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Riverside Park Friendship Gardens

On April 14th we will be hearing about the International Friendship Gardens at Riverside Park. Our presenters, Chuck Hanson and Gar Amundson will share with us how the project came about, how it is progressing, and even how you can become a part of it.

Meeting site: Ward Room of Cartwright Center at UWL.

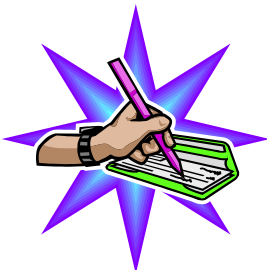
Menu: Spinach Prisanac,

Assorted breads, juice and other beverages.

Cost: \$8.00.

Registration: **BEGINS** at 9:30 with the meal being served at 10:00 A.M.

****Note:** Because I will be out of town until April 13th, please call Alice Ross (788-4206) with cancellations or late reservations. She will be calling the count in first thing Thursday morning, so please call by Wednesday evening, April 11th. If you cannot reach Alice, leave a message on my voice mail. I do check it daily when I'm away. Marla French (782-6589)



Financial Report as of 03-01-07

▪ Certificate of Deposit	\$8690.71
▪ Checking	\$3840.03
▪ Investment Account	\$3881.34
▪ Scholarship Bridge	\$2080.53

⚠ Change in directory/handbook:

Sue and Fred Heuer have a new email address. fredsueret@charter.net

Anyone wanting the AAUW YEARBOOK (Membership Directory) for 2007-2008 in larger print, please call Rosemary at 783-1247 or email me at: jr67burnett@charter.net.

Spotlight on members!



If you have news of a special event in your life or the life of other members please submit it to the Current. This could be a milestone of some kind: wedding anniversary, birth, death, award, graduation; anything memorable about your family or the family of a member.

Pat Staube's father died in Preston, MN March 26. He had been in poor health for about two years after his stroke.

Mississippi river recommended materials.

The following are the titles of the materials Marc Schultz referred to in his presentation at our general meeting.

The River We have Wrought by John Anfinson

Immortal river by Calvin R Fremling, UW Press, 2005

Great River b Philip V Scarpino Univ Missouri 985

National Geographic, 2003. by Stephen Ambrose

Upper Mississippi River Navigation Charts US Army Corps of Engineers 2001

Environmental Pool Plans 1-10. River Resources Forum US Army COE.2004

Progress in Equity Award

Each year the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund's Progress in Equity Award recognizes a college or university program that has resulted in significant progress for women on campus. Recipients receive a stipend of up to \$10,000 and public recognition throughout their communities, campus, and AAUW.

Our chapter has nominated the Self –Sufficiency Program at UW-L for this award. This program which extends the availability of higher education to low-income parents by preparing them to be successful college students is celebrating its 20 year anniversary. During those 20 years the program has had more than 300 graduates.

Liz Wing and Sue Heuer met with Program Director, Amy Sullivan, who was thrilled with the opportunity to apply for this award. She spent much of her spring vacation completing the application which was forwarded to our national organization. Now we can all cross our fingers and wait for the results. Wouldn't it be wonderful if this very worthy program were recognized with this award!

Sue Heuer, LAF Coordinator



AAUW 125th ANNIVERSARY HISTORY REPORT

THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT

In the 1970's the historic struggle for women's equality vigorously re-emerged. AAUW, on the national, state and local levels, joined in actively working for the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment (which failed) and the passage of Title IX prohibiting sex discrimination in the public schools, particularly relating to sports (which succeeded). On a global level AAUW participated in The International Women's Year Conference and on the U.S. front joined the Women's March for Equity in Washington, D.C. and was represented at the National Women's Conference in Houston, Texas.

The next decade began with the convention holding its first nationwide teleconference on the theme "Achieving Equality for Women in the 80's." To further that goal the organization raised and distributed funds for the advancement of women's education. The Legal Advocacy Fund achieved permanent status fighting sex discrimination and harassment on campuses. In 1988, to celebrate the centennial of its first fellowship the Educational Foundation awarded 5,000 fellowships and the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund for Women and Girls was established to promote math and science as fields for women.

*Coming in May – AAUW into the present
Marilyn Hempstead, Historian*

President's Perspective

Many thanks go out to the Library Project Committee for all that they are doing. Not only are we accomplishing something rewarding, but the name of AAUW is being presented to the public in a variety of ways. Make sure you read all about the updates for this project. And remember, all donations go directly to the project.

I present to you the nominations for the 2006-2007 AAUW – La Crosse Branch. Voting will be at the April meeting.

