



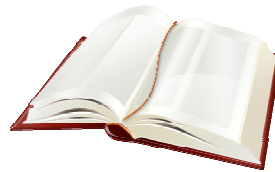
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“Sestinas, Translations and Family Relations

“with Nola Garrett and Natasha Garrett”

Saturday, February 26, 2011

9:45 a.m. – Coffee and Conversation

10:15 a.m. – Branch Meeting

11:00 a.m. – Program

Nola Garrett will be reading from her latest sestina collection, *The Dynamite Maker's Mistress* (David Robert Books, 2009). Natasha and Nola will also read their translations of contemporary Macedonian poetry, and discuss the process of translation.

Nola Garrett is Faculty Emeritus of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. She lives in Palm Harbor, Florida, with her husband, Ronald. Her poems, Macedonian translations, and essays have appeared in *Able Muse*, *Arts & Letters*, *Christian Century*, *Christianity and Literature*, *FIELD*, *Georgia Review*, and *Tampa Review*. Her chapbook, *The Pastor's Wife Considers Pinball*, won the 1998 American Poets Prize. She has received a Residency at Yaddo, and Scholarships from the West Chester Poetry Conference and the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference.

Natasha Garrett is a Director of International Student Services at La Roche. She is a PhD candidate at the University of Pittsburgh School Of Education. Her research focuses on transnationalism, language and identity. She writes personal essays.

Natasha and Nola's poetry translations have been published in *Christian Century* and *Arts & Letters*.

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From the President

A grateful thank you to all of you for your thoughts, prayers, cards, flowers, meals, conversations, and e-mail messages. I am humbled by your care and love.

My mother loved to write poetry and all through my childhood scraps of paper, old envelopes, anything on which she could write a few lines became hers. Her love of words taught her children to love poetry and appreciate a well crafted sentence. I am excited about our February meeting and look forward to a time together for all of us because today Phil said spring was right around the corner.

Saturday, February 26, 2011

Location: Ryan Room, La Roche College
 "Poetry and Translations" with Nola Garrett and
 Natasha Garrett

9:45 AM Gather for Coffee and Refreshments
 10:15 AM Branch Meeting
 11:00 AM Program

April 30, look at your calendars. What are you doing? Why not come and spend time at the State AAUW annual meeting learning about our organization and enjoying the company of members from across the state. Please let me know if you can join me.

2011 AAUW PA Annual Meeting

April 30, 2011
 Days Inn Penn State, State College.

Also, think about going to the **AAUW Convention 2011**
 "Breaking through Barriers-Advocating for Change"
 June 16-19, 2011
 Washington, D.C.

Sylvia

BRANCH CALENDAR

February Happenings

2/08/2011 Morning Book Group

The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald
 Reviewer: Marilyn Garrett
 Hostess: Joanne Ahlstrom, 9:30 a.m.

2/12/11 International Dinner Group

Country: Brazil

2/21/2011 Evening Book Group

Hotel in the Corner of Bitter and Sweet by Jamie Ford
 Reviewer: Teneal Caw
 Hostess: Sina Murphy, 7:30 p.m.

2/26/2011 Branch Meeting and Program

La Roche College, Ryan Room
 9:45 a.m. Gather; 10:15 a.m. Branch Meeting
 11:00 a.m. Program "Poetry and Translations" with
 Nina Garrett and Natasha Garrett

March Happenings

3/2/2011 Board Meeting

Hostess: Cheryl Redmond, 7 p.m.

3/8/2011 Morning Book Group

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot
 Reviewer: Anita Fletcher & Dorothy Frayer
 Hostess: Marilyn Garrett, 9:30 a.m.

3/21/2011 Evening Book Group

Sarah's Key by Tatiana de Rosnay
 Reviewer: Sina Murphy
 Hostess: Bunny Roessing, 7:30 p.m.

