

Lake/Sumter Hi-Lites



Presidents' Letter

Welcome to a new and exciting AAUW program year! As we begin our year as co-Presidents, we realize that, for many of our members, the summer has been a “working vacation.” We appreciate the Executive Committee attending two summer meetings to plan for the upcoming year and discuss our goals. A special thank you to Linda Carpenter and Diane Jacobson for creating the annual membership book; Ginger Ryan and Linda Ferens for planning and setting programs for the year; Jacquie Latzer for chairing the Tuesday Summer Coffees enjoyed by many members and guests; and Priscilla Millier and Connie Konatsotis for recruiting new members. Book clubs, bridge, and mah jongg groups have met all summer and, along with the Summer Coffees, these special interest groups have been nice ways to keep in touch with AAUW friends.

At the first General Meeting on September 13 at Leesburg Public Library, we welcome our scholarship winners (see page 2 for details about the meeting). And don't forget to take a look at the gorgeous ring Rosella Valentine will have for our scholarship benefit drawing in February. Once again Richie Kluesener at Gold-In-Art Jewelers on 441 has donated another lovely piece of jewelry for our drawing. Rosella will have tickets available if you are interested in selling and/or purchasing some. Also at the meeting, Carmel Leese will discuss the holiday fashion show to be held on December 6. Contact Carmel to purchase/sell tickets and see page 7 for details about the holiday meeting. To wrap up September, our new member coffee will be held September 20 at the home of Barbara Jones. At that event, new members will have the opportunity to participate in a drawing for a gift certificate that Carmel Leese has donated.

We look forward to seeing you this year at meetings and working with you as you each share your special talents in whatever way you desire. Please feel free to call or email us any time with comments, questions, or concerns. We welcome hearing from you.

Beverly Grappy and Margaret Kaufman
Co-Presidents

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Co-Presidents Beverly Grappy (L) and Margaret Kaufman

Meetings and Programs

Greetings everyone, and welcome back to the 2014-2015 program year. Our new Program co-chairs, Linda Ferens and Ginger Ryan have planned some wonderful programs for this year, including a holiday luncheon and fashion show! Please take note in your membership book (pp. 14-17) for the dates, locations, times, and topics for each month's meeting. It's going to be a great year!

September General Meeting



The first Lake / Sumter AAUW general meeting of the year will be 10:00 A.M. until noon on Saturday, September 13, 2014, at the Leesburg Public Library. The program will present AAUW updates, our scholarship winners, and the young women from our area who participated in Tech Trek this summer. Please plan to attend this meeting to meet these fine young women as we kick off our Lake / Sumter branch new year. Bring your own drink as food and beverages are not supplied by the library. No reservation is required, and lunch will be "on your own." A list of some restaurants that are near the library in Leesburg is included in the email distribution of this newsletter.

Directions: The Leesburg Public Library is located at 100 E. Main Street in Leesburg (phone: 352-728-9790). From The Villages, take US 441/27 south. Keep left at the fork to take US 441 going east. Turn right onto N. Palmetto Street (just past N. 3rd Street; Furniture Emporium is on the corner. If you reach N. Canal Street, you've gone about 0.1 mile too far). Take the third left onto E. Main Street. The library is on the left.

New Members Coffee

Barbara Jones will host the New Members Coffee at her home on Saturday, September 20 at 10:00 A.M. Invitations requesting RSVPs will be sent to all new members who have joined our branch since the last new member program held in October 2013. Please contact Barbara at (352-259-1074 or rabj99@comcast.net) for further information and with your RSVP so she can plan on her numbers accurately. If you are a new member and have not received an invitation, please call Priscilla Millier at 352-205-8003.



October General Meeting



Next month's general meeting will be from 10:00 A.M. to noon on Saturday, October 11, at the Allamanda Recreation Center in The Villages. JoAnne Coen from the League of Women Voters will talk about November Election Issues. Reservations are not required. Coffee and pastries will be provided.

Board Meeting

The next meeting of the Lake / Sumter Executive Board will be from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon on Tuesday, September 9, 2014, at Sumter County Sheriff's Annex, which is at the corner of 466 and Morse Boulevard. Board meetings are open; all members are welcome to attend.

