

May 20, 2023

The Bath Branch



Visit us at: <http://bath-ny.aauw.net>

Book Club:

Where: Hammondsport Library (outside weather permitting; inside otherwise)

When: June 15th at 12:30 pm

Book: "The Personal Librarian"

Upcoming books: July will be "Flight Girls"

August will be "Dinners with Ruth"

Book Club meets the third Thursday of the month.

--submitted by Sally Murphy

Next Meeting June 6th, 2023 :

Where: Community Room (on second floor and is handicapped accessible) at the Hammondsport Chamber of Commerce Visitors' Center located at 47 Shethar Street, Hammondsport, NY

When: Tuesday, June 6th, 2023 at 5:30 pm Social Hour; 6 pm Dinner

What: Timber Stone Grill will cater our annual Scholarship Dinner this year and costs \$35.00 per person, which includes tax and gratuity. You may pay at the door; make checks payable to AAUW Bath Branch. Check your email invitation for the menu, additional information and to RSVP on the Google Form inside the email. We must have a final count one week before the event.

If you have any questions regarding the Scholarship Dinner, you may call Julie Kurtz at 585-728-1020. We hope to see you there, not only to celebrate our scholarship winners but also to celebrate our branch's 70th anniversary!

--submitted by Maryalice Kilburne & Julie Kurtz

President's Message:

Happy Merry Month of May,

I have a few items to share this month:

NOTE: Date for this is **THIS Tuesday, May 23:** You may remember that Nan visited with our Branch in November of this past year. She joined us for our Sunday luncheon at the Finger Lakes Boating Museum. She has organized a trip to Albany for this coming Tuesday! Road trip? Interested in carpooling?

AAUW LOBBY DAY

Tuesday, MAY 23

11:00 AM

Parking under the Tunnel of the Plaza

Meet at the Well upstairs

It is also Dairy Day

The legislature is in session

In the afternoon, plan to meet with your legislative representatives

Theme for the Day:

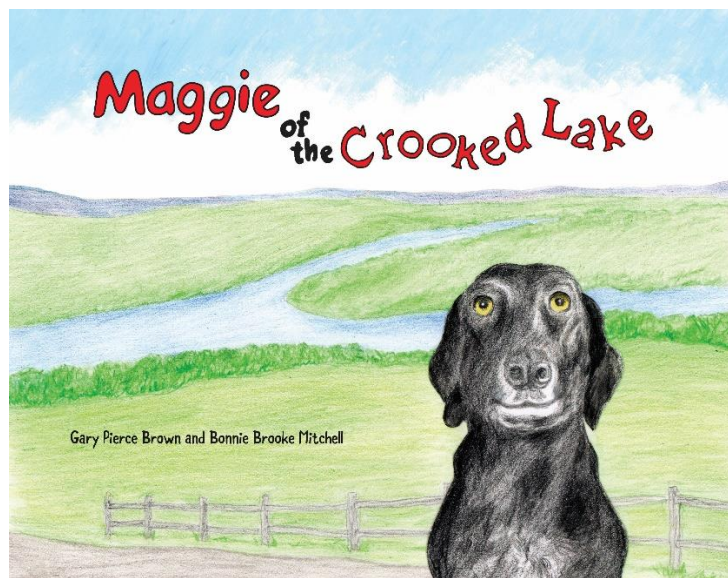
AAUW supports

Higher Wages for

Home Health Care Workers

Questions? Nan Scinta 518-683-1034

Gary Brown has a brand new children's book available! We are happy to announce that copies will be available for purchase at our June 6th dinner celebration. If you would like a copy personalized feel free to reach out so we can make that happen.



Gary Brown has written and published his second children's book, *Maggie of the Crooked Lake*, in memory of his late wife, Martha, an active member of AAUW and organizer of several creative efforts to support the AAUW scholarships. Gary's current book is a fundraiser for Bampa's House, a comfort care home in Corning, and CareFirstNY, based in Painted Post. Gary is unable to be with us for the annual scholarship banquet this year, but we will have a table with pre-signed books available at that event. **The suggested donation is a minimum of \$15.00 per book, and checks should be made out to "CareFirstNY" with "Maggie Fund" in the memo. Cash is fine too.** All proceeds will be split between the two agencies, and there is no sales tax involved. This is a gift received for a donation, similar to what PBS does.

