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#### AAUW GREATER WAYNE AREA BRANCH PURPOSE

The purpose of this branch shall be to further AAUW's mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

#### FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS' DESK...



Dear GWA Branch Members,

We are in the home stretch of the 2015-2016 year, and what a year it has been! By now you all have received a copy of the GWA Annual Report and can all be proud of the accomplishments and activities of our branch. In the past two months alone we celebrated Women's History Month, donated unused business attire to the One Step Program in Paterson, attended the AAUW-NJ Annual Meeting, hosted our first Cocktails & Convo and held our annual meeting at Passaic County Technical Institute.



L to R: Dorothy Quinn, NJ Assemblywoman Valerie Venieri Huddle, Lorraine LaShell, Judy Shivy at the AAUWNJ Annual Meeting on April 9 at Forsgate Country Club in Monroe Township. Thank you to everyone who donated items to the GWA raffle basket and thanks to Soad Abdelnabi for creatively assembling the basket.



In March, we celebrated Women's History Month with a program about Georgia O'Keefe presented by GWA member, Marilyn Fish.



Above: Members of GWA and the community enjoyed our first Cocktails & Convo on April 12, Equal Pay Day, at Lakeside Restaurant in Wayne.

There was lively conversation along with special cocktails and an equal pay day cake.



On April 19 our branch held its annual meeting at Passaic County Technical Institute.



Members with head chef and assistants. Following the business portion of the meeting, we enjoyed a delicious lunch prepared and served by the PCTI award-winning culinary students.

#### **PUBLIC POLICY**

#### **Beth Marmolejos**

#### WHAT WE CAN DO TO FIGHT FOR EQUAL PAY

Last month we hosted a Cocktails & Conversation on April 12, Equal Pay Day. As a follow up, we encourage all members to take action to support equal pay for women.



#### TELL CONGRESS TO PASS THE PAYCHECK FAIRNESS ACT!

**Sen. Bob Menendez** 202) 224-3224 **Sen. Cory Booker** (202) 225-5034

Go to http://www.house.gov/representatives/find/ to find your member of the House of Representatives.

#### TELL GOV. CHRISTIE TO SIGN THE EQUAL PAY ACT!

Call and urge Governor Christie to sign the Equal Pay Act when it reaches his desk. (609) 292-6000

We finish the year with our Annual Scholarship and Awards Dinner on May 18 at Villa Verde in Wayne and a summer social on Thursday, July 21 at a member's home. The Scholarship and Awards Dinner is our signature event as we support education for women, one of the four missions of AAUW, and present a scholarship to a woman returning to college. We wind down at the summer social as we relax and enjoy each other's company before activities begin again in the fall.

See flyers for details about the dinner and the summer social.

We thank everyone who contributed to this year's success and look forward to seeing you at the awards dinner and the summer social.

Lorraine LaShell and Jeanne Michaud GWA Co-Presidents

#### **MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE!**

Dear Members, This is a reminder that dues should be mailed to: Stella Hyman by June 1st. Please make the \$80 check out to AAUW-GWA.

#### PRIMARY ELECTION JUNE 7TH

NEW JERSEY is holding a closed presidential primary election on June 7th, 2016. If you are already registered as a Democrat or Republican you may vote for your

party's contender at your designated polling place. If you have not yet registered for either party you may do so at your designated polling place on the day of the primary and then proceed to vote. The polls are open from 6 AM to 8 PM.



2015-2016 OFFICERS <u>Co-Presidents</u> Lorraine LaShell • Jeanne Michaud <u>Program VP</u> Dorothy Quinn <u>Membership VP</u> Julie Tiso <u>Secretary</u> Ruth Liston <u>Treasurer</u> Stella Hyman

#### PROGRAMS

Vila Verde will be the venue for our next meeting, Wednesday, May 18 at 6:30 pm which is our Annual Scholarship Dinner. The Scholarship Committee will present our annual gift to some deserving woman who is striving to empower herself through education. It is always a special treat for me, personally, to meet the young woman whose financial burden I will ease in some small way and whose accomplishments I can recognize and acknowledge. To be part of this very special evening please forward a check of \$38 to Stella Hyman, by Wednesday, May 11.

Our 2015-16 year of programs will close at our Annual Summer Social. This program is strictly for us to relax, to enjoy each other's company, and of course to have some fun. In keeping with tradition and good hospitality, Beth Marmolejos will host the social on Thursday, July 21 at 6:00 pm. Enjoy your summer and mark your calendar to be a part in closing this year's gatherings.

