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AAUW-IL shines at Convention!



AAUW-Illinois made its presence known at the Association Convention in St. Louis in June!

95 members attended. Many assisted with local arrangements. Our own Ruth Sweetser completed her second term as Association President, presiding over the plenary sessions with grace and efficiency. Jennifer Wilkin completed her term as Educational Foundation Development Vice President.

Two Illinois projects, the Jane Addams Commemorative Holiday and "Dare to Dream, Get Education Latina Conference," were among more than 50 exemplary programs and fundraisers featured at the "Taste of Success" showcase on Friday evening. (Pictures and handouts are online: www.aauw.org/convention/conv2009/success.cfm)

All AAUW-IL members were recognized for **outstanding** philanthropic contributions, including:

- **Educational Foundation:** Total Giving # 2; Per Capita Giving # 7; Branch Giving (Wheaton/Glen Ellyn) # 3
- **Eleanor Roosevelt Fund:** Total Giving # 4; Per Capita Giving # 8; Branch Giving (Deerfield) # 7
- **Leadership Training Institute (LTI):** Total Giving # 9; Branch Giving (Lombard) # 10
- **Legal Advocacy Fund:** Total Giving # 4
- **AAUW, Public Policy:** Total Giving # 4
- **Combined Support (EF, ERF, LAF, LTI, AAUW):** Total Giving # 4



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President's Message Linda Henning Cohen

2009-10 offers new ways for us to experience and enjoy AAUW in Illinois!

Fall Conferences will focus on *Leading the Way: Building Skills for Branch Leadership*.

AAUW-IL, Inc. continues to work with branches to help them recruit effective leaders. Innovative leadership structures including leadership teams and co-presidents are already used in some branches. The new 2009 AAUW bylaws allow flexibility and creativity in branch leadership. Branches may operate with only an administrative representative and a financial representative, which must be two separate persons.

Carolyn Garfein, the newly-elected Association President, wrote in July that the Association Board got right to work to restructure Association committees in light of the new bylaws. They plan to have new committees in place this fall. As we at the state level find out more details we will let branches and members know.

The IRS requires all states and branches to report their fundraising proceeds. Instructions and documents will be sent to all AAUW entities in the September mailing. With the new requirements, all reports will be kept on file at the national office. AAUW-IL will ask each branch to provide an assurance of compliance with this requirement.

AAUW-IL, Inc. will lead the way again this year in celebrating the Jane Addams Commemorative Holiday. Join us on December 6 for a festive luncheon and tour of the site of Bowen Park, Jane Addams' summer camp for children in Waukegan.

The upcoming AAUW year offers opportunities for creative leadership and programming in all of our branches. This is a great time to be a member of AAUW!

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.

Mission

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



Changes to Branch and State Bylaws

Lori Switzer, Bylaws Chair

Delegates to the Association Convention approved new bylaws that go into effect this year. Branches and States must amend their bylaws by October 31, 2009, to bring them into conformity with the Association. Model bylaws are conveniently available at www.aauw.org

Branches may e-mail their amended bylaws to bylaws@aauw-il.org or mail to Lori Switzer, Bylaws Chair, 2746 W. Morse Ave., Chicago 60645.

This remains the same in the AAUW Bylaws.

1. The requirement for membership in AAUW remains an associate or equivalent degree or higher. There is no change in the categories of membership or in the student affiliates category.
2. Branches continue to be the basic unit of AAUW.
3. States remain but they are optional structures, and there is flexibility given for the state's governance structure. States also have the flexibility to decide if they want to join in a multi-state structure or other configuration.
4. No branch or state is required to change its current leadership structure if it works well and meets the needs of the branch or state.

These are mandatory changes for branch and state bylaws:

1. The purpose/mission statement in state and branch bylaws must be changed to read:
The purpose of AAUW is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.
2. All members now have a vote on national AAUW business (elections, adoption of the Public Policy Program and resolutions, and amendments to the AAUW bylaws). There

will no longer be a delegate system for national AAUW meetings.

These changes are optional for branches:

The new AAUW Bylaws provide for a more flexible and fluid structure that is more reflective of leadership and organizational structures throughout the country. There are only two requirements for leadership which will maintain the branches or states connection to AAUW:

- a. One person must be designated as the administrative contact – to receive mail, emails and other communications related to branch activities and AAUW programs.
- b. One person must be designated as the financial contact- to receive membership, dues and donation information.

