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"Recipe for Success:

A Day of Delectable Discourse"

Sat., April 30th, 2011

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Central Time Zone



Strongbow Inn
2405 E US Hwy 30
Valparaiso, IN

9:15 - 10:00 AM Registration & Continental Breakfast

10:00 - 10:10 AM Appealing Appetizer Course: Welcome by Dr. Dee Haklin, Vice Chancellor at Ivy Tech Valparaiso

10:10 - 11:20 AM Flavorful & Nutritious Soup Course: Business Session / Public Policy / Elections by Barb Kanning, State President

11:20 - 11:30 AM Break

11:30 - 11:40 AM Tantalizing Tidbits: Membership Items by April Lidinsky, State Dir. of Membership

11:40 - Noon Fresh Spring Vegetable Course: How We Grew a New Student Affiliate Branch by Santina Johnson, Purdue-Calumet & Jan Trusty, Calumet

Noon - 1:00 PM Luncheon

1:00 - 1:30 PM "Mission-based" Meat Course: Muncie's STEM Collaborative Project by Bianca McRae & Pat Freeman, Muncie

1:30 - 1:40 PM Green Garnishings: AAUW Fund Items by Mary Lou Thomas, State Co-Dir. of A UW Funds

1:40 - 1:50 PM Break

1:50 - 2:20 PM Individualized Portions: One-Member One-Vote by Sharon Langlotz, State Dir. of Public Policy

2:20 - 3:00 PM Layered Parfait Dessert: Installation of Officers and Delicious Thoughts to Take Home by Barb Kanning

Host Branches:

Calumet / Purdue-Calumet, Gary-Merrillville, South Lake County & Valparaiso Branches

Breakfast: Strongbow Continental Buffet with assorted homemade breakfast breads, fresh fruit tray, assorted low-fat yogurts, coffee, tea and juice.

Luncheon: Turkey Schnitzel, salad, rice pilaf, green vegetable, rolls, ice cream and cookie, coffee and tea. (There will be a vegetarian alternative.)

Driving directions to Strongbow Inn: From the intersection of State Road 49 and US 30, go west on #30 (appears as "E. Morthland Drive" on MapQuest) to the first stoplight. Turn right/north (toward Courtyard motel) and immediately right again onto Silhavy Drive. Take the first right into the Strongbow parking lot, continuing east through the lot to the banquet entrance.

Recommended Hotels: Hotel rate for Hampton Inn is \$119 for a double room for the night of Friday, April 29, 2011, if the reservation is made before March 30th. Call 219-531-6424 or e-mail to: VA-LIN_Hampton_Suites@hilton.com. Ask for the "AAUW Board" block of rooms. Hampton Inn is right next door to Strongbow Inn at 1451 Silhavy Road. Also in the immediate vicinity: Holiday Inn Express, Courtyard by Marriott, and Fairfield Inn/Marriott.

Restaurants and Shopping:

In addition to Strongbow Inn, Valparaiso has a variety of restaurants 'around the square' including Bistro 157, Bon Femme Cafe, Don Quijote's, Parea, and Pikk's Tavern. More restaurants, plus Barnes & Noble, Kohls, Target and other stores are at Valparaiso Marketplace.

Things to do in Valparaiso and surrounding area:

Nearby are both the Valparaiso University campus and the new building for Ivy Tech. Indiana Dunes State Park and Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore are at the south shore of Lake Michigan. Welcome centers (at 770 Corinne Drive, Hammond and at State Road 49, just south of US Route 20) provide information on the parks and on the many shops, museums, restaurants, etc. available for visitors to Lake and Porter Counties.

President's Message

Dear AAUW Friends,

Is winter over yet?? I know you are also ready for some warm sunshine. I hope your Branch has been able to meet as scheduled. Now is the perfect time for each of us to prepare for the changes proposed in your latest copy of Outlook Magazine. For the very first time, each AAUW member will be voting on all proposals. We need to be informed before we participate in "one member – one vote" in Spring.

Please accept my invitation to your IN AAUW Convention in Valparaiso. You will not be sorry that you saved the day to come. Indiana AAUW is the link from your Branch to national AAUW, and your Board takes that mission very seriously. Each year we produce the Resource Guide/Directory to help us all stay connected. Any Branch member can have her own personal copy, if you have an online connection. If not, get a friend to download it for you. Send your request to: Jane Allerton, our Communications Director, at: janebaskets@gmail.com. She will send you an updated version for you to print. No matter what your position is in your Branch, this book will be of help.

