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April 2017 Newsletter



Membership Matters Membership Drive

Tuesday, April 25 - 7 pm

Leigh's Garden Winery

904 Ludington Street

Hope everyone received their invitations. Be sure to **share your extra invitations** with friends and co-workers who would enjoy an evening out to **learn more about our branch and organization** - oh, and don't forget the **wine tasting, appetizers, and refreshments!**

RSVP to Sharon by **Friday, April 21:**
474-6545 or sharongraymi1@gmail.com

AAUW STARTSMART

salary negotiation for students



Our Escanaba Area branch and AAUW College/ University member, Bay College, co-sponsored the 6th annual **Start Smart Wage Negotiation Workshop for Bay College students on April 4, 2017**, headed up by **Molly Campbell**, Escanaba Area branch member and Bay College instructor. Jan Van Gasse, Iron Mountain-Kingsford AAUW member and Bay College instructor, lead the first workshop held this year at Bay West.

The workshop is held on **Equal Pay Day** to bring attention to and end the pay gap between men and women. This year, April 4th marked the date women had to work to make the same salary that a male did last year. Women who have equal education, skills and experience for the job historically have made less money over their lifetimes than their male counterparts—up to 20 percent less!

"Equal Pay for Equal Work" is not simply a women's issue—it's a family issue.

Families increasingly rely on women's wages to make ends meet. Many women with children under the ages of 18, are the primary wage earners, so the gender pay gap and lack of salary /benefits transparency in many workplaces, contribute to poor living conditions, poor nutrition, poorer health care and fewer opportunities for their children. Closing the pay gap is critical to their family's future.

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Branch Election Dinner

Thursday, May 18

Stonehouse Restaurant

5 pm Social / 6 pm Dinner off
Menu

Program: Election &

"Elder Abuse Awareness"

by Deb Trombly



This year's Nominating Committee is happy to present the following slate of candidates:

Recording Officer: **JoAnn Clark**

VP Membership: **Sharon Gray**

Co-VP Programming: **Judy Fouts & Kathy Bennett**

"Thank you" to the Nominating Committee: **Bev Ladin, Liz LaBay, & JoAnn Clark**, and to the candidates who are willing to serve!

Please RSVP to Kathy by **Monday, May 15 @ 786-3415**



Branch Rummage Sale

Thurs, June 1 - 4 pm Set Up

Fri, June 2 - 9 am to 3 pm

Sat, June 3 - 9 am to 2 pm

Drop off treasures at Kathy Bennett's garage (321 S. 6th St.) the week of May 29 - garage will be open during the day. Call 786-3415 if you need to drop items off in the evening.

Furniture, dishes, housewares wanted! No clothing - Please price your own items.

Those working the rummage sale should park in front of Kathy's house to keep the alley open for shoppers.

Calendar

- **Apr 25: Membership Drive** @ Leigh's Garden - 7 pm

- **May 18: Election Dinner** @ Stonehouse - 5 pm

- **Jun 2-3: Rummage Sale** @ Kathy Bennett's Garage

- **July 9: Picnic Concert** @ Northern Sun Winery

- **August 5: Waterfront Art Show & Tell** @ Hereford & Hops

Branch Board

President: **Margaret Carignan**

VP Programming: **Kathy Bennett**

VP Membership: **Sharon Gray**

Finance Officer: **Laura LaPine**

Recording Officer: **JoAnn Clark**

College/University

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