If branches and states determine that their current leadership structures work well they may continue with that structure.



Public Policy

Faye Marcus and Pat Porep, co-directors of Public Policy

There are new faces on this year's AAUW-IL Public Policy Committee. Pat Porep (Lombard Branch) joins Faye Marcus (Rockford Branch) as co-director. Kate Skegg (Downers Grove Branch) is a committee member. We welcome additional committee members, particularly from District 3.

To serve on the Public Policy Committee all you need to do is keep your branch informed of current issues through the "Leader in Action" publication which you can access on the AAUW website, www.aauw.org.

You can sign up for Action Alerts which will come directly to your inbox. We'll forward them as well. Please remember it is important to forward information whether you agree with it or not. In addition to keeping your branch informed, please encourage members to sign up for the Illinois Lobby Corps which lobbies for AAUW issues on the state level. We always need a strong presence in Springfield! The last and most important job is helping us judge the entries submitted for the AAUW-IL Public Policy awards which are given out every year at the State convention. If you can attend conferences and conventions that's great; but not mandatory. Please consider joining us on the PPC!

Read the AAUW Public Policy Agenda on our web site. Write or call your legislators; even better, pay them a visit. The Pay Check Fairness Act has passed the House, but not the Senate. Let's continue working on getting that passed. The Illinois Budget Crisis will unfold in numerous ways over the coming months and we need to make sure that it still helps us break through barriers for women and girls. A good way to insure pay equity is to teach girls how to get the negotiating skills they need to get the salaries they deserve when a job offer is extended to them.

AAUW has partnered with the WAGE (Women Are Getting Even) Project to facilitate pay equity negotiating workshops in schools across the country. These "START SMART" workshops give graduating senior women a real look at the negotiating process and what they need to do to insure equal pay with their male counterparts. Illinois has committed to 10 START SMART workshops for 2009-2010. If your school would like to host one call Pat Porep or Ruth Sweetser from the Lombard Area Branch and we can set one up for you. Public Policy is everybody's policy.



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR STATE OFFICERS

Erika Nicketakis, Nominating Committee Chair

The Nominating Committee seeks AAUW members to fill elective state offices for the 2010-12 biennium. The committee is made up of representatives from the five districts.

The 2010-12 slate includes:

Program Vice President - shall have served one or more terms on the state board and shall have had extensive branch leadership experience, preferably as branch president and/or branch program chair.

Director of Finance-Elect - shall have specialized accounting skills required to perform the duties and preferably have had experience of the state board. (After serving one year, the Director of Finance Elect shall automatically succeed to Director of Finance)

Director of Educational Foundation - shall have a broad interest in and knowledge of the Educational Foundation and preferably have had experience on the state board.

Director of Legal Advocacy Fund - shall have a broad interest in and knowledge of the Legal Advocacy Fund and preferably have had experience on the state board.

Chair of the Nominating Committee - shall have served at least one term on the state board.

Nomination forms will be available at both Fall Conferences. They may be submitted then or mailed/e-mailed to the committee chair (4378 W. Lawn Avenue, Gurnee, IL 60031; nicketakis@aol.com). The deadline for nominations is November 1, 2009. Any AAUW-IL, Inc., member in good standing may make a nomination.

Educational Foundation and NCCWSL

Kathy Brenniman, Educational Foundation Director

It was great to see so many of you at the AAUW Convention in St. Louis this summer. As you read on the front page, AAUW-IL was recognized for its contribution to EF. Thanks to all the Illinois branches and individuals who made this incredible accomplishment possible.

As you all know, the organizational changes combining AAUW, the Educational Foundation, and the Leadership Training Institute are now effective. This restructuring will affect the organization's fund raising procedures to a certain extent. While many of the fund numbers that we are familiar with, for example Fund #9170 for contributions to the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund, remain, some changes have been made. Notably, any unrestricted funds will be placed in a new Fund #9110 (AAUW Funds), which will be distributed to **all** programs. If a branch or individual desires to give to EF, LAF, or the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund, a particular fund or endowment must be designated. Once I receive the new branch officer listings, I will email the new Contribution Forms, instructions, and fund numbers to each branch.

