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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Becky Gifford

Congratulations on another successful Book Sale! Many members, relatives, and friends contributed to the sale. Thanks to the barrel checkers, sorters and the sale day activity participants, as well as those who were the monthly leaders this year. I'd like to acknowledge all those who contributed but the list will be too long. However, I have to recognize our leader, Pam Burns! You did a great job, Pam! Thank you!

Another special part of the book sale was that Anna Jackson, one of our scholarship winners, worked at both the sorting and the book sale. There were other scholarship recipients who took part. At the book sale, I talked with Elizabeth Carrel's mother who told me how much she appreciated the scholarship her daughter received.

It was an excellent sale and we have funds that will provide money for the scholarships and other educational activities. The gross sale amount is \$ 13,168.62. Pam will have an article in this Hot Sheet about the details. The book sale had a report on the sale for a full half page recognition by the Village Voice with two great pictures provided by Fred Garcia. Thanks for those professional photos!

It will be wonderful to hear the stories about what our scholarships mean to those who received them this year at our Scholarship Luncheon.



SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

By Diana Reeves

The Hot Springs/Hot Springs Village American Association of University Women's Scholarship Luncheon is an annual event that honors our 2012-2013 Scholarship Recipients, recognizes and applauds our leadership, and celebrates the accomplishments of the entire branch.

The luncheon will be held at 11:00 A.M., December 1 at the Hot Springs Country Club. The menu will consist of a lemon-panko crusted chicken breast with Boursin cream, green salad, vegetable, rolls, tea or coffee, and light dessert. The cost is \$16.00.

This annual luncheon gives our membership a chance to meet and visit with the scholarship recipients and their guests. The luncheon is an occasion you do not want to miss.

As last year, valet parking will be provided.

To make reservations, send your check to Barbara Larson, 16 Galeon Lane, Hot Springs Village 71909.

The deadline for reservations is **November 19**. That is the Monday prior to Thanksgiving. Anyone who has reservation questions after that date or who has special dietary needs should call Diana Reeves, 915-8798.



HIGHLIGHTS

By Pam Burns

Photos by Fred Garcia

Funds from our 18th Annual Scholarship Book Sale totaled \$13,168.62. Although our sales were down from last year, we will have enough

funds for our NPCC Scholarships and our donation to the AAUW EOF/LAF programs. I want to thank the 49 AAUW members and the 18 non-members for working diligently during the sale. We were so organized this year that on Thursday before the sale, we moved 1100 boxes of books to tables in one hour and forty minutes—a new record. Thank you for your time, talent, and donations to our sale!

Our leftover hardcover books will be donated to the Nevada County Regional Library in Prescott, AR and paperbacks were donated to the Arkansas prisons.



From box cutting to heavy lifting, these volunteers help make our sale successful every year.



Jeremiah loves his book sale bargains.

Saturday Bag Sale.



Two of our scholarship recipients attended the sale. Kimberly Manning, above, is helped by members Barb Mulley and Diana Reeves. Below, Anna Jackson, who volunteered Saturday at the sale, is surrounded by appreciative members.



Book Sale=Hard work, Fun, Camaraderie

INTEREST GROUPS

Novel Discussions

Nov. 6

Book: *The Girl Who Fell from the Sky* by Heidi Durrow

Leader: Barb Mulley

Hostess: Mary Jane Attwood

Dec. 4

Book: *Lost Memory of Skin* by Russell Banks

Leader: Chris Cash Hostess: Barbara Larson

Jan. 8

Book: *The Sense of an Ending* by Julian Barnes

Leader: Ronnie Zuege Hostess: Chris Cash

Contemporary Literature

Nov. 27 11:30 Diamante

Book: *Behind the Beautiful Forevers* by Katherine Boo

Leader: Mary Jane Attwood

December - Holiday Break

Jan. 22 11:30 Diamante

Book: *The Lotus Eaters* by Tatjana Soli

Leader: Joyce Anderson

Non-Fiction Book Group

Nov. 15 10:00

Book: *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration* by Isabel Wilkerson

Leader: Pat Mershon Hostess: Sandy Garcia

Dec. 20

Book: *Hard Times: An Oral History of the Great Depression* by Studs Terkel

Leader: Barb Mulley Hostess: Ronnie Zuege

Jan. 17

Book: *Dear White America: A Letter to a New Minority* by Tim Wise

Leader & Hostess: Marge Collin

New Interest Group being formed---

Are you interested in reading 4 biographies a year? If so, please contact Becky Elliott (elliottbecky@sbcglobal.net or 922-3142) or Susan Brayford (sbrayfor@centenary.edu or 915-8955). An organization meeting will be scheduled sometime in November. Thereafter, the group will meet quarterly.

