

## Thank You

Clearwater AAUW Branch received the following letter:

*I am pleased to provide you with an update on the American Association of University Women-Clearwater Branch Scholarship. The following participants in the Women on the Way program have been awarded scholarships in the amount of \$500 for the Fall 2013 term:*

1. *Nannette Friend*     *General Studies*
2. *Billie Jo Grassinger*     *Management and Organizational Leadership*
3. *Bonnie Heeman*     *Veterinary Technology*
4. *Jeannie Pezzano*     *General Studies*

*Through your involvement, students have the opportunity to achieve their academic goals and realize their dreams. Your partnership with the SPC Foundation has broader implications as well: by supporting the skills, competencies, and preparedness of tomorrow's workforce, you are helping to promote the long-term economic vitality of this community.*

*I am delighted to forward the enclosed correspondence with you. (See page 2)*

*On behalf of the St. Petersburg College Foundation, thank you for your continued commitment to the success of our students.*

*Sincerely,  
Frances Neu  
Vice President, Institutional Advancement  
Executive Director, SPC Foundation*

## A Time to be Thankful A Time to Give



After our November 16 Meeting, the Clearwater Branch will not meet again until next year, when we meet with the League of Women Voters of North Pinellas for our Annual Meeting on January 26.

Instead of gathering for a holiday luncheon, we are asking members to send a monetary donation to our Treasurer, Carol Zeph, so that we may fulfill the wishes of a St. Petersburg College student and her family through the Women on the Way Adopt a Family Program.

Please send your donation to Carol Zeph at 1000 McFarland Street, Dunedin, Florida 34698 by November 25. WOW Coordinator, Shirley Crumbley, requested that donations and gifts be brought to the campus by December 3, 2013. Your prompt response will help this happen.

Thinking of the holiday coming this November, we have much to be thankful for. As we remember this, may we share our thankfulness and wish happiness and blessings to a family of one of the SPC students. With your help, we will.

# Notes from Fall 2013 AAUW-Clearwater Recipients



## **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

**Billie Jo Grassinger**

**American Association of University Women -  
Clearwater**



I am writing to thank you for your generous \$500 scholarship. I was very happy and appreciative to learn that I was selected as a recipient of your scholarship.

I will obtain I am currently a junior and will graduate in December 2014 with a Bachelor's Degree in Management and Organizational Leadership with an emphasis in sustainability.. Thanks to you, I am one step closer to that goal.

Thank you again for investing in my future! By awarding me this scholarship, you have lightened my financial burden. This allows me to focus more on the most important aspect of school, learning. Your generosity has inspired me to help others and give back to the community.

I hope one day I will be able to help students achieve their goals just as you have helped me.

Sincerely,

Billie Jo Grassinger

## **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

**Nannette Friend**

**American Association of University Women -  
Clearwater**



To Whom It May Concern:

I am extremely grateful to receive the American Association of University Women- Clearwater Branch Scholarship. The generosity represented by your scholarship will permit me to continue extracurricular volunteer work through clubs like Woman on the Way and the Alpha Zeta Tau chapter of Phi Theta Kappa where I serve as an officer. Further, this charitable donation will allow me to join SGA and the Environmental Sustainability Club this fall. I appreciate the value you have placed on the importance of my education as it will allow me to give back without the stress of finances.

Thank you for your valued time and consideration of my needs and goals.

Sincerely,

Nannette Friend

## **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

**Jeannie Pezzano**

**American Association of University Women -  
Clearwater**



Dear American Association of University Women,

I am writing to extend a warm and gracious thank you for your generous \$500 American Association of University Women Scholarship. I am very happy to learn that I am a recipient of your Scholarship.

I am pursuing a Bachelors Degree in Health Informatics and Information Management along with a certification as a Registered Health Information Administrator. I love working with computers and processing information, but it gives me great joy to work with and help people. A career in the Health Informatics and Information Management field would give me the opportunity to do both and help patients receive medical attention quickly during times when time is of the essence.

By receiving your American Association of University Women Scholarship award, I would be able to be less stressful with the financial burdens I am currently facing and focus on my education. Because of donors, such as your organization, you make it possible to help me get through the hard times in order to reach my academic goals and better myself for the future.

I am most grateful for your scholarship award and for your caring and kind heart.

God bless you.

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**ANNUAL MEETING**

**Featured Guest:**

**Susan A. MacManus**

**Saturday, January 25,  
2014 11:00 a.m.**

**Belleair Country Club**



\*Dr. Susan A. MacManus, who received her M.A. from the University of Michigan and Ph.D. from Florida State University, is a Distinguished University Professor at USF in the Department of Government and International Affairs. For the last six election cycles, she has served as political analyst for WFLA NewsChannel 8 (Tampa NBC affiliate). Since 2008, she has been a featured columnist on sayfiereview.com—a widely-read Florida-based political website. WFLA TV's weekly Road to the White House program on which MacManus appeared as a panelist was nominated for a Suncoast Emmy award in 2008. She has appeared on every major broadcast and cable television and radio network and been interviewed by major newspapers in Florida, the U.S., and abroad. She is Florida's most-quoted political scientist.

