioned with a note that she worked on the scholarship fund. She was a lifetime member, having joined AAUW on July 1, 1948!!!



It is important to check over the membership list to see if your information is up to date. If not, go to the AAUW National site and enter the correct information.

Lastly, you have received several emails on voting in regard to the requirements for joining AAUW. This is a very important issue as it will determine the future of AAUW. Let your feelings be known. VOTE!

# **Scholarship Officer**

Karen Poorman

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For over a decade, with only a brief hiatus of two years, I have had the privilege of overseeing the distribution of our scholarships. Initially, I shared this responsibility with Gail Davis, and in more recent years, I've collaborated with a dedicated group of members to determine both individual and institution recipients, amounts, and terms of the scholarships.

Being involved in this process has been immensely rewarding. I've had the opportunity to meet many of the recipients in person and have been deeply moved by the heartfelt "thank you" letters we've received from them. Witnessing the impact of our branch's generosity first-hand has been truly humbling.

While my tenure may have concluded, I am confident that the Atlantic County branch of AAUW will continue its unwavering commitment to providing financial support for women pursuing education in various disciplines. The importance of this mission cannot be overstated, and I have full faith in the dedication and passion of our branch members to uphold and further this cause.

I am immensely proud of the work we have accomplished together, and I look forward to witnessing the continued impact of our efforts in empowering women through education. Thank you for allowing me to be part of this journey.

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Tutors for Educational Equity

We are still awaiting guidance on how the new State law allowing alternate-route teachers to forego Praxis Core test-taking will be applied. Many potential clients have put testing on hold until we know more, but as we progress towards the next teaching year, we expect increased interest in tutoring.

Theresa Basquez

### **STEM Officer**

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**TEENTECH** is coming to Atlantic Cape Community College on May 10<sup>th</sup>! This one-day workshop for middle-school girls stimulates the mind – two STEM workshops and a keynote address by Virginia Rettig, Manager of the Edwin B Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge (and an AAUW member). The body is sustained with breakfast and lunch. Many

thanks to the volunteers whose support makes this event possible: Kristina Baker, Theresa Basquez, Terry Dailey, Jeannette Flax, Kathy Ghanavati, Gay Laubert, Joan Vicari and Kathy Zeigenfus.

Speaking of volunteers, please let me know if you can volunteer at **TECH TREK** – the week-long STEM camp for rising eighth grade girls held at Stockton University July 21-27, 2024. You can volunteer for any amount of time – a few hours, a day or two, or all week. Volunteers will chaperone the girls throughout the day, starting with breakfast and a core morning class. After lunch, there are various workshops illustrating that scientific activity is interesting, challenging and fun – and opens a window to the many types of career options that are available. See the website at <a href="https://techtrek-nj.aauw.net/">https://techtrek-nj.aauw.net/</a>

Email me at tbasquez\_86@hotmail.com if you'd like to volunteer.

# **Diversity Officer**

Sharone Brown-Jackson

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Kudos to AAUW – Atlantic County Branch – for the fine support and turnout at the African-American Heritage Museum of Southern New Jersey (AAHMSNJ) on Saturday, March 23 (my Birthday!) to learn about Madame Sarah Spencer Washington; special thanks for my

favorite food – subs! Plus I enjoyed the lovely program honoring Dr. Claudine Keenan for her tireless work in leading the AAUW S.T.E.M. program at the Woman of Distinction Award Luncheon on Saturday, April 6!!

The month of May is underscored by Teacher Appreciation Day on Tuesday, May 7 (Teacher Appreciation Week 5/6-10/2024) and many AAUW members are teachers so please celebrate yourself or thank a Teacher by treating them to a meal – lunch or dinner! I attended an AAUW Executive Board meeting and requested that members share their credentials/experience and it was amazing wherein many members paved the way for women to succeed in terms of diversity and inclusion!! And don't forget that Thursday, June 6 is National Higher Education Day. Juneteenth is Wednesday, June 19; it marks the end of slavery in the United States...