Gary's first children's book, *Willy of the Crooked Lake*, raised over \$40,000 for the Finger Lakes SPCA and more than nearly 2000 of those books have been distributed. Gary is hoping the new book will do at least as well and will help support hospice-related work in our area.

Maggie of the Crooked Lake tells the true story of how Maggie the dog, a black dachshund mix, was rescued by Gary and Martha Brown through the FLSPCA's shelter, and then, after the loss of Martha, how Maggie helped rescue Gary, making him get up in the morning and take her for long walks and remember to feed her. The book touches on the subject of loss (which children certainly experience), but it does so with gentleness, humor and

hopefulness. Get your copy at the scholarship dinner!

If you have yet not reserved your spot for the dinner please RSVP to Maryalice Kilbourne or Julie Kurtz! We would love to see as many of you as possible on June 6th. Please mark your calendar for this special date. We will celebrate our scholarship winners as well as marking the milestone of our Bath Branch's 70th anniversary!

If you have received a recent mailing from AAUW National regarding an Oral History project, it is legitimate and not a scam. It is totally up to you if you wish to pursue this opportunity but there is no obligation to do so. I have not yet received the postcard mailing but I know some of our Bath Branch members have. Our NYS AAUW President Carol Griffith has been in contact with all the NYS branch presidents to confirm it is a project on which National is working. I believe something similar was done in past years.

--submitted by Suzanne Curran, President

5th Grade Girls' Essay Contest Winners:

The 2023 fifth grade girls' AAUW essay contest committee happily read a new high of 13 submissions this year. The committee, comprised of Donna Ryan, Donna Noteware, Lynn Haley and led by Kristina Snavely chose three finalists who received a \$25 gift card to Barnes & Noble. All the students received both a thank you letter and a certificate of participation for their essay on *The Woman Who Inspires Me the Most*. All three finalists are Hammondsport students: Madisyn Neal, Brooke Williams, and the top finalist, Taylor Goodrich, who is invited to attend the AAUW dinner on June 6th to read her essay to the group.

--submitted by Kristina Snavely, Committee Chair

Fund Raiser—Flower Sale & Scholarship Winners:

Our 3rd Annual Mother's Day Hanging Basket Sale was held on May 13th. We sold 169 hanging flower baskets (19 more than last year!) yielding \$1,943.50 for the Martha Brown Scholarship Fund. The baskets this year were gorgeous! Our wonderful membership purchased baskets, sold them to their neighbors, drove to the green house, collected money, created flyers, posted on social media and so much more. Well done! Please put May 11, 2024 on your calendars for next year's hanging basket sale.

The committee interviewed 5 very accomplished high school women and one adult woman. This year's scholarships will be awarded to Tara Watson and Chelsey Stewart who will both be attending our Scholarship Dinner in June.

--submitted by Mary White

Public Policy:

PowHer New York is a great short cut to understanding the Family issues now before our State Legislators. It gives a synopsis of the legislation and a quick link to our "Voices" in Albany, Senator O'Mara and Assemblyman Palmesano. Check it out at info@powherny.org.

--submitted by Nancy Cole, Chair of Public Policy

Treasurer's report:

The ending balance in April was \$2,783.58. There were no transactions during the period. We have a check pending to Mary White for \$40 for the purchase of a memorial book.

