

# AAUW 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.

## OCTOBER 2017 Newsletter

### President's Corner

Our 50th Anniversary Year has begun with book groups discussions in September. Also accomplished is the selection of books for the upcoming year; the lists will be available on the website so please take a look and print copies for your use. October will begin with our Welcome Back Dinner and 50th celebration. I am very much looking forward to this event and plan on having fun with several events the committee has planned. In addition we have worked diligently to provide members with the opportunity to review our branch's 50 year history with pictures, news clippings and historical items from our history files. Looking forward to seeing everyone that can come!

In addition to the activities taking place in October I would like to invite anyone who is interested to join me on October 21 at Cape May Stage. At 3pm there is a Pay What You Wish matinee of the current play, Outside Mullingar. I plan on attending because the daughter of a friend of mine has designed the costumes for the play. If anyone wants to share a meal afterwards I would be glad to do SO.

And the best news of all—fall is just around the corner. Enjoy!

Karen Weis

#### STEM 2017 RECAP

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**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.

#### **COLLEGE CONNECTIONS**

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The AAUW Cape May County Branch was in attendance at Voter Registration Day at ACCC, Cape May Court House on September 12, 2017. One student who met New Jersey eligibility requirements signed on for AAUW student e-mail and received an application for Voter Registration.

We added one additional AAUW student email application which is a total of thirteen new subscribers.

Dr. Tammy DeFranco supplied our desk with information about job opportunities as New Jersey Poll Workers. Written information was distributed to students who expressed an interest.

Our Sexual Assault Table will be on display throughout the month of October.

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Dear AAUW Member of the Cape May County Chapter:

Congrats to all of us! We now have 11 pledges of \$100 or more to Marion MacEwan Second Chance Scholarships. Won't you join us at this level or the level you can afford! We want to reach 20 pledges by the end of the 2017. (see the form at the end of this newsletter) And we have an anonymous pledge to match the next 5 donors that sign up by December 2017. SO PLEASE HELP US DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT!

A few members have asked if they could contribute \$1000 and fulfill a lifetime pledge. That would be great too! We want to meet your goals in contributions as well. Some

members said they could pledge \$50 for each year - that would be most welcome.

Each year we assist three to four women who have made their commitment to meet our requirements as a scholar at either Atlantic Cape Community College (Atlantic Cape) or a four-year college following Atlantic Cape.

Many of us have met our recipients and we have been so impressed with their determination and strength. And they are so appreciative of our modest support.

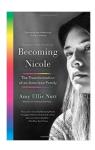
So my dear colleagues, as your fundraising chair, I am asking us to own our scholarships by pledging to give \$100, if possible, a year for 5 years.

Many of you contribute to our scholarship fund already, family members may want to contribute in your name for a special birthday, anniversary or event. This could count towards your pledge. So will you join our pledge effort by signing and sending back the form below?

Thank you for your consideration of this request! Remember your contribution is tax deductible to the full extent of the law!

Sincerely, Pat Ford-Roegner

#### Daytime Book Club



Becoming Nicole by Amy Ellis Nutt

We will meet on **Tuesday, October 17** 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 as they are chosen can be found on our website <a href="http://capemay-nj.aauw.net">http://capemay-nj.aauw.net</a>. Under the heading Activities on the home page, go to Book Groups.

**Evening Book Group** 



Albert Einstein as a topic

We will meet on **Wednesday, October 25** 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 <a href="mailto:shoresluggs@aol.com">shoresluggs@aol.com</a> to let her know you are coming.

Hi from Marco Island FL! We wanted you to know that we are safe and sound after a rocky start calling FL our home.

We stayed with our daughter in Richmond VA during the hurricane. Once we got electricity back, I flew down. I must say it overwhelmed and saddened me to see the devastation.

But, our roof has a tarp, seven trees that fell in our yard got chain-sawed up and dragged to the street. Our 25 year old windows withstood the 130 mph landfall winds! So, the interior of the house is not damaged. I picked up Dave from the airport on Sunday making sure the air conditioning was functioning before he returned.

We thank our daughters for their shelter, Good Samaritans for their help here and many good wishes from our friends and family.

Joan Husband 9/21/17

#### **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: Evelyn Lovitz

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tues, Oct 3

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary & Welcome Back Dinner
Tues, Oct 17

Daytime book club
Evening book group

Tues, Nov 14

Daytime book club
Evening book group

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Events, meetings, book discussion dates, and more!

You can always find up-to-date information here.

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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## **Marion MacEwan Second Chance Scholarships**

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	Marion MacEwan 2 <sup>nd</sup> Chance Scholarship Donor Card: <u>THANK YOU!</u> THANK YOU!
	Please complete the following:
	Your Name (as you would want it to appear in donor recognition)
	Address
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	Amount of yearly pledge
	Make your check payable to: <b>AAUW</b> Send to Pat Ford-Roegner/Sue Laufer 105 Tidewater Ave Rio Grande, NJ 08242

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