



NEWS BRIEF

C-U AAUW INVITES YOU TO ATTEND

Wine, Women and Song

a fundraiser to raise money for AAUW scholarships



Saturday, March 10, from 3 to 5 pm
Milo's Restaurant, 2870 S. Philo Rd., Urbana

Milo's special wines, non-alcoholic drinks and hors d'oeuvres

Morgan and the Pot of Brains: a puppet show by **Ginger Lozar's** puppets

Have you ever considered getting more brains? That's just what Morgan, a simple lad, tries to do in this retelling of a fanciful, ghoulish, Irish tale, retold by puppeteer **Ginger Lozar**.

Meet a leprechaun, hen-wife, and a lovely maiden as Morgan tries to solve the hen-wife's riddles to earn more brains.



Enjoy Irish music by The Maps CU Folk Ensemble

\$20 per person - Please RSVP to Phyllis Cline by March 6 at 344-4806 or plcline@comcast.net

Annual Luncheon Meeting and Installation of Officers

Saturday, May 5 at noon at DESTIHL restaurant at 301 N. Neil, Champaign

Bhavia Wagner, Director of Friendship with Cambodia, a non-profit organization that:



*Promotes cultural understanding, appreciation and cooperation through educational programs about Cambodia.

*Raises funds for humanitarian projects in Cambodia.

*Teaches kindness, peace and compassion.

Come learn about Cambodia's history, culture, and current issues. Bhavia will have Cambodian crafts for sell and the branch will collect a free will donation for her organization.

Luncheon includes soup or salad and sandwich for about \$16.80 (includes tax & gratuity).
There is an addition charge for a beverage.

For reservation call Helen Miron at 344-4225 or email
hkmiron@yahoo.com by Wednesday, May 2.

AAUW Champaign-Urbana has an updated web site! Check it out at <http://champaignurbana-il.aauw.net/>

Our 2011-2012 AAUW Directory is now available on the web site and is password protected.

Email millersallie@hotmail.com to get the password.

THREE NEW MEMBERS!**Beth Stafford,**

3813 Farhills Dr., Champaign 61822-9304, phones 356-3222, cell 217-778-7993, email: brstaff99@gmail.com

She has BA 1963, MS 1967, Certificat Grenoble Universite 1977

Her favorite things include domestic and foreign travel, music, and good food, cooking, reading and taking care of two Australian Shepherds. A retiree from the University of Illinois, she is an active member of OLLI on campus and a volunteer for Books to Prisoners. Beth belonged to this branch of AAUW over 20 years ago and is happy to become part of an active group again.

Jessica Lewis Watson,

308 Davidson Dr., Champaign 61821, cell 217-550-1663,

email: jessicabulty@yahoo.com

She has BA with distinction in English from the U of I at U-C, MA in English from Baylor University, Texas.

Jessica is a writer whose articles have appeared in magazines such as Writer's Digest, Backpacker, Log Home Living, and others. She especially likes dogs and cats.

**Norma Johnson,**

100 Parkview Lane #134, Savoy 61874, cell phone 217-722-6715, email: wjnjsn@yahoo.com She has AA degree from Gavilan College, Gilroy, CA. She is a member of Writers' Group and is interested in Adelante book group.

IN MEMORY OF BETTY HEMBROUGH

Betty Hembrough, an AAUW member for over 50 years and past president of the Champaign-Urbana branch, died on January 9, 2012. She served as the Director of the Office of Women's Resources and Services at the University of Illinois following her work as the assistant to the Dean of Women at Kansas University and as a counselor at the Counseling Center of St. Louis.

We are offering members the opportunity to donate to our local scholarships in memory of Betty's long years of service to the branch and to the cause of advancing education for women. To designate your donation as in memory to Betty make your check payable to C-U AAUW, write Betty Hembrough in the Memo section and mail to Phyllis Cline, 104 E. Willard St., Urbana, IL 61801. If you are attending Wine, Women and Song you may include this donation in one check that also covers reservations and donations to Fellowships & Grants and the Legal Advocacy Fund. Return the invitation's form and designate Betty Hembrough in the Local Scholarships section.

**PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES ARE BOLDED,
DELETIONS HAVE STRIKETHROUGH**

ARTICLE VII. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 6. Voting Between Meetings. Between meetings of the branch board, a written or electronic vote of the board may be taken at the request of the president on any question submitted to the board in writing provided that every member of the board shall have the opportunity to **comment, discuss and** vote upon the question submitted **within a specified time**. If a ~~majority~~ **quorum** shall vote on any question so submitted, the vote shall be counted and shall have the same effect as if at a board meeting. The result of the vote shall be in the minutes of the next board meeting.