I want to emphasize the following important dates from our Timeline, both in this Bulletin and the Resource Book. Be sure they are on your 2011 calendar:

-March 9th (Wednesday) – Torchbearer Awards presentation in Indianapolis. It will again be at the Statehouse in late afternoon, honoring women from all over IN, with a reception following. Let's have an "AAUW presence" there.

-April 30th (Saturday) – IN AAUW Convention at Valparaiso – MOST important for you to attend. Please read all the information included on the day's agenda. Bring your copy of the Outlook magazine, and be sure to especially read the back section on proposed changes in Public Policy, Bylaws, and Election candidates. As always, our IN Board experts will have important information for you to take back to your Branches.



-June 16th to 19th – National AAUW Convention in Washington, DC. I am so pleased that we have a great representation from your IN Board going with me. Also, this year for the first time, there will be a state presidents' conference. I want to take your input gathered at our IN Convention to this meeting to share your priorities with my 49 counterparts. Be sure your Branch encourages and tries to financially help members to go to DC, also.

-August 27th (Saturday) – The date is set for our Summer Retreat which will be held this year in Terre Haute, hosted by Indiana's newest Branch! Save the date now and join us, as we gear up for another great AAUW year and have opportunity for your new Branch officers to meet with their counterparts. Maybe you can come early and have fun in Terre Haute on a mini-vacation!

As we get closer to spring and our 2011-12 planning, let's remember our mission and our promise to women and girls. Do our programs and projects reflect "who we are"? Are we working toward great equity and breaking existing barriers in our communities? Are we attracting younger women to join our ranks? Is AAUW visible in your community?

Please plan to join us in April and August for two important meetings for each and every Branch member. Don't feel you have to be an officer to have a reason to attend. We need ALL of you to help us move forward toward our goals. If you don't know what those goals are, take a look in the Resource Guide. They will also help you to plan mission-based programs for this next year. Branches also need to share your successes, so bring your best to share in Valparaiso on April 30th.

See you in April. We need you to elect our new Board members, discuss and finalize our 2011-13 IN Public Policy, and decide how you'll vote on candidates, bylaws and policy changes proposed by national AAUW. It'll be a great sharing time, building a "Recipe for Success"!

PS. Please note that my e-mail has changed to: kanning4@frontier.com. My phone remains the same: 260-432-5228. Keep in touch.

Barb Kanning, Indiana President



CHECK IT OUT!! <http://www.indstate.edu/aauw-in>
Visit today...and visit often. Email submissions to —
aauw.indiana@yahoo.com

NCCWSL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



Please encourage qualified college women student leaders to attend NCCWSL (National Conference for College Women Student Leaders) on June 2-4, 2011, at the University of Maryland, College Park. Co-

sponsored by AAUW and NASPA (National Association for Student Personnel Administrators), it will be a life-changing experience for the young women in attendance! There is a great deal of useful information at the website <http://www.nccwsl.org>, including links to the conference flyer with the daily schedule, the registration form, and a particularly useful link titled "Frequently Asked Questions."

Early Bird registration, at a cost of \$395, ends on April 15. From April 16 to May 18, the regular registration fee is \$445. The conference fee includes housing, all program materials, and a few meals. The primary additional cost to attendees is transportation. For students who require funding to attend NCCWSL, there are at least three ways to seek financial help. First is through AAUW itself. To apply, the

student needs to complete the regular online registration for the conference and in the "Payment" section to check the "Scholarship" option. The applicant will then receive an AAUW scholarship application to be completed by March 15. If the applicant does not receive this scholarship and needs to cancel her registration, there is no cancellation fee.

The second way to seek financial help is through our state organization. Indiana-AAUW has set aside \$500 to help one student to attend NCCWSL. This scholarship application form, to be completed by April 1, is on the Indiana website <http://www.indstate.edu/aauw-in>. Please call or e-mail me if you have any questions, but your primary responsibility at this point is to identify the college women student leaders that you know and point them to the NCCWSL information as well as the Indiana scholarship form. And finally, the third way is for local branches to help young women through branch monies or individual donations. So let's get moving on this wonderful opportunity to educate and inspire the women leaders for today and tomorrow!

Jean Amman, College/University Representative

Indiana Branches Ingenious Ideas

AAUW has a mission. Our mission statement says it all: "To promote equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research." So what is your Indiana Branch doing to promote our mission?

I know several of you are really intent on doing mission based programming. As a result you are eligible to be rewarded in two different ways. You may submit your outstanding mission based program for recognition at AAUW Indiana State Convention April 30, 2011 in Valparaiso.

You may also apply for a Breaking Through Barriers Award from National. The Breaking Through Barriers Awards encourage and recognize AAUW branch programming that breaks through barriers for women and girls.

