



## CAPE MAY COUNTY BRANCH

Website <http://capemay-nj.aauw.net>

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.

### NOVEMBER 2017 Newsletter

#### President's Corner

What a wonderful 50th Anniversary we had. Thanks again to Mary Jane Slugg, Gwen Staples, Sandy & Chuck Sieber, and Randi Ziring -- the tireless committee who put it all together. Pat Ford-Roegner managed to get Jeff Van Drew and the Assemblymen to present our Branch with a Declaration from the State of New Jersey. And the Herald did a full page article on our event. Thank you all for attending.

In November we are starting up the Movie Group and are sending a request for members interested in cooking together (see newsletter.) If you have any other activities you would like to initiate, please let Cat Cronin know at [catcronin@yahoo.com](mailto:catcronin@yahoo.com)

Pastel Classes at the Nature Center of Cape May at 1600 Delaware Avenue. This is a Friday afternoon class open to all levels of ability; beginners are especially welcome. If you are interested, you can email Evelyn Lovitz at [evelyn@lovitz-mccabe.com](mailto:evelyn@lovitz-mccabe.com)

The South Jersey IEEE has invited AAUW members to their annual award dinner Nov. 30. If you are interested, let me know and I will send you the registration form. The event will be held at Greate Bay County Club, Somers Point.

And, don't forget, the Holiday Luncheon should go on your calendar for December. See newsletter for details.

Karen

### OUR AAUW HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Sunday, December 3 at the Lobster House in Cape May



Our **Holiday Luncheon** will be Sunday, **December 3** at the Lobster House in Cape May at 1pm. Spouses and friends are welcome! We will have baskets and a flower arrangement to raffle off.

Entrée choices are broiled flounder, broiled shrimp with crabmeat stuffing and chicken francaise. A vegetarian plate can be ordered.

The cost is **\$30**. Please make your check payable to **AAUW**, write your **entrée choice** on the memo line, and mail to Barbara Heinrichs, 503 Whildam Ave., N. Cape May, NJ 08204.

Don't miss a great time! Mail your check today.

Deadline for reservations is **November 27**.

#### CMC BOARD MEETING

A Board Meeting will be held Wednesday, November 8 at 1pm at the Lower Township Library on Bayshore Road.

Board members and chairs please attend.

## WOMEN'S GROUP MARKS 50 YEARS ADVOCATING



*Photo provided by AAUW*  
American Association of University Women President Karen Weis is flanked by Assemblyman R. Bruce Land, Sen. Jeff Van Drew and Assemblyman Robert Andrzejczak (all D-1st) as the group celebrated its 50th anniversary Oct. 3.

From the Cape May County Herald October 11, 2017 Page A9 by Karen Knight

**COURT HOUSE** – With a goal of promoting equity and education for women and girls in Cape May County, the local branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary at an Oct. 3 dinner.

With just over 50 members, branch President Karen Weis noted its efforts for women include “second-chance scholarships” administered through Atlantic Cape Community College (ACCC), establishing a Court House campus of ACCC and partnering with Stockton University to host programs for girls interested in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) careers.

AAUW, a national organization, was founded in 1881 and has state and local branches nationwide. Its mission is to promote equity and education for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

The mission of the Cape May County Branch is to further the national goals while promoting and designing cultural, environmental, and educational programs locally and within the state.

The complete article can be found on our website <http://capemay-nj.aauw.net> under News/Upcoming Events

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### STEM 2018

[pearson@princeton.edu](mailto:pearson@princeton.edu)

**Tween Tech 2018** (girls 6th to 8th grade) will be held on January 5, 2018 at Stockton University.

**Teentech** (girls 9th-11th grade) will be held on May 23, 2018 at Atlantic Cape Community College's May's Landing campus. It will be for girls in Atlantic and Cape May Counties.

**Tech Trek** at Stockton University July 15 – 21, 2018

The Volunteer Form and more information can be found at <https://techtrek-nj.aauw.net/volunteer/>

### STEM 2017 RECAP

**Tween Tech** (girls 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade) was held at Stockton University on January 6 and Drew University on January 13. Despite the snowy weather, 230 girls attended Stockton on January 6 and each participated in 2 of the 20 workshops offered. Following the workshops, the students, their teachers, the workshop presenters and volunteers enjoyed lunch.

**Teentech** (girls 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> grade) was held at Stockton University on May 23. We had 272 girls attend who each participated in two of the 19 workshops. Thank you to the AAUW members from Atlantic and Cape May who volunteered to staff the Registration Desk and escort the girls to and from their workshops.

**Tech Trek** (girls entering 8<sup>th</sup> grade) was held at Stockton University from July 16 through

22. Professional Women's Night was on Thursday, July 20. Thank you to all of our AAUW members who volunteered to make Tech Trek 2017 the best ever. Tech Trek was a wonderful experience for the 62 girls who attended from throughout New Jersey.

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## GIFT BASKETS



Pat Ford-Roegner, Fund Raising Chair

### 2017 Fundraising for 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance Scholarships On a Roll: Thanks to all of you!