We also want to thank Charles Schultz for listening to a teacher – Harriet Glickman – who requested that Mr. Schultz add a Black character named Franklin to his popular Peanuts comic strip on July 31, 1968.

And keep in mind, that Diversity is not the same as Inclusion. Diversity invites people to the table but Inclusion is hearing your voice while you're at the table!!!



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#### IS AAUW Non-Partisan? Yes. Impotent in electoral politics? NO!

AAUW is an important national, state and local partner in the fight for equity, justice, and democracy. But how, as a non-partisan organization, do we impact these goals in a political world? We do it by fighting for and voting to elect political leaders who are "(...) as devoted as we are to affirming the Equal Rights Amendment into the Constitution, strengthening and improving Title IX to remove bias and harassment from education, and advancing women in leadership so our voices can no longer be ignored." (Emphasis mine) Gloria, L Blackwell, AAUW chief executive officer

Here's how to elect political representatives who will support AAUW's goals:

- 1. Review the AAUW goals listed by Ms. Blackwell on National site, plus others you may feel strongly about such as reproductive freedom. <u>Link</u>
- 2. Research on *Balotopedia.org* and other trustworthy sources for the names, voting records, websites, public statements, etc. of all 2024 candidates for governor, senator, and congressional representative.
- 3. Take a deeper drive into the records and positions of two of the District2 candidates for NJ Representative: (Jeff Van Drew (R Incumbent) and Tim Alexander (D Challenger endorsed by the Atlantic County Democratic Convention). Then dig deeper until you reach the voting history of Jeffrey Van Drew and the issues and bio of Tim Alexander, Esq.
- 4. If you are registered as a Republican or Democrat, select your preferred party candidate and *vote* for him or her in your party's Primary Election on June 3rd.
- 5. If you are not yet registered to vote, please do so now!
- *6.* If you are registered to vote but not as a Republican or Democrat, plan to vote in the November 5th general election.
- 7. If you prefer to vote by mail-in ballot, check (and update if necessary) the status of your ballot at <u>https://www.nj.gov/state/elections/vote-track-my-ballot.shtml</u>
- 8. <u>Please</u> let me know your response to this message by sending me an email.

#### **Fundraiser Officer**

Kathy Zeigenfus

Though our main fundraiser for Scholarship and STEM is seven months away, we have already been planning to make it an event to remember. It would be difficult to top our luncheon with songstress, Gina Roche, but we will try.

We will be receiving the Boscov's Friends Helping Friends coupons in the summer and I will make them available to you as soon as possible. It's hard to believe, but we earned \$500.00, with your generosity, on this project.





How many gardeners do we have in our membership? I have a wonderful fundraiser with Dutch Flower Bulbs with which we earn 50% of the proceeds. I will get the information out to you as soon as the flyer for fall bulbs is available. These make great gifts for Father's Day and summer birthdays.

Wishing you all a lovely spring and a relaxing summer. Carol Zerbe will be joining me as Co-chair of the Fundraising Committee, I am happy to report. Her creative ideas, artistic sense, and willingness to work hard make her a perfect choice.

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In our quest to find new members and attract younger professional women, it would be a great idea for our members to join LinkedIn. It is an effective social networking platform. First you have to join LinkedIn with an email and password – linkedin.com. Then you may set up your personal profile which may include a photo, how you want your name to appear,

organizations you belong to, universities you attended, and your professional life. Once you have an account, search for AAUW-Atlantic County NJ. If you are having a problem following our LinkedIn page, email me how your profile name is listed and I can try to search to add you as a follower. Email pamtyson@herocampaign.org. Once you join, you can begin to like our posts and invite other non-Atlantic County AAUW members to follow us and hopefully become members.

# **Items of Special Interest**

Tech Trek professional women night.





Virginia Rettig has spearheaded the **Professional Women's** night for STEM Camp for many years. She is looking for a co-leader to help with this task for the upcoming program. The event is on July 25. She states the commitment doesn't take much but she does need someone else to help support this important and unique event.

Please contact Virginia directly at rettigva@yahoo.com for more information.