Also, as part of the organizational changes, I will be responsible for tracking branch and individual contributions to the Leadership Training Institute (LTI) as well as the Educational Foundation. One of the new funds under LTI is Fund 4340, the Ruth Sweetser Honorary Fund. As most of you know, to honor Ruth for her outstanding leadership as AAUW President for four years at the 2010 NCCWSL Conference (National Conference for College Women Student Leaders) we are raising \$20,000. So far, we have raised \$10,000, not including what was raised at the National Convention. If any of you have not yet contributed to this fund and would like to do so, please send your check made out to LTI (designate Fund # 4340 in the memo line) to me. My information is below.

This year, because of the organizational changes, **December 31, 2009** is the drop dead deadline for all 2009 donations to be received in Washington, DC. Three copies of the Contribution Form are needed: one for your branch, one for the Association in Washington, DC, and one sent to me as Director, Educational Foundation, AAUW-IL, Inc. I would prefer that you send your check(s) to me along with the original Contribution Form and a copy **by December 15, 2009**. Once I record the information, I will send everything to the Association. If you prefer to mail the check and report form directly to the Association, I really need to have you send me a copy. Remember to designate in the memo portion of the check which fund you wish your donation to be credited to.

Once again one of my goals is to revive The Legacy Circle. This is a wonderful opportunity for members to provide for the Foundation in their wills and through annuities. I will have more information on this at the Fall Conferences and look forward to seeing many of you there. Please feel free to email or call whenever you have questions.

Legal Advocacy Fund and AAUW Action Fund

Andi Danis, LAF Director

It was nice to see so many of you at the National Convention in St. Louis! I am pleased to report to you that Illinois was recognized as 4th in the nation in overall giving for LAF with contributions totaling \$19,288.55. Thank you to all contributing members for supporting this vital aspect of Foundation giving. Lily Ledbetter was a key participant in this year's convention; it is your contributions to LAF that enable AAUW to actively support plaintiffs such as Lily in pursuit of equity and justice for all women.

I am sure you are all aware that the new structure of AAUW as a blend of the Educational Foundation and the Association is now in place. This has meant a further revamping of how our fundraising dollars are distributed, as well as more definition of which funds are tax-deductible, 501(c)(3), and not tax-

deductible, 501(c)(4). There are more opportunities to pinpoint exactly what you would like your LAF dollars to support: Case Support; Plaintiff Travel and Education Grants; Campus Outreach Projects; Advocacy. All funds raised and directed to any or all of these accounts are tax-deductible.

One new category arising from the restructuring is called the AAUW Action Fund. This 501(c) (4) fund supports the Lobby Corps and the Congressional Voting Record. As this category is closely tied to support for cases of discrimination and harassment, I will also be tracking branch and individual contributions to this account. Funds raised and directed to the AAUW Action Fund are NOT tax-deductible.

AAUW has developed new Contribution Forms and instructions for submitting monies. As soon as I have the new branch officer listings I will email this information to each branch. If you will need the forms/information sooner, please do not hesitate to contact me. I still prefer that you send LAF (and now AAUW Action Fund) contributions directly to me so that I can record and track them. If you do send them directly to Washington, please do not forget to send me a copy of your contribution. Thank you for your support of Advocacy for all women and girls!

A summary of the new structure and fundraising

Branches may hold fundraisers that are directed toward one specific fund or toward multiple funds. You must state what portion of contributions goes to which fund and what portion is tax deductible.

Keep bookkeeping records separate for the 501(c) (3) funds and 501(c) (4) funds, including branch expenses. Ideally, keep separate bank accounts. Otherwise, just be sure to keep separate records that easily identify how your tax-deductible funds have been handled.

Action Fund -- Supports lobbying and advocacy through the Lobby Corps and allied activities. It is a 501 (c) (4) entity and contributions are NOT tax deductible. Send contributions to Andi Danis.

Legal Advocacy Fund -- a program of the AAUW Educational Foundation and therefore a 501(c) (3) charity. All gifts are tax deductible. Send contributions to Andi Danis.

Educational Foundation -- Support to advance education, research, and self-development for women. EF is a 501(c) (3) charity and all gifts are tax deductible. Send contributions to Kathy Brenniman.

Leadership and Training Institute -- Provides programs to foster leadership development, and career advancement. LTI is a 501 (c) (3) charity; all gifts are tax deductible. Send contributions to Kathy Brenniman.

PLEASE!

