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### Welcome to September!

Back to School, back to work, back to reality...or whatever it may be for you, we all have to get back to something and it always seems to be the time to "get back" (as the Beatles said) in September! So, what are you doing or getting back to in September? Why don't you share it with us at a meeting. We always welcome new ideas, stories, presentations, or anything you wish to share!

Our fun has continued! In lieu of our regular meeting in August, we had a road trip to Long Beach Island to see "Hairspray" at the Surflight Theatre and we had dinner first at The Engleside Inn, it was a fabulous time! The dinner was delish, the company was great and the show was magnificent.

Our next meeting will be on the regular 2nd Tuesday of the Month, September 12, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. We will not be having a speaker, because we will be making plans for upcoming events in October. We have secured a date for Saturday, October 14th as our "Haunted Funeral Home Walk". This is going to be a fundraiser and we need lots of bodies (yourself or fake will do), for decoration and part of the (haunted house) experience. We have lots of plans for more fun as well as helping each other, along with helping others. "Women Helping Women" is our motto and this is what we are here to do. Hope you enjoy!

Be sure to always check the website and our Facebook page. And, if you don't see something that you wish to see, let us know and we'll add it! Also, be sure to check where we will be for our next meeting, we may have one more road trip for the end of summer, will keep you posted on our website, facebook and in a separate email.

Thank you, hope your summer has been a great one (we still have plenty more Indian summer months ahead), hope to see you or hear from you and much happiness to you!

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**BPWSOC Upcoming events for 2017** 

Meetings are held the second Tuesday

of each month at 6:30PM (come earlier

6PM for Networking) at Kristy's Casual

Dining in Waretown

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APRIL WAS MEMBERSHIP
RENEWAL MONTH. IF YOU
HAVE NOT DONE SO YET,



## **MEMBER BIRTHDAYS:**

Carol Katz Sicheri - September 13

If your birthday is in September and we missed you, please let us know. Happy Birthday!



"If you want the rainbow, you've got to put up with the rain." **Dolly Parton** 

# PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW (\$50.00)

September 12 - BPWSOC Meeting

October 10 - BPWSOC Meeting

October 14 - BPWSOC Halloween Party

Fundraiser at Lacey Funeral Home

November 14 - BPWSOC Meeting

<u>December 12</u> - BPWSOC Meeting

ADDITIONAL EVENTS WILL BE ADDED AS

THEY OCCUR

(Note: There will be Executive Board

Meetings the week before each

General Meeting, Date, time and place

of these meetings will be announced

prior to the monthly meeting.)

REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR

**BUSINESS INFORMATION FOR OUR** 

**NETWORKING TABLE!!!** 



Rosie the Riveter is a cultural icon of the United States, representing the American women who worked in factories during World War II. Rosie the Riveter is commonly used as a symbol of feminism and women's economic power.



This meeting will be a planning meeting.



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## PLEASE SUPPORT UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 12 - BPWSOC Meeting

October 10 - BPWSOC Meeting

October 14 - BPWSOC HALLOWEEN FUNDRAISER at Lacey Funeral Home

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# Inventions by Women Wireless Transmission Technology

Hedy Lamarr, a world famous film star, invented a secret communications system during World War II for radio-controlling torpedoes. This technology also paved the way for everything from Wi-Fi to GPS.



# Celebrate Women's Equality Day by Continuing the Fight for Equity!

Saturday, August 26 is <u>Women's Equality Day</u>, the annual commemoration of the Nineteenth Amendment, which granted the right to vote to <u>many women</u>. Ninety-seven years later, AAUW continues the fight for equity in classrooms, workplaces, and communities across the country.

But while gender equity in education has significantly improved since the days of the suffragists, women still face challenges affording higher education. AAUW's report, <a href="Deeper in Debt: Women and Student Loans">Deeper in Debt: Women and Student Loans</a>, estimates that women hold almost two-thirds of the country's \$1.3 trillion student debt. That means that those with the least amount of resources are bearing the brunt of student debt in the United States.

This isn't just a student problem - it's a gender inequity problem, and it impacts us all.

This Women's Equality Day, carry on the legacy of the suffragists by speaking up for women borrowers!

- 1. First, <u>contact your members of Congress</u> to ask for their support of legislation that would make college more affordable for all students and help millions of borrowers across the country pay off their student debt.
- 2. Then, **join @AAUW for** a **#WomensEqualityDay tweet chat** on Friday, August 25, from 2 to 3 p.m. ET to raise awareness about current barriers to women's educational success and most importantly solutions to achieve equity.

A college education has long been a ticket to increased economic opportunity for women and families. But the potential of higher education to improve women's lives should not be impeded by student debt. This Women's Equality Day, follow in the footsteps of the suffragists and take action to support women in higher education by ending the student debt crisis.