MacManus is the co-author of Politics in States and Communities, 13th ed., with Thomas R. Dye (Prentice Hall 2009), Florida's Politics, 2nd ed., with Thomas R. Dye and Aubrey Jewett (Florida Institute of Government, 2007) and Florida's Politics: Ten Media Markets, One Powerful State with Kevin Hill and Dario Moreno (Florida Institute of Government, 2004). She is also the author of Young v. Old: Generational Combat in the 21st Century? (Westview, 1996) and Targeting Senior Voters (Rowman & Littlefield, 2004). MacManus and her mother, Elizabeth, are the authors of two local Florida history books published by the University of Tampa Press: Citrus, Sawmills, Critters & Crackers (1998) and Going, Going, Almost Gone: Lutz-Land O' Lakes Pioneers Share Their Precious Memories (forthcoming, 2010). MacManus is from a citrus-growing family in Pasco County.

\*(Description from Arena Profile at [http://www.politico.com/arena/bio/susan\\_macmanus.html](http://www.politico.com/arena/bio/susan_macmanus.html))

*Belleair Country Club Menu*

*Lettuce Greens with Toasted Almonds,  
Dried Cherries and Feta Cheese with  
Raspberry Vinaigrette Dressing  
Combination Plate: ½ Chicken Breast w Marsala  
Sauce & Stuffing and Shrimp  
Rice Pilaf  
Vegetable Mixed Medley  
Rolls & Butter  
Chocolate Silk Pie  
Coffee & Tea*

Price: \$22.00 includes tax, gratuity, and valet parking.

I plan to attend the joint LWV-AAUW Jan 25 meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

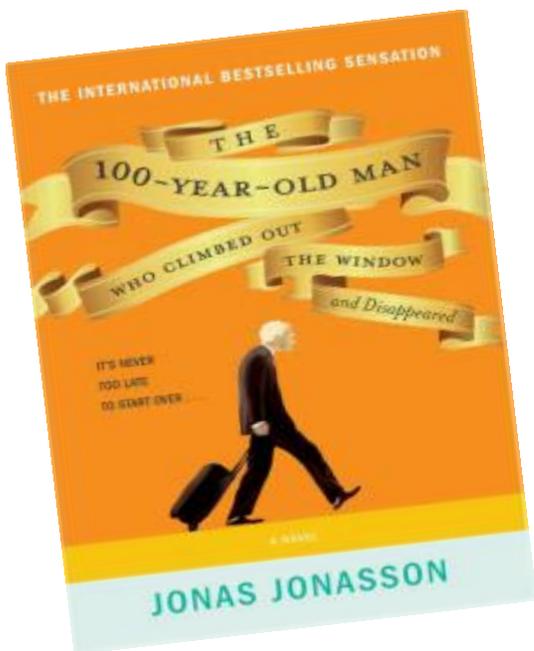
I plan to bring the following guest(s):  
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Enclosed is \$22 per person.

Reservation for lunch is made my check payable to Clearwater AAUW. Please send your check to:

Treasurer Carol Zeph  
1000 McFarland Street  
Dunedin, FL 34698

RSVP by January 20, 2014. Thank you.



Find a few moments now and again during the holiday season to enjoy the latest pick for the Friday Morning Book Group and plan to meet on January 16 to talk about your travels with The 100 Year Old Man Who Climbed Out of the Window and Disappeared by Jonas Jonasson.

Details for time and place of meeting will be in the next issue of *Suncoast Bulletin*.

## Clearwater AAUW Board Meeting Minutes November 7, 2013

Rita Garvey called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. in the Conference Room 1 in Clearwater's Main Library. She declared a forum with three officers present: President Rita Garvey; Program Vice President Dana Garlick; and Treasurer Carol Zeph. Jan Stephens joined the Board a little later.

Secretary's Report: It was announced that Kathleen Kimpel has resigned as secretary. Dana will take notes. The reports for the previous meetings were accepted.

Dana shared letters of thanks with the board from St. Petersburg College's Women on the Way (WOW). Four students received \$500 scholarships from the funds we donated. Dana will publish the letters in the newsletter for members to see.

Rita reported that Clearwater Branch will work with the Tampa Branch and help host the Florida AAUW State Convention April 4 and 5. Volunteers will be needed to help with registration and helping other members find their way around. The convention will be held at the Sheraton Tampa East Hotel at 10221 Princess Palm Avenue, Tampa. All our members will be encouraged to help.

Dana read a letter from WOW Coordinator Shirley Crumbley describing a family who would like to be adopted for Christmas. Dana will put a note in the newsletter requesting members help by making monetary donations to purchase a gift card that the mother can use to purchase what she needs for her family. The gift card must be brought to the WOW office by Dec. 3.

Rita reported that she has been talking to someone at University of South Florida to have students digitize our Branch's collection of scrapbooks. The scrapbooks are deteriorating and if not saved in this fashion soon, our 65 years of history could be lost.

Rita announced there will be another Tech Trek Camp. This year it will be at Eckerd College. The Venice Branch will be coordinating it. Instead of our awarding the top 8<sup>th</sup> grade math and science students, we will be informing the teachers at Dunedin, Largo, and Safety Harbor about the possibility of some grade 7 students attending this program which is held in July. Rita will send letters to let them know.

Jan Stephens would like more publicity about AAUW during the Annual Fundraiser this year. Instead of baskets, we will try to acquire gift cards to restaurants, gas stations, grocery stores, movies, etc. to use for the Basket Fair. She will create a form letter that members can give to merchants. The letter might include the cover letter from SPC describing the four latest scholarship recipients mentioned above.

The next board meeting will be on January 25, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. preceding the Annual LWV-AAUW meeting with Susan MacManus in the dining room. Any members coming early will be welcome.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Dana Garlick

