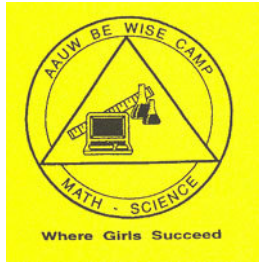




AAUW *focus*

Newsletter of the Bowling Green, Ohio, Branch
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<http://www.bgsu.edu/organizations/aauw/>
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BE WISE Camp **builds future** **success**

Dear AAUW,
I just returned with my daughter Genevieve from BE WISE

Math/Science camp at Denison University. She had a wonderful week as a Counselor in Training. She can't wait to return next year! This truly is a remarkable experience for her - all girls and women - excited about math science and engineering! There's so much enthusiasm and encouragement. The chemistry teacher that Gen worked with this summer did her presentation at the awards ceremony with a pink hat on explaining that every day she wore a different hat to demonstrate to the girls that as they grow up they'll wear all different kinds of hats... and that with every hat they wear, they will be the one to choose it and with every hat they wear, she encourages them to wear it with pride! I was so proud of all of these girls, their teachers, and AAUW!

THANKS, *Maria Simon*

The Cocoon grows its library

The Cocoon Shelter, Bowling Green's battered women's shelter, now has an account in the used book section of Grounds for Thought. One can drop off books (either print or audio), and ask that



proceeds from their sales be credited to the Cocoon Shelter's account. ALSO, anyone with a current positive balance on another book consignment account can donate the balance to the Cocoon's account.

—*Mary Krueger*

YOU DECIDE! ***A Fall Series on Domestic Issues***

This fall, Branch members will try a spin-off of the very successful Great Decisions series at the Wood County Senior Center. Starting with the second Saturday of October and running through the first Saturday of November, "You Decide" will present 4 discussions of issues impacting the United States, including factory farms, the effect of Ohio's new governor on higher education, energy efficient housing, and confronting sexual discrimination and sexual harassment in the workplace.

The four speakers for the series will be announced soon. No textbook will be used with the series, although newspaper articles and other materials may provide background reading. Following the lectures, the Senior Center will serve lunch for those interested in staying to eat and chat.

Anyone interested in helping to coordinate this effort should send a brief e-mail to bgsulib@wcnnet.org. All branch members are, of course, encouraged to attend and to invite others. Something new under the sun!

--*Linda Dobb*

Branch Treasurer ***reminds members to*** ***renew for 2006-2007***



Just a reminder that AAUW dues for 2006-2007 are now due. For those of you who have paid, thank you!

For those of you who have not yet paid, there is a current dues form with each Branch newsletter and there also is one on our web site. These may be printed out, or the Membership Vice Presidents (Helene Weinberger and Jan Varney), President Diane Regan, and I all have copies of the forms.

Dues are \$63 (Association, state, branch). Any donations to the local scholarship, EF, LAF, Be Wise

Camp scholarship, etc., may be added to the dues amount in your check. Indicate on the form and on your check which funds you're donating to (they're listed on the form). If you want to claim a charitable contribution deduction you must write your donation check directly to that fund, e.g. EF, and send it to the fund chairman.

--Joan H. Gordon, Treasurer


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Help build the Diversity Book List

The 2006-2007 AAUW Adelante! reading list is being developed. If you'd like to recommend a selection, you can download a suggestion form at:

http://www.aauw.org/community_programs/adelante/index.cfm



AAUW promotes equity for all women and girls, lifelong education, and positive societal change.

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

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION / EF: AAUW's Educational Foundation provides funds to advance education, research and self-development for women, and to foster equity and positive societal change. Send EF Contributions directly to Branch EF Chair Evelyn Bachman.

LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND / LAF: AAUW's Legal Advocacy Fund provides funding and a support system for women seeking judicial redress for sex discrimination. Send LAF contributions directly to Branch LAF Chair Lynn Ward.

We are all recruiters for our Branch! Invite a friend to attend one of our events and to consider joining! To help our Branch continue to grow, a membership form is included with this newsletter mailing: Print it out for a friend or two.



The **Literature Group** gathers on the first Saturday of every month (except January and July), at noon, at Grounds for Thought. Our next meeting is August 5th. Please bring a book of your choice to review!

--Holly Norton,
literature group leader



2005-06 Officers and Board

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By-Laws—Mary Ellen Pratt
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2007 AAUW National Convention
Call for Presentations
Phoenix, Arizona, June 29-July 2, 2007

Share your
PASSION,
EXPERTISE
and
COMMITMENT
to education and equity
for women and girls...

submit a proposal today!
(Deadline for submission July 15, 2006)

The poster features a large, colorful hot air balloon with a green silhouette of a cactus on its side, floating against a clear blue sky. The text is arranged in a clean, professional layout, with the main title in large, bold letters and the call to action in a smaller font at the bottom.

AAUW Survey for 2006-2007

Name _____ phone _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Has any of the above information changed during the past year? _____ yes _____ no

• Please indicate if you can help the Branch in the following capacities:

SOCIAL COMMITTEE: Circle the month[s] in which you could help the Social Committee set up for a Branch meeting and/or serve as a greeter:

Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec. Feb. Mar. Apr. May

BRANCH BOARD: Would you serve as an appointed Board member? __yes __ no

If so, in what position? *[Board positions are listed on page 1 of the newsletter.]*

INTEREST GROUP participation:

___ Cultural Interest
___ Great Decisions
___ Literature Group
___ Global Affairs

___ Film Group
___ Great Decisions
___ Diversity Programs

___ Other [please describe:] _____

• **06-07 PROGRAMS**: Please list any suggestions for Branch programs for the next year [topics or specific presenter]:

• **MEMBERSHIP**: List names and contact information for prospective members you believe would be interested in joining AAUW. *[Continue on back, if necessary.]*

• **PREFERRED MEETING TIME/FORMAT** (may mark more than one).

___ weekday evening ___ Saturday a.m. ___ Saturday noon ___ Saturday afternoon

___ Sunday afternoon/evening ___ with food ___ without food

• **PLEASE LIST ANY SKILLS, TALENTS, OR INTERESTS THAT YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE BRANCH. ALSO INCLUDE ANY SUGGESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE THAT WILL BENEFIT THE BRANCH.**

Return survey to: Diane Regan, 873 Country Club Dr., Bowling Green, OH 43402

-or-

dregan@bgnet.bgsu.edu