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Special Dates of Interest

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- June 18 Book Group
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DON'T MISS OUR MEETING!!

June 12th, 6:30 p.m.

MANSOUR CENTER

ANNUAL MEETING

AND

PRESENTATION OF OUR WOMEN OF THE YEAR

Banquet cost is \$28 - Please RSVP to Karen 770-971-4087 or Krpeters12@aol.com



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Book Group

Our Book Group meeting will be Monday, June 18th at 7:30 pm in the home of

> Jane Benjamin 3570 Brighton Place Marietta, GA 30062

Facilitated by Tiffany Fannin with refreshments by Barbara Blue. Judy is back and had a fabulous time in CA!! Thank you Barbara for facilitating for me last month. I heard you did a fantastic job!!

> Please RSVP to: janebenjamin7@gmail.com or 770-977-7486

FYI The July 16th Book Group will be held at Barbara Hammond's home.

ROVING GOURMET



FRIDAY, July 6th, 7:00 p.m.

DEZ PERSIAN GRILL

3220 Cobb Pkwy SE Atlanta, Ga. 30339 Half mile south of Cumberland Mall on Cobb Pkwy - Vinings....

Recommended by our President Karen!!

Thanks to our hostess Marie. Please make reservations with Marie by WEDNESDAY, July 4th, at 770-984-9928, or mariepearsonshockley@yahoo.com





Last month's members:

1. In a previous life **Yetta McMillan** was a missionary in Zimbabwe and Kenya and was also a producer for Channel 2 and producer/director for The Weather Channel.

2. **Stella Sessum** has been such an introvert all of her life that she has always surprised people when she speaks her mind.

WHO ARE THESE MEMBERS?

3. **Bea Piddock** was in charge of getting rid of the gooney birds from Midway Island while she was a project officer in the Navy.

Now, who are these members?

- 1. She started skiing in her 60's and loves it.
- $2. \hspace{0.1in} She played trombone in an oom-pah-pah band and taught country-western dancing.$



For additional Book Group information please

email or call Judy Ribarsky at jvr@pcvisions.com or 770-319-1776



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I survived. That is the best part (at least for me). Stumbling and sliding and improvising, we got through another year. I wish that I could have been an exemplary president, but "exemplary" is not part of my DNA. Enthusiasm is, though, and I hope that you have caught some of my love for AAUW and have felt satisfaction in being a part of this wonderful organization.

I am so proud of Marty Hughes and Elinor Spalten who have begun an important and interesting group around the idea of being pro-active in preparing for our elder years. "Looking Ahead" has given us opportunities to visit retirement facilities, to speak with advisors who have given us ideas, and to share with others in the group resources available in the community. We too often deny the facts of aging, and in that way we may be burdening our families, children, and friends who may have to make decisions for us that they are not prepared to make.

By making our wishes known, we can relieve them of this responsibility. Marty and Elinor are wonderful examples of using their leadership skills in the service of AAUW.

Nancy Coakley and her passion for STEM can always be counted on to organize a wonderful event for the girls and to follow through on all of the details. It's wonderful knowing that I have nothing to worry about regarding our STEM event.

Shirley Mills and her Scholarship Committee took on a huge task and could be counted on to follow through and bring us some wonderful scholarship awardees, Many many hours go into this project, reading applications, scheduling interviews, and deliberating, and I am most grateful to the members of this committee for their diligence.

Judy Ribarsky brings such enormous skills to the group – not only the fabulous newsletter but her wisdom and willingness to take on new tasks. What a gift to the organization she has been!

Opportunities for leadership abound in this organization. What interests you? What would you like to meet with others to discuss? Current events? Bridge? Non-fiction books? Legislative issues? An outreach project for girls? Tutoring? Organizing cultural trips or activities? Don't hesitate. Be like Marty and Elinor and put out a feeler in the newsletter to ask if others are interested in your project. Feel free to email me with any suggestions that you may have.

Finally, I would be remiss if I didn't praise Debbie Karvey, our state president, who has always been there to advise, inspire, laugh with, and share her wisdom and experience. I don't know how I could have gotten through this year without her counsel and friendship.

It's a good branch. Next year let's make it a $\ensuremath{\mathsf{GREAT}}$

--Karen

branch!











LOOKING AHEAD

At our meeting on May 7, our speaker was Dawn Reed, from "Aloha to Aging". Dawn is a passionate speaker, and will be a valuable contact for families when they need to make decisions about loved ones. You can also schedule a meeting with her if you want to be proactive, and just talk things over. Dawn runs "Aloha Day Club" for seniors.

We expect to have a meeting later this summer, not scheduled yet, to plan our next field trip, possibly to Mount Vernon Towers, in Sandy Springs, sometime in the fall.



Marty Hughes

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"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." Martin Luther King, Jr.

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JUNE 12th - TUESDAY, 6:30 P.M. - MANSOUR CENTER. ANNUAL MEETING, WOMAN OF YEAR PRESENTATION. (buffet dinner \$28 per person) ** note earlier time **



AUGUST 20th - MONDAY, 6:30 P.M. Sylvia Goodyear's home Potluck and BOOK SELECTIONS voting for the new year!

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General AAUW questions? Please contact <u>connect@aauw.org</u> or call 800/326-2289 between 10 am and 5 pm Eastern, Monday through Friday.





BOOKFAIR THIS YEAR IS SEPTEMBER 26th - 30th - PERIMETER MALL HOURS SET UP STARTING ON SUNDAY THE 23RD OPENING NIGHT - TUESDAY THE 25TH - \$10 ADMISSION