

## **AAUW Poughkeepsie Projects and Interest Groups**

This sheet is an attempt to list some of the activities in which the Platinum Poughkeepsie Branch is involved both in the community and within the organization. It is our fervent wish that you find some project and/or interest group that will fulfill your needs and that of the community at large. If there is an area that you have questions about, or if your interests involve other than what is presented, please let us know on the bottom of the skills/interest sheet. We are excited about our fabulous organization and know wholeheartedly that you will be also!

**Live Your Dream: Girls Growing Strong** - A program of one day events and mentoring through Girl Talk Circles. This program involves young women at the Jr. High School level, throughout the county. Coordinator, Marcine Humphrey.

**Diversity Initiative** - To provide a forum for inter-cultural dialogue, information dissemination, resource development and positive societal changes that support the development of a vibrant, productive and cohesive multicultural community in Dutchess County. Coordinator, Geeta Desai

**Leading to Reading** - Book packets are created and distributed to children and their parents, who otherwise might not have the means to access the materials. Also, providing resources for several committee groups for their after school programs. Coordinator, Betty Harrel.

**Reading Program at the Poughkeepsie Day Nursery** - Weekly reading to the Preschoolers, in their library. Other opportunities exist for assistance with field trips, and other social events. Coordinator, Rita Alterman.

**Let's Read Math** - In cooperation with AAUW Chester County, Pennsylvania Branch, volunteers will read Math stories to elementary students and provide follow-up math activities. Coordinator, Irene Keyes

**Art on the Go** - Creates art work in the spirit of friendship and mutual support. Coordinator, Mary Coiteux

**Adventures en Soleil** - Interesting locations for day trips, each month. Coordinator, Sue Osterhoudt

**Bridge** - Monthly, daytime. Coordinators: Linda Ronayne & Mary Ann Ryan

**Contemporary Literature** - Monthly evenings. Coordinator, Linda Freisitzer

**Cuisine Group** - Monthly gatherings to prepare ethnic foods. Coordinators: Carol Loizides & Betty Olson

**Daytime Literature** - Monthly mornings. Coordinators: Marjorie DiDonato & Gladys Glick

**Gourmet: Out and About** - Dining out September - June. Coordinator, Pat Luczai

**Manderley Literary Society** - Monthly evenings. Coordinators: Ellie Burch & Sandy Checklick

**Pins & Needles** - Knit, Crochet, Sew, Crafts - Monthly. Coordinators: Sue Osterhoudt & Jane Toll

**Tee Off** - 9-hole golf, May-October. Coordinators: Dorothy Evangelista & Linda Ronayne

**Trekkers** - Hiking monthly on Saturday. Coordinator, Karen Haynes

**Word Games** - Monthly, afternoons. Coordinator, Eleanor Aronstein