2006-2007 Nominations

Elected Officers

President (annually)	BETTY KRUCK '08
President-Elect (annually)	OPEN
Vice-President Program (even years)	SHARON DeCICCO '08
Co-chair (odd years)	ERICA KOONMEN'09
Vice-President Finance (odd years)	BEV BODINE – '09
Vice-President of Membership (even years)	Pat Staupe – '08 – 2 nd term
Secretary (even years)	Polly Smith - '08 – 2 nd term
Foundation Secretary/Treasurer (even years)	Janet Rosseter- '08

Appointed Board – Two years

Historian	Marilynn Hempstead – '09-2 ND term
By Laws	Sue Schultz – '09 2 ND term
Diversity	SANDRA CASTEK-'09
Public Policy	CINDY WALTERHAUSEN – '09
Newsletter	Mary Reiman – '08
LAF and Educational Foundation	SUE HEUER- '09
Hospitality	MARY HALL - '09
College/University Relations	
UWL	Robert Richardson – '08 – 2 nd term
Viterbo	Silvana Richardson – '08 – 2 nd term
WWTC	MARIE EUMARIAN – '08
Scholarship	ALICE ROSS – '09
Study Groups	Liz Wing – '08
Telephone	Sarah Stuber – '09-2 nd term

Project Coordinators

Scholarship Bridge	SHARON DeCICCO
Art Fair	Pat Staupe
Year Book	ROSEMARY BURNETT
Web Master	Catherine Roraff
Mobile Meals	Lynn Quinlisk & De Schilling
Community Day (Spring)	Sue Heuer

Names in capital letters indicate nominated/appointed positions

Louisiana Library Project

National Library Week is **April 15-21**. This is the week that local media will help highlight the AAUW initiated project to raise funds for the Plaquemines Parish Libraries that were destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. Two special events are planned for that week.

Drive-up Collection Day Thursday, April 19

In front of the Main Street Library

6 am-6 pm



Barnes & Noble Book Fair Saturday, April 21

Valley View Mall 9 am-11 pm

Representatives from the La Crosse Radio Group stations will be in front of the library from 6 am – 6 pm. AAUW volunteers will be working in pairs to collect cash contributions. To volunteer contact Sue Schultz at 781-1662 or ssschultz@charter.net.

A portion of each purchase at Barnes & Noble on April 21 that is made **with a Bookfair Voucher**, will be donated to AAUW for the Plaquemines Parish libraries. A Barnes & Noble Bookfair Voucher is printed in the *Current*. This voucher can be duplicated or downloaded at the website listed below. Please pass out vouchers to family, friends, business associates, and organizations and encourage them to shop for books with a **voucher on April 21. AAUW volunteers will be reading to children at Barnes & Noble on that date.** To volunteer to read, please contact Sue Heuer at 526-9397 or fredsueret.@charter.net.

Drew and Luke of Kelly Wilde and Company have offered to MC a two hour dance as a special prize for a middle school contest to raise funds for AAUW's Library Project. WE hope to offer a challenge to area middle schools. .

Brochures, flyers, and book fair vouchers will be available at the April 14 membership meeting. These are also available on the website <http://webpages.charter.net/croraff/library/project.htm> . A power point presentation is posted on the website that contains pictures of the libraries before/after Hurricane Katrina. You can also obtain brochures, flyers, and vouchers by contacting Betty Kruck, 608-689-2222, krux@mwt.net.

AAUW-La Crosse Branch Membership Renewal

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email (for directory) _____

Dues: \$65.00 includes:

Association	47.00
State	10.00
Branch	8.00

Dues _____ 65.00

Education Foundation (EF)/ Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) _____

La Crosse Branch Endowment Fund _____

Total Enclosed _____

Make check payable to: AAUW – La Crosse Branch

Send form and payment to: Sheri Schneider, Finance VP
2908 Heather Court
Onalaska, WI 54650

Address and email changes will appear in 2007-2008 yearbooks.



Study Groups

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Hearth and Home

Date:

Event:

Where:

Time:

Questions:

Contemporary Authors New members welcome.

Meets 4th Tues at 2:00PM

Date: April 24

Hostess: Bonnie Olson

Author: Anne Taylor, Digging to America

Inquiries: Pat Sheehan: 788-3808

World Problems New members welcome

Meets on 3rd Friday 2:00PM

Date: April 20

Hostess: Rosemary Hickisch

Speaker: Mary Sullivan

Inquiries:: Mary Sullivan 785-7095

Bookfellows Meets 2nd and 4th Wed. New members welcome.

Date: April 11

Hostess: Alex Cincere

Topic: Anna Jacoby Fadian & Ann Fadian

Speaker: Marian Ramlow

Date: April 25

Hostess: Lila Seager

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Topic: Charles, Anne & Reeve Lindbergh

Bridge, Card games Times and places to be announced.

Inquiries: Sharon DiCicco: 788-5356

Vital People Contact: Marilyn Ondell:788-4843

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

WELCOME

Our La Crosse Branch of AAUW has grown again. We have added two new members during the past month! Please welcome them when you see them at our general meetings.

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