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Book Group

Wednesday, September 13
7:00 p.m. by Zoom

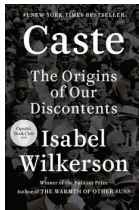
Castes:

The Origins of Our Discontents

by Isabel Wilkerson
Discussion Leader:

Eileen Kennedy

RSVP **Melanie Hanley**



Gourmet

Friday, September 22
6:30 p.m.

*Internet Recipes Can Be
Gourmet, too!*

Dinner at the home
of **Catherine Roundtree**
Co-hosted

by **Pam and Greg Baldwin**
RSVP **Catherine Roundtree**
to receive a recipe to prepare
and bring to dinner, which will
be held at the home of Cathy.

Great Decisions

Energy Security
6:30 p.m. by Zoom

Tuesday, September 19
Discussion Leader:

Melanie Hanley

RSVP **Melanie Hanley**



If you have not paid dues which were due June 30 yet, search email for a Monday, April 24 message from Katrina Breese, AAUW for a personalized opportunity to pay online with a credit card or send a check to Rebecca Triche, branch treasurer.



Insights



Attention! You received an email from Pam Baldwin Monday, Aug.28 requesting volunteers to assist with a LA Office of Women's Health Summit to be held October 3 & 4. Please respond affirmatively to support AAUW's goal of supporting girls and women in the Greater Baton Rouge community.

Insights, traditionally lunch and a speaker, will not meet in September but will resume in the fall. Earlier this year we were privileged to hear from two of last year's three scholarship recipients about their doctoral studies. The presentations were inspiring. Perhaps since we awarded six scholarships most recently, **Mary Francis** and **Pam Baldwin** will be able to secure some of this year's awardees to join us to discuss their own Ph.D. programs.

Coming...Book Club

TIME AND LOCATION OR ZOOM OPTION ARE YET TO BE DECIDED.

Wednesday, October 11

The Chancellor:

The Remarkable of Angela Merkel

by Kati Marton

Discussion Leader:

Carolyn Stutts

Wednesday, November 8

Susan, Linda, Nina & Cokie:

The Extraordinary Story of the Mothers of NPR

Discussion Leader:

Melanie Hanley

There will be no meeting in December.

Wednesday, January 11, 2024

The Girl in His Shadow

by Audrey Blake

Discussion Leader: **Mary**

Francis

February going forward to be announced.

Coming...Gourmet

October & November

To be determined taking advantage of events at the Baton Rouge Gallery including silent movies and a gallery opening with a band. Details closer to the dates.

December 2

Dinner at the home of **Pam** and **Greg Baldwin**.

January 14

Dinner at the home of **Judy** and **Chuck Nielson**

February 9

Dinner and viewing the Southdowns Mardi Gras Parade hosted by **JiJi** and **Larry Jonas**

March 16

Flavors of San Miguel themed dinner at the home of **Carolyn** and **Charles Stutts** co-hosted by **Ann Sperry**

April 13

Dinner at the home of **Margot Kiehfuss**

May TBD

Dinner at the home of **Lorraine** and **Donal Day**

Note: Participants who attend dinner in a private home will request a recipe from the hostess to prepare and bring to contribute to the meal.

All members are invited but they must RSVP in advance, either to the hostess or the designee who will make the restaurant reservation.

Coming...Great Decisions

October China and the U.S.
Led by **Suzanne Besse**

No meeting November nor December

January War Crimes
Led by **Anne Campbell**



Too Hot to Cook! Gourmet August 2023

Members dined at BRQ on Jefferson Highway. Top photo: Greg and Pam Baldwin, Lorraine and Donal Day; Catherine Roundtree, and Ann Sperry.

Lower photo: Margot Kiehfuss, Mary Francis, Carolyn and Charles Stutts, and Larry and JiJi Jonas.



Notices

Annual meeting Sunday, May 7, 2023

Heretofore, every AAUW branch has been required to convene an annual meeting to which every member is invited. A quorum of the membership must attend in order to conduct business.

Accomplishments of the 2023 annual meeting were changing by-laws to decrease the number of officers required to two, an administrator and a treasurer/financial officer; and authorizing the board to withdraw from 501 (c) (3) status which allowed donations to our scholarship fund to be tax deductible. When this is accomplished, our branch will revert to 501 (c) (4) status afforded branches operating under the umbrella of the AAUW national and state organizations.

Planning Meeting Sunday, August 6, 2023

Pam Baldwin, who is serving as administrator for AAUW Louisiana, was elected to serve as administrator for AAUW Baton Rouge 2023-2024. **Rebecca Triche** continues to serve as treasurer/financial officer until her term ends June 30, 2024. AAUW Baton Rouge has had difficulty securing officers for the last several years. There have been long term vacancies and the same people have served two year terms and then moved into another office in a kind of round robin arrangement.