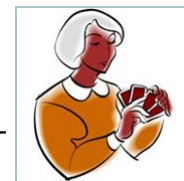


Special Interest Groups

Bridge Groups

Lake / Sumter AAUW offers two Special Interest Bridge groups:

- ◆ The Monday Bridge group plays on the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 1:00 P.M.; it is open to any interested member who wishes to play regularly. Location is scheduled on a date-to-date basis, with members volunteering to host in their homes. New members are welcome! To join this group contact Mary Ann Swisher at mswiper@mindspring.com or 352-259-3739. The Monday Bridge Group will play this month on September 8 and 22. Contact Mary Ann to find out the games' locations.
- ◆ The Thursday Bridge group plays on the first and third Thursdays of the month at 1:00 P.M.; this month, they will play on September 4 and September 18. The group is comprised of 12 committed members who call their own substitutes as needed. They rotate hosting duties. **SUBS ARE NEEDED FOR THIS GROUP.** To join the sub group, contact Carolyn Johnson at cgljohnson@comcast.net or 352-751-4103.



Diversity Book Club



The Diversity Book Club meets the third Wednesday of the month at 10:30 A.M. at Freedom Pointe. This month's meeting is on September 17; the book is *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* by Maya Angelou. For more information, contact Pat Bays at 751-3777 or stanbays@embarqmail.com.

Because all visitors to Freedom Pointe must sign in, Pat has asked that club members arrive no later than 10:25 A.M. She will meet the group in the lobby to escort them to the meeting area. Parking may also be a challenge, so carpooling is encouraged. Club members often go out for lunch after the meeting.

Conversational Mah Jongg

The Conversational Mah Jongg group — it's relaxed and talking is permitted — usually plays at 1:30 P.M. on the first and third Mondays of each month. Members take turns hosting the games, which are informal, and all skill levels are encouraged to play. This month, due to the Labor Day holiday, the group will play the third and fifth Mondays. Margaret Kaufman will host the game on September 15 at her home (2507 Beaumont Terrace in the Village of Hadley; 352-750-4658); Anne Schlick will host on September 29 at her home (17301 SE 82nd Pecan Terrace in the Village of Piedmont; 352-750-1027). RSVP to each hostess by the Friday prior to the game date, if you want to play.



Educated Palates



The Educated Palates is a social group whose purpose is fellowship among members and their spouses or significant others. The members plan three dinners annually that are held in members' homes. Theme categories for the dinners are usually two international and one regional from the US. A planning meeting is held one month prior to the dinner. At that time, members bring recipes for a suggested theme, and each member chooses a dish to prepare. All costs are divided equally among the number attending the dinner. Dinners are scheduled for fall, winter, and spring. Members must participate in the planning meeting to attend the dinner. Contact Carolyn Moores (hcmoores@aol.com; 352-259-9955) for more information.

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Day Trips

Iris Holtz will be coordinating day trips again this year. She is in the process of planning outings and will be announcing the first adventure soon. So, stay tuned!



Dine Around *and* Finger Food and Fun



These two social groups will be coordinated by Sally Whitehurst again this year. **Dine Around** meets two or three times per year for dinner at local restaurants. **Finger Food and Fun** also meets two or three times per year in members' homes. Both groups welcome members' spouses and partners. Contact Sally for more information (sallyhw1@yahoo.com; 352-259-5257).



Foreign Policy Association Great Decisions 2014



Lake / Sumter AAUW will sponsor a Great Decisions discussion group again this year. Carol Richardson will lead these discussions as Diane Jacobson will be out of the country. Meetings will begin in January. Watch the newsletter for information about signing up for this Special Interest Group.

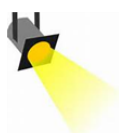
Golf Anyone? New Special Interest Group Forming

Carmel Leese is forming a new special interest group for golfers. So if you are looking to play one more round of golf with a few of your fellow members consider joining. No day or time will be determined until we get a few names and then we will decide as a group. We will want to avoid playing on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings because of the Men's and Ladies' Day on numerous courses, and we will play on the Executive courses at this time. Depending on the tee time, a stop for a drink, snack, or meal could be part of the fun as we discuss all those great shots we did or didn't make, among other things. All levels of players are welcome. Contact Carmel (352-751-0119; crleese@gmail.com) or stop by and see her at the monthly meetings for more information or to sign up.



