



## 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 2018 Newsletter

### President's Corner

Welcome Back officially with our annual Welcome Back Dinner on Oct. 9. We are moving to a new space--Aleathea's at the Inn at Cape May--and I hope to see many of you there. Rita Fulginiti, the County Clerk, will be joining us. I have asked her to review the new laws on voting in NJ which were recently signed by Gov. Murphy. They will affect how some people are able to vote.

A new play at the East Lynne Theater Company, *Silent Sky*, is our next day! program. We are taking advantage of the matinee to attend the Oct. 10 performance at 2pm. You have received information already and I hope you will place this on your calendar as well. Women astronomers populate the heavens gazing profession and this is how women entered the field over 100 years ago (before we had the right to vote.) Please join Sandy Sieber and myself for this unique event.

There are more details and events in the newsletter so take a look and join us when you can.

Karen Weis

### MATINEE AT EAST LYNNE THEATER

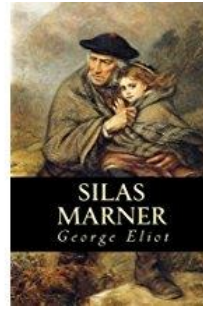
Ladies – HAVE YOU HEARD of a book called *The Glass Universe: How the Ladies of the Harvard Observatory Took the Measure of the Stars?* Or a play called *Silent Sky*? You surely have heard, seen the movie or read the book *Hidden Figures*.

In a scenario similar to *Hidden Figures*, the ELTC play currently running in Cape May called *Silent Sky* tells the story of Henrietta Leavitt (1868-1921), the astronomer who provided the key to determining the size of the cosmos. In 1912, working at the Harvard College Observatory, she discovered that one could relate a star's brightness cycle to its absolute magnitude. Leavitt, and other women with whom she worked, called "computers," mapped the sky working from photographic plates since only men were permitted to look through the telescope at Harvard.

YOU ARE INVITED to attend the only matinee which will be performed on Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00PM at the First Presbyterian Church on Decatur Street in Cape May (across from the Merion Inn). The tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance through Ticket Leap at <https://eastlynnetheatercompany.ticketleap.com/silent-sky/dates>. Karen Weis and Sandy Sieber (a Trustee with East Lynne Theater Company Board) will be hoping to see many of you there. Because there are no assigned

seats, Karen and Sandy will be there when one can be seated at 1:30 and have the best ability to get desired seats. Parking is available at the church for a fee.

Sandy Sieber



**Silas Marner** by  
George Eliot

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## COLLEGE CONNECTIONS

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Voter Registration is this month's focus at ACCC, Cape May Court House campus. Suzanne Pelkaus and myself distributed Voter Registration applications on Tuesday, September 18th. We also asked students to sign pledges to vote in this November's election. AAUW, Cape May County will be represented again next Tuesday, September 25th to distribute applications and encourage students to get out and vote.

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READERS NOTE – Books for the Daytime and Evening meetings for September through December are posted on our website under Activities - Book Groups

We will meet on **Tuesday, October 16** 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



**The Lottery & The  
Haunting of Hill House**  
by Shirley Jackson

We will meet on **Wednesday, October 24** at 6 pm at Mulligan's Shore Bar & Grill, 310 West Hildreth Avenue, Wildwood. 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.

Daytime Book Club

## 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

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tues, Oct 9	Welcome Back Dinner
Tues, Oct 16	Daytime Book Club
Wed, Oct 24	Evening Book Group
Tues, Nov 20	Daytime Book Club
Wed, Nov 28	Evening Book Group
Tues, Dec 18	Daytime Book Club

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KEEP OUR WEB ADDRESS HANDY

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  
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