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"Stems and Trunks: Keeping the Lifeblood Flowing"



9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Eastern Daylight Savings Time



Pine Valley Country Club
10900 Pine Mills Rd.
Fort Wayne, IN 46845

Recommended hotel: La Quinta Inn & Suites [see TripAdvisor.com for reviews] (260)490-7950. Rates \$69.00, \$62.10 seniors.

Restaurants: Culver's, Casa Grille, various fast food; DeBrand Gourmet Chocolate Store is located nearby! Chocolates made on premises, plus hot chocolate and other goodies.

Fort Wayne Attractions: Newly renovated art museum, Renowned children's zoo, Science Central Museum, and our library's genealogy department is ranked #2 in the nation!

9:30-10:00	Continental Breakfast Begins
10:00-10:30	Registration & Continental Breakfast
10:30-10:40	Welcome & Introductions
10:40-11:00	Bead for Life- Mary Lou Thomas
11:00-11:30	Current Topics for Branch Programs - Sharon Langlotz
11:30-12:30	Behind the Headlines: Women's Relationship to Journalism - Prof. Ann Colbert
12:30-1:30	Luncheon with Counterparts
1:30-2:30	10-7-5 - April Lidinsky
2:30-2:50	Learning Styles and Leadership - Barb Kanning, State President
2:50-3:00	Wrap-up / 2011 Convention

Continental Breakfast: Assorted pastries, fresh seasonal fruit compote, coffee, tea & juice

Grilled for Golf Buffet Luncheon includes: grilled Black Angus burgers, marinated & grilled chicken breasts, bratwurst, Kaiser rolls, house salad with dressings, scalloped potatoes, assorted cookies, coffee, iced tea, lemonade or water

Special Guest Speaker:

Ann Colbert,

Journalism Program Coordinator, IPFW

Colbert, who has been the IPFW Journalism Program Coordinator since 1986, has previously worked at the Indianapolis Star, Indianapolis News, Bedford Daily Times-Mail, and in public relations for Indiana University - Bloomington and IPFW. She has won both national and state writing awards and has contributed freelance writing to many publications.

Since entering academe, she has been working on aspects of journalism history, including the uncovering of previously forgotten women's editions of newspapers. This work has led to several presentations and articles for national publications. The work has also been supported with grants from the Indiana Historical Society, Indiana University - Bloomington, the Freedom Forum, and IPFW.

Colbert also teaches courses which are cross-listed with Women's Studies and Communications.



Driving directions to Pine Valley Country Club:

From I-69, take exit 116 and head west on Dupont Rd., getting in the far right lane. After 1 mile, turn right on Pine Mills Rd. After 1/2 mile, you will see tennis courts, then the country club on the right.



Breaking through Barriers

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President's Message

Dear AAUW Colleagues,

Now that our 2009-10 AAUW year has come to an end, I'm sure, like me, you are breathing a sigh of relief and looking forward to a little respite time.



IN AAUW has had a good year, culminating with our 2010 Convention in Indianapolis. My thanks to the Indy Branch, especially to Chris Greene

and Theresa Eck for their work in hosting a great day. It was very obvious that our present IN AAUW Board of Directors is a very bright, talented, dedicated group of women who work very hard to make me 'look good'! I'd also like to congratulate our Director of Membership and South Bend Branch President, April Lidinsky, who was just awarded tenure at Indiana University - South Bend. You have earned this achievement, and we are all proud of you!

Your IN AAUW Board will be meeting in Muncie on July 17th. During that day, we will be updating our Goals for 2010-11; coordinating a Timeline (calendar) for this next year; establishing a budget; looking at ways to help Branches be successful; and finalizing ways to communicate with each and every one of you, especially at our two statewide meetings - our summer workshop and next spring's IN AAUW Convention. Please share your input on any of these areas with me or any other Board members before that day. We do want your ideas and feedback.

None of us is allowed to rest for very long. You are probably working hard at getting your Branch membership renewals completed and reported to national

and Susan Trout for your IN dues. Are you satisfied with the number of renewals that you have? Can we change our strategies to KEEP our new members and get them actively involved in our Branch and at the state level? Are you being successful in recruiting NEW members? Are you expecting your Director of Membership to do it all? How are you helping her? These are questions each of us need to think about and establish our own plan to activate. Every AAUW member is on the membership committee, right?