Branch News

Spotlight on Philanthropy



Initiated last year, Spotlight on Philanthropy introduces Lake / Sumter branch members to AAUW's over-arching purpose: Philanthropy. This purpose requires that we raise money to support our programs and to contribute to programs sponsored by both national and state AAUW. Each month, an article focused on one of AAUW's philanthropic functions will appear in this newsletter. In addition to describing AAUW's initiatives, the articles will illustrate how our branch's activities link to those priorities at the national level.

AAUW's mission is to "advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research." That mission is achieved through programs that the national office sponsors, such as legal advocacy, STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) education, campus leadership, and research grants. These

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programs are supported by various funds: Legal Advocacy Fund, Educational Opportunities Fund, Public Policy Fund, among others. Fundraising activities at the national level are carried out to support these funds.

The committees of our local branch are specified in our bylaws to include “program, membership, public policy, finance, fundraising, bylaws, communications, and any others deemed necessary to conduct activities of the branch.” Accordingly, some of our committees support the AAUW mission directly — for example, our Local Scholarship Committee and our STEM 8th Grade Awards Committee — whereas others support branch operations, such as our College/University Relations Committee and our Communications/Publicity Committee.

To carry out our philanthropic purpose, the Lake / Sumter branch engages in fundraising activities such as our 50/50 drawing at each General Meeting; our bi-annual Taste & Bid; our annual jewelry raffle; and our holiday fashion show and luncheon. The proceeds from these activities support our mission-driven programs, like our college scholarships, our science awards, and our contributions for leadership development. In addition, some of our funds, including a substantial portion of our dues income, are returned to National to support their programs.

Refer to page 11 of your current member handbook for a list of our branch’s committees and their chairs. The work of these committees relies on volunteers. So be sure to read our Spotlight on Philanthropy articles each month to learn more about our committees, and then consider how you can work with other branch members to carry out AAUW’s mission.

Neighborhood Coffees Resuming in October



Neighborhood Coffees for 2014-15 will start in October. Based on our branch carpool list, co-Presidents-elect Judy Bonn and Barbara Jones will create “neighborhood” groups, with each group comprised of 10 to 12 members. One member of each group will volunteer to host the October coffees. Each hostess should be contacting each member of her group with information about this event. If you are not contacted by the first of October, please call Judy (352-217-0319) or Barbara (352-259-1074) so you can be included in a neighborhood group. These coffees are a great way to meet your neighbors and socialize in an informal way with other AAUW members.

Summer Coffees

Once again, Summer Coffees were a huge success! The venue was changed from Dunkin’ Donuts on 441 in front of the Spanish Plains Shopping Center to Perkins on 441 in front of La Plaza Grande. There, members met for coffee and conversation every Tuesday at 9:00 A.M, from June 3 through August 26. These coffees offered Lake / Sumter AAUW members informal opportunities to stay connected over the summer, in the absence of our monthly general meetings. As many as 25 of our members gathered on any given Tuesday. A big thank you to Jacquie Latzer for organizing these get-togethers.



Scholarship Fundraiser



Thanks to the continued generosity of Richie Kluesener, owner of Gold-in-Art Jewelers, we have this beautiful diamond cocktail ring (pictured at left) around which we will focus our fund-raising efforts this year. Our goal is to have at least 75 Lake-Sumter AAUW members take and sell (or buy themselves) 10 tickets for the ring.

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Won't you step up and do your part to support the scholarships we give each year to local women who are working to obtain their bachelor's degrees? Tickets are on sale now and cost \$5.00 each. They will be available at the September General Meeting.

As in the past, all proceeds from this fundraiser go to our AAUW Local Scholarship Fund, which benefits women who have completed two years at Lake Sumter State College (LSSC) and who plan to pursue a Bachelor's Degree at LSSC or at another four-year institution.

For members new to our branch, Gold-In-Art is located on the corner of Rolling Acres Road and 441 in Lady Lake., between Starbucks and Long Horn Steak House and across 441 from Home Depot and Sam's Club. Look them up online at <http://www.goldinart.com> or drop in to visit and browse. And be sure to let Mr. Kluesener and his staff know you are from Lake / Sumter AAUW.

If you have any questions or would like to request tickets to sell, contact Rosella Valentine (323-8608, theValentines@cfl.rr.com), Chair of the Scholarship Committee, or any of the committee members: Joyce Tisovec (404-375-1170, r.tisovec@att.net) or Patti Weasel (787-8812, weasel@lssc.edu). Won't you join us in making next year's fundraiser a big success?

