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Maine Division
American Association of University Women

Spring, 1980

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President, Maine Division

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Editor

1980 Spring Convention, Maine Division, AAUW, Orono, Maine

MANAGING MAINE'S RESOURCES IN THE 80's: DECADE OF DECISIONS

FRIDAY, MAY 9

1:00 p.m. Tours of Prof. Richard Hill's Solar Home, Orono
(Sign up on Registration form).

4:00-6:00 p.m. Registration and Social Hour, Penobscot Valley Country
Club, Orono
(Route 2 between Bangor and Orono. Tel. 866-2060).

6:30 p.m. Dinner
Presentation of Achievement Citation Award
Keynote Address: Rep. Olympia Snowe, Second District Congresswoman
"Maine in the 80's: A View from Washington"

SATURDAY, MAY 10

9:00 a.m. Registration, Wells Commons, University of Maine, Orono

9:45 a.m. Panel Discussion

Discussants: Elizabeth W. Crandall, Ed.D. Retired Dean of the
College of Home Economics; U of Rhode Island, Prof. Emerita,
Home Management; Trustee, American Home Economics Foundation;
former state AAUW president, Rhode Island; member, Bath-Brunswick
AAUW. "Personal and Individual Resource Management."

L. Kenneth Fink, Ph.D. Associate Professor of
Oceanography, University of Maine and Ira C. Darling Center
Walpole. "Beach Overpopulation and Coastal Erosion."

Richard Hill, Professor of Mechanical Engineering,
University of Maine; development of alternative energy methods,
"Alternatives in the 80's."

Ronald Davis, Ph.D., Professor of Botany and
Quaternary Studies, University of Maine,
"Acid Rains and Surface Water."

Moderator: Mary Grow, Ph.D. Member, Waterville Branch AAUW;
Topic Chair, Managing Resources; AAUW representative to
National Resources Council of Maine.

12:00 m. Lunch and counterpart sessions

1:30 p.m. Business meeting and installation of officers.

Maine Division AAUW
Financial Report
January 26, 1980

<u>Income</u>	<u>Projected</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Assets July 1979		\$1761.94
Dues * (925 ? x \$1.50 each)	\$1387.50 (833)	1250.25
Interest	100.00	74.68
Convention & Workshop Surplus	30.00	16.57
Corporate Delegate Refund from Nat'l	7.00	0
Educational Foundation: A. Housing (Fall)		9.00
B. Items sold at Summer Board		2.00
Total Assets plus Income		<u>\$3114.44</u>

Disbursements

<u>Acc't No.</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Spent</u>
1. Conv. Fund for Pres. & Delegate	\$ 550	\$ 0
2. State Pres. Conf	75	0
3. President's Expenses	275	45.43
4. Program Development	25	0
5. Secretaries and Treasurer's Expenses	25	24.00
6. Membership-Vice- Pres.	25	0
7. Dawnbreaker (Supplies, Print, Postage)	300	118.88
8. Directory and Supplies and Printing	20	8.50
9. Annual Report	80	0
10. Committees (Legislative, Ed. Found., Citation, Nomination, etc.) (Includes \$24.16 for 78-79)	100	29.48
11. Dues NRC	25	0
12. President's Pin	20	0
Other: Returned to Mid-Coast for Convention Exp.		11.18
* We have an additional 15 members paid before July 1, 1979 Includes \$.75 overpaid by a branch.		.75
	<u>\$1520</u>	<u>\$238.22</u>

Diane Sanders
Division Treasurer

Notes from Winter Board Meeting held January 26, 1980

Treasurer Diane Sanders reported total of 852 paid members to date.

Marianna Cherry, Mt. Desert Branch, said that 44 members registered for the Fall Workshop in Bar Harbor.

Corr. Sec. Carol Butzow read a thank-you letter from Exec. Director National Resources Council of Maine for our \$25 contribution. There was also a letter of resignation from Karen Alfond who has moved out of State. A new State Cultural Chairman is needed.

Motion made by Carolyn Millis and seconded and so voted that the Maine Division nominate Lou Smith for Regional Vice President of AAUW.

