



You're Invited to attend the  
**AAUW-BN Women's Resource Expo**

**Friday, September 7, 2007 (3:30 - 5:30pm)**

at Illinois State University's Bone Student Center (Faculty/Staff Commons Room)

as part of ISU's University Club Discussion Series (Save the Date!)

Refreshments will be provided. Admission to this event is free and open to the public. There will be Exhibitors and a Keynote Speaker addressing the issue of pay equity for women.

**AAUW-BN greatly thanks our financial and in-kind Co-Sponsors:**

*Top Tier (\$200+):* American Association of University Women (Bloomington-Normal Branch)

*2nd Tier (\$100+):* ISU's University Club; ISU's Women's & Gender Studies Program; Business and Professional Women of Illinois; Barbara Yong; Collaborative Solutions Institute;

*3rd Tier (0 - \$99):* Grace & Bill Johns; Golan & Christie LLP; ISU's Bone Student Center; McLean County Museum of History; ISU's Educational Administration & Foundations Department; League of Women Voters of McLean County; and ISU's Feminist Led Activist Movement to Empower (women)

Exhibitors from business and community resources who will be in one location to assist women and families seeking information:

**LAW**

**Bonnie C. Devore, ISU Police** –safety, preventing identity theft, & internet security

**LeeAnn Hill, Yoder Law Firm** -- criminal law

**Stephanie Wong, Chambers & Wong** -- family law; criminal law, wills and real estate transactions

**BANKING & INSURANCE**

**Amy Park, Marketing, ISU Credit Union** -- loans, checking/savings, credit cards, etc.

**Karen Storm Monroe, Agent, State Farm Insurance** -- providing insurance and financial services

**SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS**

**Stephanie Calahan, Founder & CEO, CalahanSolutions.com** -- organizing/optimizing your business or home environment

**Diana Hall, President, National Association of Women Business Owners** -- Bard Optical owner, business ownership

**HEALTH**

**Carolyn Rutherford, McLean County Health Department** -- environmental safety, vaccines, etc.

**Helen Wright, and Joelle Felumlee, BroMenn's Women's Center** -- women's health initiatives

**Carol A. Reitan, Collaborative Solutions Institute** – CSI offers counseling for reduction of stress and conflict at home and work.

**Kelly Darnell, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society** – improving the quality of life of patients and their families

**COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

**Yadira Ruiz, YWCA Stepping Stones Program** -- sexual assault services and rape crisis center

**Dr. Alison Bailey, ISU's Women's & Gender Studies Program** -- "preparing students to think critically about gender as global citizens valuing life-long learning and social justice."

**Ellen Coverick, President, AAUW-BN & Nancy Daugherty, President AAUW Illinois** – "promoting equity for all women and girls, lifelong education, and positive societal change."

**CHILDREN and FAMILY EDUCATION**

**Tori Melican, Children's Department, Normal Public Library** -- educational programs for children and families and community services

**Bethany Thomas, Children's Discovery Museum** -- educator guides, Healthy Kids, Healthy Future new exhibit information, as well as other community programming

**Evelyn Young, Boys & Girls Club of Bloomington-Normal**-- promotes the personal development of boys and girls by giving them a safe place to learn and grow

**Karen Stephens, ISU Child Care Center** – guidance on selecting quality childcare and education services

**HIGHER EDUCATION**

**Michelle Schuline, Academic ISU's Enrollment Management & Academic Services; and Women's Mentoring Network, ISU** -- applying to and attending college with an emphasis on non-traditional students

**Pamela Johnston & Candice Derry, Lincoln College of Normal** -- applying to and attending a small private college

**Candace Brownlee, Heartland Community College of Normal** -- applying to and attending a community college

**CAREERS / EMPLOYMENT**

**Michelle Towner, Illinois Department of Employment Security; and Dena Weth, Assistant Program Manager, Career Link** -- Illinois employment services (unemployment insurance benefits, job seeker & employer websites)

**Lisa Finch, Human Resources, State Farm Insurance Companies** -- employment opportunities with State Farm Insurance

**LIVING GREEN / ALTERNATIVE ENERGY**

**Andrea Gregg and Laura Chen, ISU Physics Majors, ISU Solar Car Team** -- alternative energies such as solar power

**Megan Galvin, Graduate Student, ISU Biological Sciences** -- biofuels Energy Science Program of Excellence project

**Michelle Bell, Environmental Educator, Ecology Action Center** -- promoting environmental stewardship in McLean

We will also have an invited **Keynote Speaker, Barbara Yong**, to address the topic of pay equity and AAUW's recent research "Behind the Pay Gap". Her biography appears below:

Barbara Yong has been a practicing attorney for nearly 25 years. She practices in the areas of bankruptcy and commercial litigation. She is a partner at the Chicago law firm of Golan & Christie LLP. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Illinois at Urbana – Champaign and attended Loyola University School of Law.

Barb is very active in several women's organizations, including Business and Professional Women of Illinois (BPW/IL), of which she is the current State President. She is also a founding member of the Illinois Wage Hub which coordinates the activities of the WAGE Project in Illinois. She is also a trustee of the BPW/USA political action committee (BPW/PAC). She was also instrumental in forming the BPW Illinois Educational Foundation and served for five years as its first President.

Barb is also involved in several civic and community organizations. From 1987 to 1995, Barb served two terms as Commissioner of the Park District of LaGrange, and served as Board President for four of those years. She is also the current President of Park PALS, a newly formed fundraising Foundation established by the Park District of LaGrange, an active member of IWIRC – an organization of women professionals in bankruptcy and restructuring, a member of the Parent Advisory Committee to School District 102, and Vice President of Administration of her synagogue, West Suburban Temple Har Zion, just to name a few.

Barb grew up on the southwest side of Chicago, near Midway Airport. She currently lives in LaGrange, a western suburb of Chicago, with her husband Jim, who is also an attorney, and their 3 children, Jenny (20), Stephanie (17) and Jamie (12), her in-laws, Seck Wah and Toy Yong, and their cocker spaniel, Oreo.



**For more information about this event -- please contact Grace Foote Johns ([johns@phy.ilstu.edu](mailto:johns@phy.ilstu.edu) or 309-438-8758).**

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