

Monday, October 28, 2013

Cedar Falls Woman's Club

Gather 5:00 p.m.
AAUW Program 5:30 p.m.
Dinner and Business Meeting 6:15p.m.

Menu:

Smoked ham wrap
Shoestring potatoes
Tomato bisque soup
Oreo dream cake
or Vegetarian Salad
or Chef Salad (meat)

Reservations:

Mary Ellen Beckman
269-1893 or pal.m@cfu.net
by **noon Thursday October 24th**
(call or email Mary Ellen
if you plan to eat with us.)

College President's Perspective on the Glass Ceiling

Linda Allen, President of Hawkeye Community College, will be the guest speaker at the Cedar Falls AAUW meeting on Monday, October 28, 2013, at the Cedar Falls Woman's Club. She will be speaking on how the glass ceiling is affecting women in higher education. This year's program is focusing on how the glass ceiling is impacting women in the media, government, sports, the military, and finally, in religion. The Social hour for this event is from 5:00-5:30, Dr. Allen will speak from 5:30-6:15, and dinner will be served at 6:15 pm.

Carol Hedberg, Susan Kimball

From our Historian:

50 years ago!

Cedar Falls AAUW had 193 members and dues were only \$8. There were 7 study groups and they all met in the evening at 7:45p.m. Phone numbers all had the prefix of 266 except for maybe two in Waterloo.

This is the way one of our current 50 year member was listed in the yearbook:
Lemons, Nancy Knipe (Mrs D.F.) Cornell.

The general meetings were mostly in the Faculty Room at the State College of Iowa.

Member Edna Hamilton turns 100 on October 19.

Edna joined AAUW in 1966 and has been Membership vice president, secretary and social chairperson. She taught a lot of us some of the rules of playing bridge. She made sure that her daughter, Dargy Baxter, joined as well. Unfortunately Edna isn't out and about these days but she still is a very nice woman.

**Cards may be sent to Edna Hamilton, Martin Health Ctr, 420 E. 11th St.
Room 33, Cedar Falls, Iowa 50613**

Ardelle Brown, Historian

The Presidents' Corner

It was good to see so many of you out for our September general meeting. Nancy Henderson, Dean of Hawkeye Community College, spoke about community colleges in general and Hawkeye in particular. She told the stories and presented the facts that a school like Hawkeye, can give many nontraditional students help and support that they need to finish their high school educations and learn a new career or go on to a four year college. Many of the students attend school while juggling kids, daycare, and many other challenges like rent, transportation, and self esteem. She did a fine job teaching us that the community college is a way out of poverty and that non traditional women's jobs in science, technology and math are excellent ways to make good salaries to support their families. Do we have members that would be willing to be mentors for a student who might be struggling with college issues? Talk to Nancy!

The Board met to talk about many things of interest to the membership. Our next general meeting will be about education and the invisible glass ceiling that makes it difficult for women educators to advance to be college president, or to get tenure. Find out what AAUW can do to help. We also discussed our website and a new format. Public Policy noted that many people are concerned that human trafficking is an issue here in Iowa. There will be a program Oct. 21st at 7PM at the CF Public Library to let us know what is going on and how we can be more aware of trafficking in our midst. It is sponsored by Cedar Valley United Nations and CF AAUW.

There are so many good things AAUW is doing and interesting discussions to be had. Stretch your mind and join us Oct. 28th at 5:00 at the Cedar Falls Woman's Club for our next general meeting!

Barb Feuerhak

Membership - - - Add to yearbook:

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Community Action

Burmese Families and Habitat for Humanity Home Dedication

Several AAUW members helped with the Burmese ELL program led by Jane Close last year. Three Burmese families who participated in the ELL program are in the Habitat homebuilding program and are working Sweat Equity hours building their own home in Waterloo.

John and Esther Lazum and their 7 children will be moving into their Habitat home at the end of October. ***The home dedication is on Tuesday, October 29th at 4 pm.*** The 5 bedroom home originally built in 1912 is at 211 Independence Avenue in Waterloo. It would be wonderful to see some AAUW friends at the dedication. Delta Kappa Gamma, a local teaching sorority provides bookcases of books and activities for all the children of Habitat families. Talk to Gloria Tollefson if you would like to help with this project but be sure to put ***October 29th*** on your calendar to support the Burmese and Habitat for Humanity.

Bundles of Joy Community Action Project is in need of baby nail clippers for the Burmese baby layettes. Bring to meeting or get to Jane Close or Diane Davison.