Treasurer's report as of May 16, 2023



**AAUW Bath Branch
Deposits and Withdrawals
For Period: 7/1/2022 - 6/30/2023**

Date	Category	Withdrawal	Deposits	Balance	Notes
6/30/2022	Deposit Dues		\$ 1,492.00	\$ 3,941.51	Dues - 17 @ \$87 and 1 at \$13
6/30/2022	Deposit Dues		\$ 368.00	\$ 4,309.51	Dues - 4 @ \$87 and \$20 donation toward essay winners dinners
7/1/2022	Dues - National and NYS	\$ 1,554.00		\$ 2,755.51	Dues to National \$67 and NYS \$7 = \$74 @ 21
7/5/2022	Deposit Dues		\$ 87.00	\$ 2,842.51	Dues
7/6/2022	Deposit Dues		\$ 87.00	\$ 2,929.51	Dues
7/6/2022	Dues - National and NYS	\$ 74.00		\$ 2,855.51	Dues to National and NYS
7/7/2022	Dues - National and NYS	\$ 74.00		\$ 2,781.51	Dues to National and NYS
7/13/2022	Dues - Local Dues Paid Online		\$ 26.00	\$ 2,807.51	Dues - Local - 2 Members (ALHS and Taggart)
7/27/2022	Dues - Local Dues Paid Online		\$ 13.00	\$ 2,820.51	Dues - Local - 1 Member (Curran)
8/3/2022	Deposit - Dues		\$ 522.00	\$ 3,342.51	Dues - 6 @ \$87
8/4/2022	Dues - National and NYS	\$ 87.00		\$ 3,255.51	Dues - New Member Paid to Bath Branch Submitted Online. Local dues to be returned.
8/4/2022	Dues - National and NYS	\$ 370.00		\$ 2,885.51	Dues to National and NYS = 5
8/10/2022	Check 2238 - Fred & Harriett Lib	\$ 20.00		\$ 2,865.51	Check to Library for Printing of booklets for essay winner dinners
8/15/2022	Deposit - Dues		\$ 174.00	\$ 3,039.51	Dues - 2 members
8/15/2022	Dues - National and NYS	\$ 148.00		\$ 2,891.51	Dues to National and NYS = 2
8/22/2022	Deposit - Dues		\$ 87.00	\$ 2,978.51	Dues - 1 Member
8/23/2022	Dues - National and NYS	\$ 74.00		\$ 2,904.51	Dues to National and NYS = 1
8/31/2022	Deposit - Local Dues Paid Online		\$ 13.00	\$ 2,917.51	Dues - Local - 1 Member
9/13/2022	Deposit - Dues		\$ 435.00	\$ 3,352.51	Dues - 5 Member
9/14/2022	Dues - National and NYS	\$ 383.00		\$ 2,969.51	Dues to National and NYS = 4
9/28/2022	Deposit - Local Dues Only		\$ 13.00	\$ 2,982.51	Dues - Local only - Ruth Barry
9/30/2022	Deposit - Local Dues Paid Online		\$ 26.00	\$ 3,008.51	Dues - Local 2 Members
10/3/2022	Deposit - Check Deposit		\$ 87.00	\$ 3,095.51	Dues - 1 Member
10/4/2022	Dues - National and NYS	\$ 74.00		\$ 3,021.51	Dues - National and NYS = 1
10/28/2022	Dues - Local Dues Paid Online		\$ 26.00	\$ 3,047.51	Dues - Local 2 Members
11/9/2022	Boating Museum	\$ 150.00		\$ 2,897.51	November Dinner Event Space Check 2240
12/8/2022	Timberstone Grill	\$ 787.32		\$ 2,110.19	Holiday Dinner Bill Check 2241
12/14/2022	AHT Insurance	\$ 200.00		\$ 1,910.19	Liability Insurance Check 2242
12/15/2022	AAUW Fellowship Fund		\$ 100.00	\$ 2,010.19	Check 1174 for half of liability insurance
12/15/2022	Deposit - Checks for Holiday Dinner		\$ 207.00	\$ 2,217.19	Member checks for holiday dinner
12/15/2022	Deposit - Cash for Holiday Dinner		\$ 583.00	\$ 2,800.19	Member cash for holiday dinner
2/28/2023	Deposit - Local Dues Only		\$ 13.00	\$ 2,813.19	Dues - 1 Member paid Online
3/13/2023	Check 2243 - Postage	\$ 29.61		\$ 2,783.58	Reimb to Wendy - Postage for By-Law Notification mailing

