

## Dr. Geraldine Wolfe and Barbara Luther, Co-Presidents Calendar

Sat., Oct. 17, 2015, 2:00 pm - Books & Bites, Steele Memorial Library Sat., Oct. 17, 2015, 9:00 am - Dist. II Conference, Bath, NY
Sun., Oct. 25, 2015, 1:30 to 3:30 pm - Fall Fashion Show, Riverview Holiday Inn, Elmira, NY
Tues., Nov. 3, 2015 - Election Day
Sun., Nov. 15, 2015 - Silver Bowl Tea and New Member Reception at Norma Doane's house, 401 Lone Pine Terrace, Elmira, NY

## Presidents' Message

Dear Branch Members:

I am delighted to serve as the Elmira-Corning AAUW Branch co-president. We are fortunate to have an active group of members who support our primary goal of enabling women to continue their intellectual growth. Your continuing support of our monthly Branch meetings and scholarship fund raisers is greatly appreciated. Keep up the good work!!

This month we had a joint meeting with the local branch of the League of Women voters. Our speaker, Dr. Jim Twombly from Elmira College spoke on the "Political Climate Today". This was followed by a lively question and answer period. I was a bit disappointed by the

## **2015 Scholarship Winners** Mary Jane Paternoster



Left to Right: Patricia Tucker, Wendy Axtell, Joanne Seeley

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is pleased to announce the recipients of their Return to Learning, Zelda Sadinsky, and Polly Leveen scholarship awards for 2015. This year, we received five applicants and have selected three winners, ranging in age from 39 to 52. The schol-

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Books & Bites Betty Reiter, Chair

Our Sept. meeting of Books and Bites was a

time to talk about books we had read during the summer. They included both fiction and nonfiction and all were interesting. Here are some of the books discussed.

Traveller by Richard Adams, The Plague Dogs by Richard Adams, New York-The novel by Edward Rutherford, Flight of the Sparrow by Amy Belding Brown, Sick Puppy by Carl Hiaasen, Incendiary by Chris Cleave, The Haunting by Shirley Jackson, A Murder is Announced by Agatha Christie, Behind the Curtain by Peter Abrahams, Is the American Century Over? by Joseph S. Nye, Jr., The Grimke Sisters by Sue Monk Kidd, The Road to Character by David Brooks, All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr, The Men Who United the States by Simon Winchester, Cupcakes, Trinkets, and Other Deadly Magic by Meghan Ciana Doidge, The Color of Magic by Terry Pratchett, and Murder on the Mediterranean by Alexander Campion.

If you love books as much as we do, please join us at the next meeting on October 17th in



the small conference room at Steele Memorial Library from 2 to 4 PM.



AAUW Websites

AAUW - USA http://www.aauw.org/

AAUW - NYS http://www.aauw-nys.org/

AAUW Elmira-Corning http://elmiracorning-ny.aauw.net/

## **AAUW NYS Diversity**

In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership.

There shall be no barriers so to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

AAUW's mission statement emphasizes its determination to meet the needs of women of all ages, cultures and abilities. Bringing a diverse population into programs and membership is the feature that results in an influential organization that mirrors the community.

# AAUW VALUE PROMISE

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

## AAUW VISION STATEMENT

AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting on the lives of women and girls.

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## Board of Elections Offers Extended Office Hours



ELMIRA (September 28, 2015) - The Chemung County Board of

Elections will extend office hours for registered voters wishing to obtain an **absentee ballot** for the November 3rd, 2015 General Election. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM until 4:30 PM. The extended hours are as follows: Tuesday, October 20th until 7:00 pm

Thursday, **October 22nd** until 7:00 pm

Saturday, **October 24th** from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon

> Monday, October 26th until 7:00 pm

Wednesday, October 28th until 7:00 pm

Saturday, **October 31st** from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon

## 2015 Scholarship Awards

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arship/selection committee consisted of Liz Walton, Bonnie Chollet, Mary Jane Paternoster, Miriam Smith and Carol Ann Mitchell.

The winners are Wendy Axtell. Wendy lives in Corning and attends Keuka College studying for a B.S. in Organizational Management. Joanne Seeley who lives in Elmira and also attends Keuka College and studying for a B.S. in Nursing. Patricia Tucker who lives in Elmira is attending Corning Community College to receive an Associate of Applied Science in Human Services.

These amazing women all share a passion to learn and have overcome obstacles to pursue their education.

## Register for LAF's 2015 U.S. Supreme Court Preview Call

Join us on October 15 for a call to analyze the U.S. Supreme Court's upcoming term. Federal courts are sometimes the last, best hope for victims of discrimination in education, employment, or health care. This term the Supreme Court will hear a number of cases that could significantly affect the rights of women and girls. As in our SCOTUS preview call last October, we'll highlight and summarize the court's most important cases.

Online registration is open. Go to http://www.aauw.org/ event/2015/10/register-for-the-2015-supreme-court-preview-call/ to reserve your spot.

