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CELEBRATE AAUW's 125th BIRTHDAY!

COME to INDIANAPOLIS for the SUMMER WORKSHOP - MARIAN, INC. - JULY 8th

Join us for a great day on Saturday, July 8th at 9:00 a.m. We have planned very special people and activities to interest ALL Branch members from every part of the state. We will welcome Seth Chase from Association to present AAUW's Public Policy priorities for the current Congress and also ideas for us on grassroots advocacy. You might recognize his name as writer of Action Network and Washington Update. His message to us will certainly be timely and pertinent.

We will also get first-hand information from our own Indiana University's team who was awarded AAUW's Campus Action Grant. They will report their progress made during the 2005-2006 school year on implementation of Building a Harassment-Free Campus. Also with us is Christine Knight from Indiana State University who is our state's representative at the AAUW National Conference for College Women Student Leaders just held in early June. It will be exciting to hear from these talented young women on their work and AAUW's help in doing it!

Be sure to bring your seasoned and new Board members AND new emerging Branch leaders. We will meet with our counterparts and share experiences and ideas for our 2006-2007 programs and activities. It will be a beneficial day for all of us. Let's continue AAUW's 125 years of leadership and make Indiana an even stronger advocate for women and girls!

Indiana AAUW Impact Grants

At its March 25, 2006, meeting, the Indiana Board of Directors approved giving a Branch Impact Grant of \$100 to each of two branches. By this time, all branches should have received a letter and application form. Grant applications must show a concrete proposal for undertaking a public policy initiative at the local level. For example, the money could be used to co-host an issue forum in partnership with another organization. Applications should also show how the activity will increase visibility and diversity. Applications must be postmarked by June 15, 2006, and sent to Indiana Public Policy Director Agnes George, 1145 Mathews Street, Gary, IN 46406. Winners will be announced at the Summer Workshop.

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**125 YEARS - EXTENDING A LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP
SUMMER LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP
JULY 8, 2006 - MARIAN, INC., INDIANAPOLIS**

(See driving directions/map on page 4.)



9:00 to 9:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast, Registration, and Social Time

9:45 to 10:15 a.m. Board Business & Regional Conference Info. to Branches

10:15 to 10:30 a.m. Break

10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Keynote Speaker -Seth Chase, Senior Coordinator for Public Policy and Government Relations, AAUW - Washington D.C.

11:30 to 12:15 p.m. Mini-Workshops - Meet with IN Board leaders & your Branch counterparts & emerging Branch/State leaders

12:15 to 1:15 p.m. Lunch

1:15 to 2:00 p.m. Indiana University Campus Action Project Recipients - Hear from the Team about the progress so far on implementation of: Building a Harassment-Free Campus

2:00 to 2:30 p.m. Christine Knight from Indiana State University - Indiana's representative to the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders

2:30 to 3:00 p.m. Wrap-Up and Celebration of 125th Birthday of AAUW - Complete with cake!!

**REGISTRATION FORM INDIANA SUMMER WORKSHOP
INDIANAPOLIS - JULY 8, 2006**

Please PRINT clearly:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone# _____ Special Needs? _____

Branch: _____ Vegetarian Lunch? _____

COST: \$15.00 - Includes breakfast snack, lunch, and all materials.

Make Check payable to AAUW Indiana and send with this form to:
Kathleen Richardson - 2939 Meadowgate Ct., Evansville, IN 47711
DEADLINE is Monday, July 3rd. Get your reservation in NOW!