- Use the contribution forms available from Andi and Kathy.
- If your gift is for a particular fund or program, specify that on the contribution form and in the memo line of your check. (E.g. #4340, the Ruth Sweetser Fund.)
- Send contributions by December 15 for 2009 credit.
 - LAF and Action Fund: Andrea Danis, 24 Scarsdale Rd., Montgomery, IL 60538 (danishouse@sbcglobal.net)
 - EF and LTI: Kathleen Brenniman, 428 W. Ethel, Lombard, IL 61048 (kfbrenn@aol.com)



Membership Matters

Medina Gross, Membership Co-Vice President

Of the two workshops I attended at the Association convention in St. Louis in June, the one that made the greatest impression was called "Creating a Healthy Branch Culture and Best Branch Practices" presented by Caralynne McDowell, California Membership Co-VP. Caralynne stressed the human side of running a branch, and the importance of the way we treat one another. Some of her thoughts are as follows:

Behavior Does Matter!

- * **Unhealthy:** Unwelcoming/Unfriendly, Judgmental, and Cliquish/Territorial. It has to be this way. We have always done it this way.
- * **Healthy:** Welcoming, partnering, mentoring, inclusive. Here is the end product we need and the deadline--Go to it!
- * Be the change you would like to see.

Know why AAUW is the best organization around and talk about it! We are all members of the membership committee. Invite your friends and acquaintances to come to meetings and events they might be interested in. Offer to drive them. As Caralynne said, Membership is hard work! Identify what your branches interests are and nurture the members you have. Keep in touch. Offer support, friendship, kindness. Recruit active members, not necessarily younger ones. If your branch is primarily made up of women in their 60s and 70s, women in their 50s are more likely to be interested.

I asked my daughter, Rachel Bloomberg, who co-chairs two book groups for the Elgin area branch, to list the advantages of belonging to an AAUW branch. Her reply, "Working with a group of like-minded people who give you space and resources to help you accomplish your goals, and meeting people."

I have always said AAUW is a training program for community leaders. Another one of my sayings is that I

could sit at any table at an AAUW meeting and be welcomed and included in part of the conversation, unlike some other community events I have attended. But maybe that's me and it's due to the fact that I feel so at home with AAUW.

Jennifer Urish (membershipvp1@aauw-il.org, 618 282-3579) and I (membershipvp2@aauw-il.org, 847 695-1316) would be pleased to assist you with any membership questions or problems.



International Corner

Donna Sproston, Director of International Affairs

Have you heard of the Girl Effect? It refers to the amazing dividends to the family, the community, the country, and ultimately the world when we educate and invest in a girl. Greg Mortensen recounts learning about this old proverb while growing up in Africa, and his efforts to fund and build schools in Pakistan and Afghanistan are testimony to the impact that educating girls has in improving literacy, hygiene, and income while reducing birthrates and domestic violence. If your branch is interested in learning more about the girl effect, contact Donna Sproston, AAUW-Illinois director of international relations. A scripted program is available, or your branch can invite Donna to a meeting.

If your book group is looking for titles and topics or an international group is emerging in your branch, you will be interested in an extensive international book list now available to AAUW branches. This list is the result of extensive research by Barbara Evans of the Elgin Branch and suggests both fiction and non-fiction titles arranged by geographical regions. Many branches received a copy of the list at the spring convention in Decatur. If your branch did not receive a copy, contact Donna Sproston (Sproston@grics.net)



Midwest Girls Collaborative Project (MWGCP): accent on Collaboration!

Geraldine L. Oberman

AAUW Regional Liaison to NGCP

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The **Midwest Girls Collaborative Project** (MWGCP), the regional version of the **National Girls Collaborative Project** (NGCP), had a successful Kick-Off event at the Northern Illinois University Naperville Conference Center on April 17th. 65 attendees heard presentations on: Resources for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM); Success stories of women in STEM; Procedures for applying for Mini-Grants; Evaluation of STEM programs; Nanotechnology and were provided with numerous handouts. At the conclusion of the Mini-Grant proposal submission process in June, five of twelve submitted proposals were recently recommended to the NGCP for funding. Once decisions are finalized, grantee announcements will be forthcoming. Collaboration was the key for both outcomes.

Since the Kick-Off event, several women working in or interested in STEM fields have stepped forward to join the Collaborative's **Champions Board**, now consisting of 16 members. These women provide resources, support and advice to the **Leadership Team** of the Collaborative. Several Champions Board members reviewed and rated Mini-Grant proposals using the NGCP rubric. Collaboration served the Team and Board well in planning each stage of implementation. Are you or a colleague interested in joining this illustrious group?

