



THE AAUW ISLANDER JUNE 2012

The Whidbey Island Branch of the American Association of University Women's Monthly News



BRANCH MEETING:

DATE: Saturday, June 9, 2012

TIME: 9:30am social hour, 10:30am brunch and program

LOCATION: Whidbey Golf & Country Club, 2430 SW Fairway Lane, Oak Harbor

PROGRAM: Installation of New Officers and Brunch

Please make reservations with Meg Eisenbraun or Betty Bond by June 1st. Their contact information can be found on our website (aauw-whidbeyisland.org) or in your membership directory. A check made out to AAUW for \$18 may be paid at the June brunch. Finance Officer Mary Ellen Loy will also collect membership dues for 2012-13 at the brunch. If you are not attending the brunch, please send your check for \$72 made out to AAUW to: AAUW, PO Box 1332, Coupeville, WA 09239

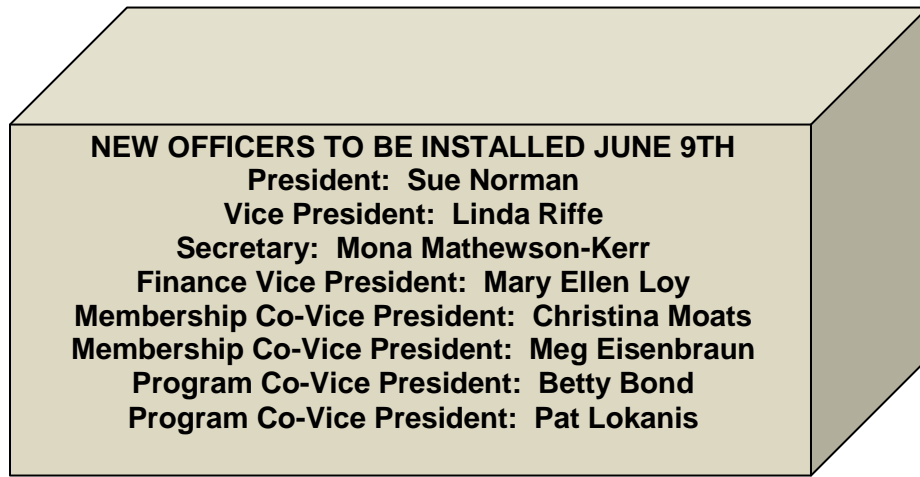


PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

This is my last newsletter message and it gives me pause. . . what a pleasure it has been to work among our members! I hope that you will attend the Installation to hear about all that we have accomplished this year.

The new officers are invited to attend a day long State Leadership Conference on Saturday, August 4th 8 am to 3 pm at Central Washington University in Ellensburg. Those who have attended in the past have found it to be very helpful for the coming year.

After our Kitchen Tour in August, the Walla Walla Branch Kitchen Tour will be held Sunday, October 7th from 12 to 5 pm. It is really fun to attend! JESS



BRANCH NEWS:

- **Book Group I:** Contact Cathie Estes for information .
- **Book Group II:** “Joie des Livres” will meet Wed. June 20th at 1pm in Betty Bond’s home. The book to be discussed is State of Wonder by Ann Patchett.
- **Book Group III:** “Cheryl’s Readers” will be discussing Cutting for Stone by Abraham Verghese on June 27th at 10am in the Coupeville library.
- **Book group IV:** “The Romeos” (Book Group for Guys) meets the 1st Thursday of the month at a member’s home or a local restaurant.
- **Cultural Events:** Schedule varies.
- **Garden Group:** There is a change in the schedule for June. We will NOT be going to the North Seattle Estate Garden Tour because the cost is \$100 per person. Instead we will have a guided tour of the Dunn Gardens in Seattle on THURSDAY, JUNE 21st starting at 1pm. The Dunn Gardens are considered a historic treasure in the city of Seattle. New and old intermingle, as plants dating back to the 1910's coexist happily with those just set into the soil. Woodland gardens, perennial borders, and great sweeps of lawn are just a few of the elements that make up the garden. The cost of the tour is \$15.00 per person. If you have not been a part of the garden group in the past, but would like to join us for this event, you are welcome. If interested contact Linda Riffe or Vonnie Secketa (their contact info can be found on our website: aauw-whidbeyisland.org)
- **Summer Garden Group:**
TUESDAY JULY 24th: The group will visit the private gardens of Judi Moore and others with lunch TBA.
TUESDAY AUGUST 28th: The private gardens of members Vonnie Secketa, Betty Nichols and others will be visited with lunch TBA.
- **Gourmet #1:** “Rose’s Gourmet” meets the 4th Thursday of the month.
- **Gourmet # 2:** “Baker’s Dozen” will meet at the home of Linda McNamara on June 1st at 11:30AM. Linda has chosen the theme of a June Wedding for the luncheon. Some interesting dishes are promised, a few reflecting
- wedding receptions from different regions of the country. Beef bites, tea sandwiches, mostaccioli and of course wedding cake will be on the menu. All are asked to wear or bring (the latter more likely) their wedding dresses. Wedding pictures will be shared. Spouses, partners and significant others are also invited.
- **Gourmet # 3:** “Global Gourmet” meets the 4th Friday of the month.

- **International Affairs:** This group will meet on Friday, June 15th at 10:00AM in the Coupeville Library. The topic of discussion will be: “ Energy Geopolitics: Quandaries Intensify” led by Jean Gervais.
***Note: The International Affairs Group does not meet in July or August !
Chair: Mary Pattison
- **The Quilter’s Group:** meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month.
- **The Lunch Bunch:** The Lunch Bunch schedule has come to an end for June and July. We will resume on August 22nd at the Long Horn Cafe in Bow. Contact Jessica Koeberle for more information.
- **The Thursday Night Supper Group:** meets the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Let's Fill Carole's Garage with donations for the Garage Sale ! We have a great new venue for the sale on Saturday, October 6th. The Grace Community Church on the main highway just south of Oak Harbor will be the new location for the sale. The facility has a nice space we will be using and it has lots of parking. I can pick up donations and Jessica has offered to do so as well. Call me anytime - Thanks! Christina Moats



2012 Dream Kitchen Tour

Things are coming together for the 4th Dream Kitchen Tour. We have six great kitchens in the Central Whidbey Area and this year’s Hospitality Center, under the leadership of Linda McNamara, will be at the Methodist Church in Coupeville. Joan Chochon has the publicity campaign in place and Pat Hamilton is, once again, managing and hosting our Homeowner Pre-Tour. Helen Bates, Karen Whelan and others are working with island businesses to share our sponsorship/Passport advertisement program.

Promotional bookmarks will be available at the Installation Brunch for those who would like to distribute them to friends, neighbors, bridge clubs, and other clubs. Two x Two tickets will also be distributed. It seems our Dream Kitchen Tour is becoming a well-known and anticipated event on the island. Sue Dufek, I and other members of the committee will be in touch to confirm tour day assignments. Meanwhile, you can keep track of our progress on the Kitchen Tour page of the branch website.
Bonnie Abney, chair



Great Idea for a Party !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Six April birthday ladies met to celebrate their Aries Birthdays at the Captain Whidbey Inn on Friday April 13th. Blair McDaniel provided party favors and a very good time was had by all. It was agreed to meet again next year.

Lou Hartley- an April Birthday Celebrant !!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR JUNE BIRTHDAY MEMBERS:



Mary Pattison	06/02
Sue Dufek	06/04
Virginia Teker	06/04
Karen Hastings	06/05
Marilyn Cowger	06/07
Celia Lamson	06/07
Sally Orr	06/07
Betsy Cave	06/10
Judi Moore	06/18
LaVerne Powers	06/19
Karen Sayers	06/20
Betty Nichols	06/23
Cathie Estes	06/30

SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER !
Pat Hamilton, editor