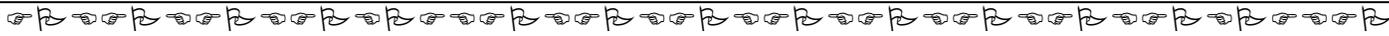


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<h2>Programs &amp; Events</h2>	
<p><b>UPCOMING MEETINGS &amp; EVENTS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board Meeting 02/17/2020</li> <li>• Book Group 02/12/2020</li> <li>• <b>Lunch Bunch 02/25/2020</b></li> <li>• Mahjongg 01/27/2020 02/10/2020 02/24/2020</li> <li>• Stitch 'n Chat 01/30/2020</li> </ul>	<p><b>We are joined by the Summit College Club to host Dr. Vivian A. Bull on Monday, February 3rd, 2020, at 7PM in the Chase Room of the Madison Public Library, 39 Keep Street, Madison NJ.</b> Dr. Bull will share her thoughts on why higher education should not be viewed in the same light as a for-profit corporation, in addition to some of her current work in Vietnam.</p> <p>Dr. Bull has a long association with Drew University. She was a member of the economics department, associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts, directed the university's European program, and served on 21 of its archaeological expeditions in the Middle East. Between 1992 and 2005 she served as the president of Linfield College in Oregon. Most recently (2012-2014) she returned to Drew University as its President. She received her doctorate from New York University, in addition to her several honorary degrees.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Heads UP!!!</b></p> <p><b>We will not have a program on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020, instead we are joining the Summit College Club at an event on Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020.</b> "Georgia O'Keefe" Janet Mandel examines the works of the artist. This is a joint meeting with the College Club of Summit. This event will be held at the MONDO 426 Springfield Avenue, Summit 2-4PM. Visit our website for additional information and <b>to register after February 1, 2020. WE will update this information after 2/1/2020.</b></p> <p><b>Save the date for April 6<sup>th</sup> program</b> - Krista Jenkins is a professor of political science at Fairleigh Dickinson University who will be speaking about polling and election.</p>
Send information including directory updates to <a href="mailto:jverson@yahoo.com">jverson@yahoo.com</a> . Input for the newsletter is due the day after the board meeting.	



## The Book Group

All are welcome to join us. **The group meets at 1:30 pm.** Lots of conversation and sharing ideas on the book, author, and its reviews. Come and join us bringing your suggestions for future reads.

**February 12 - Madison Library at 1:30 pm**  
**Warlight by Michael Ondaatje**

**Note change of day to 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday**



## Lunch Bunch

**Lunch Bunch meets periodically at a local restaurant at 12:30 pm.** Everyone is invited to attend. **Call Judy Vernon no later than the day before the event if you plan to come.** Date, name and location of the restaurant are announced in the newsletter.

**Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**Charley's Aunt, S. Passaic Ave., Chatham**

For reservation and direction call Judy Vernon

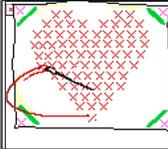


## Mahjongg

As always, we are looking for interested members to join. Knowledge of game is NOT required. Having fun is mandatory.

Group meets at 11:30 am on the second Monday of the month at Shirley Mutchler's home. Bring lunch, drinks and sweets are provided.

**January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 starting 12 noon**  
**February 10<sup>th</sup>, and February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020**



## Stitch and Chat

**Stitch and Chat meets from 1 pm to 3 pm at Judy Vernon's home.** Stitching is optional, but chatting is required. All dates are announced in the newsletter.

**Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

For direction call Judy Vernon

## Board Meeting

Board meetings are held at **Historical Society Rm – Madison Public Library, at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Members are welcome to attend.**

**2020** February 17 (snow 2/24)  
 March 16 (snow 2/23)  
 April 20  
 May 18  
 June 15

## Membership Corner

See an update from Terry Highland following our Branch History on page 3.

*Editor's note:*

*Please send news or announcements about a member (including you) for our Membership Corner column to Marianne or Judy. We like to recognize the accomplishments of our members as well as significant events in their lives.*

## Community News

**SAVE THE DATE!** The Summit College Club (an AAUW branch) is celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a gala brunch on Sunday April 5 from 12:30 to 3:00 at The Grand Summit Hotel. More details available in early 2020.

### Community Events

The Madison Public Library has a variety of programs planned for adults.

The Madison Public Library Mini Courses (formerly Drew Mini Courses) will be starting soon.

Visit <https://minicoursesmadisonlibrary.org/> for more information.