Cedar Valley Discuss & Discover Diversity

Reading & Sharing

World War II is underway. Japan invades Pearl Harbor. Twelve year old Henry, a Chinese scholarship student, falls in love with Keiko another scholarship student at a Seattle private elementary school. One hitch in this budding romance. Keiko is Japanese. Henry's father holds deep resentment for Japanese who attack his Chinese homeland. Keiko's family is one of the thousands of Japanese residents of American deported to internment camps located in various parts of the United States. Keiko's family may take only what they can carry. Where are the rest of their belongings. Despite their sudden departure, Henry is determined to sustain their budding romance. Even if it means he is mistaken for Japanese and unable to leave the camp Henry wonders where the interned prisoners have left the rest of their belongings. Maybe Keiko will tell him when he finds her camp and can talk to her again. Surely the war and imprisonment cannot go on forever. People will realize they have interred fellow Americans, not Japanese spies. When they are released they will certainly want to collect their belongings and return to their homes. The story begins in 1986 when Henry's wife has died. Her name is Ethel, not Keiko. Read *THE HOTEL ON THE CORNER OF BITTER AND SWEET* and discover what happens to Keiko. Does Henry find her camp. Learn what the camps are like, the future of this special friendship and the bitter cultural infighting occurring among Chinese, Japanese, and Caucasian who had lived in neighborhoods close to one another before the war.

Cedar Valley Discover Diversity Discuss welcomes all Cedar Valley residents. Attendees need not have read the book to attend. The CV3D is sponsored by the Cedar Falls branch of AAUW, the Cedar Falls and Waterloo Public Libraries, and University Book & Supply. Discussions are held on the second floor meeting room of the *Cedar Falls Public Library*. **Discussions begin at 4:30 p.m. on October 14.** The library is handicap accessible. For additional information call Dr. Judy Beckman at 319-939-4075 or e-mail drjudy.beckman@cfu.net. We welcome all Cedar Valley readers and look forward to greeting you.

Dr. Judy Beckman & Ms. Mary Dove
Co-Chairs of Cedar Valley Discover Diversity & Discuss

Trick or Treat for UNICEF

Our branch and the Cedar Valley United Nations Association is doing Trick or Treat for UNICEF at the Cedar Falls Farmers Market on Saturday, October 19 and again on Saturday, October 26. If you would be willing to help out at the table from either 8:30-10:00 AM or 10:00-11:30 AM on one of those days, contact Judy Focht at jujfocht@cfu.net or call 266-3083.

Interest and Study Groups

Women in Motion is having another Happy Hour on Friday, October 11 at 4:30 at Tony's on the Parkade.

We will be making plans for Ghouls on the Go scheduled for Sunday, October 27 at 3:00, when we will deliver pre-Halloween treats to AAUW members who are in various care facilities. Join us for plenty of good conversation and reconnecting with friends.

Jamie Castle, Jane Close, Linda Morgan

International Studies Discussion Group will *Meet Monday October 21st at 1:15 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church.*

October's topic will be **Feeding the Dragon: China in Africa**, chapter 7 in our Great Decisions program. China is investing in infrastructure projects to help it tap into this continent's resources—oil, minerals and agricultural potential. Critics charge China with cozying up to dictators and ignoring human rights and transparency. Others fear that the U.S. is being left behind and its influence in Africa is waning.

Our discussion will be about China in Africa: Savior or Self Interest?

Ellie Tompkins

Promoting Global Awareness

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Join us as we discuss today's most critical issues! **Tuesday, October 22 at the Cedar Falls Library—Conference Room from 7-8:30 pm.**

(This is the 4th Tuesday, not the 3rd Tuesday but date change is necessary as I have a church obligation in Strawberry Point that night.)

Gloria Tollefson, Community Action Chairperson

Bridge for Education Foundation

Both groups meet at Willowwood, 1100 Grove,
in the Pfeiffer Lounge at 12:30 p.m.

3rd Wednesday-October 16th

Hostess: Anne Schuessler

4th Tuesday-October 22nd

Hostess: Esther Kieffer

If you are interesting joining please call Dargy Baxter 266-2890

Arts in AAUW

Several members will be singing in the Metropolitan Chorale Fall Concert, Krystallnacht Remembrance (The Night of Shattered Glass) on Sunday, **November 10th at 3 pm at GBPAC.** "To Be Certain of the Dawn" by Minnesota composer Stephen Paulos will be performed along with several other works in a collaborative concert involving UNI academics, the Cedar Valley Chamber Group, a local children's chorus and the Waterloo Cedar Falls Symphony. This will be a multi-media event with tickets available through GBPAC. AAUW participants are Anne Schuessler, Pam Hays and Linda Morgan.

Looking ahead to December – The Hearst Center will feature a Christmas concert by the Cedar Valley Singers on **Sunday, December 8th at 2 pm.** CVS is an á cappella group of 8 singers that has been directed by Linda Morgan for more than 20 years.