#### Dorothy Quinn

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

May. 2	Bridge Group 7:30 (Every Monday)
May 13	Lunch Bunch Uptown 596 Restaurant, Upper Montclair 12:15
May 18	Annual Awards and Scholarship Dinner Vila Verde Restaurant, Wayne 6:30
June 14	Board Meeting 4:30-6:00 Bea Kettlewood's
July 21	Summer Social 6:00 Beth Marmolejos's

#### SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

#### **Caroline Mossip**

The AAUW GWA Scholarship Committee thanks all our members for their generous donations, which make our scholarships possible. Thanks to you, we are supporting the education of two outstanding women, who will each be offered a \$1,200 scholarship. We will also donate \$500 to AAUW National to serve areas of greatest need. These scholarships are made possible only through the outstanding generosity of our members. Thank you to all our members for your support.

#### Here is a brief bio of our two winners for 2016:

**AZIZA MCGILL-AYINDE** is 39 years old, and a student at William Paterson University. She is a resident of East Orange, Essex County, NJ, Aziza has bravely overcome overwhelming family stressors. Aziza is a single mother of four children. She is majoring in Broadcast Journalism with a minor in Women and Gender Studies, and plans to complete her BA in 2018. Her aspiration is to use her degree to continue to raise awareness about child sexual abuse and domestic violence. Aziza has confirmed that she will attend our scholarship dinner on May 18. DANIELLE RADIOLA is 26 years old, and currently attends Rutgers University. She plans to graduate with a BS in Chemical Engineering in May 2017. She is a resident of Budd Lake, Morris County, NJ. Growing up, Danielle dealt with many family stressors, and left high school before her senior year. Later, Danielle obtained her GED and applied to a LPN program at a local technical school. However, she quickly realized that nursing was not for her, and that what she really wanted for her future was to become a chemical engineer. Her aspiration is to become a process engineering manager, focusing on pharmaceutical processing and manufacturing. Danielle will not be able to attend our scholarship dinner in person, as she will be in Indiana on a training program at that time. However, we will have communication with Danielle during the dinner, perhaps through Skype or similar, and will arrange for her to meet with our branch members at a later date, perhaps the Summer Social.

#### AAUW GWA 2016 Scholarship Committee:

Caroline Mossip, Chair; Julie Tiso, Marianne Ritter, Linda Trongone, Nancy Freiler, Beth Marmolejos

# SUMMER SOCIAL

NEW LOCATION, DATE AND DAY Thursday, July 21, 6:00-? At Beth Marmolejos' house

Join fellow GWA members for a fun time at our annual summer social. This year, Beth

Marmolejos will host the event at her home which has an in-ground pool so let's make a splash and celebrate all we have done together as a team this past year. More details regarding the menu to follow. RSVP, aauwgwa@gmail.com





### **CALL FOR 2016 GIRLS HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS**

#### VALUABLE RECOGNITION OF GIRLS' LEADERSHIP INITIATIVES

The Greater Wayne Area Branch (GWA) of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) is a part of the renowned, highly visible national organization that works to break through barriers for women and girls by means of advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

The purpose of the Girls Hall of Fame is to recognize and cultivate girl leaders by seeking out and awarding individuals for notable evidence of leadership, service and legacy.

#### Benefits of being inducted into the Girls Hall of Fame

- Endorsement of the inductee's work by the GWA Branch of AAUW, a highly regarded national women's organization.
- Publicity for the inductee, perhaps leading to local support of her ongoing project.
- Opportunity to meet and network with other girl leaders.

#### **Qualifications for Nomination**

To be eligible the nominee must:

- Attend school in Bergen, Essex, Morris, or Passaic County.
- Have completed or be pursuing an independent project with evidence of success.
- Demonstrate leadership ability in a project with ongoing lasting benefits.
- Be no more than a high school senior in the fall of 2016.
- Have no relationship to a GWA Branch member.
- Have permission from a parent or guardian to respond to a request for projectrelated information. Inductees are expected to attend the award ceremony in the fall.

#### **Nomination Process**

Nominators should fill in the Girls Hall of Fame Nomination Form which can be found online at <<u>http://greaterwaynearea-nj.aauw.net</u>>and submit it online or print it out and mail the form to: Girls Hall of Fame, 1217 Four Seasons Drive, Wayne, NJ 07470. For further information email girlshalloffame@gmail.com.

#### **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS JUNE 1, 2016**

## ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP DINNER

## Meet our two deserving scholarship winners at

Vila Verde 120 Terhune Drive, Wayne NJ Wednesday, May 18 at 6:30 pm



To be part of this very special evening please forward a check of \$38 to Stella Hyman by Wednesday, May 11.

Menu served Family Style Cold Antipasto • Salad Veal Françoise Chicken Marsala Penne Pasta with Shrimp in Pink Vodka Sauce Saffron Rice • Vegetables Spanish Potatoes Coffee and Dessert



#### LUNCH BUNCH

Marianne Ritter Judy Shivy Special May 13 Montclair Lunch Bunch and Garden Stroll

Our special May Lunch Bunch will feature lunch at an Upper Montclair bistro cafe and a stroll through the beautiful Van Vleck gardens.