Successful Aging Festival Wednesday May 15, 2024

Join Kristina Baker and Anne Carson at the Stockton Center on Successful Aging event where they are presenting the benefits of "**Getting out Exploring: Things to Do and See in South Jersey.**" Kris will be sharing information on the various places in South Jersey that the Explorer's Group has visited.

We are asking for your support at this event, as it is an opportunity for us to share the many benefits of joining our organization! Please register using this <u>link</u> and see the flyer on the following page.

# **Save The Date!** SUCCESSFUL AGING FESTIVAL

# WEDNESDAY MAY 15, 2024

# 9:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Stockton University Campus Center 101 Vera King Farris Drive Galloway, NJ





Join us for an engaging day of connecting, creating friendships, meeting people from local resources and shopping our Arts Marketplace!

# **Free Admission!**

Help commemorate SCOSA founding director Dave Burdick's contributions & 40+ year Stockton career as he retires in June 2024.

Scan QR code or visit www.stockton.edu/scosa for Festival Registration & Lunch Choice!







#### Lectures, Exhibits, Arts, and More!

#### Keynote Lecture:

Paul W. Bohn, Ph.D. University of Notre Dame The Future of Personalized Healthcare through Precision Medicine

#### **Festival Sessions:**

Smart Devices, Apps, and AI (Dr. Helen Wei)

How old is your brain? Using EEG and MRI to estimate brain health (Dr. Jessica Fleck)

The 4M's of Age-Friendly Health Care (Dr. Dave Burdick)

Multicultural Wheel of Wellness (Dr. Christine Gayda & Service Learning Students)

Health, Healing, & Spirituality (Dr. Guia Calicdan-Apostle)

Baby Step into the Blue Zones (Peppy Margolis)

Music by Pan Gravy

Miss Lois & the Silver Dancers

Chair Yoga

Getting out Exploring: Things to Do and See in South Jersey

> rered by Connection Contest Entries

Public Q&A: Atlantic County Area Agency on Aging 2025-2027 Area Plan of Aging Services

Marketplace:

Tom Lubben- Author

Twist of Life (Natural Creations)

Cathleen Engelsen Historical Paintings

South Jersey Culture & History Center

SCOSA Writers Bookshop

Mary Blakeslee, Janet Bodoff, Janet Reilly, Lucy Jerue

Stockton Maple Project The Bauble Nook- Dolores Ogara

SEE WEBSITE FOR FREQUENT UPDATES & ADDITIONAL DETAILS!

# **INTEREST GROUPS**

#### Documentary/Short Film Group Jean Mason

SCENE TAKEAL ROLL

We will meet once again in May and June at the Linwood Library for the first Monday of the month at 1:00 PM. We will resume in October 2024 since the first Monday of September is Labor Day. Please let me know of any Short Films/Documentaries that you would like to see. I am happy for any requests.

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MONDAY, MAY 6TH- 1:00 PM- SLAVE SONGBOOK : ORIGIN OF THE NEGRO SPIRITUAL

"Excerpt from PBS documentary History Detectives Slave Songbook tracing the development of Negro Spirituals and cultural connections to Africa."

We will also listen to some of the songs! Link: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8zeshN\_ummU</u>

**Monday, June 3th- 1:00 PM "The Last Repair Shop"**- Winner of the documentary short category at the 2024 Academy Awards. Watch the Trailer: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q5dWYOP\_T9Q</u>

"L.A. Times Short Docs & Searchlight Pictures In a nondescript warehouse in the heart of Los Angeles, a dwindling handful of devoted craftspeople maintain over 80,000 student musical instruments, the largest remaining workshop in America of its kind. Meet four unforgettable characters whose broken-and-repaired lives have been dedicated to bringing so much more than music to the schoolchildren of the recording capital of the world. Watch "The Last Repair Shop," directed by Ben Proudfoot and Kris Bowers."

We hope to see you there! Jean Mason, 610-761-3106, jeanmariemason 54@gmail.com

Explorers Group	Kristina Baker	kristinabaker2014@gmail.com

On March 8 we met at the Linwood Library and were given a presentation by Lin Conover of Wood Song Mushrooms Cape May County. She explained the growing process for such mushrooms as King Trumpets and Lion's Mane etc. Samples were brought so we could see the mushrooms and were given suggestions on how to cook them along with storing.