Baldwin, Triche, and most recent past president **June Klimash**, explained how they will accomplish the legal steps required to withdraw from the 501(c) (3) non-profit organization status.

Baldwin and Triche have advertised and read scholarship applications for us in recent years. Our branch has moved from awarding two scholarships per year, to three last year, six in 2022-2023, and was authorized to award as many as ten scholarships in 2023-2024 if the quality of applicants merits that. As the branch continues to face a dearth of willing officers, provisions must be made to ensure responsible stewardship of funds accrued previously.

The decision was made that special interest offerings will continue as previously enjoyed, Board meetings will be less frequent. Certain events which have become traditional such as the annual meeting, planning meeting, and Holiday Happening were discussed.

Members received an email message from Pam Baldwin Monday, August 28, requesting that BR branch members help AAUW Louisiana fulfill its commitment to help fill volunteer slots for a Louisiana Office of Women's Health Summit on October 3 and 4. Please respond affirmatively and do so promptly so the planners may depend on us.

Also, if you have not yet paid dues which were due by June 30, search your email for a personalized message on Monday, April 24, from Katrina Breese, AAUW national which allows you to pay online with a charge card. You may also send a check to Rebecca Triche.

AAUW Louisiana was asked to help recruit volunteers to assist with this health summit. See page one of this newsletter (red print box) for directions to the mail message Pam Baldwin sent to all of us asking us to consider helping as we are able. Note—do not send Pam your volunteer form. Please send to regenia.taylor65@gmail.com

Please read the information about responding and participate if you can. This activity targets AAUW's mission of supporting women and girls. Thanks!



SAVE THE DATE

2023 HEALTH SUMMIT

ADVANCING POPULATION HEALTH, EQUITY, AND WELL-BEING
CONTINUING OUR PROGRESS TOWARD LA40BY2030 WITH A FOCUS ON WOMEN AND CHILDREN

OCTOBER 3-4, 2023 CONVENES AT 1:00 PM

REGISTRATION OPENS AUGUST 3, 2023
2023HEALTHSUMMIT.EVENTBRITE.COM

PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE, EMAIL
INFO@LAHEALTHEQUITY.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION



AAUW BR is a partner of the Inter-Civic Council of BR which sponsors the Golden Deeds award each year. Our representatives to the council are **Aileen Hendricks** and **Eileen Kennedy**. **JiJi Jonas** and her husband represent another organization with which they are active. By the time you receive this notice, it will be too late to make a nomination, but it will not be too late to buy a ticket and attend the awards dinner. Please take a look. Thanks!



GOLDEN DEEDS

Honoring Philanthropy Since 1942

The Golden Deeds award is the most prestigious award in the Greater Baton Rouge area. Since its inception in 1942, it has been awarded to only one outstanding recipient each year for philanthropic service to the community. The actions and service of the recipients have made the community a better place to live and work.

The Golden Deeds Award nominations include the nine-parish Baton Rouge Metropolitan Statistical Area which covers East Baton Rouge, West Baton Rouge, Iberville, Ascension, Livingston, St. Helena, East Feliciana, West Feliciana and Pointe Coupee.

THE SEARCH IS ON FOR OUR 2023 GOLDEN DEEDS AWARD RECIPIENT

ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5 P.M. ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

Explain why your nominee should receive the Golden Deeds Award. Tell us in your own words about the most memorable things they've done in service to the community.

Tell us how their actions touched your heart; how they made a difference.

Give specific examples of what they've done.

Maximum of 750 words.

Nominations must meet specific requirements to be considered.

SAVE THE DATE: GOLDEN DEEDS AWARD

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14 • BATON ROUGE MARRIOTT

Tickets \$50 each • Group tables available

To purchase tickets, contact

Richard Flicker at flicker@premier.net or 225-931-1626

RECIPIENTS OVER THE LAST 15 YEARS

2008.....Frances Bennett	2013.....Vera H. Martin	2018.....Donna Britt
2009.....Sue Turner	2014.....Whitney Vann	2019.....Gerard Ruth
2010.....Gary Mockler	2015.....Donna Saurage	2020.....Rosario Martina
2011.....Richard Lipsey	2016.....Marvin Borgmeyer	2021.....Mike Rolfsen, M.D.
2012.....G. Lee Griffin	2017.....Cordell Haymon	2022.....Ralph Bender

PRESENTED BY



THE ADVOCATE



Mail nomination letters to
The Advocate
 attn: **Ellen Ducote**
 P.O. Box 588
 Baton Rouge, LA 70821
 or email educote@theadvocate.com

September 2023

Happy Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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