This is also the time when Branches do program planning for the next AAUW year. Who is involved in that work? Do you have a committee of members to help your Director of Programs? Please consider letting your IN AAUW Board help you when you plan. You have in your possession some valuable resources. Page 9 in your Resource Guide (with the blue cover) and more recently, page 22 in your 2010 Convention Book has AAUW's Action priorities AND program resources listed for you. Use them to help formulate ideas for you planning. The 'Program in a Box' online guides will provide specific helps to gather resources/people for your Branch programs.

Come to Fort Wayne on Saturday, August 21st. Join with all our Branches as we focus on Membership and Programming, helping each other to 'grow' AAUW and continue to be a respected and active force in our local communities! Get your carpools organized and your registration sent in now. See you then.

Remember to include your Branch Consultant and your IN AAUW Board members as helpful resources for questions/issues you want to discuss.

Barb Kanning, Indiana President



CHECK IT OUT!! http://www.indstate.edu/aauw-in Visit today...and visit often.



Programming Bright Ideas!



In Indianapolis we had success in inviting a reporter from our local newspaper to speak about his series on a particular IPS high school. (Though he wasn't able to some that day, the editor of the *Indianapolis Star* took his place.) Perhaps inviting a director of curriculum from the local school corporation speak about STEM issues in their school district would be a draw. Indianapolis AAUW part-

ners with 2 other women's organizations for a joint meeting in March. Public policy issues are addressed by the speaker, who is suggested & chosen on a rotating basis by one of the organizing groups.

Mitzi Witchger, Indianapolis Branch



Case Support

AAUW signed an amicus brief for *Christian Legal Society v. Martinez*, and the case was argued before the

U. S. Supreme Court on April 19. The court will decide whether or not the University of California Hastings College of Law may deny school funding to a religious student organization because the group requires its officers and voting members to agree with its religious viewpoints. Gay and lesbian students were specifically barred from the group. AAUW joins other amicus signers in supporting the school, the separation of church and state, and religious liberty. Read the amicus brief of our partner, the Anti-Defamation League.

LAF is actively reviewing new case support applications. If you would like to make a case recommendation, please contact laf@aauw.org. Recommendation forms are accepted on a rolling basis.

Women's Sports Foundation Collaboration

LAF staff members are working to further collaborative

efforts with the Women's Sports Foundation on the Title IX Compliance: Know the Score program. We are looking for members who are interested in being paired with WSF experts to address known noncompliance in their area. Please contact laf@aauw.org for more information.

Campus Sexual Assault

In late April, a new Program in a Box about campus sexual assault created in collaboration with SAFER (Students Active for Ending Rape) launched. The PIAB introduces a new, more user-friendly format and includes guidelines for what different audiences, including current students, alumni, faculty/staff, parents of current or prospective students, and AAUW branches, can do about this issue.

A Note from Phyllis

Please remember that LAF still needs each person's and each Branch's financial consideration. Remember to look on the chart to find the fund number. Thanks to all Indiana Branches and members for a job well done.

Phyllis S. Thompson, Legal Advocacy Liaison

"A Powerful Noise: the Impact of One Voice, the Power of Many" — Video Now Available for Indiana AAUW Members

AAUW members at state convention were treated to a tantalizing 6 minute clip from the highly acclaimed film, "A Powerful Noise: the Impact of One voice, the Power of Many". A number of AAUW members across the state attended local showings of this film in March, 2010. I was one of those attending and was moved and inspired. Indiana AAUW allowed me to purchase a copy of the DVD and I would be most happy to loan it to any branch who would like to use in developing a program around global women's issues.

An official selection of the 2008 Tribeca Film Festival, this inspiring documentary follows three extraordinary women – a survivor of the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina, an HIV positive widow in Vietnam and a woman who reaches out to girls in Bamako, Mali. Through their empowerment and ability to empower others they are sparking remarkable changes. "A Powerful Noise is a meditation on the inherent potential of women to change the world."

Please contact Sharon Langlotz at 317/842-2436 or slanglotz@cji.in.gov for more information or check out www.apowerfulnoise.com. This DVD can also be purchased on Amazon.com for \$22.49.

Sharon Langlotz, Director of Public Policy



Time Line 2009—2010

2010

July 1	Branch Dues Reports Due to National and State
July 17	Indiana Board Meeting — Ft. Wayne
August 21	Summer Retreat — Ft. Wayne

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

AAUW Funds

The Tote Bag fundraiser for the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund has been a great success! We have 8 bags left in inventory and 11 bags on consignment to branches. We have sold 129 bags and given 2 as gifts to speakers. Let's wrap the project up at the summer meeting in Fort Wayne. If your branch has



bags on consignment, please turn in your money for sold bags and return those not sold. To date the sales have resulted in \$863 for the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund.