Scholarship Winners — Spring 2014

Our two newest scholarship winners were announced and introduced to the membership at the May 17 High Tea meeting of Lake / Sumter AAUW at the Big Cypress Recreation Center in The Villages.

- ◆ **Ana Ruiz**, 23, from Bushnell, graduated from Lake-Sumter State College with her Associate's Degree in Nursing Science on May 3. She is enrolled in the concurrent nursing program between LSSC and UCF and will receive her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from UCF in December, 2014.
- ◆ **Sharon Pryor**, 60, from Leesburg also received her Associate's Degree from LSSC on May 3. She will remain at LSSC to receive her BAS Degree in Organizational Management in December 2014.

Pictured (L to R) seated: Ana Ruiz, scholarship recipient, and Patti Weasel, Scholarship Committee member. Standing (L to R) Joyce Tisovec Scholarship Committee member; Sharon Pryor, scholarship recipient; and Rosella Todd Valentine, Scholarship Committee Chair.

Lake / Sumter AAUW gives four \$1,000 college scholarships each year. Two new scholarships are provided to students who have graduated from LSSC with a two-year associate's degree and are going on to obtain a bachelor's degree. In addition, two more scholarships provide an additional year of financial support to the previous year's winners.



Lake / Sumter's Holiday Fashion Show and Luncheon: Save the Date!

Our holiday fashion show and luncheon will be held this December and will be our fundraising event for the year as well as our holiday meeting. So mark your calendars for December 6, 2014, at 11:00 A.M. at Colony Cottage Recreation Center. Tickets are \$25 each and include your choice for lunch.

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La Hacienda Catering will provide a choice of two entrees for this event: spinach and Waldorf fried chicken salad or baked manicotti with a vodka sauce, prosciutto, and artichokes with a side of vegetables. Lunch will also include dessert, rolls and butter, coffee, iced tea, or water. If you prefer a vegetarian entrée, either of these choices can be made without the protein; just let Carmel Leese know when you purchase your ticket.

Fashions will be provided by Anthony's of Colony Plaza. Models are needed for our fashion show, so please consider volunteering to dress up and strut the runway for your friends and neighbors.

The Parlor Room at Colony Cottage Recreation Center has been reserved for this event. Doors will open at 11:00 A.M. for admission and the fashion show will end at 1:30 P.M. We have seating available for 250 guests at tables of eight or nine. And, yes, you can reserve a table for you and your guests, friends, or family if you like.

There also will be a Chinese raffle for themed baskets. Our themes will be Coffee and Tea Time, Entertainment, Wine and Chocolate, Holiday, and Bath and Relaxation. We will be creating the baskets and donated items will be greatly appreciated. This is an area where a few volunteers will be needed, so please consider helping to put the raffle baskets together.

Tickets are on sale now. Your ticket will also have your entrée selection on it and should be brought to the luncheon and placed beside your place setting so the server can bring you your choice of entrée. If you are buying tickets for several individuals, please have all your guests give you their entrée choice so the tickets can be personalized at the time of purchase.

Carmel Leese is currently the point of contact for all things related to the fashion show and luncheon. She can be contacted at 352-751-0119 or crleese@gmail.com, or in person at monthly meetings. In addition to models and basket builders, we will need volunteers for the event so that it will be as great a success as our Taste and Bid fundraiser was last spring. So please consider volunteering and getting to know the great women in this organization and the wonderful things AAUW supports.

STEM Award Winners—Spring 2014

Each year, the Lake / Sumter branch of AAUW presents Certificates of Achievement and a monetary award to two eighth grade girls in each of four nearby middle schools, who have shown the most improvement in science and mathematics. The Sumter County schools are Wildwood Middle School and The Villages Charter Middle School; the Lake County schools are Oak Park Middle School and Carver Middle School, both in Leesburg.

Kathleen Buckley and Beverly Grappy presented the Spring 2014 8th grade STEM awards at Wildwood Middle School and The Villages Charter Middle School. Pictured in the photo on the left are (L-R) Amethyst Barnett, Academic Excellence in Math at Wildwood Middle School, Kathleen Buckley, Beverly Grappy, Passion Mills, Academic Excellence in Science at Wildwood Middle School.