Great Decisions Interest Group

The Great Decisions interest group will meet March 21 at 7:00 pm at the Champaign Public Library. Sharon Michalove will lead the discussion on Cyber security. Jenny Harvey will lead a discussion on the State of the Oceans on April 18. The location will be announced later. All meetings start at 7 p.m. and new members are welcome. For more information call Margaret Stewart at 356-9475.

Nominating Committee Report

The nominating committee presents the following slate of candidates for the 2012-2014 term:

Membership Vice-President: **Denise Taylor**

Finance Vice-President: **Phyllis Cline**

The Co-Presidents, Co-Program Vice-Presidents, and Secretary will continue in their positions for another year.



WRITERS' GROUP

Friday, March 16, Friday, April 20,
and Friday, May 18 at 1:30 pm
Barnes & Noble,
66 E. Market View Dr., Champaign

Meets the third Friday at 1:30 PM at
Barnes & Noble, 66 E. Market View Dr.,
Champaign.



All are welcome to attend-
beginners as well as more
experienced writers.

Contact person:
Barbara Scott 352-7364

DRAMA GROUP

April 5 at 7:30pm
Home of Sharon Michalove
307 S. McKinley, Champaign
398-2183
sdmichalove@gmail.com
Presenter: Roma Chenoweth
Program: *Our Town*

Thursday
March 1 at 7:30 pm
Home of Margaret Stewart
3202 Stoneybrook, Champaign
356-9475 mkestewart@aol.com
Presenter: Betty Cook
Program: *Lady Macbeth: A Kabuki Play*

May 3 at 7:30pm
Home of Margaret Stewart
3202 Stoneybrook, Champaign
356-9475 mkestewart@aol.com
Co-Hostess: Cesaria Lancaster
Presenter: Doris Jones
Program: TBA

**Book Group**

Meets the fourth
Tuesday at 2:30 PM at
the home of Amy
Kummerow, 1805
Pleasant St., Urbana. It
features books, both
fiction and non-fiction,
that focus on various
aspects of diversity.
Contact person: Phyllis
Cline 344-4806,
plcline@comcast.net

ADELANTE BOOK DISCUSSION**MARCH 27—Women's History Month**

*The Girls Who Went Away: The Hidden History of Women Who Surrendered
Children for Adoption in the Decades Before Roe vs. Wade*

Author: Ann Fessler (2006)

Using oral histories, Fessler chronicles the guilt, shame and sorrow of young unmarried pregnant women pressured by parents, adoption workers, and society's rigid standards of morality into relinquishing their babies. Some felt they were seen as incubators for married couples who couldn't conceive. The negative effects on the birth mothers who were forced to give up their babies remained strong despite the passage of time.

APRIL 24

Murder in the Marais

Author: Cara Black (1998)

Set in Paris in the historic Jewish quarter, this mystery introduces dauntless private investigator Aimee Leduc whose specialty is computer forensics. A dead woman with a swastika carved into her forehead sends her on a chase involving neo-Nazis, corrupt government officials and fierce anti-Semitism. She and her expert computer hacking partner uncover clues involving enigmatic characters from the past as they seek the truth.

Drinks & Dialogue

Drinks & Dialogue meets the second Tuesday of the month from 6-8pm at Wines at the Pines in Urbana. Join us for the March 13, April 10, and May 8 meetings. Enjoy a glass of wine or a cup of coffee while discussing current events with forward thinking women, and bring a friend! Jessica Watson will lead the discussion at the March meeting on overpopulation. Please see article at www.overpopulation.org/faq.html For more information, contact Nancy Dietrich at nancydietrich@juno.com or 337-0334.



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL COMING UP

Phyllis Cline, Financial Officer

AAUW's official membership "year" runs from July 1 through the following June 30. The national office asks branches to submit their renewal dues by June 30, so branches begin collecting dues early in May. The annual dues will again be \$70 for national (\$49), state (\$10), and branch (\$11). You will receive a dues renewal form and return envelope around May 1. Opportunities to make donations to Local Scholarships, Fellowships/Grants, and Legal Advocacy Fund will be included on the form.

It helps the branch to receive renewals early so that we can process as many as possible before June 30. If you need to postdate your check until July or August you may still send it to me in May or June. I will hold it to be deposited later but will submit your membership renewal when I receive your check. That saves me the time of contacting people again. We need to know who is renewing in time to include all those names in our Membership/Program Directory that ideally will be completed and taken to the printer by the end of August.

Branch members receive formal opportunities for giving three times a year: with the Wine, Women and Song invitation; with the dues renewal form; in a Fall solicitation that is included in the Membership/Program Directory mailing envelope (to save postage). We encourage members to respond to these opportunities as your own financial budgets permit, but you are not limited to those times. We appreciate donations at any time of the year to help meet our fundraising goals for the local and national programs that the branch supports.

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Mission

AAUW advances equity for women and girls, through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

AAUW's Value Promise

By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

Diversity Statement

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, disability or class.



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