



Cobb Update

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Special Dates of Interest

- July 11th - Roving Gourmet
- July 21st - Book Group
- August 1st - Roving Gourmet
- August 18th - Book Selection Potluck
- Sept. 22-Sept 28 - Book Fair



**HAPPY 4TH
OF JULY!!!**

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Our Women of the Year!!



June Banquet

What a wonderful event many of us shared at Indian Hills Country Club on Tuesday, June 10th – as we celebrated our Women of the Year and installed branch officers for the 2014-2015 year. We extend grateful kudos to Nancy Coakley for hosting and planning such a delightful evening. Getting to learn more about each of our Cobb AAUW Women of the Year was inspiring and amazing. Beth Farokhi introduced Cobb County Commissioner Lisa Cupid as a true public servant committed to service, Marcia Capriotti shared fun and personal stories about Pam Flournoy and her years of dedication to Cobb County families and citizens and Debbie Karvey shared the invaluable talent, special friendship and incredible fighter we have in Judy Ribarsky. The warmth of shared laughter and true admiration for the lives and work of these women made the evening very special indeed.

Our installation ceremony was made very memorable by Bonnie Williams who provided the seeds (literally) to each officer, with charming reminders, to work as a team and to grow our mission and to nurture the branch in the coming year. At Bonnie's suggestion, we also recognized our branch members who have served as state presidents and officers, as well as branch officers. The evening segued into shared stories of fundraisers and events and member gatherings as we celebrated the 35th anniversary of Cobb County AAUW charter. We were honored to have special guests share this special evening with us ... and we hope to see guests return as we move into a new year.



Pam Flournoy



Lisa Cupid

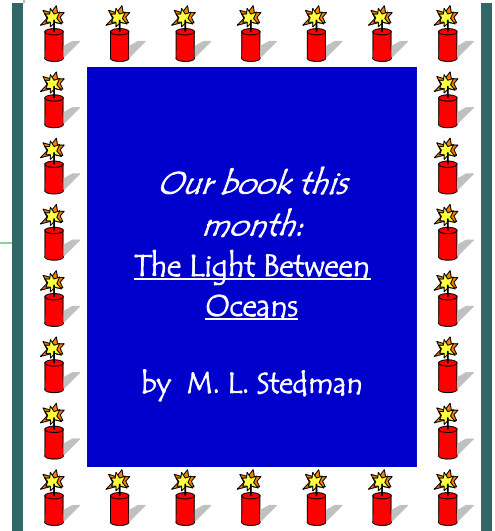


Judy Ribarsky

Book Group

For additional Book Group information please email or call Barbara Hammond at 770-973-1988
Bhammond@kennesaw.edu

Our meeting this month on July 21st will be in the home of
 Bonnie Williams **at 2 p.m.**
 380 Woodstone Drive, Marietta 30068
 Bonnie will facilitate the discussion of the book and
 Bonnie will do our refreshments, too!!
 Please RSVP to: Bonniebw41@att.net or 770-971-6130



IMPORTANT NOTES:

Book Selections---looking for volunteers to compile book suggestions and prepare the list and book descriptions for the August vote. If you are willing to help with this, please e-mail Barbara Hammond bhammond@kennesaw.edu

In the meantime, you may go ahead and send your book suggestions to Barbara H. at the above e-mail.

August Meeting: Two chances to cast a vote!

1. Voting on book selections, as usual.

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BE SURE TO **SAVE AUGUST 18TH AT 6:30 PM** FOR
 BOOK SELECTION POTLUCK DINNER AT

JANE BENJAMIN'S -- 3570 BRIGHTON PLACE, MARIETTA 30062

Please **RSVP** to JANE by August 15th at 770-977-7486 or janebenjamin7@gmail.com

Plan on bringing either a main dish, a salad OR a dessert -
 there will be a sign-up sheet at the July book group meeting.

ROVING GOURMET



FRIDAY, July 11th, 7:00 p.m. (note this is the 2nd Friday by general consensus)



LUCIA'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT

4705 Woodstock Road, Roswell 30075

(678) 646-1000 - lucias.org

(It is NE Cobb at the intersection of Hwy 92 and Sandy Plains)

Our hostess for the evening is Debbie Karvey and the menu looks good - check it out!!

Please call Debbie at (770) 591-7956 or email her at Debbiedah@msn.com
 by Wednesday, July 9th to let her know you'll be there.



PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Transition Board Meeting:

This summer the branch leaders will have a transition board meeting to plan for the coming year. Please provide any suggestions or feedback you have about the branch and what you would like to see happen in the coming year. This past year, our branch meetings were reduced to promote greater attendance with a focus on mission based programs and AAUW initiatives. Your ideas and suggestions are greatly encouraged, so let us know what you think and what ideas you may have for a great program meeting for the branch and/or community.

