



AAUW LAKE-SUMTER HI-LITES

American Association of University Women

MAY 2010

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HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN \$25.**

**COFFEE AND CONVERSATION STARTS
JUNE 1 FROM 9-9:45 A.M. AT PANERA.**

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear AAUW Lake Sumter Members,

As our term as co-presidents winds down, we wish to acknowledge that working and socializing with all of you has been very rewarding. The wisdom, talent, and commitment shared by our members has enabled our branch to grow. Our programs continue to fulfill the purposes of AAUW; promoting equity for all women and girls, lifelong education, and positive societal change. We have made new friends while learning about women's issues locally and on a larger scale.

On behalf of our membership best wishes are extended to our incoming presidents [Joyce Tisovec](#) and [Barbara Fisler](#). Congratulations to our presidents-elect [Judith Bonn](#) and [Barbara Jones](#). These officers will be installed at the May 8th meeting at Tea Plantation. The introduction of our local scholarship winners will be the program for this meeting.

Thank you, [Carolyn Husk](#), for a most informative meeting in April on Money Matters. Your talk helped us see the need for continued awareness of our personal financial status and opportunities in our retirement years.

To the snowbirds; have a safe and happy summer. To full time residents; we will see you at the coffees and other events scheduled. To everyone: thank you for a GREAT year of AAUW work and play.

Co Presidents

[Diane Jacobson](#) and [Helen Gozdanovic](#).

MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS

Our last AAUW meeting of the 09-10 year will be held at 11:30 a.m. Saturday May 8 at The Tea Plantation, 1101 Canal Street, Sumter Landing. Induction of officers will be held at this meeting, as well as, a presentation of scholarship winners.

Choice of menu: Quiche of the Day with Chef Salad, Henley High Tea (small sandwiches and desserts), or Chicken and Mushroom Alfredo.

Cost is \$20 which includes nonalcoholic beverage, tax, and gratuity.

Make check payable to Lake Sumter AAUW and write your menu choice on the memo line.

Send it to Barbara Fisler, 471 Gaskin Lane, the Villages, FL 32162.

(446-0039)

Reservation deadline April 30. Only those with reservations will be served.

The next meeting will be September 11, but you are invited to get together for Coffee and Conversation Tuesday mornings from 9:00-9:45 a.m. at Panera on Main Street in The Villages beginning June 1 throughout August.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

BRIDGE: First Monday Bridge will be held Monday May 3, 1 p.m. at the home of [Carolyn Johnson](#). Third Monday Bridge will be held Monday May 17, 1 p.m. at the home of [Mary Ann Swisher](#). Players will receive directions by e-mail or phone. Members who are interested in joining the group should call [Mary Ann Swisher](#) at 259-3739 or <mswiper@mindspring.com>.

First Thursday Bridge will be held at 12:30 May 6 at the home of [Barbara Meyer](#) and Third Monday Bridge will be held at 12:30 May 20 at the home of [Susie Richmond](#). For more information e-mail [Sandy Ainsworth](#) at <sandyains@comcast.net> or call [Barbara Mayoras](#) at 391-1688.

DAY TRIPS: On April 14, three members enjoyed the magnificent birds at Gatorland in Orlando followed by lunch at Macaroni Grill.

DINING OUT: The next dine around will be in June at the Nancy Lopez Country Club. Please e-mail [Judi Corcoran](#) (jcdukeirl@aol.com) as to your preference of two dates: June 4th or June 25th. Judi will go with the majority's vote and will notify interested members.

DIVERSITY BOOK CLUB will be held Wednesday May 19 at 1 p.m. at the home of **Pat Bays**. The group will discuss *Mountains beyond Mountains* by Tracy Kidder. June's book for discussion will be *Born on a Blue Day* by Daniel Tammet, and for July, *South of Broad* by Pat Conroy. For more information Pat can be contacted at 751-3777 or <stanbays@embarqmail.com>

EDUCATED PALATES: Five members and their spouses enjoyed a delicious Portuguese meal April 8 at the home of **Carolyn Moores**. The next get together will be in November. Watch September's newsletter for the planning meeting date. Those interested in joining the group for next year should contact Carolyn at 259-9955 or e-mail her at <hcmoores@aol.com>.

FYI

***MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL.** AAUW memberships are annual beginning on July 1 and ending on June 30th. The cost of membership remains the same as last year: \$49 National dues, \$12 State dues and \$13 Local dues **for a total of \$74 for a full branch membership.**

Paying your dues by the May meeting gives you a chance to win one of 3 \$25 prizes.

***GET YOUR NAME IN THE HANDBOOK!** All new members who join for the 2010-11 year will be listed in the membership booklet. They, along with all past members who get their memberships in by June 30, will be in the new handbook.