Serendipitous Outings

For more information contact Suzanne Stofer, 226-5036 or suzannestofer@yahoo.com

Hot Springs Events

Contact Jackie Thornton for more information 318-0872 jac22d71@sbcglobal.net

Great Decisions

November 13 9:30

Topic: Energy Geopolitics: Quandaries Intensify

Leader: Jackie Thornton

Hostess: Chris Cash

Mah Jongg 101

Mah Jongg meets in members' homes every Friday from 1:00 to 4:00. For information on joining our group, call Paula Alan at 501-226-5088.

Membership News

By Sue Luerssen

Twenty-nine members attended our Branch Meeting on October 17th at the Porterhouse in Hot Springs. We had three guests – Marjorie Griffiths with Jeanne Koons; Wanda Bodemann with Meg Koziar and Sissy Trabant with Mary Jane Attwood. We welcome back returning member Kay Butterworth. She rejoined us right after the book sale.

Becky Gifford attended the Newcomer's Coffee on October 25th. She chatted with several attendees and passed out AAUW information.



Sunshine Committee

By Marge Collin

A sympathy card was sent to Jane Garison on the death of her husband Jack. Our thoughts and prayers are with her.

Please notify Marge Collin at 922-6032 or margaret.collin@att.net, if you are aware of a member who may need our support.

AAUW Hot Springs/Hot Springs Village Branch Meeting Minutes

by Pat Mershon, Secretary

October 17, 2012, Porterhouse Restaurant

Mary Jane Attwood announced that name tags are \$8 and that some new name tags are ready to be picked up.

Becky Elliott said she and Susan Brayford would like to start a new Biography Book Group that will meet four times a year. If interested, let one of them know.

Pam Burns stated that the book sale grossed \$13,168. There are 203 boxes of books left which will be donated to the library in Prescott, AR and the Arkansas prisons.

Pam thanked Mary Jane Attwood, Karen Dolan, the monthly leaders and co-leaders, the 49 members and 18 non-members who volunteered at sorting and the sale this year. She thanked members for the help and support she has received during her five years as book sale chair.

Sue Luerssen reported on the death of Elizabeth Jackson, a long-time member of AAUW. She introduced new member--Kay Butterworth and three guests--Marjorie Griffith, Sissy Trabant and Wanda Bodemann.

Becky read the thank you note from Pegi Redix,

who won one of the baskets from the sale of the Raffle Tickets. The other winner was Carol Freeland. She also thanked Mary Seitz and Chris Cash for the successful raffle sale.

Mary Jane Attwood, Great Decisions Chairperson, stated that the November meeting will be changed to November 13 due to the Thanksgiving holiday. The subject will be Energy and will be at Chris Cash's home.

Lisa Carey noted that funds had been placed in the AAUW endowment from the college textbook collections. She also has the note cards for those who ordered them.

Meg Koziar, Public Policy Chairperson, announced that some of us received a reply from Sen. Boozman. We still need to write more letters to our legislators. Also Rita Davis will chair the Public Policy Committee.

Ronnie Zuege, "webmaster" said that Becky Gifford and Linda Grasse are helping with a computer project. She also announced that if you need information on Novel Discussion or Non-Fiction Book Groups to contact her.

Chris Cash announced that SCAT needs more drivers and scheduler volunteers. Several in AAUW volunteer for this community project.

Becky announced that the scholarship interviews will be next April.

Mary Jane introduced our speaker Susan Alturi, Chairman of the Board of HS Documentary Film Institute. She is also a part-time film maker and director of public relations and marketing for the Little Rock Zoo. Susan shared with us the activities and challenges of the film festival. Hot Springs is the nation's oldest site of film festivals and wants to continue this tradition. This year 100 films were selected to be shown at the Arlington Hotel. Many AAUW members attended the festival throughout the week.