For additional information on the NGCP, please review the website: www.ncgproject.org or through the AAUW website: www.aauw.org. If you know of any organizations in your area that are implementing a program for girls in STEM or searching for an idea to develop or improve a program, have them go to the website and register their program in the online **Program Directory**. Our goal is to have all Illinois programs entered into the directory to serve as a resource for program developers and collaborators. Collaboration is key to developing and implementing STEM programs for girls and women.

Among AAUW **Biennial Action Priorities** forming the 2009-2011 Public Policy Program is "increased support for programs that break through barriers for women and girls in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields". AAUW has been a primary partner with NGCP since 2006. Moving forward with the MWGCP, collaboration remains the key element to achieving AAUW's priority for breaking barriers for women and girls in STEM. For additional information or if your Branch is searching for a speaker to more fully inform your membership of the NGCP and MWGCP, please contact me!

AAUW Launches 2009-10 Online Directory of Fellowship and Grant Recipients

WASHINGTON - AAUW has launched the 2009-10 online Directory of Fellowship and Grant Recipients. The directory showcases the recipients of AAUW's five fellowship and grant programs - 214 individuals and nonprofit organizations that will receive more than \$3 million in funding during the current program year. The current fellowship and grant recipients join AAUW's growing network of more than 10,000 fellowship and grant alumnae. To view the directory, visit www.aauw.org/education/fga/fellows_directory/index.cfm.

Leading the Way – District Fall Conferences 2009

*“If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader.”
- John Quincy Adams*

Most of us don't think of ourselves as born leaders, yet we assume leadership roles all the time. It takes leadership skills to organize a family vacation, coordinate a project at work, or get a group of friends together for lunch. Leaders make things happen. Without leadership, nothing gets done.

AAUW relies on its members to accept leadership responsibilities at all levels. Whether you are an interest group chair, a branch president, a state officer or an Association committee member, your leadership skills are important. AAUW goals cannot be achieved without you.

The Fall District Conferences this year focus on sharpening our leadership skills. The program will cover four leadership topics. Each segment will feature a short formal presentation (15 to 20 minutes) followed by a question and discussion period. The conferences will also offer up-to-date information on the many exciting things AAUW is doing at the local, state and national levels. Please consider inviting a guest along!

Fall Conference Schedules:

Oct. 17, 2009	<i>Districts 4 & 5</i> <i>Oakton Community College</i>
8:30 – 9:00	Registration and breakfast
9:00 – 9:15	Welcome, announcements and introductions
9:15 – 9:45	The New AAUW Report from Association Convention By-laws Changes New Giving Procedures
9:45 – 10:15	“Leading the Way” Leadership – What’s In It for Me? 9:45 – 10:15 Event Planning 10:15 – 11:00
11:00 – 11:15	Break, Networking, Shopping
11:15 – 12:30	“Leading the Way” Recruiting Volunteers 11:15 – 12:00 Running an Effective Meeting 12:00 – 12:25
12:25 – 12:30	Wrap Up, Thank You and Evaluations

Presenters

“Leading the Way” presenters at the Districts 4 & 5 Fall Conference on October 17 will include:

- **Cindy Trennert-Lukens**, professional event planner and president of The Meeting Company
- **Mary Ellen Smyth**, past president of AAUW Association
- **Connie Baker**, president of the Elmhurst Branch and organizer of the Latina Conference
- **Linda Henning Cohen**, president of AAUW-IL

Directions

Via Tri-State Tollway (I-294):

From North: Exit at Golf Road. Turn left at the end of the exit ramp. Turn right at the traffic light (Golf Road). Turn right at the first traffic light (College Drive).

From South: Take the Dempster West exit. Turn right on Rand Road (Route 12) to River Road (Route 45). Take River Road north to Golf Road. Turn right on Golf to the first traffic light (College Drive) and turn left.

Via the Kennedy Expressway

Take the Kennedy Expressway to the tri-State Tollway (I-294 to Milwaukee). Exit at Dempster West and Follow the directions (from South) above.

Parking

Park in Lot D. Go in the entrance for that lot. Turn right. There will be stairs or an elevator. Go down. You will find the **Business Conference Dining Room** as you exit the elevator or at the bottom of the stairs.