Virginia Rettig sharing information about the Refuge with the Explorers group



In April we visited the Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge in Oceanview. We were given an overview of the refuge, its mission, challenges for the future and some interesting facts on the birds/wildlife who visit this land. Our presenter was our member Virginia Rettig, Refuge Manager. We walked a block to see the birds and bay along with the Atlantic City skyline. **Upcoming Explorer Events** 

#### Date: Friday May 10 Time: 1:45 pm

Place: Walter E. Edge Hall, Atlantic Cape Community College 5100 Black Horse Pike, Mays Landing 08330 Parking: P2 or P5 nearest Jonathan Pitney Hall: or P3 behind Walter E. Edge Hall - enter building from the rear Presenter: Jean McAlister, Chief of Staff, Chief Advancement Officer

Program: Behind the scenes tour of ACCC most popular programs/buildings including culinary arts kitchens, nursing lab with more than \$2 million in equipment, STEM-aviation, air traffic control simulator and drones and the newest innovation center

Length: 45 minutes Cost: Free RSVP: required Special thank you to Theresa Basquez and Jean McAlister in their help in arranging this tour

#### Date: Friday June 14 Time: 1:30

Place: Reed's Organic Farm and Animal Rescue 5075 Spruce Ave. Egg Harbor Township 08234 Parking: next to the farm

Program: Learn about the behind the scenes challenges in continuing with the mission of addressing food insecurity and focus on individuals with cognitive disabilities. For those interested a tour of the grounds will be offered after the presentation

Cost: Free

There is a commercial kitchen in the barn (welcome to come early for lunch - please arrange on your own) and areas of merchandise and foods for sale

Length: 45 minutes RSVP: required Special thank you to Joan Vicari for her help in arranging this tour

Please RSVP to the above programs, or if you have questions or concerns to kristinabaker2014@gmail.com or 609-602-4467.

# Bon Appetit (NEW!)

Kristina Baker

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This new interest group met for the second time on March 27 at Anne Carson's house where she showed us how to bake homemade bread and make eggplant involtini. Members who attended were given a sample of the foods to taste and the recipes if we wanted to cook them at home. So yummy.



#### Upcoming:

Date: Wednesday May 22 Time: 1:30

Place: Linda Karp's House (236 Cambridge Ave. Linwood)

Program: Patricia Peiffer (guest member) will be cooking two simple vegan dishes

Cost: \$5 at the door

Length: 60 minutes to 75 minutes

Special Request: do not just appear at Linda's door, RSVP please so Pat can judge how much food to make

Joining this interest group: the number of members who can attend is limited (presently have opening for 5 new members) so if you want to be a member and receive updates over the summer, contact Kris Baker either by email Kristinabaker2014@gmail.com or phone at 609-602-4467

The Salon Group Valerie Koob	vkoob@aol.com
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The Salon discussion group is on hiatus from March through May and will resume meeting in June. We meet monthly to discuss a timely issue or a philosophical question. A facilitator chooses the topic and prepares questions to pose at the meeting. There are no right or wrong answers, and we are not searching for a consensus. The discussion is the point!

This past year, our topics included: How to Find Happiness, Trends in US Education, Homelessness, Banned Books, Religion in Society, Trans Girls in Sports, The Pros and Cons of Artificial Intelligence, and Recent Supreme Court Decisions.

You can find us at the Margate Library, from 2:30-3:30, on the second Monday of each month. Our next meeting will be on Monday June 10th. If you want to join the Salon group, or just learn more about it, please email me at VKoob@aol.com.

# **Great Decisions Group**

Lynne Walters

Valerie Koob at the Great Decisions course leading a discussion on the Middle East with the help of her son Jake in UAE



This year the Great Decisions group met over the months of March, April and May to discuss various global issues. We met on Mondays in the Margate Library. If you are interested in joining next year to discuss issues that impact the world, this program is for you! We read a chapter in our Great Decisions book, see a film on that topic, then spend the rest of the session discussing it. We generally reserve a spot in the program in February with an announcement in this newsletter. Please send me an email to be included in the annoucments.