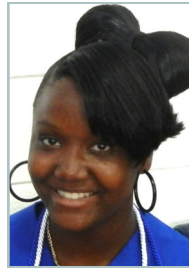
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In the photo on the right are (L-R) Kathleen Buckley, Kiersten Leiva, Academic Excellence in Science at The Villages Charter Middle School, and London Counts, Academic Excellence in Math at The Villages Charter Middle School.



Jo Anne Kelch took pictures on June 5 for both schools in Lake County. The Carver Middle School awards were presented at 11:15 A.M. to Savannah Zuk, Academic Excellence in Math, and Taylor Desgrange, Academic Excellence in Science. The Oak Park Middle School Awards were presented at 6:00 P.M. to E'Lexis Taylor, Academic Excellence in Math, and Alissa Starling, Academic Excellence in Science. Pictured below are the four winners from Lake County. Pictured below (L-R) are Savannah Zuk, Taylor Desgrange, E'Lexis Taylor, and Alissa Starling.



2014-15 Membership Booklets

The 2014-15 Lake / Sumter AAUW Membership Booklet will be available at the September General Meeting. Those members who indicated on their membership renewal form a desire for their booklet to be sent via ground mail will receive their copy shortly — if it hasn't already been delivered.

When you receive your booklet, please review your member information carefully and report any errors or changes to Linda Carpenter (Linda.J.Carpenter@gmail.com) or Diane Jacobson (chasanddi@embarqmail.com).

Member Updates

Please welcome the following new members and add their contact information to your copy of the 2014-15 membership booklet:

- ◆ Ruth Carozza 1207 Loch Rannoch Court, Leesburg, FL 34788
742-3575
carriage55@aol.com
Cornell University, BS
Montclair State College, MA

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- ◆ Kathleen Manion 583 Bradford Loop, The Villages, FL 32163
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University of Pittsburgh, BA
University of Pittsburgh, MEnergy Resources
Southern Methodist University, MBA
Graduate Theological Foundation, DMin
- ◆ Diane Reichert 1766 Millwood Way, The Villages, FL 32162
Village of Winifred
352-391-6467 978-877-3136 (cell)
reichert05@gmail.com
State University of New York, Geneseo, BSE
Southern New Hampshire University: MBA

Please make the following correction to your 2014-15 members handbook:

- ◆ Linda Ferens' new email address is ferenslm@gmail.com.

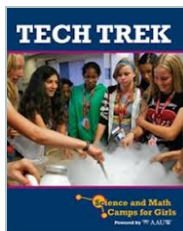
Cathy Cirocco to Serve on State Nominating Committee

Lake / Sumter past-President Cathy Cirocco will serve on the AAUW Florida nominating committee, which will identify candidates for state-level 2016-18 offices. These offices include President-elect, Director for Program, Director for Finance, and Director for Public Policy. Contact Cathy (cciroc@gmail.com, 753-7720) for more information about State elections and Cathy's role on the nominating committee.



State and National News

Tech Trek



Cathy Cirocco served as a Dorm Monitor this year, and she declared Tech Trek 2014 a resounding success. After a very intensive screening process, three young ladies from the Villages Charter Middle School were chosen to participate in the five-day residential STEM camp on the Eckerd College campus in St. Petersburg. The week of July 13 was filled with activities such as classes, workshops, field trips, and fun & games all designed to foster more interest in the STEM fields for these top students. Their days were long, their spirits high, and a whole lot of learning was going on.

Lake / Sumter is proud to be included among those who helped to make this camp a reality. In addition to a branch financial contribution, our Tech Trek committee, led by Cathy Cirocco, were integrally involved in screening and selection of candidates. Two of the three participants from The Villages Charter Middle School will be at our September meeting to share more details about their experiences. We hope to see you there!

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Policy: Demise of Home Economics



Interesting to note that Ellen Swallow Richards, a trailblazer in the founding of Home Economics in the schools, started the Association of Collegiate Alumnae, the predecessor organization of AAUW. Mrs. Richards wanted to apply scientific knowledge to domestic work and create a new pathway for women into higher education.

Now Home Economics is disappearing from the schools. Missing is education in planning nutritious meals and managing a household budget.

It will be interesting to see what the future holds and whether the Home Economics of Ellen Swallow Richards will be reinvented yet again.

High Tea: May 2014



General Meeting Minutes

AAUW Lake/Sumter Branch General Meeting May 17, 2014

Attendance: no attendance record was circulated.

