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.

MARCH 2018 Newsletter

President's Corner

February is almost over and went by in a whiz. I wish all the snowbirds good vacationing, but we have had some spring here too. There are programs that will be offered in March. One will be an Olive Oil Tasting at Good Earth Organic Eatery in West Cape May on March 16. The owners will be offering their oil for sale for anyone who is interested in buying some oil direct from their farm in Italy. Reservations will be necessary so please contact me if you want to attend.

Also, the movie group is going to meet in March--date and movie not set but it will be at 4:30pm at either Evelyn's or my house.

The Atlantic County Branch is inviting our members to attend the Atlantic County Branch Woman of Distinction Banquet March 17. The honoree is Meghan Wren who headed up the Bayshore Discovery Project in Bivalve. If you wish to attend you can get more information from Audrey Owen at <u>audreowen@comcast.net</u>. The event is at the Linwood Country Club at noon.

OLIVE OIL TASTING

Not all olive oil is olive oil – no international rules apply to the export of olive oil to the U.S. Come learn more about olive oil and its benefits to our diet. Good Earth Organic Eatery, West Cape May is a local source of oil and great food. Join us for an adventure into oil.

Our Olive Oil Tasting Program will take place at Good Earth Organic Eatery, 600 Park Avenue, West Cape May on March 16, 2018 at noon. Lunch will be provided afterwards for those who wish – pay on your own; cash only. Also, olive oil from Good Earth's Italian farm is available for purchase. Reservations required; contact Karen Weis by March 12th. If you wish to learn more, check out www.extravirginity.com.

SAVE THE DATE

Our Cape May County branch **Annual Meeting** will be **Wednesday, May 9** at Avalon Links in Cape May Court House. All members are encouraged to attend. The meeting starts promptly at 5pm.

Karen Weis

ITEMS FOR OUR RAFFLE BASKETS

Basket items are being collected. Please bring them to book group meetings, or contact Karen Weis at 2xmailbird@gmail.com for a pick up location. If you don't know what you signed up for let her know and she will email you your list. We are looking for more donations and cash would be very helpful if you don't want to shop yourself. If you donate by check, make it payable to Karen Weis.

COOKING WITH KAREN

Clafonti? A French dessert, simple to make for quick, last minute situations. We'll meet at Karen Weis' house April 4th at 1pm. Please contact Karen if you want to attend.

STEM 2018

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Tween Tech 2018 (girls 6th to 8th grade) was scheduled for January 5 at Stockton University. Unfortunately, severe winter storm Grayson forced cancellation.

Teentech (girls 9th-11th grade) will be held on Wednesday, May 23 from 8:30am to 2:30pm at Atlantic Cape Community College's May's Landing campus. It will be for girls in Atlantic and Cape May Counties. We can accommodate 120 girls. To date Lower Township High School and Ocean City High School have registered with the maximum of 20 girls each, and 2 high schools in Atlantic County have registered, each with the maximum of 20 girls each. This is 80 girls so we can accommodate 40 more girls, the equivalent of 2 more schools. You can volunteer to escort girls to workshops via Dottie Pearson pearson@princeton.edu or (609) 898-4585.

Tech Trek at Stockton University is July 15 – 21. There were 126 girls nominated statewide which as of February 26 had yielded 45 applications. Nine girls were nominated from Cape May County Schools (Avalon, Cape Trinity Catholic, Crest Memorial, Dennis Township, Margaret Mace, Middle Township, Ocean City, Richard Teitelman (Lower), and Woodbine. We have received applications from four students (Avalon, Crest Memorial, Margaret Mace and Ocean City). The deadline is Friday, March 2 at midnight. We will then begin our interviews.

Marion Ingram, Ann Marchesani and Randi Ziring are chairing the fund raising committee with writing grant proposals. We have a \$14,000 shortfall. Evelyn Lovitz is working on securing volunteers, supply lists and field trips. Contact Evelyn if you'd like to volunteer for a day, or as a Dorm Mom or just a visit (but let her know you are coming).

The **Meet and Greet** will be at Stockton University in the campus center from 1 to 3pm on Saturday, May 12. You are invited to attend and welcome our new group of campers.

Professional Women's Night will be on Tuesday, July 17 for dinner. If you have a professional woman to nominate or if you wish to volunteer as a table moderator, contact Dottie Pearson.

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

COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

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The Cape May Court House campus of Atlantic Cape Community College has recruited a total of 17 e-SAF affiliate members for AAUW as of February 13th, 2018. Each member receives monthly newsletters via their e-mail addresses, direct connection to Action Network which is a link to our local legislators' offices, and Outlook Magazine, for free.

This month we celebrate Black History month. Accomplishments by African American women are well documented in the biographies which are on display at our AAUW campus table, second floor. Students may feel free to read about these distinguished historical figures between classes.

Next month is Women's History Month.

Shout Out to Ocean First Bank Foundation for their \$500 Contribution to 2nd Chance Scholarships!

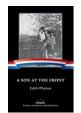


Mary P. Farrell Assistant VP and Branch Manager at Ocean First Bank in Rio Grande, NJ and Pat Ford-Roegner

We would like to thank Cami Bonsera, Manager at Ocean First Bank Foundation in Linwood, NJ and Mary P. Farrell, Assistant VP and Branch Manager, at the Rio Grande, NJ Branch for their support that led to the \$500 contribution to CMCB-AAUW Second Chance Scholarship Fund. We salute you and your belief in giving women a new opportunity.

Mary attended our Fall dinner and looks forward to attending our Spring event at the Grand Hotel.

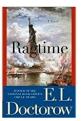
Daytime Book Club



A Son at the Front by Edith Wharton

We will meet on **Tuesday, March 20** 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.

Evening Book Group



Ragtime by E. L. Doctorow or any other book by E. L. Doctorow

We will meet on **Wednesday, March 28** at 6 pm at Mulligan's, 310 Hildreth Avenue, Wildwood. We will discuss the book after ordering dinner.

Contact Mary Jane Slugg at 609-884-7041 or <u>shoresluggs@aol.com</u> to let her know you are coming.

New E-mail address

Deborah Walker of College Connections, Cape May County Branch, AAUW, has a new e-mail address:

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We want to welcome our newest members:

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Christine Dewaghe 33 Canterbury Way Cape May, NJ 08204 Cell (215) 805-4847 Email: dewaghec@gmail.com

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: OceanFirst Bank

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fri, March 16	Good Earth olive oil
Tues, March 20	Daytime book club
Wed, March 28	Evening book group
Wed, April 4	Cooking with Karen
Tues, April 17	Daytime book club
Wed, April 25	Evening book group
Wed, May 9 Sat, May 12	Annual Meeting Tech Trek Meet and Greet
Tues, May 15	Daytime book club
Wed, May 23	Teentech
Wed, May 23	Evening book club

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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 <u>Members Only</u> call: Mary Jane Slugg 884-7041 or Barbara Heinrichs 889-1647 and we will give you the password! President Karen Weis

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