Mary Lou Thomas, Co-Director AAUW Funds

Updates from the Membership Chair

Happy Summer, everyone! Now is a good time to get a Membership plan in place, and to develop a plan for a membership drive in place, perhaps for early fall. (Some organizations call this a “friend-raising” event, where each member brings at least one new prospect.) If your branch has a model that works, please send it to me and we can share our strategies in this newsletter -- alidinsk@iusb.edu.

The Calumet branch is going great guns on their student affiliates, with five new members this spring. Congratulations, Calumet! If your branch could use an infusion of new blood, the student affiliate membership offer is an effective way to invite students to become part of AAUW. (This benefit is also free to AAUW Partner Member institutions -- ask me if you're not sure if your area institution is a member.) As with any membership drive, it's worth perfecting a quick “What's in it for you?” blurb for flyers or emails. There's help at the AAUW.org site: After you log in as a member, simply search “student affiliates” in the search box, and links will appear for information on who is eligible (any undergrad who does not already have a bache-

lor's degree), links to flyers you can print or order, and how to register interested students (you simply need name, basic contact information, and their planned graduation date). The benefits are terrific: “E-student affiliates receive electronic copies of AAUW's publications and research and have access to all AAUW's student affiliate benefits, including the vast array of leadership and professional development resources, the more than \$3 million in fellowships, grants, and awards, access to local branch scholarships, and opportunities for networking and outreach on campus and beyond through collaborations with local branches on relevant community initiatives” (AAUW.org)

Members at large: There are many AAUW members at large (MALs) living all around us, just waiting to get connected to a local branch! Branch membership chairs can contact April to get access to the MALs in your area so you can invite them to participate in your upcoming programs and get acquainted with your branch's offerings! *Have a wonderful, restorative summer, everyone!*

April Lidinski, IN Membership Director

International Relations & Diversity Coordinator

I have a very short report. I hope everyone enjoyed the jewelry sale in Indianapolis with Kasia. I have received compliments on the pieces I bought. A 15 year old daughter of some friends is interested in engineering! She has taken the standardized tests and is eligible for all the

schools. I told her to try for Rose-Hulman. One student at a time....

Sharon Schafer

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The Shriver Report - A Woman's Nation Changes Everything

At the state convention on April 24, State Public Policy Director Sharon Langlotz presented a briefing on *The Shriver Report* (www.awomansnation.com/index.php) and AAUW's response to this groundbreaking report. In 2009, for the first time in the history of our country, half of all U.S workers are women and mothers are the primary breadwinners or co-breadwinners for nearly 2/3s of American families. This is creating a permanent change in our culture and in many cases business and government has not prepared for the changes. The Economist magazine stated "If the empowerment of women was one of the great changes of the past 50 years, dealing with its social consequences will be one of the great challenges of the next 50." The Shriver report looked at government and business, faith, culture, the media, and our health care and educational institutions and then considered ways they are - or need to - adapt to this sea change in American lives.

Sharon made the point that this change is not just about women, but about men and families as well. The report showed that an overwhelming majority of both sexes believe the structure of the modern workplace is not meeting the needs of modern day workers female or male. Family responsibilities, a 24/7 economy and the rise in service jobs plus a devastating recession and jobless recovery have meant changes for many in the workforce. Conversely, as

the corporate and business worlds become more dependent on women as half the workforce, it will be in their best interest to adjust policies to fit both male and female workers.

AAUW's response the Shriver report was, as expected, right on target and was very closely aligned to the Shriver report recommendations.



AAUW's supporting recommendations included: Expand FMLA; paid sick days and paid parental leave act, encouraging workplace flexibility (hours, telecommuting), and improving retirement security for women

and families

Both stressed the need to better educating our new "Breadwinners" by creating opportunities for all women to succeed in the workforce

AAUW's own Lisa Maatz stated so very eloquently: "Women have broken through many barriers in the last 45 years, but there is still much to be done to adequately respond to women's -and men's- changing roles. We only need to look at the stark reality for working women who are simultaneously caring for children or parents to know this is true,"

Sharon Langlotz, Director of Public Policy

Indiana AAUW's Lending Library for Cool Summer Reading



Summer days provide an opportune time to catch up on the reading you're normally too busy to get to. Read in the garden, by the pool, on the beach, or just hanging out with friends. This may necessitate putting away the laptop, the cell phone and the to-do lists. With the leisure time that the longer days of summer bring, you can take advantage of the offerings of your Indiana AAUW Lending Library.