Please join us on Friday, May 13, 12:30 p.m. for a cafe lunch at Uptown 596 Bistro, 596 Valley Rd., Upper Monclair. After a delicious lunch of paninis, entree salads, soup, or hot dishes, we will visit the Van Vleck House and Gardens, Van Vleck St., in Montclair, and justly famous for its outstanding spring wisteria and other blooms.



Van Vleck wisterias

Lunch reservations are limited for this outing because of the size of the 596 Uptown Bistro. Lunch reservations will be given to the first 10 people who reserve. To reserve your seat at the lunch table on May 13, please e-mail or phone Marianne Ritter or Judy Shivy at as soon as possible and no later than Wednesday, May 11.

The Montclair lunch and outing will be the last official lunch bunch this year until September. Enjoy all!

#### LITERATURE GROUP

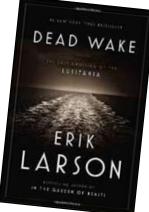
#### All are welcome.

Meeting starts at 7:30 pm. Please let Hostess know 3 days in advance if you plan on attending. However, last minute changes are expected and can be accommodated.

Date: May 26, 2016

Hostess: Win Reinhardt Book: DEAD WAKE: THE LAST CROSSING OF THE LUSITANIA Author: Erik Larson Leader: Win Reinhardt

PLANNING DINNER Date: June 23, 2016 Time: 6:15 pm Hostess: Stella Hyman Please coordinate food items



with Stella and send book recommendations to Win.

For additional information or car pooling contact Win Reinhardt.

#### **GAMES NIGHT**

The next Games Night will be May 20 at Bea Kettlewood's. On June 17 we will meet at Dot Anton's.

We begin at 7:30 pm and play games until 10, at which time we have light refreshments.

Games Night is open to all members. Please call the hostess at least 3 days in advance to let her know you are coming.





596 Uptown Bistro

#### AAUW GREATER WAYNE AREA BRANCH

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this branch shall be to further AAUW's mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research

#### **DIVERSITY STATEMENT**

In principle and 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.

#### VALUE PROMISE

By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barrriers so that all women have a fair chance.

#### BRANCH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Join one of nearly 1,000 AAUW branches across the country. Participate in meetings and community activities.

#### CONTACT US [For branch use. Fill in or affix label.]

Branch name/state Greater Wayne Area		
Contact name Greaterwaynearea-NJ.aauw.net		
Phone/e-mail		
No branch listed above? Contact 800.326.2289 or connect@aauw.org to find a branch		

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION

near you.

O Female O Male

Name	
Address	1
City/state/zip	
Home phone	Work phone
•E-mail	
College/university	State
<ul> <li>Highest degree earned</li> </ul>	Year
Major	Date of birth

Ethnicity: Hispanic (Y or N)

O White O American Indian/Alaska Native O Black/African American O Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander O Asian O Other

 Occasionally AAUW's membership list is made available to carefully screened companies or organizations. Check here if you do not want your name included.

#### ELIGIBILITY

I am a graduate holding an associate or equivalent (RN), baccalaureate, or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution, as stated above.

Date

Signature		
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#### MEMBER RECRUITER

Name	City/state
Branch name (if applicable)	

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP Valid until July 1st, 2016

FY15 national dues \$24.50 state \$\_5 \_\_\_\_+ branch\* \$10.50= total \$\_40\_\_\_. AAUW national individual membership dues are \$49; \$46 is tax deductible as a charitable contribution, and \$3 is not because it supports the AAUW Action Fund's 501(c)[4] Lobby Corps and get-out-the-vote activities.

• GRADUATE STUDENTS Graduate students enrolled in a regionally accredited educational institution can join AAUW for \$9.40 + state \$2.50 + branch \$5.25 = total \$17.15. Valid until July 1st, 2016

 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS Undergraduate students enrolled in a two- or four-year regionally accredited educational institution can join as branch student affiliates. Valid until July 1st, 2016

state \$ 2.50 + branch \$ 0 = total \$ 2.50.

National and Branch dues Free for WPU Students - if join as e-student affiliates MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO [Fill in or affix label.]

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RETURN TO (Branch mailing address)

Name	AUW GWA Branch	
Address	93 Harrison Rd.	
City/state/zip	Wayne, NJ 07470	

\*The AAUW branch membership year extends from July 1 through June 30.



Greater Wayne Area Branch 428 Boulevard Pompton Plains, NJ 07444

#### MEMBER TOWNS

Bloomingdale Butler Englewood Hoboken Kinnelon North Haledon Nutley Pequannock Pompton Lakes Pompton Plains Wanaque Wayne West Milford