Directions

SUMMER LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP

JULY 8, 2006 • MARIAN, INC., INDIANAPOLIS

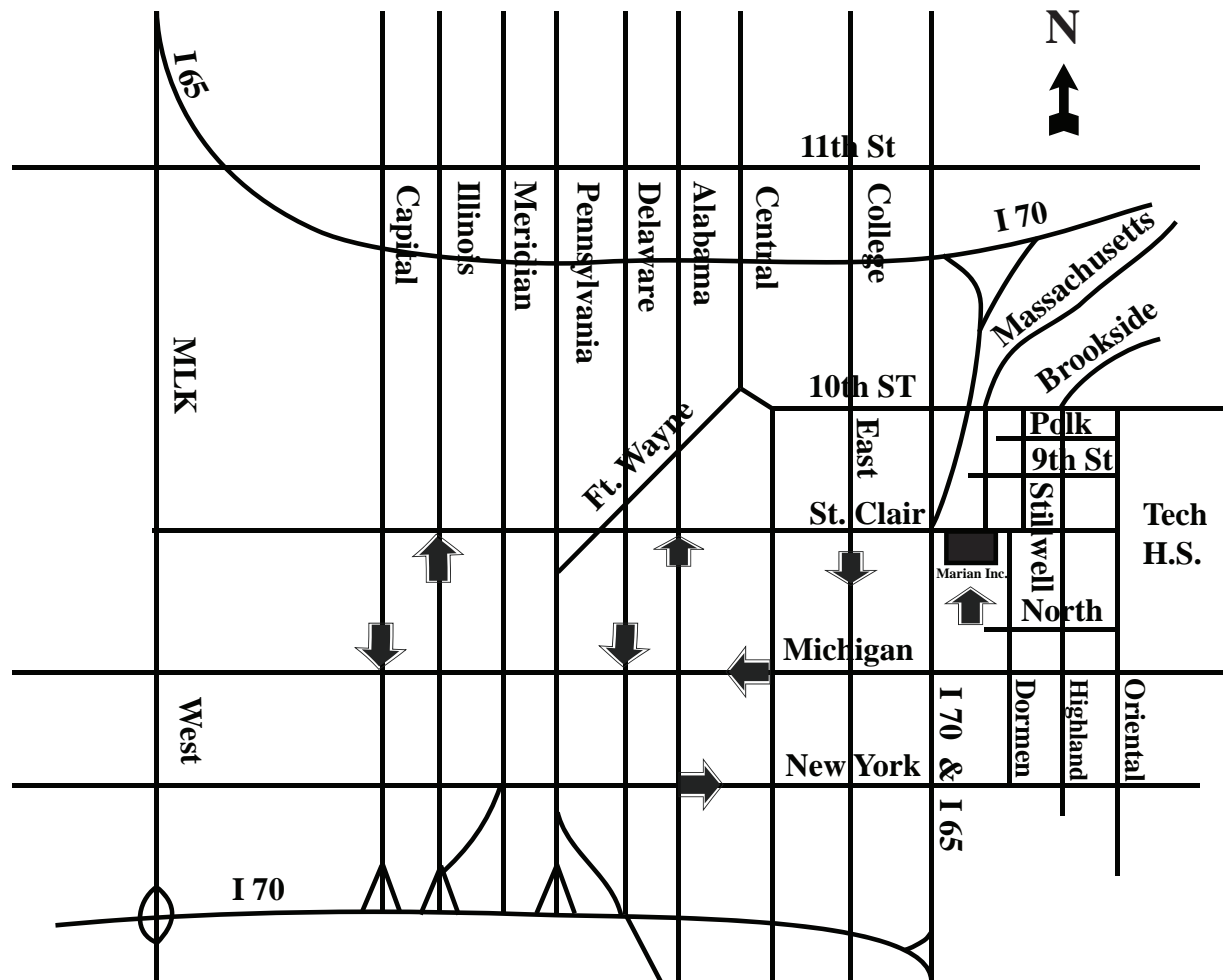
Marian, Inc. is located at 1011 St. Clair Street and was the site of previous summer workshops with a great view of the city!

From the North: South on I-65 to Ohio, Michigan & Fletcher Street exit. Follow exit ramp to Michigan Street exit. Turn west (right) on Michigan Street to 1st stop light, which is College Avenue. Turn north (right) on College and continue to St. Clair. Turn east (hard right) on St. Clair and go over the railroad tracks. Marian is the first building on the right after the tracks.

From the South: North on I-65 to Market Street exit. West on Market to College Avenue, turn right (north). North on College to St. Clair Street and turn east (hard right) onto St. Clair. Go over the railroad tracks and Marian is the first building on the right after the tracks.

From the West: East on I-70 to Market Street exit. West on Market Street to College Avenue. North on College to St. Clair Street and turn east (hard right). Go over the railroad tracks and Marian is the first building on the right after the tracks.

From the East: West on I-70 to Michigan, Ohio, & Fletcher Street exit. Follow the ramp to Michigan Street exit. At the 1st stop light, turn right onto Michigan Street. Go to College Avenue and turn right (north). Head north on College to St. Clair street and turn east hard right). Go over the railroad tracks and Marian is the first building on the right after the tracks.



Dear Indiana AAUW members,

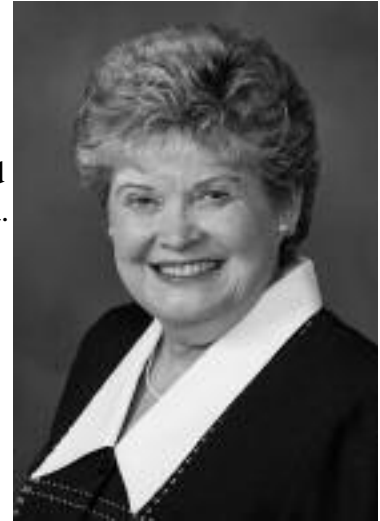
Happy Summer - or at least I think it is almost here! I have much to report, but first I want to applaud the Fort Wayne branch for hosting our State Convention. Its members thought of all the little things that make Conventions so wonderful as well as executing the basics. Thanks to Barb Kanning, too, who brought us such interesting speakers.