Pres. Patterson read a letter from the Portland Branch asking Board acceptance of their decision to discontinue. Seventeen members of this Branch wish to become Members-at-Large. The Division accepted this request.

After April 1 new members will pay \$12.75 national dues which will pay the rest of this year and next year also.

Local branches are eligible for up to \$50 reimbursement for ads in local newspapers. (An ad is best in a daily with wide circulation. Perhaps several branches could work together.)

Committee on Women: Betty Jane Meader has tried to reach out to branches concerning women's issues but has had little response, and expressed a desire that the function of board members should be evaluated in the light of this situation.

Branch members were urged to join Maine Women's Lobby.

Soon Governor Brennan must fill five vacant judgeships and there are well qualified women who are candidates for these positions.

Corporate Representative Connie Carlson discussed the change in pattern of the "typical college student" toward an older student population. She cited the need to emphasize that AAUW is not a social group. As universities cut back on expenses they may cut representation in AAUW. Local branches should approach the presidents of Maine colleges, particularly the new presidents and point out the work done by AAUW. Since travelling abroad she has seen the great hurdles for women in other countries and believes we should support international scholarships.

International Relations "Great Decisions" course topics for next year

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| 1. The World in 1980 | 4. Eastern Europe |
| 2. The Mideast and Persian Gulf | 5. Humanity on the move |
| 3. The U. N. at 35 | 6. The World Energy Crisis |

Helen Bunker has particulars.

Nominating Committee - Betty Joanson presented nomination of Carolyn Millis for Division President and Betty Fitzjarrald for Vice-President for Membership. Seconded and approved by Board vote.

Program Committee - Rachel Dutch announced the Annual Meeting and Managing Resources will be the topic. Velma Oliver and Anne Hathaway are working on arrangements.

Glenda Dow, By-Laws Chairman led the discussion that resulted in the motion duly seconded and so voted: to make the following state By-Law changes which will be voted on at the Spring Convention and Annual Meeting.

1. To Article 5, add Section 4E... "to exempt 50-year members from Division dues"
2. To Article 7, Section 5... filling vacancies in elected officers of the Division Board... vacancies except the presidency shall be filled by the Division Board for the unexpired term. In the event of vacancy in the office of President, the 1st Vice-President in charge of program development shall assume the duties of President.

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ACHIEVEMENT CITATION AWARD

The annual Achievement Citation Award, given to a woman in Maine who has made distinctive contributions to humanity, particularly as a volunteer, will be presented at the Spring Convention to INA VETH HOPE, a member of the recently formed Dexter Branch. INA VETH has given the American Red Cross decades of volunteer service: working on fund raising Blood Bank, Disaster Relief, Community "Learn to Swim" program, service to Military Families and Veterans, Youth Services, and the County Red Cross Board. In her community, she threw her energies into the fight to save the local hospital; wrote newspaper articles, supported letter-writing campaigns and helped organize and participated in a massive local protest to Boston. She also represented the Senior Citizens of Dexter in an effort to keep Medicare at the hospital.

A project dear to her heart has been the development of the Dexter Historical Society and she has been a moving force in founding "The Grist Mill", which is recognized by the National Historical Society. At present she is on the Town Recreation Committee, the Welcome to Dexter Committee, Republican Committee, and Community Improvement Committee.

It is a privilege for the Maine Division to present this award to one of our members who has given so much of herself to others.

Nomination for Regional Vice-President of AAUW - A motion was made by Carolyn Millis and seconded by Connie Carlson that the Maine Division nominate Lou Smith for Regional Vice-President of AAUW. Joan Sanzenbacher of the Waterville Branch presented a resume of Lou's qualifications and experience in support of her candidacy.

