



"BRANCHING OUT For January, 2016

AAUW PENOBSCOT VALLEY BRANCH



*You are cordially invited to our
"STRICTLY SOCIAL" BRUNCH*

*Saturday, January 16, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Dirigo Pines Inn, The Penobscot Media Room
On the second floor*

*Please bring a small brunch item ready to
serve and share and a utensil to serve it with.
All else is being provided by Dirigo Pines.*

*Our Triad: Susan Wishkoski,
Melba Wallace,
Phyllis Borns*

*...and as Susan said, "Start the New Year right
with Friends, Food, and Conversation." Let's
hope for good weather so a lot of us can come.*



OUR PAGE

TREASURER -JOCELYN RUNNEBAUM

.... is very confident that our \$3009.01 bank account will give us more financial flexibility. Expenses have been low so far in 2015. We go into 2016 in grand shape! When there is a balance sheet later on in the spring, she will share it with us.

MEMBERSHIP -SHARON ASHWORTH

Seventeen members attended the November AAUW meeting. A quorum approved the budget for the 2015-2016 year. Despite the speaker not being able to come due to illness, we still had a great showing of our membership for that meeting.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING A GUEST TO THE DIRIGO PINES' BRUNCH ON JANUARY 16TH. New membership materials will be available to share at this special winter meeting.

OUR MEMBERSHIP BOOKLET - FRAN HAINES

Here are a few Membership Booklet changes:

Judith Josiah-Martin's email: jjosiah.martin@gmail.com

Dora McCarthy's address: 286 Lincoln Street, Bangor 04401

Nancy MacKnight's email: nancy.macknight@umit.maine.edu

education: Vassar (BA) Harvard (MAT) Columbia (MA, PhD)

NON-TRADITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS-SHARON A.

The scholarship applications and posters will be sent to representatives at **the** local colleges and universities this month. Also, a BDN announcement will let non-traditional students know about this opportunity. Due to the great financial success of our last Book Sale, the scholarship went from \$400. to \$500. Working together, WE CAN DO THIS AND BETTER IN APRIL. YES!



**...and speaking of April....OUR
65th Book Sale is April 9, 2016
CHURCH OF UNIVERSAL FELLOWSHIP**

With our sort/work week from Tuesday-Friday

The plans underway for our "65" financially important Book Sale are exciting! Sharon Ashworth, our Book Sale chair, has decided to revive and improve some of the popular events of Book Sales past. Susan Wishkoski has taken under her wing "The Dirty Book Party", where-in Sharon's words-"we will sort books, have a bite to eat, and have some fun!" Maybe we will really find a "dirty book" as we did the first year we did that activity. Usually held after work on Wednesday and into early evening, it also affords working members a feeling they have made a contribution to the sale.

One of the most popular aspects we have had in the past was a special children's room and mascot. (Remember Melba Wallace as a clown?) Well I'm not certain about a mascot, but Dora McCarthy has volunteered to take care of the children's corner with lots of fun ideas to attract children with the provision that they must be with an adult.

Lots of ideas are fine, to really make this a truly successful Book Sale

WE NEED LOTS MORE BOOKS!

Collections of books is progressing well. We have filled Karen Boucias' barn and are now using the basement of Fernald Hall. Sharon asks that we please remember to save our used books and ask our family and friends to do the same. The goal is to have each of us bring in three bags of books by April.

BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS!



Peggy Hallee will again be getting in touch with all members, hopefully by reaching you on the phone.

I plan to start calling the week of March 13th. Thank you

I will be inviting you to pick a "sort" day (s) Tuesday the 5th through Friday the 8th, including "The Dirt Book Party". Then we need some sellers, general helpers and clean-up for Saturday, and I put that schedule together as well. So please look at your April calendar now and see what times you can put aside to give. I also need some desserts for the Snack Bar. I would love some help preparing the snack bar food and helping me in the kitchen on Saturday. My plan is to be in the church kitchen from Thursday on. If you are interested in the food volunteering, please call me in Topsham, my winter home: 207 729-8545. Sharon has decided to keep the donations basket for the snack bar. I feel that we make as much-if not more- then when we charged money. From a sanitizing perspective, we also are not handling food and money. If you feel you can do none of the above I will ask you to make a donation, which you can send to our treasurer, **Jocelyn Runnebaum, 485 County Road, Milford, ME 04461**. Thank you. Since we've retired and left Orono I am physically not able to see many of you. So I enjoy this little slice of communication.

And remember: **BOOKS!**

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EDITOR'S NOTE:

This was my first time working on Word on my new Windows 7 Computer! It has been very frustrating-to say the least. I apologize for not having it completely done. I have lost pages in the computer and had to start all over again. Trying to get little touches had me taking 3 hours to do and then I touched something and the screen went blank!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Fran and I thought we should send what I had done because of the Brunch on the 16th. I will do the rest of the newsletter! I will.

Cheers! Peggy