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2016 Scholarship Award Luncheon



Saturday November 12 at the Desoto Club in the Village was an exciting event for our members who were able to meet and hear from six of our scholarship recipients for this year. These women are most impressive (pictured here with the National Park College President, John Hogan) and their personal stories were both inspiring and humbling. Thanks to the efforts of our members, we are pleased to be able to award 13 scholarships.

9 lucky folks won the various lovely centerpieces made by members and in the process we raised an additional \$250 for next year's fund. Thanks Ronnie Zuege, Pam Burns, Peggy McCoy, Stephanie Hicklin, Meg Koziar, Myra Sanders, Sue Luerssen and Bonnee Hagen.

ACADEMIC ANGELS SOAR TO EXCELLENCE



The Academic Angel Launch was a rousing success on Thursday, Oct 27. Over 90 guests filled the De Soto Club. The Fountain Lake Jazz Ensemble entertained, food and wine were enjoyed by all and the auction bidding was spirited under the urging of our auctioneer, Steve Thacker. Sara Brown, Development Director at NPC and Rebecca Echols, a scholarship recipient this year, spoke to the audience about the importance of scholarship support for women students and the amazing history of AAUW's participation.



Velma and John Coolidge were recognized for their vision in starting the book sale to support the scholarship program so many years ago.



In total, through all our fund raising efforts (Angel Launch party and auctions, Direct contributions to the AAUW Fund at NPC, centerpiece raffle) we raised \$17,800. This means we can do more in the next granting rounds to help deserving women from our area reach their personal academic goals. So thanks to all of you who have been so supportive and such wonderful contributors. Without you, this just doesn't work. Thank You. Thank You.

If you have not yet contributed to the Academic Angel Fund we hope that you will consider a tax deductible year end gift. It is not too late!

Giving levels of any amount (Bronze Up to \$99, Silver \$100-249, Gold \$250-\$499, and Platinum \$500 or more) are appreciated. Checks should be made payable to NPC Foundation/AAUW Fund. Send to: NPC Foundation, 101 College Drive, Hot Springs, Arkansas 71913.

If you have comments or suggestions for next year, we invite you to send them to Myra Sanders so that they can be included in the planning of our next campaign.



In **principle** and **practice**, AAUW values and seeks a **diverse** membership. There shall be **no barriers** to **full participation** in the organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin or disability.

"If we are to achieve a richer culture, rich in contrasting values, we must recognize the whole gamut of human potentialities, and so weave a less arbitrary social fabric, one in which each diverse human gift will find a fitting place." Margaret Mead

Always use the AAUW website for more information on activities, members, and more.

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You are invited to a BOOK SWAP PARTY and AUTHOR READING.

Saturday January 21, 2017 Time: 4:30-6:30 pm Cost: \$5.00 (Food and Room Rental)

- Where: Hot Springs Village Town House Association 1 Perralena Lane
- Bring: At least one book you think Someone else will enjoy. This is the Swap Part!!

Guarantee: You will enjoy an afternoon of tea, wine and appetizers while trading your awesome read for another one AND listening to guest author, Sam McKensie. (See below.) A classy first of the year opportunity.

To Reserve a spot, Call Pam Burns at 922-4106 by January 18 or shoot her an email: jbreelem@yahoo.com/



Guest Author DON CANDY

Angels three five is military jargon for thirty five thousand feet. A military pilot might include his altitude in a position report as: "twenty miles northwest at *angels two three*" (twenty three thousand feet). In the book, a High Altitude - High Opening (HAHO) parachute system with a GPS guided automatic landing system is developed, tested and then taken into combat by the Navy SEALS and the Army's Delta Force. Sam McKensie and other Special Forces Operators face the brutal drug cartels of Central and South America.

The book follows Sam's personal life: his family, friends, love life, career, hopes, fears and other factors in his character, as well as his transition from a high school student through college, into the Navy and finally part way into his career as a Navy SEAL.

The story deals with the growing social threat of illicit drugs in the U.S. and the government's struggle to stem that rapidly

advancing threat using Special Forces and some of their new hi-tech capabilities.

Author Don Candy was a technical manager with the Defense systems organization at TI, developing "edge-of-the-art" systems and products. During his college days he taught ROTC candidates to fly while at the University of Missouri. Along with his wife, Karen, he adds to his time as author, traveling, sailing, skiing and water sports. Come to the Book Swap Party and meet Don!

WHAT A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AN AUTHOR!!!



Thomasina Mullarkey resides at 13 Cullera Lane in HSV. She has a M.Ed (Special Ed) from the University of San Diego. Her phone is 224-935-6954 and email <u>tm4839@att.net</u>.

She attended the Scholarship Luncheon and was recruited by VP Membership, Karen Vinyard.

Mary Eliades and her husband Phil reside at 10 Invadir Circle in HSV. She has a B.S. in Computer Science from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Her Phone is 922-0877 and email <u>maryeliades@gmail.com</u>. She moved to the Village from the Houston area and is interested in joining a book group. She was recruited by member Ronnie Zuege and attended the Academic Angel Launch Event in October.

Welcome Thomasina and Mary!!



Seasons Wishes for the New Year From Your President

There are a few things I wanted to say to everyone on this cold December Day. Most of the time this season brings with it a grateful heart. Today I find myself very grateful to all of those volunteers who gave of their time and efforts to make our Academic Angels Fundraiser such a success. In total we raised over \$17,800. We still have a few small expenses to pay but expect to be able to give most of that amount out in Scholarships in 2017-2018. This was phenomenal for our first try (with a new fund raiser)! If you didn't get to contribute for one reason or another, we still have envelopes which will allow you to mail your contribution directly to the college. Remember that your contribution is tax deductible. Anyone wanting an envelope or information can contact me, Kim Townsan, Paula Matthews or Barb Mulley. I'm also reminded at this time of the year how lucky I am to have my fairly good health. Please remember all of our members who may have some sort of health problem that is making their Christmas a little less jolly this year. Perhaps it is one of their family members. There are some, like me, who will be missing someone dear to them this Christmas. So don't get so busy with the holly and jolly that you forget to think of those people.

Having said that, I want to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Myra

A Bit of Christmas Trivia

You know the holiday song, "The 12 Days of Christmas"..... but do you know what each of the "gifts" on each of the 12 days represent? And do you know where and why "they" came into being? (Hint: It has to do with England, religion and the years between 1558-1829. See if you can find the answer.)

So here's what the hidden meaning are"

First Day: Partridge in a Pear Tree (Jesus) Second Day: Two turtle doves (Old and New Testaments) Third Day: Three French hens (Faith, Hope and Love) Fourth Day: Four calling birds (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) Fifth Day: Five Golden Rings (Torah or the Law; first 5 books of the Bible) Sixth Day: Six Geese A-laying (6 days of Creation) Seventh Day: Seven Swans a Swimming (Gifts of the Holy Spirit: Mercy, Leadership, Contribution, Exhortation, Teaching, Serving, Prophesy) Eighth Day: Eight Maids a Milking (the 8 Beatitudes) Ninth Day: Nine Ladies Dancing (Fruits of the Holy Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control) Tenth Day: Ten Lords a Leaping (the 10 Commandments) Eleventh Day: Eleven Pipers Pipping (the 11 faithful disciples) Twelfth Day: Twelve drummers drumming (12 points of belief in the Apostles Creed)

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