TENTATIVE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM FOR 1980-1982 FOR MAINE DIVISION

Rights of the Individual - The Maine Division supports measures that preserve and protect the basic legal human rights of all individuals. To guarantee these rights, we support:

1. RATIFICATION OF THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT.
2. ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION BASED ON SEX, RACE, ETHNIC ORIGIN, CREED, MARITAL AND SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS, AGE, OR DISABILITY.
3. RECOGNITION AND SUPPORT OF THE CONTRIBUTING ROLE OF THE HOMEMAKER IN SOCIETY.
4. RIGHT TO INDIVIDUAL CHOICE IN THE DETERMINATION OF ONE'S REPRODUCTIVE LIFE.
5. RIGHT TO OPEN, ACCESSIBLE, ACCOUNTABLE, AND RESPONSIVE GOVERNMENT AT ALL LEVELS.
6. FREEDOM FROM VIOLENT AND ABUSIVE ACTION.

Community - The Maine Division supports measures that promote social and economic well-being of all persons through orderly community development and the improvement and conservation of the environment.

1. CONSERVATION, ENVIRONMENT, POLLUTION CONTROL, COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, AND WISE UTILIZATION OF RESOURCES - INCLUDING LAND, AIR, WATER, AND BOTH TRADITIONAL AND ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES.
2. FISCAL AND PROGRAM ACCOUNTABILITY AT ALL GOVERNMENTAL LEVELS, AS WELL AS FAIR AND EQUITABLE TAXATION.
3. PREVENTIVE PROGRAM AND ADEQUATE PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW, AS WELL AS SHELTER AND COUNSELING FOR ABUSED ADULTS AND CHILDREN.
4. OPPOSITION TO THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION OF NUCLEAR POWER FACILITIES FOR ONE YEAR.

Cultural Policy - The Maine Division in supporting the following measures believes that the arts and humanities develop and preserve human, aesthetic, and cultural values that perpetuate civilization.

1. HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND CULTURAL ENHANCEMENT.
2. FAVORABLE ROLE MODELS FOR PREVENTION OF SEX-ROLE STEREOTYPING IN ALL MEDIA PRESENTATIONS.
3. CONTINUANCE OF PROGRAMS IN THE ARTS TO DEVELOP AND ENCOURAGE CREATIVE AND AESTHETIC VALUES FOR LIFELONG LEARNING.
4. ENHANCEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT THROUGH CONSTRUCTIVE AND CREATIVE PLANNING IN THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS.

Educational Policy - The Maine Division supports measures that provide equal and quality educational programs at all levels essential to a democratic society.

1. ADEQUATE FORWARD FUNDING OF PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AT ALL LEVELS.
2. PROTECTION OF THE BASIC PRINCIPLE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
3. MAXIMUM OPPORTUNITIES FOR LIFELONG LEARNING TO MEET INDIVIDUAL NEEDS: GENERAL, VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL, CAREER, AND NON-TRADITIONAL FORMS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION.
4. LIBRARIES, LEARNING CENTERS, PUBLIC TELEVISION, AND OTHER MASS COMMUNICATION SERVICES.
5. REINFORCEMENT OF THE HIGH STANDARDS AND QUALITY EDUCATION AT ACCREDITED INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING.

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Legislative (cont'd)

National and Foreign Policies - The Maine Division supports the following measures to promote economic justice, social development, and political security for all people.

1. THE PROPOSED 28th AMENDMENT TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION TO GIVE VOTING REPRESENTATION TO THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA IN CONGRESS.
2. THE TIME-HONORED PROCESS OF AMENDING THE U. S. CONSTITUTION FOR SINGLE SUBJECT CHANGES: THEREFORE, AAUW OPPOSES CALLING OF A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.
3. PROGRAMS AND COOPERATION THAT RECOGNIZE THE INTERDEPENDENCY OF NATIONS AND EMPHASIZE THE INTERRELATED NATURE OF FOOD, ENERGY, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND POPULATION.

This tentative LEGISLATIVE program was approved by the Board at the Winter meeting and is to be presented at the State Convention in May. When acted upon it will become the Division Legislative program for the next two years.

Louise Smith,
Legislative Chm.

Educational Foundation report from Mary O'Halloran, Chairman (Dec. '79)

Centennial Fund	Elizabeth Russell Endowment	\$7,324.80
	Research and Projects	124.79
Current	Research and Projects (RENEW)	976.60
Grand total given by Maine Branches		<u>\$8,426.19</u>

Our per capita giving is \$9.09 for this year, in third place in New England area, with New Hampshire giving \$10.71 and Rhode Island \$11.63.