I hope that now you will look ahead to our Summer Leadership Workshop in Indianapolis on July 8th. In this Bulletin, you will find all the necessary information. Last year we had a fine attendance and some really productive networking. I want to emphasize that the workshop is not just for the officers of your branch, but rather for all leaders-past, present, and those yet to come. Barb Kanning and I promise that you will receive some useful information to take back to your branch, and you will learn a great deal from each other, too.

Now for several announcements: I am pleased that some AAUW members in Indiana have made it possible for Christine Knight, a student at Indiana State University, to attend the AAUW National Conference for College Women Student Leaders on June 7-10 in Washington, D.C. Christine is a junior majoring in Social Work with a minor in Women's Studies. Not only does she have an impressive list of leadership activities, but also she has a responsible campus job supervising students in Instruction and Information Technology Services. Christine has said that she will be willing to speak to Indiana branches during this next academic year, so feel free to call her at 812-237-2922.

I am also pleased to report that Indiana has again been awarded the designation of "Platinum State" in the 21st Century Recognition Program. At first I thought that I would wait to announce this until after the State Leaders Conference in

Washington at the end of June. Kay Depel and I will be attending and accepting this award on behalf of Indiana. However, I just couldn't wait! Thanks to the many people whose hard work made this award possible, and a very big "thank you" to Phyllis Thompson, who made us sound so good in the application paperwork!



E. Jean Amman, Indiana President

In her Bulletin column, Phyllis will be telling you also about the individual branches who also received recognition for their Ingenious Ideas in the 21st Century Recognition Program. Further, she will also tell you about Indiana's Emerging Leader from the South Bend branch and the Re-Emerging Leader from Fort Wayne. Sometimes we become so weary or discouraged in our AAUW work that we forget to celebrate all the great things that are happening!

One of the greatest is that this year AAUW will celebrate a very big birthday - its 125th! That makes AAUW one of the most stable and effective organizations in America! I want to refer you to a lovely graphic design that you can incorporate in all of your written materials, yearbooks, etc., this year. That logo can be found at http://www.aauw.org/member_center/newsletters/logos.cfm. Let's never forget that we have "A Legacy of Leadership" to celebrate!

My best wishes,
E. Jean Amman, Indiana President

Indiana's Ingenious Ideas

The following ten AAUW Branches were recognized for their ingenious ideas at AAUW Indiana State Convention on April 22, 2006:

Evansville	Muncie
Fort Wayne	Noblesville
Gary/Merrillville	Richmond
Indianapolis	South Bend
LaPorte	Valparaiso

These Branches were given a certificate of recognition. The Branches' names and projects were also sent to Association for recognition. These Branches now have a place of honor on AAUW's website. Indiana AAUW also has received a platinum award again. AAUW Indiana President will be given the award at AAUW State Leaders Conference in June.

The Winner is

This year's Emerging Leader is **April Lindinsky** of South Bend Branch. April is Public Policy Chair for the South Bend Branch. She is also Assistant Professor of Women's Studies at IU South Bend. She is involved in many Branch activities and is founder and director of Table Talk, a public forum co-sponsored by the American Democracy Project dealing with the challenges of enforcing Title IX in South Bend's public schools. April will represent Indiana as a Young Emerging Leader at Great Lakes Regional Conference in Naperville, Illinois, June 9-11, 2006.

Indiana's Re-Emerging Leader is

Marie Mattison of the Fort Wayne Branch. Marie joined the Fort Wayne Branch in 2004 and quickly became an active participant in numerous activities. In 2005 she filled an unexpired term for Director of the Educational Foundation. With less than six months to plan, she and her creative team organized and promoted a most successful fund raiser. In fact \$ 6,500.00 was raised. Marie has moved the Fort Wayne Branch towards new ways of thinking and attracting younger members. Fort Wayne is so pleased that Marie rejoined AAUW and proud of her and her active spirit. In fact she is the new Fort Wayne Branch President.

Two other nominees for Emerging Leader were recognized on April 22. They are:

Dorothy Hardy of Gary/Merrillville and **Carolyn Hardebeck** of Valparaiso.

Congratulations to all of you for a job well done.

Legal Advocacy Fund

A hearty round of applause to AAUW Indiana for raising \$4379.00 for the Legal Advocacy Fund. Please give yourselves a pat on the back.