## TAKE ACTION!

P.S. Did you know AAUW's Two-Minute Activist program <u>has gone mobile</u>? Text the word EQUALITY to 21333 today to receive timely, targeted calls for action via text message!

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## Suffragettes Sentenced to Workhouse

By THOMAS P. FARNER | Jul 26, 2017

Alice Paul, a Quaker suffragette from Moorestown, N.J., had organized the picketing of the White House beginning in January 1917. Its purpose was to convince President Woodrow Wilson to support the proposed constitutional amendment that would give American women the vote.

Beginning in June, the government suddenly started arresting the pickets for blocking the sidewalk and began issuing small fines. Then on July 14, 16 were arrested, including three from New Jersey. Two days later, to the shock of their supporters, the government cracked down, sentencing the women to 60 days in the dreaded Occoquan Workhouse in Virginia.

Twenty-nine-year-old Doris Stevens was one of the 16. She would later tell of her experiences in *Jailed for Freedom*.

"Other locked wagons with tiny windows up near the driver now take us, side by side with drunks and disorderlies, prostitutes and thieves, to the Pennsylvania Station. Here we embark for the unknown terrors of the workhouse. ... Warden Whittaker is our keeper, thin and old, with a cruel mouth, brutal eyes and a sinister birthmark on his temple. He guards very anxiously his 'dangerous criminals' lest they try to leap out of the train to freedom!"

Once at the workhouse, they surrendered all personal property.

"From there we were herded into the ... dining room where we sat dumbly down to a bowl of dirty sour soup. I say dumbly – for now began the rule of silence. Prisoners are punished for speaking to one another at table. They cannot even whisper, much less smile or laugh.

"We taste our soup and crust of bread. We try so hard to eat it for we are tired and hungry, but no one of us is able to get it down. We leave the table hungry and slightly nauseated."

Most of those convicted were college-educated women from prominent families, including Mrs. J.A. Hopkins, wife of a major New Jersey politician. The couple had recently been Wilson's dinner guests at the White House. But now, "Each prisoner is obliged to strip naked without even the protection of a sheet, and proceed across what seems endless space, to a shower bath. A large tin bucket stands on the floor and in this is a minute piece of dirty soap, which is offered to us and rejected. We dare not risk the soap used by so many prisoners. Naked, we return from the bath to receive our allotment of coarse, hideous prison clothes, the outer garments of which consist of a bulky mother-hubbard wrapper, of bluish gray ticking and a heavy apron of the same dismal stuff."

As the women were being processed, supporters were rallying to their cause. Dudley F. Malone had been a friend and confidant of the president since Wilson had run for governor of New Jersey. Malone had been rewarded with the government post of collector of the port of New York. He had been present for the arrest of the 16 and attended their

trial, after which he went to the White House to see the president. Malone later told his story.

"I then went to the court clerk's office and telephoned to President Wilson at the White House, asking him to see me at once. ... I began by reminding the President that in the seven years and a half of our personal and political association we had never had a serious difference. ... I told Mr. Wilson everything I had witnessed from the time we saw the suffragists arrested in front of the White House to their sentence in the police court. I observed that although we might not agree with the 'manners' of picketing, citizens had a right to petition the President or any other official of the government for a redress of grievances."

The meeting began to get a little tense.

"Why do you come to me in this indignant fashion for things which have been done by the police officials of the city of Washington?' (Wilson asked).

"Mr. President,' I said, 'the treatment of these women is the result of carefully laid plans made by the District Commissioners of the city of Washington, who were appointed to office by you. Newspaper men of unquestioned information and integrity have told me that the District Commissioners have been in consultation with your private secretary, Mr. Tummulty, and that the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. McAdoo, sat in at a conference when the policy of these arrests was being determined.'

"The President asserted his ignorance of all this.

"'Do you mean to tell me,' he said, 'that you intend to resign, to repudiate me and my Administration and sacrifice me for your view on this suffrage question?"

Malone argued to Wilson the importance of having women support the war effort. The president's reply was "The enfranchisement of women is not at all necessary to a program of democracy and I see nothing in the argument that it is a war measure unless you mean that American women will not loyally support the war unless they are given the vote."

"Mr. President' I urged, 'if you, as the leader, will persuade the administration to pass the Federal Amendment you will release from the suffrage fight the energies of thousands of women which will be given with redoubled zeal to the support of your program for international justice."

The New York Times of July 19 reported support for the women was growing.

"The Newark branch of the Woman's Party held a protest meeting yesterday in the Essex Building in Newark. Resolutions were adopted protesting against the arrest in Washington of Mrs. J.A.H. Hopkins and Miss Julia Hurlbut of Morristown, N. J.

"We appeal directly to the President of the United States, that the whole civilized world today and future days will be the court to ultimately adjudicate between him and a group of patriots, no less impelled by their conception of duty, no less devoted to its performance, and no less resolute in both conceiving and performing than were the revolutionists who founded this nation, and the civil war patriots who saved it."