Five Branches (Bath/Brunswick, Franklin Co., Mid Coast, Mt. Desert, and Waterville) made named gifts to the Elizabeth Russell Endowment in units of \$500 or more. The Margaret Dickey Endowment that Maine worked on now stands at \$89,864.08 and the Elizabeth Russell Fund at \$72,286.80. It seems to me we should continue to support the Russell Endowment until it gets to \$90,000. I believe we can accomplish this relatively soon and that, in addition, each Branch could now begin a systematic allocation to the Research and Projects, either to their endowment or to current. I urge all Branches to consider and act on this.

Membership Report: January 26, 1980

<u>Branch</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Life</u>	<u>Branch</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Life</u>
Augusta	39		Houlton	48	
Bangor	42	2	Mid-Coast	121	1
Bath-Brunswick	84		Mt. Desert	33	
Cape Neddick	53		Orono	82	6
Caribou	40		Portland	14	
Dexter	29		Presque Isle	32	
Downeast	26		Waterville	98	3
Franklin County	70		York County	37	
Gorham-Cape Elizabeth	0		Total	848	13

Branch Activities

The Waterville Branch is having another active year. They are studying "Families Facing Change" and began by viewing paintings and other art work at Bixler Art Gallery with a commentary on artist's styles and overview of topics to be studied during the year. The programs have included outside speakers, panels and Branch members. Issues covered included historical perspective of families, economic pressures, interpersonal relationships, use of leisure time, effects of the energy crisis and legislation which affects families. There has an ongoing Literature Study Group for many years and a second group was formed meeting at night. Another Study group was formed as the Gifted Child. This group has been meeting with community resources people to reach a better understanding of giftedness, before considering education for the gifted. A one-evening study group rented an Art Critique Slide Show from the Association Program Office. In early November the annual book sale and luncheon was held.

A local theater group is presenting "Camelot" in March and the Waterville Branch will take advantage if it is a social and cultural event. Members plan to meet for a pre-theater gathering, including spouses and friends and attend the musical together. It will be an enjoyable evening and provide a good chance for people to become better acquainted.

Carolyn Millis
First V-P.(Program)

March update on Educational Foundation Report: Report forms for support of the Elizabeth Russell Fund and allotment to Profect Renew will be mailed in March. They are due early in May, with checks. Please try to be prompt with your reports as we like to have some preliminary figures for the Spring Meeting.

Memo to Branch Presidents: Be sure your Branch Treasurer has the EF check made out and given to the EF chairman so she can get it to me on time. Thanks.

