

### BUFFALO BRANCH NEWSLETTER

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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN promotes equity for women, education and self-development over the life span, and positive societal change.



### AAUW ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



### and INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 1989

BROOKFIELD COUNTRY CLUB 5120 Shimerville Road, Clarence

Cash Bar 12 Noon Luncheon 12:30 p.m. Reservation Deadline: June 5, 1989

Price \$13.00

Checks made out to Buffalo Branch-AAUW.

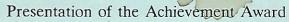
Mail to: Mary Weppner, 5403 Main Street, Williamsville 14221.

Questions: Call Jean F. McFarren, Chair - 691-8527.



### Program

Entertainment by Hamburg High School Chamber Singers



Election & Installation of Officers

### Nominating Committee Presents Slate of Officers

The 1989 Nominating Committee is pleased to present the following slate of officers to be voted on at the annual meeting in June.

PRESIDENT

PRESIDENT ELECT

PROGRAM VICE PRESIDENT

THIRD VICE PRESIDENT

TREASURER

ASSISTANT TREASURER

TOPIC CHAIRS

LEGISLATIVE CHAIR

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

L. Ann Bish

Carol Jamieson

Carolyn Day

Loretta Quenneville

Barbara Olandt

Valarie Bozarth

Nancy Acara Carole Lee

Sharon Rich (This nominee is replacing Judy Jones who resigned the position this

year.)

Mary Weppner, Chair Ellen DeWind Lillian Aranibar-Merrill Margit Spector

Janet Vine

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Piquette, Chair Kathleen Basher Carol Battle Alice Mason Mary O'Connor



## Phyllis Kelly & Ann Bish to Attend Washington Convention

President Phyllis Kelly and President-elect Ann Bish will attend AAUWs 35th Biennial Convention in Washington, D.C., June 23 through June 28.

More than two thousand delegates from across the United States are expected to attend the convention, whose theme will be "Choices, Changes and Connections." Sheraton Washington Hotel will be the site of the convention.

Keynote address at the opening session on Saturday, June 24, will be given by noted futurist Rosabeth Moss Kanter, who will speak on trends expected in the next twenty years.

Another highlight of the convention will be the Issues Luncheon on Monday, June 26. Eleanor Holmes Norton, first female chair of the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and currently at Georgetown University, will give the address. She will focus on AAUW's public policy priorities in preparation for the afternoon workshops and Capitol Hill Day.

The afternoon of Tuesday, June 27, convention attendees will go to Capitol Hill and participate in a rally on the steps of the Capitol featuring key members of Congress and then visit Congressional offices to lobby on a timely AAUW issue.

A Foundation Night Banquet that evening will be a fitting celebration to end the convention. The 1989 AAUW Achievement Award and Recognition Award for Young Scholars will be presented. Achievement Award recipient, Marva Collins, a Chicago school teacher, will be the featured speaker.

### Historian Requests Materials

### Ruthe Sicherman

If you have papers, clippings, photos or any materials you feel should be put into the archives, please get them to me or phone me at 873-4498 and I will pick them up.

Board members who are cleaning out their files should give their materials to me for the UB archive staff to sort and file or discard. In preparing for our 100th Anniversary, we realize how important our records are.

## Calling All Volunteers Ruth Seitz

An insert in the March issue of the Newsletter explained the current Branch project designed to appraise our volunteer activity. The purpose is to publicize this very important contribution of our members to our community.

This is a reminder to count your volunteer hours between March 15 and April 30. Mail the form (from the March issue) to Ruth Seitz. Do it now--even if you missed the May 7 deadline.

It is, of course, TIME which you invest; but have you ever considered the MONEY saved by the agencies you serve? If they paid workers the minimum wage to get the service you contribute, just think what it would cost!

So--please send your report. It can add valuable material to our Branch publicity.

## Plans & Progress Ann Bish

In January an ad hoc advisory committee met to discuss the unique and distinctive qualities of our organization, to identify what has attracted members to AAUW and what has kept them, and to consider the broad goals of membership, program, and public relations. A recommendation was made to conduct, once again, a survey to determine the demographics of the Branch membership. (Katherine Johnson Kinneburgh is in the process of developing such a survey.)

A follow-up meeting was held in April to consider specific ideas related to Branch programs and projects, Tri-county and District ventures, visibility and promotion of AAUW, and cooperative undertakings with other organizations and agencies in Western New York.

Each meeting was extremely fruitful in helping us to look at where we have been, where we are, and where we hope to be at the end of our Centennial year. Discussions will be continued, and all who are interested are welcome.

# 1960 AAUW Poetry Prize Winner Donates Books Julia Piquette, Ph.D.

Mary Cochnower Vucinich has donated one hundred copies of her recently published book, Late Album, to Buffalo Branch as a fund raiser for the Education Foundation. The book contains poems written over a span of forty years from the 1920s to the 1960s and includes the two sonnets for which she received the New York State AAUW award for poetry in April 1968. She was a member of Buffalo Branch for a number of years and has continued to be a national member.

Mary Vucinich is a woman of many talents. Her B.A. degree is in art; the sketches in the book are hers. She is, in a sense, a renaissance woman; for she is also an accomplished pianist as well as a published writer of poetry, essays, and scholarly articles. Prior to her retirement in 1972, she was professor of English at Buffalo State College. Now in her eighty-second year, she is still active in art circles in her hometown of Cincinnati, Ohio.

She told us that she "wanted my little book to be an expression of appreciation to AAUW and the Education Foundation in this year of the 100th Anniversary of the Foundation."

