As the Coronavirus continues, please watch for an email Zoom sign-in from Marjory Moeller enabling everyone to participate in these Branch events.

Thursday, October 29th., 7 p.m. on Zoom. Virtual tour of the Chapman. Plan to attend this virtual tour of the WWII Home Front posters exhibit, donated by Linc Cathers, husband of Nancy Cathers. Narration by the Chapman Staff.

Thursday, November 5th., 3 p.m. on Zoom. Learn how the pandemic has changed policies and procedures at L.E.A.P.’s Head Start sites and other programs with our own Jen Frigolette and L.E.A.P. Head Start Assistant Director Jenna Middleton. L.E.A.P. (Learning, Employment, Assistance, Partnership), formerly Washington County EOC, is a community action nonprofit that serves individuals in Washington County through 5 Head Start sites for children ages 0-5 and pregnant women. They also offer programs such as a Food Pantry, Employment Counseling & Training, a Community Garden, Transportation for Seniors and those with disabilities, and a Winter Coat Drive. L.E.A.P. employs about 130 staff who are providing these valuable services throughout the pandemic.

Thursday, December 10th., 7 p.m. on Zoom with our own Dr. Kathleen McCoy, SUNY ADK Professor and Poet, for reading of her own poetry and other seasonal poems plus a sign-off toast to Dorothy Parker. Members are encouraged to send poetry suggestions for the Dec. meeting to Jean and Jane.

During these difficult times, we are asking everyone for ideas for a virtual program that you might want us to do in the near future. We are looking for programs that can be shared with our members as well as other local organizations. Please contact either Jean or Jane with your recommendations.

Thank You, Jean Bruce and Jane Murphy

President’s Message:

Resiliency and Change

Resiliency is defined as the ability to overcome challenges of all kinds and bounce back stronger, wiser, and more personally powerful. How resilient are you?

Change is inevitable. It can be positive or it can be painful. Right now the hardest issues for each of us might be "How long is this pandemic situation going to last?" "How do we make plans for the future?" Resiliency comes into action here in our positive attitude and optimism that this pandemic WILL end, and we can become the social beings that enjoy the company of others face to face.

Most of us have been quite resilient this year and tried many new changes to keep our spirits fresh.

Nan Scinta, President

Membership News

We would like to congratulate the following 50 year members; Nancy Cathers, Nancy Eustance, Mary King, Marjory Moeller, Lana Potter, Rachel Quackenbush, Brenda Rew, Mary Strycker, and Carol Whalen.

Lita Phelps and Linda Campopiano
Co-Membership Chairs

Happy Thanksgiving
Board Meeting: Thursday, Nov. 19th
This meeting will be done on ZOOM at 3 p.m. Board members will be notified by Marjory Moeller for the ZOOM invite.

Member News
Please note that in the last issue there was an error. Our member, Mary Flanagan, has suffered a stroke not Mary Sullivan. Get well messages can be sent to Mary Flanagan at her home, 7 Bayberry Ct. Queensbury, 12804. Marge French’s sister has passed away due to the Coronavirus. Our condolences to her and her family. Barb White, whom many members know, recently broke her hip while traveling from her Adirondack home to her Fla. home. She is recuperating and get well messages can be sent to her at: 27 Southlake Dr., Palm Coast, FL 32137. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Morning Literature
The Morning Literature Group will hold its next meeting virtually on Nov. 11th, using Zoom. Marjory Moeller will be sending out the contact information to those on the regular list and others are welcome to contact her (518-793-9271) to be added as well. Marjory Moeller will be doing the presentation this month. Our meetings are the second Wed. of the month. The following dates and hostesses for the year are as follows: November 11-Marjory Moeller; December 9-Share Books and Authors; March 10-Doris Stoll; April 14-Share Poetry; May 12-Mary Enhorning; June 9-Carol Whalen.

Please note: Because the Morning Literature group is meeting by Zoom we feel we can have meetings in January and February and not have to worry about the weather. Added meetings to the original schedule are January 13 with Lynn Wilson doing the program, and February 10 with Nan Scinta.

On September 9th. Kathy Hoeltzel presented “The Answer Is ...Reflections on My Life” by Alex Trebek, the host of the TV show, Jeopardy. Alex was born in Canada in 1940 and being bi-lingual helped him to easily find employment. Unfortunately, his community of Sudbury was known for mining and refineries and 80% of the inhabitants died of cancer. He attended the University of Ottawa and has been an active alum. Alex has hosted Jeopardy for 36 years. They work 11 hours a day, 2 days a week to produce 10 shows. His interest in geography led him to many countries and to involvement in World Vision Charities and many other philanthropic organizations. Alex gets much love and respect from the participants on the show. Working on the show invigorates him but he feels that no matter who hosts, Jeopardy can go on forever. Kathy Hoeltzel

The deadline for the next issue of Adirondack Glimpses is Nov. 15th. Send articles via email to both: Linda Campopiano, jcampo@roadrunner.com & Jen Frigolette, jfrigolette@gmail.com
Evening Literature

This group meets monthly. Please call the hostess listed if you plan to attend. For further information, call Elayne Leonelli 518-793-3081.

The next Evening Literature group will be meeting at Mary Strycker’s home, 6 Master Commons So. Queensbury, on Tues. Nov. 17th. at 4:00 p.m. (Note change in time).

November’s selection will be “The Widows of Mala-bar Hill” by Sujata Massey which was originally scheduled for our May meeting.

Next meeting date is Dec. 15th., location TBD at the Nov. meeting. We will be reading, “The Christmas Train” by David Baldacci. All are welcome to attend but please contact the hostess so that safe seating can be arranged. We are wearing our masks and practicing social distancing.