I am pleased to report that 15 members have stepped up to the plate to become 5 year pledge donors to support the Cape May County Branch of AAUW. This is terrific. Thank you for your generosity.

And as a result of the most recent \$100/year donors we have received a matching contribution of \$500 by an anonymous donor.

The 50/50 at our recent 50<sup>th</sup> celebrations was also a success besides being fun. We will have a 50/50 and a Holiday basket ticket process at the upcoming December luncheon. Come prepared to take a chance.

It is never too late to become a new donor, so if you want to pledge for someone as a holiday gift that would be most welcome. Onto 2018 and our goal of 5 more new donors!

Again, thanks to all members and their families who contribute to our scholarships and the Tech Trek stem science education events.

Pat Ford-Roegner

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### New email address

The correct email for Cat Cronin is [catcronin@yahoo.com](mailto:catcronin@yahoo.com)

We are trying to get more gift baskets together for our Holiday Luncheon so that you can put your raffle tickets in the one that interests you the most. We would like to get everyone in the club involved in getting donations to be raffled off. Please ask places that you patronize for a donation. An example would be your hair salon or any merchant that you see on a regular basis. I am going to ask my salon for a gift certificate for a one-hour massage.

We will give out a **free raffle ticket** to those who bring in a donation for a basket. Pat Ford-Roegner and Sue Laufer will be collecting the donations. You can contact Pat Nov 1 through 13 and Sue Nov 14 through the end of the month. **Donations must be collected no later than November 30.** You can contact Pat at 609 435-5020 / [pfrvalley@gmail.com](mailto:pfrvalley@gmail.com) or Sue at [laufer5@comcast.net](mailto:laufer5@comcast.net) / text to 973 879-1782.

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## MOVIE NIGHT IS BACK!

Movie Night will begin in November. We will meet once a month with the hostess and movie chosen the previous meeting. We are trying something new this year, so **November 13** we will attend a movie at a local theater and have dinner afterwards. The movie will be selected the first week in November. If you are interested in the November outing,

please send an email to Evelyn Lovitz at [evelyn@lovitz-mccabe.com](mailto:evelyn@lovitz-mccabe.com).

The December movie will be held at Sue Laufer's house, 5 Delaware Ave., Villas on **December 6th**. RSVP text to 973-879-1782 or email [laufer5@comcast.net](mailto:laufer5@comcast.net)

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## ETHNIC COOKING



For those who like cooking Karen Weis would like to suggest a group of cooks meet to prepare an ethnic dish. The hostess selects the cuisine and everyone helps prepare and enjoy the outcome. It is a chance to experiment with different flavors. Only a small group can be accommodated in most houses so the group will be limited to six participants. Karen would like to see how many members are interested and their preferences for cuisine choices. Email her at [2xmailbird@gmail.com](mailto:2xmailbird@gmail.com).

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## Attention Readers

All books (day and evening) have been chosen for the 2017-18 year and are listed on our website.

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## Daytime Book Club



The Awakening by Kate Chopin

We will meet on **Tuesday, November 14** at 12 noon at Crest Pier Community Center, 5800 Ocean Avenue, Wildwood Crest (between Crocus & Heather). Please bring your lunch & beverage. Dessert will be provided.

A list of the books we will be reading can be found on our website <http://capemay-nj.aauw.net>. Under the heading **Activities** on the home page, go to **Book Groups**.

## Evening Book Group



The God of Small Things by Arundhati Roy

We will meet on **Wednesday, November 29** at 6 pm at Mulligan's, 310 Hildreth Avenue, Wildwood at 6 p.m. We will discuss the book after ordering dinner.

Contact Mary Jane Slugg at 609-884-7041 or [shoresluggs@aol.com](mailto:shoresluggs@aol.com) to let her know you are coming.

## Tributes

Gifts to our Tribute Scholarship Fund are a thoughtful way to recognize an anniversary or remember a friend, member or relative while providing support to our scholarship recipients.

An acknowledgement is sent to you and to the individual recognized. Your name will be made known, but not the amount of the gift.

Please send your gift to Barbara Heinrichs,  
503 Whildam Ave., North Cape May, NJ  
08204

### Acknowledgements:

Patricia Ford-Roegner in honor of her sister,  
Anne Ford Kushner

Marion Ingram in memory of our former  
AAUW member Janice Brown

Peggy Long  
Marga D. Matheny  
Loretta Scheetz  
Sandy Sieber  
Mary Jane Slugg

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wed, Nov 8	Board Meeting
Mon, Nov 13	Movie Night
Tues, Nov 14	Daytime book club
Wed, Nov 29	Evening book group

Sun, Dec 3	<b>Holiday Luncheon</b>
Wed, Dec 6	Movie Night
Tues, Dec 19	Daytime book club
Wed, Dec 27	Evening book group

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Events, meetings, book discussion dates, and more! Book lists and dates for both groups are posted.

A calendar of events is handy.

A complete membership list with contact information is available.

To access the information for Members Only call: Mary Jane Slugg 884-7041 or Barbara Heinrichs 889-1647 and we will give you the password!

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