***LAKE/SUMTER BRANCH OFFICERS FOR 2010-11 are:**

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| Co-Presidents (1 yr. term) | Barbara Fislser and Joyce Tisovec |
| Co-Presidents-elect (1 yr. term) | Judith Bonn and Barbara Jones |
| Co-Program Directors (2 yr. term) | Ann Marie Lombardi and Anne Marino |
| Co-Finance Directors (2 yr. term) | Diane Jacobson and Barbara Mayoras |
| Co-Membership directors | Janice Heber and Phyllis Williams |
| Co-Secretaries | Margaret Kaufman and Joan Krick |

*** HELP WANTED for 2010-2011 POSITIONS:** We are looking for people to serve on committees or to chair/co-chair some committees.

CO-HISTORIAN. **Helen Gozdanovic** volunteered to serve in this capacity but since she is a snowbird, we are looking for another member to help in this area. The branch historian keeps the scrapbooks and adds to them by putting in our newspaper clippings and takes some pictures during the year of our events to add to our history.

HOSPITALITY . We will have a hospitality committee this year and **Ella Taylor** will chair this committee. She will need members who are willing to greet members at the meetings and help with name tags.

MUSICALE. We will need some members to help work on the Musicale scholarship event to be held in February.

STEM. [Marie Abbot](#), who handles our STEM Awards program, could also use some members to learn about the awards process and to help to plan a small fundraiser in the fall to fund the awards.

I am sure there will be other opportunities to volunteer in the fall as the programming season begins. It takes all of us to make our AAUW branch work smoothly from year to year. None of these jobs take a lot of time but are so important to the branch. By volunteering, you get to meet and to know other members and to help the branch at the same time. Won't you think about volunteering?

Please call [Joyce Tisovec](#), co-president elect, at 770-815-0801 to volunteer and get more information.

*[NEIGHBORHOOD COFFEES](#), a new Interest Group chaired by [Judy Bonn](#), will begin in the fall.

* [THE CHOCOLATE BASKET](#) will be raffled off at the May luncheon. Chances will be sold before the meeting. Proceeds will support STEM.

*[OUR LAKE/SUMTER BRANCH WON 2 AWARDS](#) at the Florida State Convention in Sarasota this past weekend. We won First Place for a 39 percent increase in membership and Tenth place in LAF contributions. Eight members attended: [Janice Broadbelt](#), [Zubeda Hamdani](#), [Janice Heber](#), [Diane Jacobson](#), [Jo Anne Kelch](#), [Mary Ann Swisher](#), [Joyce Tisovec](#), and [Phyllis Williams](#).

*[ON BEHALF OF OUR ANGEL BOOKS PROGRAM](#), [Anne Tutoli](#) will be receiving an award from the Sumter County School Board at its meeting May 4. Thank you to both Anne and [Blanche DiRito](#) for their years of service to this project.

*[STEM AWARDS](#) will be presented in May to two eighth grade girls in science and math at each of the area middle schools. Each girl will receive a \$25 savings bond and a \$25 cash award.

*[A CELEBRATION TEA](#) sponsored by Tri-County League of Women Voters and Lake/Sumter AAUW will be held Monday August 16 from 2-4 at the Lady Lake Community Center to commemorate the 90th anniversary of the passing of the Nineteenth Amendment.

*[CONDOLENCES](#) to [Carolyn Husk](#) on the recent passing of her husband Elston.

* **JUDITH LATHAM** passed away Friday April 23 after a courageous battle with cancer. Anyone wishing to make a donation should do so to either the Appleton Museum of Art 4333 E. Silver Springs Blvd., Ocala, FL 34470-5001 or Catholic Community Television Network 1330 Sunshine Ave., Leesburg, FL 34748.

***TWO MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS** of \$50 to the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund will be made in honor of members **Joanne Seger** and **Judy Latham**.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Clip and Save

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| Monday Bridge | May 3 | 1 p.m. | Carolyn Johnson's home |
| Thursday Bridge | May 6 | 12:30 p.m. | Barb Meyer's home |
| AAUW meeting | May 8 | 11:30 a.m. | Tea Plantation |
| Monday Bridge | May 17 | 1 p.m. | Mary Ann Swisher's home |
| Diversity Book Club | May 19 | 1 p.m. | Caroline Moores' home |
| Thursday Bridge | May 20 | 12:30 p.m. | Susan Richmond's home |
| Coffee and Conversation | June 1 and every Tuesday | 9-9:45 a.m. | Panera |
| Celebration Tea | August 16 | 2-4 p.m. | Lady Lake Comm. Center |

Bridge games will be announced as set up throughout the summer.

NEW MEMBERS

Zubeda Hamdani, 20837 Sullivan Ranch Blvd., Mt. Dora, FL 32757.
352-383-4545; <ahamdani@uwm.edu>. U. of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, MA in Elementary Ed.

Beth Otto, 712 Mullins Path, The Villages 32162, Mallory Square.
430-0717, <eotto941@yahoo.com>. St. Catherines, Minn. BS and internship in Nutrition.

Christine Thompson, 618 Cadena Circle, The Villages, 32159, Tierra del Sol.
650-1921, <chrisht65@aol.com>. U of Portsmouth, UK, Medicine.

CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

Jo Loder's new phone number is **352-561-4119**.

*Have a relaxing summer.
See you at Panera's or in September!*

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Web site: <http://emssdi.com/AAUW/>.