



BOOKFAIR 2004



October 15–24, 2004

BOOKFAIR 2004 OFFERS ANOTHER REASON TO ATTEND!

If it were not enough to buy interesting used books (some rare and international), art from around the world, curious and intriguing handicrafts, and stamps from fabulous collections, this year AAFSW introduces another great reason to come to BOOKFAIR—a raffle! Designed to ensure the future of the Secretary of State Award for Volunteerism Abroad, the raffle will feature a number of great prizes. Look for the prize list in the next issue of Global Link to see what you can win.

Volunteers will sell raffle tickets during BOOKFAIR. If you would like help in this capacity, please sign up on page 5.

I am **THRILLED** to announce the new members of our Media Team! Your AAFSW Board has been working for several years to get to this point, and we're finally here! We looked at our public image and where it appears, and decided that with the onset of the popularity of our website, www.aafsw.org, and Livelines, we needed to coordinate more closely with our traditional newsletter publication, the Global Link.

To do that, we created a whole new relationship of paid positions. This new Media Team now consists of four positions: a Media Director, a Website Production Manager, a Global Link Production Manager, and a Website Advertising Manager. The Media Director is responsible for the coordination of all the pieces. All will be working closely together.

These new positions will be filled by:

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Manager (newsletter@aafsw.org)

GRETCHEN LETVIN Website Advertising
Manager (advertising@aafsw.org)

INTRODUCING AAFSW'S NEW MEDIA TEAM

Susan will be aided by **Anna Bysfield** in preparing the Global Link for the post office using our bulk mailing rate. **Bert Curtis** is also graciously continuing her role as Livelines membership coordinator.

We give GREAT thanks to those who have helped us in this reorganization. In particular, we are indebted to **Jan Fischer Bachman, Jen Niebels, Jen Dinoia, and Diane Pascoe** for their work in the past and for the assistance they have given in this transition. The new team will also be working closely with **Ruby Carlino**, who has developed a network of Post Representatives for which we are grateful!

Our volunteers are still what make the wheels spin, aided by our paid positions. Maybe you see an old friend among these folks—or maybe you would like to make a **NEW** friend! We welcome your ideas and feedback as our new look takes shape.

—Terri Williams

CALLING ALL CONTRIBUTORS

The success of BOOKFAIR depends on the generosity of its contributors. If you have time, energy, books, or artwork to donate, we want to hear from you. There are three easy ways to support BOOKFAIR 2004:

PARTICIPATE

in the planning meetings:

September 18 and
October 9 at
10:00 AM at
the AAFSW Office.
202-362-6514

DONATE

good books or art objects. To have books picked up, please call 202-223-5796; to have art objects picked up, please call 703-536-2235.

VOLUNTEER

for BOOKFAIR by signing up today. If you sign up, please try to honor that commitment. It is impossible to guarantee sufficient volunteer coverage if people drop out at the last minute.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK!

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A warm welcome to our new members

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MEMBERS APPLAUD NO-FEE PROGRAM

J. Fenzi

Past president Chris Zarr received AAFSW's Lesley Dorman award for volunteerism at the special meeting held May 18, 2004 on the 8th floor for those from the Washington area who were able to attend. The innovative no-fee event also revived a spring tradition of assessing current and proposed AAFSW activities.

President Terri Williams chaired the meeting to update the progress seen in AAFSW/AFSA Scholarships, Book Fair, the Foreign Born Spouse Group, FS Spouse Oral History, Diplokids play groups, and the Secretary of State volunteer awards. AAFSW is clearly



above: Judy Ikels, Deputy Director of the Family Liaison Office, gave a fascinating overview of how far-reaching that office has become with it's many means of support for employees and family members.

below: Lesley Dorman (center), Dorman Award winner Chris Zarr (right) and last year's Dorman Award Winner, Barbara Ratigan, AAFSW Treasurer and BookPlace volunteer

contributing in the manner that has defined its purpose since 1960.

Speakers Ray Leki, director of the newly-named Transition Center (which now includes the Overseas Briefing Center) at the Schultz Center in Arlington, VA, and Judy Ikels, deputy director of the Family Liaison Office, emphasized the progress made in reforms advocated by AAFSW to benefit foreign affairs families.

It was clear to the membership that both organizations have gone a long way in delivering benefits to the Foreign Service population. AAFSW can be proud indeed of its role in the development of both endeavors.