Did you know that just six minutes of reading can reduce stress levels by more than two-thirds? That's better than sipping a cup of tea, taking a long walk or listening to music! The pursuit of knowledge through lifelong learning has wonderful benefits for adults, especially those over the age of 50!

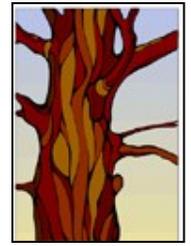
The newest addition to the Lending Library is **Secrets of Powerful Women: Leading Change for a New Generation**, a collection of 24 essays by prominent women, one of which is by Lisa Maatz, Director, Public Policy and Government Relations for AAUW. Why not read a copy and review it for your branch?

Check with your branch president for a list of available books to "spice up" your summer. Books will be shipped free of charge to borrowers and may be kept for as long as **needed**. Borrowers are responsible for return shipping.

Feel free to contact me for an updated bibliography of the collection as well as to request books or other materials.

Agnes George, Lending Library Coordinator

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Registration Form
AAUW Indiana Summer Retreat
"Stems and Trunks: Keeping the Lifblood Flowing"
Sat., Aug. 21, 2010
Fort Wayne, IN

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Special dietary needs: Vegetarian _____ Diabetic _____

Branch / MAL _____

Cost: \$35.00

Checks payable to — AAUW-IN
 Mail to — Susan Trout
 8700 W. Tulip Tree Ct.
 Muncie, IN 47304
 765-759-9496

Registrations Due Sat., Aug. 7, 2010

 **Programming Bright Ideas!** 

Three years ago the La Porte Branch borrowed an idea from Illinois...an essay contest on prominent women of Indiana. We contacted the head of the high school English department and he agreed to handle the particulars at the high school. The contest is open to high school junior and senior girls. The essay is to be five hundred words, double spaced, have correct grammar usage, and be persuasive — the author must try to persuade the reader the prominent woman is deserving of a holiday in her honor. The contest is posted midway in the first trimester and due the second

week of the third trimester. There are many books available about women in Indiana that may be used as resources.

The essays are graded first on correctness of grammar and second on persuasiveness. Two to three members judge the essays. The winner is awarded a monetary stipend and certificate. The monetary award is presented when the student shows verification of college enrollment.

Beth LeRoy, LaPorte Branch



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Grassroots Liaison for National AAUW Leadership Corps



Patricia Crouch is serving as a Grassroots Liaison for the national AAUW Leadership Corps. A liaison is to help "identify and address current needs, encourage branch leadership development, foster effective multi-way communication, increase sharing of resources and strategies, and assist membership growth." Patricia would love to hear from you and looks forward to attending branch meetings across the state. To learn more about the Leadership Corps, visit aauw.org. To contact Patricia, please email her at pcrouch@indiana.edu or write to her at PO Box 446, Gosport, IN 47433.

Patricia Crouch, Grassroots Liaison

Membership Dues Are DUE!

It is that time of year...again! I have found it helpful to provide an addressed envelope (addressed to treasurer) in which members can mail in their dues. The envelope provides a reminder and makes it easier to get those dues in. Good luck with your dues collections.

Some reminders:

- ◆ **2010-11 National and State dues are due JULY 1**
- ◆ National dues are \$49, \$46 of which is tax deductible. Make branch checks out to AAUW Nat'l Dues and mail to: AAUW Nat'l Dues, Box 96733, Washington DC 20090-6793.
- ◆ State dues are \$7.00. Make branch checks out to

AAUW IN and mail to Susan Trout, 8700 W Tulip Tree Dr, Muncie IN 47304-8933.

- ◆ 50-yr Honorary Members are NOT required to pay National or State Dues—Branch dues are optional.
- ◆ National Student Affiliate Dues are \$17, \$16 of which is tax deductible. The state does not charge student affiliate dues.
- ◆ If your Branch is participating in having National collect ALL of your dues and then having National reimburse the state and branch their dues, please let Barb Kanning and myself know. Thanks!

Susan Trout, State Treasurer