On Sept. 15th., we met at Rachel’s, (we wore masks, etc.) and discussed Michele Obama’s autobiography, “Becoming”. Everyone liked it a lot and a nice discussion followed regarding her early life and her life in the White House. She is known for saying, “When they go low, we go high.”. She thinks literacy is extremely important and she and her husband have read books to their children every night.

Mary Enhorning

Gourmet Group

This has certainly been a hard time for the Gourmet Group to meet. However, it was recently brought to my attention that some groups had dined in a private room at the Fort William Henry Hotel. I am sure that there are other places that would have private dining areas for small groups. If you are interested in joining a dining group at this time please call or email me and I will set something up. Rachel Quackenbush 518-747-6076 or rquack2@verizon.net

Travel Group

It appears that people are not interested in any group travel event at this time. I would encourage you and a friend to do your own day trip. If you would like someone to join you, please let me know and I will try to connect you with someone. Rachel Quackenbush 518-747-6076

AAUW International: Where do your Contributions Go?

Since 1917, AAUW International has provided opportunities for study in the U.S. Originally it was created for Latin American women, but today offers fellowships for study all over the world. Candidate requirements vary such as completion of a Bachelors Degree or equivalent or remaining in the host country for 8 months. These opportunities have changed the lives of many women. To date 3400 fellowships have been awarded from AAUW international. JoAnn Harig

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FYI — Free Webinars from National AAUW

AAUW produces a wide variety of webinars, which are available through its website, aauw.org. To access those programs from the home page, look near the top and click on Get Empowered, from there choose The Equity Network, look through that page for Online Events, and just under that there's a link to Equity Network Events where upcoming sessions are listed: https://www.aauw.org/resources/events/equity-network/events/

This month’s webinar topic is: Managing Burnout through Self Compassion.

FYI Branch Contact Information

Did you know?? Adirondack Branch has had a Facebook page since 2017 where branch events of interest to the public are posted. We’ve recently added an Instagram page, and plan to add Twitter soon. We encourage our members to "like" and follow our pages, to help spread the word about our activities and those of the overall organization. The active pages are:
Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/AAUWAdirondack
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The information for the National AAUW Webinars and our Branch Contact information is being included once again for your reference as there is much to be learned from these websites.

From the Board: Do you have a friend or know someone in another branch that would like to be invited to one of our Zoom Meetings? Please contact Marjory Moeller for information.

Recap of First Branch Meeting on Zoom Oct. 8

Thank you to Stan Cianfrano, Teri Rogers of the Warren Co. Historical Society and Tisha Dolton from Crandall Public Library for the virtual meeting attended by many of our members. A virtual tour of the Suffragettes Exhibit was presented by Tisha as we viewed white boards that she has created to highlight the Woman’s Suffrage movement in Warren and Wash. Counties from 1883-1917. Some of the most active local women living in this area at the time were Susan and Mary Anthony, Betty Whitman Mitchell, and Laura Schafer Porter. Due to the Coronavirus, plans for celebrating the 100 years of the passing of the 19th Amendment will take place in 2021. Stan and Teri invited everyone to visit the Museum at 50 Gurney Lane, Queensbury, to view all the permanent exhibits that are on display. Ongoing events can be found on the Museum’s website.

The Zoom meeting went extremely well with Marjory Moeller coordinating the Zoom site. Mary Enhorning and our Program VP’s did an excellent job contacting Warren Co. Historical Society and we appreciate their willingness to do this program. We hope that many more members will tune in Oct. 29th and Nov. 5th. for our next two Zoom Meetings.

Teri Podnorszki Rogers has published a book “The Last Seamstress of Fowler Mills” based on the shirt and dressmaking factories in our area. It can be purchased at the Museum.

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Get Out the Vote Project Update

I responded to the suggestion by the State AAUW through their email to participate in the “Get Out the Vote Project”. I got the Superintendents’ permission, from our local schools, then had copies of a poster (which had all the information about who is eligible to vote and how to go about it) run off and hand delivered them to the Glens Falls and Queensbury High Schools with requests that they be placed on the bulletin boards for the high school Senior classes. (I tried to get them placed at A.C.C. but was unable to reach anyone.) Not only did this worthwhile project encourage voting, but it was great P.R. for our organization.

Just saying.....Mary Enhorning

Community Updates:

Crandall Library has expanded its ‘pop-in’ times to begin Saturday, Oct. 24th. This service allows up to 10 patrons in the library at a time. Patrons can also continue to pick up reserved material through the library’s curbside service.

The Hyde is presenting the J.S. Wooley Adirondack Photographer Exhibition from Aug. 1st. To Jan. 3rd. The exhibit can be seen in the Whitney-Renz, Hoopes and Rotunda Galleries. Please call ahead to make reservations.

LARAC is offering “This is America” Exhibit from Oct. 2nd. through Nov. 4th. Juried by Jacqueline Touba and Lee Braggs.

Jane Murphy has recommended that we view the National Women’s History Museum’s website:
https://www.womenshistory.org/public-programs/nwhm-presents/sundayshome

A very interesting site that is free but you need to sign up to participate. The first of two topics to view is Oct. 25th. at 3:00 p.m. “Picturing Political Power” by Allison Lange and the second is Nov. 15th. at 3:00 p.m. “Be a Marine, Free a Marine to Fight”: The unsung women who joined the Marines during WWII. Check it out!

Directory Update

Please note that this year’s Directory includes member’s birth dates. Our board is hoping that during these stressful times, we will take a minute to stay in contact with other members and wish them a Happy Birthday. If you would like to have your birthday included in the next Directory, please contact Mary Enhorning and she will pass on the information. The purple cover is in honor of the passing of the 19th Amendment. Also, the Board would like to stress that we are in unusual times and that our branch meetings will be held virtually until the present times change. Please watch for emails from Marjory Moeller to access the meetings.

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