Also if you have branch expenses that have not been submitted for reimbursement, please do so as soon as possible to Yetta McMillan at 5998 Tate Drive, Austell, GA 30106.

Scholarship Chair needed:

One of the key agenda items we will be discussing is our

Scholarship outreach and our need to have someone new take on the chair responsibilities for this important branch fundraising effort. Nancy Coakley has a detailed and comprehensive step by step document (thanks also go out to Shirley Mills, former Scholarship Chair) to guide the new chair, as well as the expertise of past chairs to mentor and assist in the process.

Please let us know if you are interested, as working on the scholarship committee is a reward in itself ... you meet amazing women, read amazing stories and make an incredible difference in their lives as they pursue their education and career goals.

Book Fair Volunteers:

Don't forget to volunteer for our primary fundraiser, which will be the 55th AAUW Atlanta Book Fair. This year we are once again at Perimeter Mall, with opening night on September 22nd and the sale running Tuesday through Sunday, September 23rd through September 28th. Mark your calendars! Be ready to volunteer for as many shifts as possible. Also,

please consider volunteering some hours in the bookroom as we prepare for the sale. Working with books, which so many of us love, is a great opportunity to gather on a Saturday morning. Sorting combined with camaraderie combined with a lunch outing – look for some planned dates where carpools can be organized and volunteer hours contributed. Sometime in late August or early September we will have a postcard mailing session – which will be another way to earn volunteer hours for the branch and for our primary fundraiser.

Enjoy your 4th of July Holiday weekend and everyone have a safe, happy and cool summer ... whether you stay home or travel, and we look forward to gearing up for a new year in the fall.

Debbie and Nancy



GREAT NEWS!!

Arden Stone has returned from her stay in Abu Dhabi and will be joining us again!!!

arden_stone@yahoo.com



**COME ONE - COME ALL
TELL ALL YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS AND STRANGERS!!!**

OUR 55th ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

PREVIEW SALE - **MONDAY** EVENING, **SEPTEMBER 22rd**

COST \$10 PER PERSON

OPEN TO ALL SALE - SEPTEMBER 23rd THROUGH SEPTEMBER 28th

AT THE PERIMETER MALL

"Our character is what we do when we think no one is looking."

H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

Judy Ribarsky, Editor

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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, or disability. Membership is open to anyone who holds an associate's or equivalent, bachelor's, or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

The "due date" for submission of suggested books for next year is our next book group meeting, July 21st. Please either email Barbara at bhammond@kennesaw.edu your recommendations by July 21st or bring them with you to the book group meeting at Bonnie's. You can recommend as many books as you like in any of our categories. You don't have to have a book for each category, please just recommend ones you enjoyed. :)

- Fiction, Non-Fiction, Biography, memoir
- Classics
- Science Fiction
- Mystery

For each book you recommend, please include information on the following:

- Title and Author

Note: The selection committee will gather the other information on the books, such as the description, etc.



We are also looking for volunteers to be on the Selection committee. If you are interested in helping narrow down the field of books for the selection party in August, please RSVP to Barbara by Monday, July 21st. We will be holding a selection committee meeting the end of July, beginning of August to come up with the final list for the group voting.

Duties include reading all the brief descriptions for the recommended books and participating in the meeting to narrow down the field.

Come join the fun!

IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY DONE SO - PLEASE It is time for us to pay our dues for the 2014-2015 year. Please send your check for \$71 to our treasurer Bea Piddock, 1914 Pine Bluff, Marietta, GA 30062 **OR** You can pay on-line! If you're interested in doing it on-line, e-mail Debbie Karvey at Debbiedah@msn.com and she will be glad to walk you through the process.

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2. **New:** Barbara H. will prepare a "survey" ballot to give all a chance to decide on times of Book Group meetings. We can stay at the 7:30 p.m. time slot, OR move to a daytime meeting, OR do a hybrid--some of each.

(Some have suggested that we do night meetings in warm weather and afternoon meetings in the months of "standard time," with the exception of December--which could remain at 6:30 p.m.)

We will have a chance in August for discussion and a "paper survey ballot." As you think about this, please remember that we still have a few members who work in the daytime. But that discussion is for August!

Many happy wishes to you all! Barbara H.





PICTURES FROM OUR JUNE BANQUET!!



Our celebration cake!!



Nancy recognized Debbie, Karen & Bea for commitment to leadership and volunteer service to Cobb AAUW.



A beautiful venue and a good time was had by all!!



Our new officers for the year 2014-2015 - Nancy Coakley & Debbie Karvey, Co-Presidents; Yetta McMillan, Membership VP; Karen Peters, Secretary; Bea Piddock, Treasurer all very cleverly and properly installed by Bonnie Williams (far left).

Our three Women of the Year and their presenters.



Beth Farokhi and Lisa Cupid



Pam Flournoy and Marcia Capriotti



Debbie Karvey and Judy Ribarsky