Ask yourself how does your Branch break through barriers for women and girls? Do you.....

- ♦ Advocate for women's career, financial, and life choices?
- ♦ Champion equitable compensation and treatment?

- ♦ Promote challenging careers as a means to improved quality of life?
- ♦ Support accessible, affordable, high-quality education for all women and girls?
- ♦ Foster networks that help women succeed?
- ♦ Develop and motivate leaders?

Remember the Breaking Through Barriers Award does include a stipend. Three exemplary programs will be recognized at Convention, in Washington, DC, in June of 2011. For an application please go online to apply. Applications will be accepted until February 15, 2011.

I would truly like to encourage each Branch of Indiana AAUW to apply for the Breaking Through Barriers Award. I do expect each Branch of Indiana AAUW to present your outstanding mission based program for Indiana's Ingenious Ideas.

If you have questions, you may contact me by e-mail @ past40@frontier.com, or call me at 260/436-5546. I look forward hearing from each one of you.

Phyllis Thompson, Legal Advocacy

Time Line 2010—2011

2011		April 24	Indiana State Convention - Valparaiso
March	Women's History Month	June 1	Deadline for Indiana Bulletin Summer Issue
March 8	International Women's Day	June 1	Branch and State Officer Lists Due to National and State
March 9	Torchbearer Awards, Indianapolis	June 2-4	National Conference of College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)
March 15	Emerging Leader and Branch Recognition Applications Due	June 16 – 19	2011 AAUW National Convention, Renaissance Hotel, Washington, D.C.
March 26	Indiana Board Meeting - Anderson	July 1	Branch Dues Reports due to National and State
March 30	Scholarship Applications Due for National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)	July 16	Summer State Board Meeting
April 12	Equal Pay Day	August 27	Summer IN AAUW Meeting—Terre Haute
April 29	Indiana Board Meeting - Valparaiso		

AAUW Indiana Emerging Leader Award

Who is an Emerging Leader? An Emerging Leader is one who has been a student member or regular member of a Branch for less than three years. This person needs to have been active, shown interest in AAUW's mission based programming and has shown evidence and potential of being a leader.

Each Indiana Branch received an application via the Presidents Packet. Please make certain your Branch application has been sent to the appropriate person by March 15, 2011. The Emerging Leader Award will be given at Indiana AAUW State Convention by Patricia Crouch

Revised & Updated Branch Bylaws

I am still missing some branch bylaws that reflect the mandatory changes from the AAUW Convention of 2009 in St. Louis. If you have sent yours to me, thank you so very much. If I asked for any changes, I want to remind you gently that I need a clean copy for my files. If your branch has not sent yours at all, please do it just as soon as possible! Because our branches are so busy, bylaws may seem to be low on your priority list, but I need to tell you that I am required to certify to AAUW that your bylaws are in order. One final thing: some of you were hesitant to

use the format suggested (and for some items required) by AAUW on its website. You were unsure where you would put "everything" in your current bylaws. You are probably a very active branch, but some of those items really belong in a separate document titled "Policies and Procedures" (or something similar). I am not required to receive that additional type of document. Thanks, as always, for your attention to this matter

Jean Amman, Bylaws & Resolutions Chair

Indiana AAUW Funds Report for 2010

Indiana AAUW's Total Contribution to AAUW Funds is \$16,337.50. That is an increase of \$2,000 since last year! I am so proud.

We want to thank all who have contributed to the AAUW Funds. Indiana AAUW members are great supporters of The Legal Advocacy Fund, The Educational Opportunities Fund, The Public Policy Fund, The Eleanor Roosevelt Fund and the Leadership Program Fund. (A reminder that the proceeds from our tote project goes to the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund and

there are eight totes left.)

When we receive the annual report we will make certain all Indiana Branches receive a copy.

What a pleasure it is to work with each of you. Let us know of any great fund-raising ideas you have so we may share them with others. Thank you again for your contributions and your hard work.

*Phyllis Thompson & Mary Lou Thomas, Co-Directors,
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2011 Indiana General Assembly Legislation of Interest to AAUW Members

As this article is written the Indiana General Assembly is in the midst of a biennial budget or “long session” which will end April 29. While Indiana is far better off than many other states, we face a projected \$1 billion budget deficit which will call for a hard look at expenditures. The following is a list of topics and bills which I believe may be of interest to AAUW members in our state.

Anti-immigration Bill SB0590: a comprehensive bill, much like Arizona’s law, which focuses on illegal immigration matters. Among the provisions: the requirement that English be used; law enforcement officers must verify immigration papers; revoke business licenses to business who employ illegals; state police trained to act as federal immigration customs agents; impound vehicles used for transporting illegals; requiring the State Office of Management and Budget to calculate the costs of illegal aliens to Indiana and make a written request to the Congress of the United States to reimburse the state for those costs. HB 1255, sponsored by Rep. Suzanne Crouch of Evansville, requires that all state documents be in English.