Oct. 24, 2009	<i>Districts 1, 2 & 3</i> <i>University of Illinois at Springfield</i>
9:30 – 9:45	Registration and coffee
9:45 – 10:00	Welcome, announcements and introductions
10:00 – 10:30	The New AAUW Report from Association Convention By-laws Changes New Giving Procedures
10:30 – 11:45	“Leading the Way” Leadership – What’s In It for Me? 10:30 – 11:00 Event Planning 11:00 – 11:45
11:45 – 12:30	Lunch
12:30 – 1:25	“Leading the Way” Recruiting Volunteers 12:30 – 1:00 Running an Effective Meeting 1:00 – 1:25
1:25 – 1:30	Wrap Up, Thank You and Evaluations

Presenters

“Leading the Way” presenters at the Districts 1, 2 and 3 Fall Conference on October 24 will include:

- **Dana Saal**, professional event planner and owner of Meeting Works
- **Alice Huebner**, past president of AAUW-IL and current president of the Decatur Branch
- **Penny Parish**, District 1 director and president of the Jerseyville Branch

Directions

From Interstate 55: Exit at Stevenson Drive. Turn right (west) at top of exit ramp onto Stevenson Dr. Turn left (south) onto West Lake Shore Drive and continue to the edge of the UIS campus. Turn right onto Edgar Lee Masters Drive. At the T-intersection, turn left onto Ernest Hemingway Dr., then at the next intersection turn right onto Eliza Farnham Dr. Park in Lot D.

From the parking lot, follow the signs to the Public Affairs Center (PAC). It is the closest building to Lot D. The meeting will be held in **Conference Room C/D** on the **lower level of the PAC building**.

Alternative routes to the campus and a printable campus map are available at www.uis.edu/maps.

AAUW-IL presents the
2009 District Fall Conferences
“Leading the Way”

Districts 4 & 5

Saturday, October 17, 2009
8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Oakton Community College
1600 E. Golf Road
Des Plaines, IL 60016

Cost: \$21 includes registration and breakfast.
Send registration form and check by Oct. 10 to:
Harriett Lindstrom
3812 Patty Berg Court
Woodridge, IL 60517
h lindstrom@aol.com (630) 416-7903

Districts 1, 2 & 3

Saturday, October 24, 2009
9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
University of Illinois at Springfield
One University Plaza
Springfield, IL 62703

Cost: \$21 includes registration and light lunch.
Send registration form and check by Oct. 17 to:
Penny Parish
Rocky Hill Road, Box 526
Hardin, IL 62047
dds bob@frontiernet.net (618) 576-9202

REGISTRATION FORM

Cut off this Registration Form and send with \$21 check payable to AAUW-IL, Inc. to the appropriate district director listed above.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____ E-mail _____

Indicate your AAUW membership status:

AAUW Branch Member _____ Member-at-Large _____ Non-Member _____

Branch _____ Branch position _____

Are you a new AAUW member (joined within last 12 months)? Yes ___ No ___

Does your branch need display space for fundraising project/sales?

Yes ___ No ___

Special physical or dietary requirements: _____



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JANE ADDAMS COMMEMORATIVE HOLIDAY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2009

THE JANE ADDAMS CENTER AT BOWEN PARK

1917 N. Sheridan Road, Waukegan

Tours: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. * Luncheon 11:30 a.m.

Program: Ellen Frew, Waukegan Historical Society, and Ty Rohrer, Waukegan History Museum

The 72-acre Bowen Park on the north side of Waukegan was established as a summer camp by Jane Addams and Louise de Koven Bowen. Addams wanted a country escape for the Hull House neighborhood's mothers and children. Bowen wanted to memorialize her late husband. There was a fee but no child was ever turned away. Campers rode the train and walked the two miles from the depot. Far away from the tenements they swept their cottages, made their beds, did their own laundry, picked fresh fruit and harvested vegetables, played outdoors, hiked, published a newspaper, studied constellations, and dreamed.

Tours of Lilac Cottage where Jane Addams and Louise de Koven Bowen lived during the summer, and the Historical Farmhouse are available from 9 AM to 3 PM. The luncheon and program are at 11:30 a.m.

Tickets are \$20. Reservations due November 25, 2009. A registration brochure is available online at aauw-il.org, click on Jane Addams or send checks payable to AAUW-IL to Cindy Heckler, 4432 Blackhawk, Lisle, IL 60532.

For further information, contact Jane Munsie, Chair of the AAUW-IL Jane Addams Committee at jamunsie@aol.com or 630-985-0320.

Co-sponsors include the Wisconsin Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, an organization founded by Jane Addams, and the Milwaukee AAUW North Shore Branch.