Source: http://www.aauw.org

# Silver Bowl Tea

**Bonnie Chollet** 

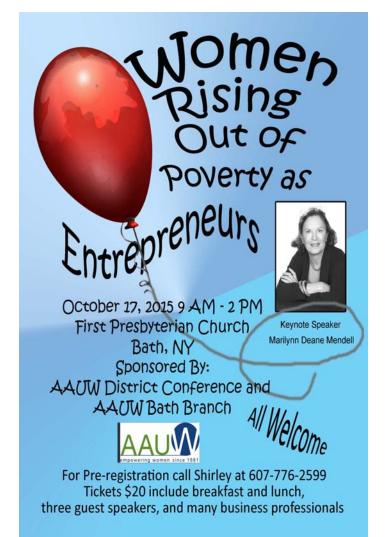
Come and meet several of our scholarship winners and find out how your dollars are helping young women in Leadership roles for the Elmira College recipient this June and for graduate studies and research for the three Fellowship recipients at Cornell University this year.

Joining us at Norma Doane's lovely home on Nov. 15 from 1-3 will be young women representing three different AAUW Fellowships : the American Fellowship, the Selected Profession Fellowship and the Career Development Fellowship. We will learn about their studies in nutrition, city and regional planning, and private equity law.

We always have a delightful afternoon of delicious treats,

great friends, and learning how our fundraising is used in person. Remember your checks for the Silver Bowl.

Any questions, please call Bonnie Chollet at 734-5051.



From the desk of...

Jane Russell, AAUW NYS Program Vice President

Hello Ladies,

I just wanted to take the time for you to hear about the exciting District 2 AAUW conference that will be held in the First Presbyterian Church of Bath on Saturday October 17, starting at 9AM. We have a great keynote speaker and a panel following on the topic of Women Rising out of Poverty as Entrepreneurs. Plan on meet and greet with state officers other branch members and the guest speakers. Price of \$20 includes continental breakfast, lunch and registration. To register contact Shirley Herrick at herrbath@verizon.net. The public is invited as well. Anyone interested in this topic is welcomed to come. Hope to see you.

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low turnout of members, but those who attended had an enjoyable evening.

On Sunday October 25th at 1:30 PM [doors open at 1:00] we will gather at the Riverview Holiday Inn for the Fall Fashion Show to benefit our local scholarships for women. The cost of a ticket is \$10.00 and door prizes will be awarded. It is a pleasant way to spend a Sunday afternoon and I hope you will be able to attend.

SAVE the DATE: Sunday November 15th is the Silver Bowl Tea at Norma Doane's home. The proceeds from the tea go to the AAUW Educational Foundation that supports educational funding and awards. Contributions are tax deductible.

One of the world's largest sources of funding for graduate women, AAUW is providing more

## UPDATE TO HANDBOOK/ DIRECTORY

Ann Brouse, Directory Editor

Please note that there are two different e-mail addresses for member Janet Trosino in the current Directory. The first one: jtrosino@localnet.com is no longer active and should be crossed out. Do use the second address: janettrosino@yahoo.com for communicating with Janet. BonTon Community Days Fundraiser

Thursday, November 11th to Saturday, November 14th

# Our Goal - \$2000 for our Scholarship Fund

How can you help?

- 1. Purchase coupon booklets (\$5) and give/ sell to friends and family.
- 2. Sell booklets in the BonTon store with a partner (2 hour shifts)

Please contact Louise O'Dell (734-2648) or Carolyn Clack (796-6463) if you need booklets or are willing to sell booklets in BonTon's. 26 members have already purchased booklets. Let's all be part of the success of this fundraiser!

> Thank you!! Carolyn Clack, Louise O'Dell Chairpersons

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than \$3.7 million in funding for more than 241 fellowships and grants to outstanding women and nonprofit organizations in the 2015–16 academic year. Due to the longstanding, generous contributions of AAUW members, a broader community of women continues to gain access to educational and economic opportunities — breaking through barriers so that all women have a fair chance. Fellowship and grant recipients perform research in a wide range of disciplines and work to improve their schools and communities. Their intellect, dedication, imagination, and effort promise to forge new paths in scholarship, improve the quality of life for all, and tackle the educational and social barriers facing women worldwide.

Hope to see you soon at an AAUW event.

Barb, co- pres.



# Salary Negotiation Workshops

The City of Boston is partnering with AAUW to offer free salary negotiation workshops for women. On Monday, Oct. 5th, Mayor Marty Walsh announced that there will be ten two-hour workshops this fall, and over the next five years, they seek to reach 90,000 women. At the workshops women will learn how to identify a target salary, negotiate a benefits package, and effectively ask for raises. In Boston, where women earn 80 cents for every dollar a man earns, the workshops aim to close the gender pay gap for the city. In addition to the workshops, the initiative has established networking events to occur throughout the year.

Source: AAUW Washington Update

### Spread Women's History in Your Local Schools with AAUW's Program in a Box

Looking for innovative ways to increase your branch's visibility? Collaborate with local schools to bring women's history to life in their classrooms through the Women, Their Rights, and Nothing Less online learning module.

Source: Lead On: AAUW's Newsletter for Member Leaders