



### 26TH ANNUAL GARDEN TOUR on JULY 15<sup>TH</sup>

The 26th Annual Jamestown AAUW Garden Tour will be held on Wednesday, July 15, 2015 from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. Attendees will be delighted to visit four unique and beautiful yards.

**Tickets for sale will be mailed to you before the tour. Your help is needed. Call Kelly Krein.**

Yards featured on the tour:

**Roger and Peggy Koenig**  
317 17 Ave NE

**Mark & Dixie Lee**  
515 13 St. NE

**Jack and Alice Reuther**  
1412 15 St. SW

**Bob & Patsy Stevenson**  
1905 4 St. NE

Refreshments are served at the Jamestown Arts Center, 115 2 St. SW from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Tickets are available for purchase from *The Arts Center; Country Gardens Floral; Don's House of Flowers at 7th Ave SE and also at the Buffalo Mall; Don's Garden Shop on Business Loop East; Lloyds Toyota; The Garden Gate and all AAUW members.* Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 day of the tour.

### HERE ARE THE MEMBERS WHO TIED-ONE-ON FOR AAUW IN JUNE



Officers for 2015 – 2016

Mary Craft, Finance Officer  
Kelsey Barstad, Co-Chair  
Joan Slusser, Co-Chair  
Patsy Klose, Membership Officer  
Donna Gullickson, Communications  
Lauren Sako, Secretary



... AND, OF COURSE, WE ATE AND ATE...



## AAUW National Convention



(L to R) Lauren Sako, Connie Hildebrand, Mary Craft, Deb Alber, and Pat Schutt (Fargo Branch)

San Diego was a place of learning and inspiration for five women from North Dakota who attended the AAUW National Convention, June 18-21, 2015. From the Jamestown Branch the attendees were Deb Alber, who is also the AAUW ND State President, Mary Craft, Connie Hildebrand, and Lauren Sako. From the Fargo Branch, Pat Schutt joined the group. The opening speaker, Catherine Lhamon, Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education opened our ears about the hostile conditions for women in schools from high school to higher education which lessens educational opportunities. Title IX requires schools to eliminate sexual harassment and discrimination for women and girls. Boys and girls are both negatively affected by these conditions. The Department of Education requires every school to define sex discrimination, make known procedures for students to file complaints, and appoint a Title IX coordinator.

The 2015 AAUW Achievement Awardee was given to Maria Klawe, President of Harvey Mudd College, and the AAUW Alumnae Recognition Awardee chosen was Faith Ringgold, Artist, Educator, and Social Activist. The closing speaker, Juanita Johnson-Bailey, was chosen as the 2015 Eleanor Roosevelt Fund Awardee. She talked about the gender pay gap and challenged us to use barriers as “teachable moments” in our efforts to achieve full equality for all. A quote from Juanita Johnson-Bailey was, “I’m not going to tell you it’s easy. I don’t want you to feel less-than because you’re struggling. Everyone struggles.”

Workshops ranged from Tech Savvy, using a Smartphone to stay connect and advocate for change, recruitment of members, women in engineering and computing, engaging volunteers, how a small branch can make big public policy changes, leadership, financial best practices, and learning how to use Facebook and Twitter and more.

Over 1000 educated women and men from all over the nation attended and heard many thought provoking topics.

The new Board of Directors was announced and the requirement for women to have either an associate or college degree remained the same. It was announced that the 2017 Convention will be in Washington, DC. One can go on the National AAUW website for more details <http://www.aauw.org/>. AAUW (American Association of University Women), empowering women since 1881.

## Mary Craft Appointed AAUW ND State Funds Chair



Mary was recently appointed as the AAUW ND State Funds Chair. Mary began her first official duty in office by attending a special one-day event for State Fund Chairs in San Diego, CA on June 18<sup>th</sup>.

Now, Mary... tell what this new job entails! Guess we'll have to wait until the next **NEWSLETTER!**



## Coming Next Month in the NEWSLETTER

