



# AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN MADISON BRANCH

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We had a great November meeting with several guests and are anticipating another good turnout for our December 3, 2018 meeting. Singer Gladys Bryant and pianist Rich Court will be singing their Holiday songbook for our listening pleasure. Just a reminder our programs now start at 7 PM in the Chase Room. Remember, if you need a ride to any program contact Judy Vernon and arrangements will be made. As always, thank you to Berly Teele for planning such terrific programs! Also, remember to put the afternoon of January 7th on your calendar now for our next movie date at the Madison Public Library.

At the December meeting we would like to take some pictures for our website and our Face Book page. Participation in the picture taking is voluntary. If you do not want your photo on social media we understand. Social media is an important tool today in promoting our branch. Thus, if you would like to be a part of our picture taking that would be great.

December is a time of spending time with family and friends and also a time of annual gift giving. As you plan your charitable contributions please remember that our local branch provides a way for you to give back in our community via our Mature Grant program for women. Donations to our local grant can be made in honor of/or in memory of an individual. Checks should be made out to AAUW Madison Branch and sent to our treasurer, Becky Moody. Please be aware that our branch is not a 501©3 entity. Donations are **not** tax deductible. However, you will have the joy of knowing that your money is used locally and that the grant program is run totally by volunteers. Thank you to Mary Royer Lloyd for suggesting that we promote this idea and to Beth Krawczuk who recently asked for donations to our grant program in memory of

Best wishes for a safe and happy holiday season!

Susan

# Ovarian Cancer Screening

## UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- Board Meeting 01/21/19
- Book Group 12/06/18
- Lunch Bunch 12/18/18
- Mahjongg 12/10/18
- Stitch 'n Chat 01/17/19

One in 70 women will develop Ovarian Cancer during her Lifetime. When treated in the earliest stages, the 5-year survival rate for ovarian cancer is over 90%. If found and treated in the later stages, the survival rate can be as low as 18%. Unfortunately only 15% of cases are found at this early stage. The Women's Cancer Center, part of Carol G. Simon Cancer Center at Morristown and Overlook Medical Centers, is evaluating periodic blood tests that may be helpful in the early detection of ovarian cancer.

This study is available for women between 50 and 74 years old who are post-menopausal, are not under cancer treatment for the past 12 months, have at least one ovary and have a healthcare provider. To participate or learn more information, call 973-971-6491 or email Ovarian.Screening@atlantichealth.org.

# **Programs**

Our Holiday Program is scheduled for December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7 PM. Guests are welcome to attend. Registration is not required and as always WONDERFUL refreshments await us. Singer Gladys Bryant and pianist Rich Court will be singing their Holiday songbook. See you at the Madison Library Chase Room!

SAVE THE DATE! January 7<sup>th</sup>, 1PM for the movie "Miss Representation" will be shown at the Chase Room!

Send information including directory updates to <a href="mailto:ipvernon@yahoo.com">ipvernon@yahoo.com</a>. Input for the newsletter is due the day after the board meeting.



## Announcements and Events The Tollar



## The Book Group

## Lunch Bunch

All are welcome to join us. **The group meets at 12:30 pm and everyone brings a sandwich to share.** Lots of conversation and sharing ideas on the book, author, and its reviews. Come and join us bringing your suggestions for future reads.

December 6

**Book**: Movable Feast by Ernest Hemingway

Hostess: Amy Raffel

Please remember to contact the host if you are coming.

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.

Reserve the Date!
Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>
Location LaDiDa. New Vernon

Please send a note to me if you are interested in joining the

group

For reservation and direction call Judy Vernon 973 455 0427



# Mahjongg



## Stitch and Chat

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.

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 17th, 2019

For direction call Judy Vernon 973 455 0427

**December 10th, 2018** 

## **Board Meeting**

Board meetings are held at Misty Kramer's home, at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Members are welcome to attend.

January 21, 2019 (snow date 28) February 18, 2019 (snow date 25) March 18, 2019 (snow date 25 April 15, 2019 May 20, 2019

June 17, 2019

## Membership Corner

Welcome Ursula Sanjamino to our AAUW Madison branch. Ed.D. in Leadership from St. John's University, an M.A. in Counseling from Kean University and a B.A. in English and Government and Politics from St. John's. Ursula joined us at Bottle Hill Day.

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

Below is information on "Rides for Seniors" program that may be helpful to members – either for themselves or for family members, friends or neighbors.

Uber is not just for the tech savvy, younger generations anymore. The nonprofit Tri-Town 55+ Coalition offers the "Rides for Seniors" program to help those 65 and older get to where they want to go, when they want to go—day or night, without the need of a smart phone.

Tri-Town 55+ Coalition is working with GoGoGrandparent, an on-demand transportation company based in California, to offer the "Rides for Seniors" program. By calling a toll-free number, GoGoGrandparent accesses Uber and Lyft drivers. The service is available for medical appointments, errands, or pleasure 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

GoGoGrandparent is available nationwide, but Tri-Town 55+ Coalition is offering a special \$5 discount off each ride up to 4 rides per month for residents 65 and older living in Madison, Chatham Borough, Chatham Township. Registration is easy! To register for "Ride for Seniors" call GoGoGrandparent at 1-855-464-6872 and follow the prompts. Or you can register online at www.tritown55plus.org.

#### Hospitality

#### December 3, 2018

Set up Susan Mennella and Judy Vernon

Refreshments Diane Pivarnik

Kathleen Magill Marianne Belock

Clean up Amy Raffel and Susan Mennella

#### **AAUW Madison Archives**

For many years AAUW has stored its paper files at the Madison Public Library. Last spring we started reviewing these files discovering they include Branch directories; photos; PR scrapbooks; some minutes and Treasurer's Reports, etc.

We would appreciate help from our members. If you have any AAUW paperwork stored in your home, please contact us. We also need help from our longer-term members in identifying people in the photographs. Eventually we hope that the AAUW files will be an organized record of our Branch's history.

Thank you.

Nancy Adamczyk & Barbara Benedict