3/26/2011 Women's History Luncheon and Fund Raiser

"Women and Art History" with Dr. Sylvia Rhor
 Wildwood Country Club
 10:00 a.m. Doors Open for Festivities



Our Members enjoying treats at
The Caring Place
 January 22, 2011

BOOKERS of the EVENING

By Sina Murphy

The Bookers of the Evening will be gathering on Monday, February 21 at the home of Sina Murphy at 7:30 pm to talk about the book, "Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet" by Jamie Ford. Teneal Caw will be leading the discussion of this compelling story about human nature at its worst and at its best, about Japanese life in Seattle after Pearl Harbor. All are welcome to attend. Just give Sina a call (724-443-9163) or email her at sinamurf@yahoo.com, if you want to come.



Martin Luther King, Jr. Unity Breakfast
Attendees, January 17, 2011

BOOKS, CDs, DVDs

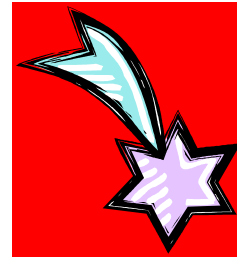
By Sylvia Lynn

Books, in good condition either paperback or hard cover, are needed for the book sale at the March Luncheon. Also, CDs and DVDs. Bring any you would like to donate to the meeting on the 26th of February.

President's
Day



Feb. 21,
2011



EMERGING STAR AWARD

We, the Board, are very happy to announce that **Julie Makuta** and **Roberta Smiley-Betzler** have been nominated as our Emerging Stars for 2011. AAUW produces leaders. Each branch member has the potential to become a leader; the Emerging Star Award recognizes these potential leaders. The award asks for nominees who exhibit enthusiasm, potential for leadership and AAUW knowledge. In our nominations it stated:

Julie Makuta has been a member of our branch since 2009 and is serving her first term as a member of the board as our Public Policy Chair. She is enthusiastic about our organization and the work we do for and with women. She is a member of the staff at La Roche College and has become one of our liaisons as we plan meetings and programs. She interacts with young women and she shares our mission with those students encouraging them to consider AAUW in their future.

Roberta-Smiley Betzler joined our branch in 2009 and is serving as co-membership chair. She has a wonderful sense of humor, is well organized, and works very well with her co-chair. Our membership is growing thanks to these involved women. Roberta knows the importance of the work of AAUW and does not hesitate to share her insight and knowledge. She plans well and carries out those plans to the benefit of our organization.

Plus they both love Book Group!

DIRECTORY UPDATE

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GREAT DECISIONS

By Linda Loewer

You don't have to be an expert to join the Great Decisions discussion group! In fact, the goal is to deepen our awareness and understanding of important topics as they relate to and shape U.S. foreign policy. The interest and discourse of each participant are what makes our Great Decisions discussions so great! Please join us as we discuss:

Rebuilding Haiti
U.S. National Security
Horn of Africa
Responding to the Financial Crisis
Germany Ascendant
Sanctions and Nonproliferation
The Caucasus
Global Governance

Saturdays in February and March, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.; La Roche College, Science Bldg, Room 103
Tuesdays in February and March, 7 – 9 p.m.; La Roche College, Science Bldg, Room 106

Call or email Linda Loewer at 412-364-9427 or loewer@verizon.net with questions.

THANK YOU CARLSONS FOR HOSTING THE FIRST ANNUAL MIDWINTER SOCIAL

January 29, 2011



Viewing the Memorial Quilts
The Caring Place

Old Musical Instruments



Cleaning house? Do you have an old musical instrument you would like to get rid of? The Homeless Children's Education NP is very interested in a donation. Just let me know and I will get them.
Sylvia Lynn

Hi Everyone,
It's been a rough time putting up with the weather down here. But like they say, someone has to do it!
Barbara and David Matthews



Thank you for your expressions of sympathy and concern for the loss of my dad. I truly appreciate your cards and notes.

Linda Loewer

MISSION STATEMENT OF AAUW ASSOCIATION AND EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

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

MISSION STATEMENT OF AAUW LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND

LAF provides funding and a support system for women seeking judicial redress for sex discrimination.

AAUW MEMBERSHIP

AAUW, founded in 1881, is open to all graduates who hold an associate's or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

AAUW DIVERSITY STATEMENT

In principle and practice AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

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because equity is still an issue