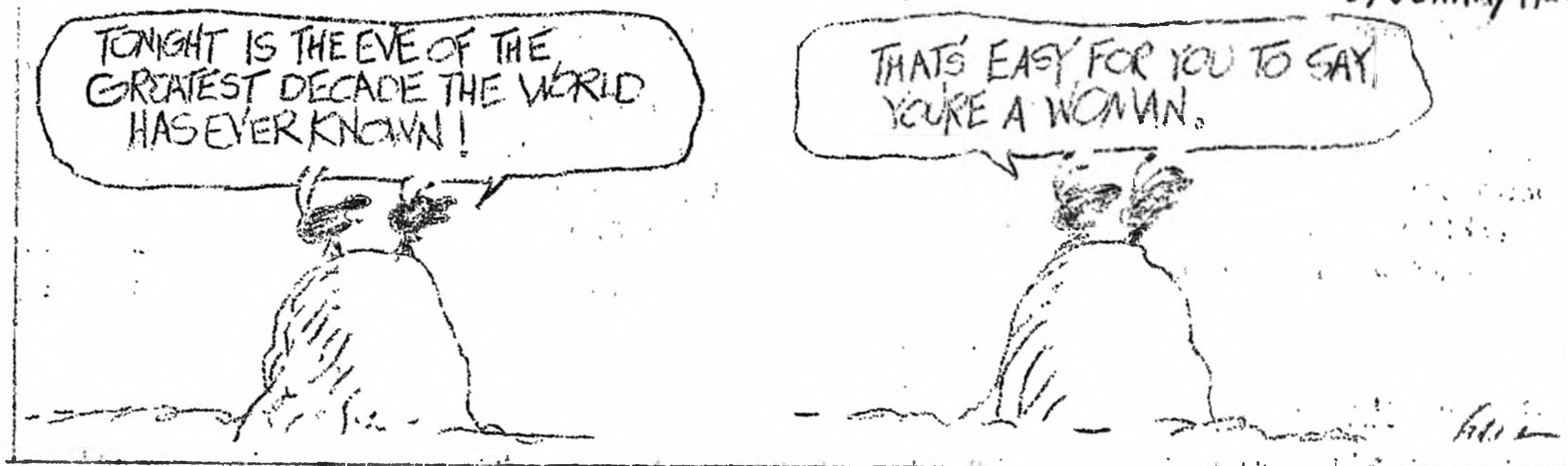
Mary E. O'Halloran

FOUND!!

Found after Winter Board Meeting plastic sandwich box and container - contact "Dawnbreaker" Editor.

B.C.

by Johnny Hart



We truly are at the eve of a tremendous decade. But whether it is the greatest decade ever known to women depends on us. Our AAUW provides us with the system for networking between women of widely varying expertise.

We have a broad legislative platform supported by a powerful lobbying corps in Washington. We are allocating large sums of money for "Action in Equity" to ratify the ERA amendment. But the effectiveness of all of this depends on you, the individual AAUW member.

Your attitudes, how you view your role as a woman, and what you expect to achieve will all help to mold society's expectancies for women in the 80's.

Agnes Patterson
Division President

AAUW: Action for Equity

March 16-23 has been proclaimed as AAUW Week: ACTION FOR EQUITY. According to the Association Board, "it is a call to relieve or eliminate injustices based on gender. Of course ERA ratification is the initial step toward achieving equity."

The Association encourages branches to plan events for that week and to inform the media about them. Suggestions for action include: Showing films on women's issues, preparing posters with catchy slogans, holding money-making events with proceeds going to AAUW ERA Fund, arranging a meeting with political candidates to discuss equity issues, distributing copies of the new AAUW brochure on ERA, etc.

The organization has been long-committed to achieving equity for women. Toward that end, branches are asked to implement ACTION FOR EQUITY.

Betty-Jane Meader
Standing Committee
for Women

Reminders:

Membership: Annual reports due March 31st. Send to Mavis Thompson, Chair.

Dues: Increase in National dues to \$12.75. New members joining after April 1, 1980, may pay National dues of \$12.75, good thru June 1981.

Annual Reports: Due from each Branch by April 15th. Send one copy, single sheet to Carol Butzow, Corr. Sec.

Educational Foundation: Send EF checks to Educational Foundation Chair., Mary O'Halloran in early May.

Spring Convention and Annual Meeting Reservations by May 1.

HOUSING AVAILABLE

Moriarty's Inn	371 Stillwater Avenue, Old Town
Single	\$10.50; Double \$18.90 (an economy motel)
University Motor Inn	5 College Avenue, Orono
Single	\$20.00; Double \$28.00
Bangor Motor Inn	Hogan Road, Bangor (across from Bangor Mall)
Single	\$18.50; Double \$22.50.

Specify "Member of AAUW" to receive special rates.

REGISTRATION FORM

May 9-10, 1980

SPRING CONVENTION and ANNUAL MEETING

Name _____

Address _____

Branch and/or State Office or Interest _____

- \$1.50 Registration Fee
- \$7.80 Dinner, Friday May 9
- \$3.50 Lunch, Saturday May 10
- \$3.00 Accommodation in AAUW member's home. Contribution to go to Fellowship Fund.

Total

Please make checks payable to Velma Oliver, AAUW. Send with Registration Form to Velma Oliver, 3 Allen Road, Orono, Maine 04473 by May 1.

- Check if interested in tour of Prof. Hill's solar house.

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