The same day the *Washington Times* announced, "President Wilson today pardoned the sixteen women who, on picketing the White House recently for the causes of woman suffrages, were arrested and convicted of unlawful assembly.

"The President was moved to compassion by the plight of the women who, while fully able to pay the \$25 imposed on each, preferred sixty days in the District of Columbia workhouse. The argument that some of the women got more than had been bargained for, that they expected only a three-day sentence and not sixty days' detention, undoubtedly moved Mr. Wilson to intervene."

Behind the scenes, Wilson told one of the D.C. commissioners, "We have made a fearful blunder, that we never ought to have indulged these women in their desire for arrest and martyrdom, and that he had pardoned them and wanted that to end it."

In an editorial *The New York Times* on July 20 supported Wilson.

"President Wilson, whom they most sought to annoy, has taken pity on the sixteen women of the extreme and meagre suffrage who, convicted of unlawful assembly, had been sent to the workhouse for sixty days. ... These misguided extremists don't mind a little sedition. They gayly defy the law, pose as martyrs. Finding that not two or three days of workhouse experience, so delightful to recall, but sixty days, are before them, they send up, or have sent up for them, a pitiful ululation."

The Times made it clear.

"The whole episode is absurd. The public has more serious matters to think about, and will gladly forget these unheroic heroines if they will not repeat their offense. If they, or any of them or their imitators, dally with sedition and disturb the peace, they should be punished, and there should be no remission of their penalty. The sight of high-bred women disturbing the peace in pursuit of their petty whim while the nation is at war is deplorable."

At the White House, Wilson was working on a new strategy. He received a letter on July 20 from Arthur Brisbane, the editor of the *Washington Times*.

"Mr. (Frank) Noyes of the (Washington) Star has just discussed with me the wisest manner of dealing with the suffragette problem. His desire is that the newspapers, by a pact and agreement refrain from giving the suffragette ladies any publicity. ... I told Mr. Noyes that I wanted to do exactly one thing, namely whatever you as representing the person most directly interested might think wise."

Wilson wrote to his private secretary.

"There is a great deal in what Mr. Brisbane writes about entire silence on the part of the newspapers. ... My own suggestion would be that nothing that they do should be featured with headlines or put on the front page but that a bare colorless chronicle of what they do should be all that was printed. That constitutes part of the news but it need not be made interesting reading."

The Asbury Park Press on the 21st announced, "President Wilson will take no further hand

in the cause of the suffragists. He will make no attempt to get a suffrage measure thru congress. This is stated here on the most adequate authority.

"The White House attitude will be that the militants can return to their picketing with their old banners and will not be interfered with so long as there is no disorder or anything seriously objectionable."

But one woman wouldn't be silenced. The *Trenton Times* the same day carried, "It was 5:30 o'clock when Mrs. J.S.H. Hopkins, wife of the New Jersey Progressive and erstwhile prison-reformer and one of the sixteen pardoned from the workhouse by President Wilson on Thursday, emerged from Suff headquarters carrying a yellow banner bearing these words: 'We ask not pardon for ourselves, but justice for all American women.'"

She had written to Wilson, saying, "As you have not seen fit to tell the public the true reason, I am compelled to resume my peaceful petition for political liberty. If the police arrest me I shall carry the case to the Supreme Court if necessary."

Some problems just wouldn't go away.

"She had been standing for about eight minutes when the gates opened and the President and Mrs. Wilson drove through in their automobile. Seeing Mrs. Hopkins in position, the President doffed his hat and smiled. Mrs. Wilson joined in the salute and smiled also."

Next Week: Draft Day 1917.

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Tips to preserve vegetables, herbs, & fruit

## from the Farmer's Almanac

Tip by Nicole Reedy



**Reading Corner** 

**Author: Adrianna Trigianni** 

**Title: The Camouflaged Heart** 

Title: Kiss Carlos
Author: Susan Guckin

Note: Susan Guckin is a member of BPWSOC



## **NEED TO GET AWAY**

If you are stressed and looking for a mini vacation to Long Beach Island, or have family or friends that are thinking of a local getaway, or a last minute family reunion, give me a call at 609-290-5040 or e-mail me at <a href="mailto:Cyndyonlbi@comcast.net">Cyndyonlbi@comcast.net</a>: it would be my pleasure to assist you in locating a rental property on Long Beach Island! There are still homes available, so don't hesitate to contact me. Cyndy Friedland



# **Computer Tips:**



Should you buy a "third party" charger for your phone?

There you are at the corner drug store, looking at a bunch of cables coiled behind a locked glass door. You left your charger at home, you're late for a meeting, and you need to charge your phone. But didn't you hear something about chargers wreaking havoc on your device? This thought is only half-true. There are plenty of third-party chargers that work perfectly well with your phone.