JOIN US! FSYP ANNUAL WELCOME BACK PICNIC

The Foreign Service Youth Foundation cordially invites all Foreign Service parents and kids to the Annual Welcome Back Potluck Picnic on Sunday, September 19 from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm at Lubber Run Park (North Columbus Street and Second Street North, Arlington, Virginia). FSYP will provide hotdogs and drinks. Please bring a dish to share with six people.

FSYP Program Directors will offer activities for teens and pre-teens. Dr. Samuel Thielman, Deputy Director Mental Health Services Crisis Response, will speak on "Finding Your Place When You Return to the US" and what parents can expect in the re-

entry process. Activities will be offered for the younger children during the program.

Please take this opportunity to connect with old and new Foreign Service friends and to tell returnees about life in the metro area. Parents can learn about the re-entry adjustment process and what the FSYP youth development programs offer your family. If you know of any A-100 or Returning Foreign Service families in the area, please invite them to attend.

Reservations are requested by Wednesday, **September 15**. Please RSVP to Melanie Newhouse at 301 404 6655 or e-mail fsyf@fsyf.org

Member Link

AAFSW MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL AND INFORMATION UPDATE

The date next to your name on the address label of your Global Link tells you when your membership expires. If it is 8/31/04, your membership is renewable this year. You can update your member profile, pay membership dues, and make financial contributions to AAFSW two ways: **1.** log onto **www.aafsw.org** or **2.** complete this form and send it with your check (made out to AAFSW) to **AAFSW Membership, 5125 MacArthur Blvd. NW, Suite 36, Washington, D.C.**

Name _____

Membership

- One-year membership \$40.00
- Two-year membership \$80.00
- Three-year membership \$110.00
- Four-year membership \$135.00
- Five-year membership \$160.00

Contributions *(these are tax deductible)*

- Scholarships \$ _____
- Headquarters \$ _____
- Volunteerism \$ _____
- Other gifts/bequests \$ _____

Total payment \$ _____

Are there changes in you life to report? Help keep our database current!

Address, telephone, and/or email changes _____

New children names and DOB _____

Been evacuated recently? Where and when? _____

Been on SMA recently? _____

Changed jobs? _____

Been involved in AAFSW activities? _____

Thank you to our generous donors

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MENTORS NEEDED TO BRIDGE GENERATION GAP

If you are 50 years old or older and looking for a meaningful volunteer opportunity, Interages, Inc. needs you. This non-profit organization specializing in intergenerational programs throughout Montgomery County conducts a summer and after-school mentoring program for

children between the ages of 9 and 13. The locations are Highland Elementary and Parkland Middle Schools in Montgomery County, Maryland. Experience is not necessary; support and training are provided. For more information, call Nabi Akinshegun: (301) 949-3551, ext. 17.

Awards

2004 AFSA ACADEMIC AND ART MERIT WINNERS

ACADEMIC MERIT WINNERS \$1500

Colin Campbell
(Becker recipient)
Ryan Fennerty
Jeffrey Julian
Claire Lauterbach
(Spigler recipient)
Eric Lankenau-Ray
Alexis Mussomeli
Nastassia Patin
Mollie Ruskin
Emily Thielmann
Jeremy Wickman
(AAFSW recipient)
Halley Wuertz
Michael Young
(Leary recipient)

ACADEMIC MERIT HONORABLE MENTION WINNERS \$500

Christopher Brill
Bran Mahoney
Matthew Miller
Gabriele O'Connor
Caitlin O'Grady
Alexander Snider

ART MERIT WINNER \$1500

Emily Thielmann
(creative writing)

ART MERIT HONORABLE MENTION WINNER \$500

Ann Kidder
(visual arts)

BEST ESSAY WINNER \$250

Ryan Fennerty

On May 7, 2004, AFSA announced the 2004 Academic and Art Merit Award winners. Twenty-two Foreign Service high school seniors were awarded \$23,500 total, with winners receiving \$1,500 each and Honorable Mention winners receiving \$500 each. Judges were individuals from the Foreign Service community.

A total of 55 students applied for the Academic Merit Awards, which include the Associates of the American Foreign Service Worldwide (AAFSW) Scholarship, the John and Priscilla Becker Family Scholarship, John C. Leary Scholarship, and Donald S. and Maria Giuseppa Spigler Scholarship.