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The hard cover book is being sold for \$10, all money to go to the Education Foundation. You may order it from Sandra DePalmo, Education Foundation Chairman, 194 Kenville Road, Apt. C, Cheektowaga, 14211. Copies will be available at the June 11 luncheon and at the State Convention.

### Branch Educational Foundation Receives Three State Awards

Buffalo Branch's Educational Foundation, of which Sandra DePalmo is Chair, received three state awards at the Division Convention held in Syracuse on Saturday, April 29.

The first award was for an increase in total contributions of 318% to the national foundation.

Second, an award was given for the 1988-89 per capita contributions, which ranked eighth in the top ten of all branches.

Third, Buffalo Branch received an award for their 1988-89 total contributions, which ranked fourth in the top ten of all branches.

EFP, congratulations!

# Ina Alt Bequeaths \$1000 to Scholarship Fund

Community leader, Ina Alt, President of the Buffalo Branch from 1966-1968, has bequeathed one thousand dollars to the Buffalo Branch to "become part of their Scholarship Fund."

An attorney, Ina during World War II was among the first women to go overseas for the American Red Cross as Assistant Field Director. She served in Manila in the Phillipines and transferred to Seoul, South Korea, where she was the first woman admitted to the practice of law in Korea.

Ina was a past president of Women Lawyers of Western New York, Buffalo Federation of Women's Clubs and Inter-club Council of Western New York. She was a past president of the National Women of the Legion of Valor.

In her numerous capacities Ina helped promote legislation and opportunities for the benefit of women through scholarships and fellowships.

She is survived by two sons, seven grandchildren, and eight great grandchildren.



### Two Receive Prestigious Awards Good News for Buffalo Branch



Catherine Carter of the Department of Psychology, State University of New York at Buffalo, has just been notified by our National Education Foundation that she has been awarded a \$10,000 fellowship. The award is the largest ever to be given in this area.

Buffalo Branch member <u>Ann Hicks</u>, our Study Group Chair, has been awarded a grant for \$2,300 to be used by the Buffalo Branch for a daylong conference, "Leadership--The Choices and Challenges--A Conference for College Women."

Further details of these awards will be in next month's Newsletter.

### STUDY AND INTEREST GROUP MEETINGS

#### Ann Hicks

JUNE

- 6/5 MUSIC STUDY GROUP We will meet for lunch at the Lord Amherst MON at 1 p.m. to plan the program for 1989-90. Please call Mary Weppner if planning to attend.
- 6/6 DUPLICATE BRIDGE Join us for bridge at Margaret Haas', 12A TUES South Creek Court, East Amherst, beginning at 7:45 p.m. Please call Margaret (698-8735) if planning to attend.
- 6/13 GERMAN-DEUTCH MACHT SPASS Interested members are invited to Join this group for conversation and study any time. We begin at 1:30 p.m. Please call Gloria Beutner at 834-1273 to confirm location.
- 6/14 BOARD OF DIRECTORS The incoming, outgoing, and continuing WED members of the Board will meet at 7 p.m. in the conference room on the first floor at Kenmore East High School.
- FRIDAY AFTERNOON LITERATURE GROUP This month we will meet for lunch at the Lord Amherst, 5050 Main Street, Snyder, at 12 noon. The program for the fall will be discussed. Joan Langley will be hostess. If planning to attend, please call Margaret Haas at 689-8735.
- 6/20 BOOK REVIEW GROUP We will close the season by meeting for TUES lunch at Lyon's Countryside Inn, 8255 Clarence Center Road, East Amherst, at 12:30 p.m. For reservations please call Grace Kenline at 877-0734. All interested persons are welcome to join us. The End, right, Rennie?
- 6/26 LITERATURE: EVENING STUDY GROUP Members are invited to join MON us for our 1989-90 program planning session. We will begin at 7:30 p.m. Please call Mary Dienst (773-7463) to confirm location.
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JULY

7/7 EVENING AT ARTPARK with the EVENING LITERATURE STUDY GROUP FRI Members are invited to join us for a picnic supper before the
evening performance of Gershwin's My One and Only at 8 p.m.
We will meet at the picnic area next to the theater parking lot
on the lower level at 5:30 p.m. Members are encouraged to bring
guests. Everyone must make her own arrangements for tickets
to the performance. Call Mary Dienst (773-7463) or Loretta
Quenneville (633-9297) for more information.

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### STUDY GROUPS (continued)

JULY (continued)

7/16 INTERNATIONAL STUDY THROUGH FOODS - Planning meeting for 1989-90. We encourage anyone who has an interest in international cultures and their foods to join us for a planning session on July 16 at 7 p.m. at 5177 Willow Brook, Clarence. Please call Ann Bish at 741-3964 if attending.

NEW As we know, participation in one or several of our study groups has always been a benefit of our membership. Members of the Branch are welcome to attend any of the groups. Regular meetings of the established groups will commence in September. There are also several new groups being proposed. If you are interested in participating or know of good resources, please contact Ann Hicks at 741-3964. The proposed groups include: Beginning Bridge, Afternoon Bridge, Gardens/Gardening, Money Matters, New Members, Photography, Pre-retirement, Starting Your Own Business, and Mothers' Network.

### AAUW DUES

Again, we remind you that this is the time of year to send in your check for membership dues for 1989-90. A breakdown of where our dues go is in the May Newsletter on page 8. Please send your check for \$42.50 to AAUW, PO Box 397, Snyder, NY 14226.

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