Anti Abortion Bills: there are 13 bills taking aim at reproductive choice. All seek to set up barriers making abortion more difficult such as required ultrasound, signing a terminated pregnancy form, non-coverage by qualified plans, informing patient that fetus may feel pain, etc. For a list of these bills go to <http://www.in.gov/legislative/index.htm> then on the left side select bills & resolutions then bills by subject. Note that AAUW’s national and state platforms support the right of every woman to safe, accessible, affordable, and comprehensive family planning and reproductive health services.

Criminal Justice System Overhaul: a package of bills intended to re-do sentencing laws to keep nonvi-

olent offenders out of prison (in treatment and community programs) and violent criminals in. Gov. Daniels has made this one of his top legislative priorities this year. Note: in the past decade, even though crime rates fell in Indiana, the prison population increased by 40%. More than half of Indiana prisoners are drug or property offenders. If current trends continue unabated, the report found, the prison population will increase by another 21% by 2017.

Schools/teachers: Gov. Daniels and state legislators will face numerous tough funding decisions as they seek to balance the budget. All parties agree education reform and overhauling the state’s school funding mechanism are key to putting the state’s fiscal house back in order. A number of bills are listed which deal with funding and finances including expanding funding and facilities equity for charter schools, expanding school options for parents (vouchers)*, restriction of collective bargaining items, and merit/performance based pay for teachers and school administrators.

*Note: AAUW stands firmly by the belief that the country should provide an excellent education for all children, not private school vouchers for a few. Voucher schemes divert public money away from public schools, undermining the American promise of a quality education for every student. At a time when public schools face budget shortages, overcrowded classrooms, and increased accountability, AAUW believes that taxpayer dollars should be spent to fuel the improvement of schools that educate 90 percent of America’s students.

I will provide a follow up report at the close of the session. Feel free to call me at 317/431-8583.

Sharon Langlotz, Director of Public Policy



**2011 NATIONAL CONVENTION
JUNE 16-19
RENAISSANCE HOTEL
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

Indiana AAUW State Convention—Registration Form

"Recipe for Success: A Day of Delectable Discourse"

Sat., April 30th, 2011

Valparaiso, IN

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Special dietary needs: Vegetarian _____

Accessibility needs: _____

Branch _____

*No voting credentials are necessary now that AAUW has instituted the "One Member, One Vote" policy.

Registration includes breakfast, luncheon and all materials

Registrations due Thurs., Apr. 15th, 2011

Cost: \$40.00 – If postmarked by Apr. 1st
\$45.00 - If postmarked between Apr. 2nd - Apr. 15th

Mail to: Susan Trout
8700 W. Tulip Tree Ct.
Muncie, IN 47304

Checks payable to AAUW-IN

[*After Apr. 15th, call Susan Trout at (765)759-9496. *Please do not come the day of convention without registering first, as you may not be able to attend!* Registration is not guaranteed past the deadline. Contact Susan to see if you may take the place of someone who has cancelled.]

From the Membership Chair

Now is a terrific time to reach out to new members as we all celebrate the 130 anniversary of AAUW. **National is offering special rates at many levels!** Now, it's just \$130 to join as an AAUW college/university partner member. Doing so increases opportunities for students at that institution, who can join as e-affiliates for free, and gain access to AAUW information and benefits, including discounts on books. Congratulations to Santina Johnson, who has galvanized a dynamic group of students in the Purdue-Calumet Student Affiliate (You can read more about their activities on their branch website, linked to

the state site). During this anniversary year, graduate students can join for just \$18.81. In order to publicize AAUW to graduate students, the South Bend, Goshen, and Elkhart branches have joined forces to offer a new "AAUW-Michiana Area Award for Excellence in Graduate Research," a model we would be happy to share. Finally, as we look forward to Spring, don't forget that if members join after March 15, they'll get 15 months on their dues dollars! Who might YOU invite to be part of AAUW?

April Lidinsky, Membership Chair



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The Nominating Committee-Sharon Schafer, chair, Jane Allerton, Deb Romary, Agnes George, and Coy Halpern are presenting four offices for nominations: President Elect (2011-2012), Recording Secretary, Public Policy, and Programs. Please contact a member of the Nominating Committee (contact info on p. 5 of this *Bulletin*) if you know anyone interested in any of these positions.

Sharon Schafer, Nominating Committee

Celebrate Women's History in March