Phyllis S. Thompson

Past President, 21st Century Recognition Program, & Legal Advocacy Liaison

From Our Regional Director

New Theme is Springboard for Programs and Membership

Our new multi-faceted programmatic theme "*Education as the Gateway to Women's Economic Security*" is a functional springboard for branch programs and a way to recruit new members. There are three distinct threads that fall underneath the theme.

- **Equity in Higher Education** playing a major role in determining women's career trajectories, women's wages, benefits, and overall economic security.

- **Workplace Equity** looking at the workplace as an arena where women are faced with not only a gap in pay, but also a whole host of other issues related to women's work.

- **Financial Literacy** examining how girls and women from grade school through retirement understand and manage their finances.

The theme of education and economic security is important to members and non-members alike, and cuts across geographic locations, generations, race, and ethnicity. It also builds synergy with our Educational Foundation, Legal Advocacy Fund, public policy, international efforts, and membership. Because economic security is a common goal for many organizations, this theme provides a framework for developing new community partners and strengthening existing ones. The program can help you increase membership, especially among target populations of college students, higher education professionals, and working women.

Our newest research **Drawing the Line: Sexual Harassment on Campus** examines the nature

and prevalence of sexual harassment on college campuses, and the companion initiative of Building a Harassment-Free Campus will begin to affect change in the campus climate and provide leadership opportunities for students. This campus connection provides a chance to open the door and start a dialogue where you can highlight the value of belonging to AAUW's network. An outcome could be recruiting members, including those from the new category of associate degrees.

This programmatic theme provides us with the opportunity to collaborate with partners, communicate our vision and mission, and recruit new members. You can develop programs and projects around the theme to suit the needs of your branch. The possibilities are endless and the benefits are boundless! Check out www.aauw.org for more information on the new theme, as well as many other ideas for programming and membership.

It is not too late to register for the Regional Conference June 9-11 at the Lisle/Naperville Wyndham. You won't want to miss the many interactive workshops; dynamite speakers, including Ruth Sweetser, the Association President, and Michele Wetherald, our Executive Director; and a chance for networking with wonderful women from across our five-state Region. Check your state website for information and a registration form or contact Beverly Madsen at bamadsen@sbcglobal.net.

Pam Thiel, Great Lakes Regional Director

Women's Resource Event • President Carol Folger, Coy Halpern, and Mitzi Witchger represented Indianapolis AAUW at the annual Women's Resource event at Butler University on Tuesday, March 28. They were able to share AAUW's mission and invite students, faculty, and staff to learn more about AAUW, to join AAUW, and to support us as we continue to work for equity in education, lifelong learning and positive societal change. Public Policy brochures were a hot item.



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AAUW Newsletter Contest

The **newsletter contest deadline** has been **extended to June 15**. Please send **3 copies** of your last 3 newsletters and state the number of members in your branch. The winning newsletters will be announced at the July 8th workshop.

Please send to:
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Evansville Branch Member Receives Honorary Law Degree

Mattie S. Miller, Evansville Branch, received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree on May 6, 2006, from the University of Southern Indiana. Mattie is a former English teacher, reading teacher clinician and retired principal of Harper Elementary School. She spent her entire educational career in the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation.

A native of Adams, Tennessee, she received her Bachelor of Science undergraduate degree in education from Tuskegee Institute (University) Alabama, Masters of Science Degree in Education from Indiana University - Bloomington, Indiana, Counseling and Administration certification from University of Evansville, and Indiana University.

She has served as part time adjunct instructor on the teaching staff of Indiana University, University of Evansville (Multicultural Education), and presently teaches English at Ivy Tech Community College, where she was nominated in January 2006 for the "Outstanding Adjunct Instructor of the Year."

A Lilly Endowment Education Fellow, she was selected to spend three years in training, and planning programs for young adolescents in Indiana. For service to youth in Indiana, she was honored by Governor Evan Bayh with the "Sagamore of the Wabash" Award for the state of Indiana.

She is married to William E. Miller and they have one son, Kori who lives in Los Angeles, California, and one grandson. Mr. Miller also received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree on May 6, 2006, from the University of Southern Indiana.

Well known to the education community in Evansville, and Indiana, she has earned national and international recognition from her educational study tours of schools in Paris, Brittany and Lyon, France; five countries in West Africa, and Saskatchewan, Canada.

To say the least, we of the Evansville Branch are proud to call Mattie Miller one of our own. She is the Diversity Coordinator of our branch and a loyal member.

Congratulations, Mattie.

Loretta Zygmunt, President, Evansville Branch