Winner of the AAFSW Scholarship was Jeremy Wickman, the son of Phyllis and Stephen Wickman. Jeremy graduated from McLean High School in McLean, Virginia where he participated in the varsity math team, the chess team, the tennis team, Badminton Club, the National Honor Society, and the Math Honor Society. He was also co-captain of his school's "It's Academic" team, a McLean Youth basketball coach, and a tutor. He has lived in Saudi Arabia, Taiwan, South Korea, and China most recently. Jeremy will attend the University of Virginia.

Judges awarded scholarships based on students' grade point average, Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) scores, a two-page essay, letters of recommendation, extra-curricular activities, and any special circumstances. From the



Award winner Jeremy Wickman with AAFSW President Terri Williams

Academic Merit Award applicants, a best essay winner and a community service winner were selected. Fifteen students submitted art applications under one of the following categories: visual arts, musical arts, drama, dance, and creative writing. Art applicants were judged on their art submission, letters of recommendation, a two-page essay, and any special circumstances.

For more information on the program, contact Lori Dec at AFSA. Phone: 202-944-5504, email: dec@afsa.org, or Internet: <http://www.afsa.org/scholar/index.cfm>.



This year's winners of the **Secretary of State Award for Volunteerism Abroad** gathered during the 2004 Foreign Affairs Day to receive their award from the State Department Director General, Robert Pearson.

left to right Terri Williams, AAFSW President; Zina Lynch, Dakar; Mary Jo Armani, Guatemala City; Theresa McGallicher, Kathmandu; Amy Sebes, Tirana; Ginny Taylor, AAFSW SOSA coordinator. Missing due to schedule conflicts was June Carmichael, Hanoi.

Yes, I want to help at BOOKFAIR 2004!

Name: _____

Do you have a DOS pass? Yes No

If no, please give date of birth: _____

Daytime phone: _____

Social Security Number: _____

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Please circle the times that you wish to work:

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
11 Columbus Day	12 9–12 set-up 12–3 Set-Up Day	13 9–12 set-up 12–3 Set-Up Day	14	15 9–12 12–5:30 Family Day	16 9–1 12:30–4:30 Open to the Public	17 9–1 12:30–4:30 Open to the Public
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25 9–12 12–3 clean-up	I would like to assist as a: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Cashier <input type="checkbox"/> Reader <input type="checkbox"/> Restocker/Floor Person <input type="checkbox"/> Raffle Sales Person 					

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If you do volunteer, please do your best to honor your commitment. It is disruptive and very difficult to insure volunteer coverage if people drop out at the last moment.

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ASSISTANCE NEEDED IN THE ART CORNER

Dianne Bodeen,
Art Corner Chair,
needs a few
volunteers to help her
price objects that will
be sold during
BOOKFAIR. Almost
anyone who has lived
overseas can be
helpful with pricing.
If you could donate a
few hours, please
contact Dianne
Bodeen tel: 703 536
2235; e-mail:
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A CHANGED RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN BOOKFAIR AND AAFSW

Telling it Like it is; Volunteering is Crucial

Mette Beecroft, BOOKFAIR Chair

This article first appeared last year. However, since it applies every bit as much this year, it is being repeated.

In the past, the AAFSW took great pride in donating all the net profits from BOOKFAIR to Foreign Service scholarships and Washington D.C. local charities. This is no longer the case. **By now, the very existence of the AAFSW itself has become dependent upon some of the profits from BOOKFAIR.**

None of us like this. However, it has become a reality for a number of reasons—most of which involve increased costs: (1) The AAFSW “office” used to be in a member’s house. Now we pay rent. (2) We now pay an office manager. (3) The newsletter editor used to be a volunteer. The media director and production manager are now paid positions. (4) The cost of producing and distributing the newsletter has gone up considerably. (5) In the past, AAFSW did not have a website nor did it have “Livelines.” Now, the website has a paid website developer. (6) The value of our equities has declined steeply and we have received few large donations. (7) The advertising coordinator receives a percentage of

any business she develops.

As for BOOKROOM, (8) it has a paid manager. And last but not least, the costs of mounting BOOKFAIR have risen sharply—(9) especially the cost of the security guards and the movers. (We still use the Diplomatic Exhibit Hall free of charge—a space which would cost us about \$15,000 elsewhere.)

In practical terms, **this means that volunteering to help ensure the success of BOOKFAIR has become crucial to guaranteeing the continued existence of the organization.**

Contrary to usual practice, we are starting to solicit volunteers in this summer issue to give us time to fulfill stringent security requirements.