New Members: Three new members attended the meeting and were recognized: Shannon Smith, Anne Houser, and Barbara Martin.

Program: The program chairs, Bonnie Weaver and Barbara Blatchford, introduced the speaker, Barbara Reynolds. Mrs. Reynolds presented a history of tea, that she traced back to 2737 B.C., to the British Empire, and the 1773 Boston Tea Party.

Call to Order: Cathy Cirocco called this meeting to order, the last one for her co-presidency with Pam Cobb.

Acceptance of Minutes of April Meeting: A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously carried for acceptance of the April minutes, without any changes or additions.

Executive Committee Reports

Finance. A report, as of April 2014, was given by Diane Jacobson.

Income:	\$2,077.22 (membership dues)
	83.00 LAF
	60.00 Tech Trek cash (donations)
Total	\$2,220.22

Expenses (last and next year's): \$3,561.35 (including \$860.00 for 214-15 Tech Trek)

For next year and the following year total funds needed are \$13,000.00

Membership Report. Membership renewal letters have been prepared. Payment of dues by the end of June results in names being listed in the membership booklet (prepared in July).

There were 51 new members in 2013-14.

Nancy Bell is a 50-year member. She was presented with a certificate and acknowledged for her years of service to AAUW. Nancy has been president of several branches. She viewed her membership as a wonderful journey and is grateful for what she learned from AAUW.

Scholarships. Rosella Valentine introduced and announced the newest winners of scholarships of \$1,000.00 each for two years, Ana Ruiz and Sharon Pryor. (Lake-Sumter AAUW gives a total of four \$1,000.00 college scholarships each year to students who have graduated from LSSC with a two-year Associate's degree and who are going to obtain a Bachelor's degree.)

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Installation of Officers for 2014-15.

The outgoing co-presidents, Cathy Cirocco and Pam Cobb, were thanked for their service and contributions during the past year.

Cathy Cirocco introduced and installed the 2014-15 officers who were present: co-Presidents Beverly Grappy and Margaret Kaufman; co-President-elect Judy Bonn; co-Finance Director Barbara Fisler.

Additional Announcements.

Mah jong will occur the first and third Mondays of each month at 1:30 P.M.

Summer Coffees will be on Tuesday at 9:00 A.M. at Perkins Restaurant on 441 for June, July, and August.

Angel Books will be collected by Emily Holman and Mary Ann Swisher. The books are for ages 4 to 7 or 8 years.

The summer library reading program will begin June 6 at 2:30 P.M. More volunteers are needed.

STEM awards will be presented.

For Bedtime Math, two to three more volunteers are needed. The program begins June 23 at 10:00 A.M.

Gypsy Roberts announced a NOW conference in Leesburg on May 31.

As a result of participation in the Belk charity event in early May, monies were gifted to scholarship winners Evelyn Guzman (\$500) and Amber Sode (\$200). Both are required to participate in unpaid internships and have need of such funds.

A motion for adjournment was made, seconded, and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Barone



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PROPOSED DUES INCREASE

Following discussion at the August General Executive Board meeting, it was voted on and approved to submit to the membership of our local branch a proposed dues increase to begin at the beginning of the 2015 fiscal year.

Of the current \$74.00 annual dues, our local branch retains only \$13.00. An increase in dues will enable Lake / Sumter AAUW to meet its philanthropic obligations.

Barbara Fisler, co-Finance Director, will address this proposal at the September General Meeting. Your comments will be welcomed.

Send questions, comments, and suggestions
about the newsletter to the editor, Linda Carpenter, at
Linda.J.Carpenter@gmail.com

September 2014 Calendar of Events (clip and save)

Thursday Bridge	September 4	1:00 P.M.	Host: TBA
Monday Bridge	September 8	1:00 P.M.	Host: TBA
Executive Board Meeting	September 9	10:00 A.M.	Sumter County Sheriff's Annex
General Meeting	September 13	10:00 A.M.	Leesburg Public Library
Mah Jongg	September 15	1:30 P.M.	Home of Margaret Kaufman
Diversity Book Club	September 17	10:30 A.M.	Freedom Pointe
Thursday Bridge	September 18	1:00 P.M.	Host: TBA
New Members Coffee	September 20	10:00 A.M.	Home of Barbara Jones
Monday Bridge	September 22	1:00 P.M.	Host: TBA
Mah Jongg	September 29	1:30	Home of Anne Schlick