Pending: Check to Mary White for \$40 for memorial book purchase

As of 5/16/2023

April Highlights

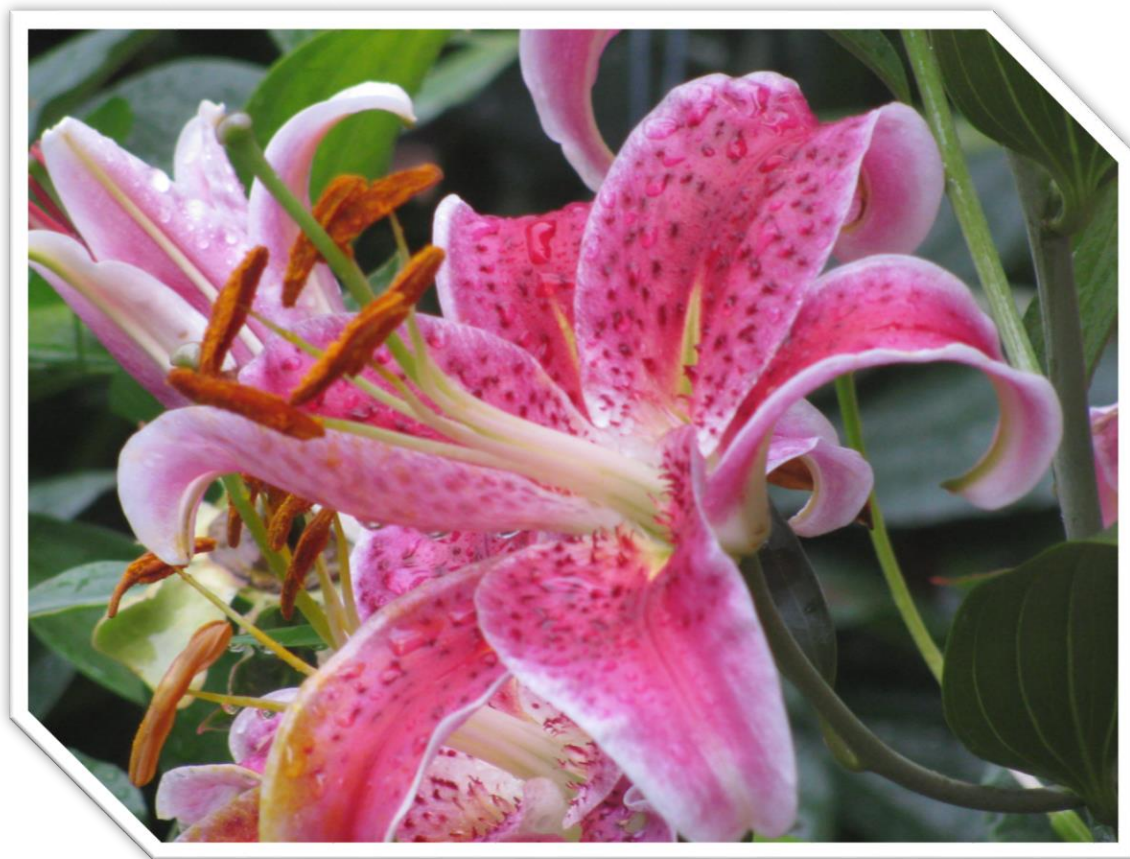
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--submitted by Amanda Herrick Smith, Treasurer

Summer Picnic:

The AAUW Annual Picnic will be held at 5:30pm on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, at Terry Underhill's home located at 8590 West Lake Rd, Hammondsport. Please bring a dish to pass and each member is welcome to bring a guest. Parking is limited, so it would be helpful if folks would carpool from the Howard Hanna Real Estate agency parking lot on Pulteney St, as you will only be ½ mile away. Please plan to use Terry's elevator when you arrive, and there will be someone there assisting everyone getting on and off. Please RSVP via email to Terryunderhill25@gmail.com, or leave a message at 607-868-3056, so we can plan appropriate seating. Looking forward to it!

--submitted by Terry Underhill, event hostess



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