This year, BOOKFAIR will run from Friday, October 15th through Sunday, October 24th. We will need lots of help from Tuesday, October 13th to hang art-work, bring down objects for Art Corner and position books. It is also crucial to have enough help on Clean-Up Day—Monday, October 27th. **If you believe that the future of AAFSW is worth ensuring, please plan now to commit some of your time and energy.**

Program

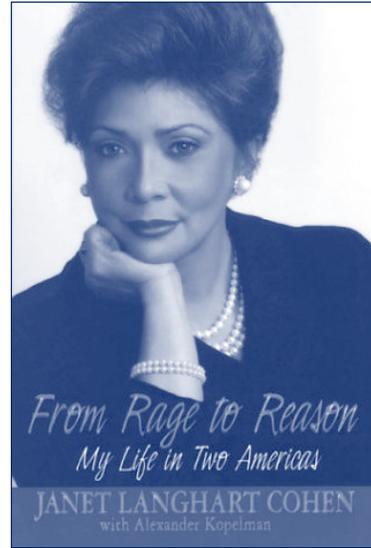
FROM RAGE TO REASON

My Life in the Two Americas

A very special speaker will open our new program series on **Tuesday, September 14**— none other than the famous, talented, and glamorous Janet Langhart Cohen. She has written an autobiography which was released in May 2004.

Mrs. Cohen became well-known as the wife of the former Secretary of Defense, William Cohen. She spent much of her time with the troops and their families, trying to improve their quality of life. She established the first Military Family Forum, created the Pentagon Pops (an annual musical tribute to our military), created an interactive USO corridor exhibit in the Pentagon, and helped organize four celebrity tours to entertain our Armed Forces in Europe and the Persian Gulf. Following the events of September 11, 2001, Mrs. Cohen created the Citizen Patriot Organization (CPO), a non-profit entity dedicated to supporting those who serve, protect, and defend at home and abroad.

Mrs. Cohen continues her busy life by serving on the Board of Directors of the American Red Cross (National Capital Area), Young Audiences, and the University of Maryland University College (one of the largest educators of enlisted members of the U.S. Armed Forces). She continues to remain active in military issues through her involvement with the National Military Family Association, the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, and other local organizations.



Mrs. Cohen attained her present successes despite growing up in a low-income African-American family living in one of the segregated projects of Indianapolis. She broke down the many racial barriers that existed as she pursued a career as a model, journalist, and TV personality. In 1967, she broke the color barrier by becoming the first black TV personality when she did the weather on the local CBS affiliate in Chicago. She was the first black woman to have a syndicated talk show (long before Oprah). The famous historian, Michael Beschloss, says that he found her a “luminous woman of great warmth and high purpose who has led a fascinating and often inspiring life.”

Alma Powell, our Honorary Chairperson, hopes that no duty arises that would keep her from personally extending a warm welcome to her distinguished friend. With two such outstanding women leaders present, space will be at a premium. **Prompt** reservations are in order.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
AAFSW'S
UPCOMING
PROGRAMS
ARE NOT TO
BE MISSED.**

October 12

Enjoy a one-man portrayal of Benjamin Franklin. Actor, history professor, and playwright Bud Long will enlighten and entertain us with his professional theater presentation.

December 7

The Vienna-Falls Sweet Adelines return by popular demand for a holiday celebration and sing-along!

More information and reservation forms to follow in the September issue of the Global Link.

SEPTEMBER 14 PROGRAM

Please reply no later than **September 7**

Please send form and check made out to **AAFSW** (\$10 per person) to:

AAFSW Reservations
5125 MacArthur Blvd. NW Suite 36

NAME (as you wish it to appear on the name tag)

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

TELEPHONE

NAME OF GUEST(S) AND SSN(S)

Fun and Games

AAFSW'S ANNUAL INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

A AFSW's 6th Annual Independence Day Celebration was a resounding success! With over 60 attendees and splendid weather, everyone had a great time. There were races and a water balloon toss, plus face painting, and crafts for the children and teens. Pete Dinoia worked wonders with his fabulous magic show. Adults and kids enjoyed never-ending rounds of volleyball. Hot dogs, watermelon, lemonade, and chocolate cake accompanied the various potluck dishes to make a truly fabulous meal. (Donations by FSYF and AFSA.)

A special thanks to all who made this event possible!

—Anne Sullivan, Event Coordinator

Many thanks to Anne for all of the hours she put into planning, publicizing, and coordinating the celebration!



The Amazing Pete Dinoia entertains young and old alike at the AAFSW's 6th Annual Independence Day Celebration.

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