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#### **Book Group**

Thanks so much to Shelley Cohen for leading an excellent discussion of Tom Lake. We had a great turnout and participation.



Next month's book is The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down by Ann Fadiman. This non-fiction book is a fascinating account of the clash of cultures between a family of the Hmong tradition and an American hospital. Allison will lead us on Friday, May 3.

The final selection for this season is An Officer and a Spy by Robert Harris.

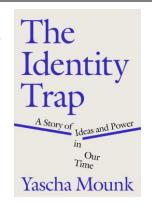
If you are interested in details, please email me to be added to our list.

# For A More Equal Society

Carolyn Bassett

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For a More Equal Society, a discussion group about issues of equity, will continue to meet through the summer on ZOOM on the second Thursday of the month at 1pm. The next meeting will be Thursday, May 9. We are reading and discussing The Identity Trap by Yascha Mounk. For our next discussion, read part III Chapters 8/9/and 10 pages 129 to 182. Please email me to be included in annoucements on our upcoming sessions.



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**Conversational Spanish** 

Jeannette Flax

Our group held its first in-person meeting since the pandemic began. Twelve members enjoyed dinner at a Mexican restaurant, surprising fellow diners who heard us speaking their language. We know that a two or three month pause is not helpful for retaining fluency, so we will continue to meet Monday afternoons ( as we have since 2007!) from 4:00 to 6:00 all summer. If you would like to join us, please contact me (609)653-6177. Everyone is welcome!

# Ethnic Cuisines

Ann-Maria Guevara Gretchen Braunwrath amguevara@comcast.net gretchenb66@gmail.com



Happy Spring, Ethnic Lunchers! Our May lunch will take place on THURSDAY, MAY 16 at 12:30 p.m. This time we'll be going to CHINA SEA IN ABSECON. Here is the website: <u>https://www.chinaseaofabsecon.com/</u>. Please RSVP to Gretchen or me. Hope to see you there!

### Stockton Theater Ushers Group Theresa Sartorio

Volunteers are needed for the Stockton Children's Theater. Summer programs are planned, but no details are available at this time.

If you can volunteer between the hours of 9:45 to noon, please call or email Theresa at 609 965-9521 or theresasartorio@comcast.net for details.

Travel Group	Carolyn Bassett	geoca41@gmail.com

The Travel Group meets the second Wednesday of the month at 1pm on ZOOM. We have meetings in May and June, but we will take a break over the summer. Saskiatheir trip in an Airstream wit Travel Group:Schmidt and Brian Stein gave a very interesting program on h their dog to the Maritime Provinces in April. Coming up:

- AIKEN, SOUTH CAROLINA Ann Carson had a short visit to Aiken and had an opportunity to learn about this charming southern town. She will share information about local attractions and some history of this area. Wednesday May 8 at 1pm
- A Trip to Uzbekistan Theresa Basquez went to this Central Asian nation and former Soviet republic, known for sites linked to the Silk Road, the ancient trade route between China and the Mediterranean, and its mosques and mausoleums. Khiva, Bukhara and Samarkand, once khanates (typically nomadic Turkic, Mongol and Tatar societies located on the Eurasian Steppe) are cities on the route. She will share her trip with us on Wednesday, June 12 at 1pm.

Please let Carolyn know if you have a travel experience you would like to share with the group. Also, if you are not already on the list I send notifications to and would like to be added, let me know.

Programs and Board Meetings			
May 15	9 am – 3:30 pm Stockton	SCOSA Successful Aging Festival Explorer's Club presentation	Kris Baker
May 20	7 pm Linwood Library	Monthly Program & Installation of Officers	Shelley Cohen
	Keep up to date with	Interest Group Summer Events by emailing th	e program leader!

# Information on the dates, times and event details for Interest Groups can be found in the sections above or by contacting the Interest Group Leader directly.



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