### Branch History

#### Episode X – “Beginning of a New Millennium”

#### Highlights of the first few years:

The Branch implemented the new technologies – e mail for communicating and a website developed by Judy Vernon.

The branch was recognized by AAUW “Reach for the Stars” program in 1999 and 2000. In 1999 we received four of the five stars (visibility, community action, EF contributions, and LAF contributions) and in 2000 received two out of five stars (visibility and fundraising).

In April 2008 Mayor Elwood Kerkeslager issued a proclamation that May 7, 2008 would be declared AAUW Day in Madison to celebrate AAUW’s 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary. That year was also the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the AAUW Educational Foundation.

We continued our participation in Bottle Hill Day. New community efforts included hosting several voter registration drives of students at local colleges prior to the presidential election in 2008. We also worked with MAASA (Madison Alliance Against Substance Abuse) on cosponsoring an Internet Safety Program for parents. Members collected linens for international students at Drew University and sewing materials and notions for women in New Orleans who lost everything in Hurricane Katrina.

Our members supported AAUW’s mission including the Girls’ Project by sponsoring Assertiveness Workshops for girls in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades and a three-part series on Raising Strong Daughters. Under Meyra Green’s leadership we held the first Eleanor Roosevelt Fund walk on September 29, 2001.

### Branch History *continued*

The book sale was not held in 2004 since we could not find a satisfactory location. In 2005 Drew University agreed to sponsor the sale in the Student Center – all collecting, sorting and selling was accomplished in a week and that schedule has continued. A profit of approximately \$6,000 was used to support the scholarship programs of the branch as well as AAUW’s Educational Fund and Legal Advocacy Fund.

Two activities were held with our sister branch in Madison, Connecticut. Loretta James, member of both branches, and Pat Warbasse organized a day at the New York Historical Society. The second event was a day at the United Nations attending the Committee on Teaching about the UN Conference.

Our programs covered a wide variety of topics, some focusing on AAUW’s mission – Gender Roles in a Segregated Society (Middle East); Female Entrepreneurs and Bullying in Schools. Other topics focused on health issues and international topics including A Women’s World in Lithuania presented by member Aldona Skrypa.

Nancy Adamczyk

### *Note to members*

***Our history needs to be updated for the second decade of this century, so we will be reaching out to all of you for help with that project. Please look through your files to see if you have any AAUW paperwork. Watch for e mails requesting your help with remembering our activities of the past 10 years.***

### *Editor’s Note:*

Below is from Terry Hyland who religiously keeps up with news about AAUW Madison members by reading about them in the newsletter. This time it was about herself...

### **In the last newsletter there was the following...**

### *Branch History continued*

*In 1996 member Terry Hyland was working with Drew international students. She suggested that members “host” some of the students.*

**“And the rest of the story!”** – writes Terry. A number from the Branch became involved in the program which had as a goal to expose foreign students to family life in the US. I met two young ladies from China. The talkative one, Amy, or Bie, her Chinese name, was committed to becoming fluent in English. Two years later I met her father at her graduation. It was a sad farewell when she returned home. Fast forward 20 years. Amy returned to China, where she worked as a business consultant for a Brazilian importer of Chinese trucks, as an insurance broker, sold Chinese products to international brokers, imported US Ginger beer to China, married, and has a six year old child. To our delight we are frequently in touch and she visited us in NJ and OR during each of her six US trips....and calls us her US parents.

*February 2020*

**BRANCH HOSTING**

***AAUW WORK SMART SALARY NEGOTIATION WORKSHOP***

**AT THE MADISON LIBRARY IS POSTPONED**

Due to scheduling conflicts we postponed the workshop originally planned for March 28, 2020. We will re-evaluate hosting an event in the future. In the meantime, if you know anyone who was interested in attending the workshop, you should direct them to our website [www.AAUWMadisonnj.org](http://www.AAUWMadisonnj.org) where a link to the FREE on-line workshop is available.

AAUW Start Smart and AAUW Work Smart workshops empower women with the skills and confidence to successfully negotiate their salary and benefits. The program has already trained over 100,000 women! The goal is to train 10 million women to negotiate fair and equitable salaries and benefits by 2022, and end the gender pay gap by 2030.

**Hospitality for February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020 Afternoon Program**

<b>Set-up</b>	Nancy Adamczyk
<b>Refreshments:</b>	Becky Moody
	Marianne Belock
	Shirley Mutchler (bring milk/lemon)
	Judy Vernon cheese and crackers
<b>Clean-up:</b>	Marianne Belock
	Amy Raffle