Look for brand names like Belkin or Monoprice, which manufacture accessories specifically for Apple and Android devices. What you should avoid are "knockoff" chargers. These are cheap replicas, and they might not have any brand name at all. These aren't just bad chargers; they can short out your phone or even start fires.

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## **Greetings**

What is it like to be 100 years old? In about two years, we'll all find out when our storied organization turns the Big Century Mark in 2019!



To start the historic countdown, here's a timely factoid in honor of Women's History Month: While mobilizing for World War I, the U.S. government recognized the need for a cohesive group to coordinate identification of women's available skills and experience. A Women's War Council was established to organize the resources of professional women. As a result, the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs was founded on July 15, 1919.

For the past 98 years, BPW has made great strides in the workplace, illuminating and supporting such issues as the elimination of sex discrimination in employment, the principle of equal pay, and the need for a comprehensive equal rights amendment.

None of this could have happened without the enduring passion and support of our dedicated members. Now, more than ever, your critical voices need to be heard.

You represent the hearts and minds of professional women all over the country, so please keep marching strong for your rights and pave the way for sisters to come!

Onward,

## Roslyn Ridgeway, Chair

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## To my BPW sisters across the nation:



I'd like to take a minute to tell you more about an exciting new feature that just launched at <a href="https://www.bpwfoundation.org">www.bpwfoundation.org</a> – our very own BPW Community Page!

This interactive hub provides state federations, local organizations, as well as individuals, a wonderful opportunity to start a dialogue, voice a comment and basically share things that matter to working women across the country.

## Signing up is simple and painless.

- 1. Go to <a href="https://www.bpwfoundation.org">www.bpwfoundation.org</a> homepage and click on the Register link at the bottom of the Community Login section under "Get Involved"
- 2. Fill in the required fields.
- 3. When you're finished, click "Register".
- 4. That's it! Your registration confirmation should be sent to you shortly at your email address.

After that, just enter your username/email and password under Community Login anytime you want to post or read about what other hardworking women are talking about.

## Here's something more.

As a leader of your local organization, you'll be able to offer your members a brand new way to develop national business networking and information exchange. On a purely social level, everyone can have fun uploading pictures and sharing stories.

But we need to spread the word! I urge you to talk to your members and friends, forward this email and ask all to join us on the BPW Community Page. Many of you have state conferences scheduled over the next several weeks. Please make this announcement at conference and help members sign up on the spot. Post pictures of your conference highlights as one of your first shares. Together, we can make "Working Women Unite" a robust reality.

Thanks for your continuing support,

#### Roz

Roslyn Ridgeway, Chair Board of Trustees Business and Professional Women's Foundation

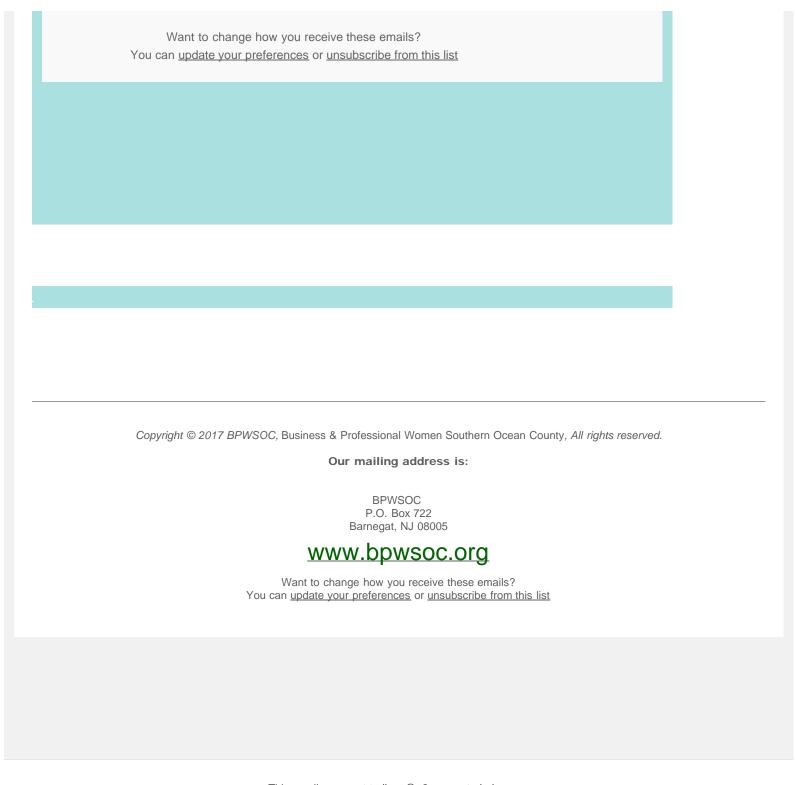
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