

**AAUW-IL invites you to celebrate with us
 on Illinois' 3rd annual Jane Addams Day:**

December 10, 2009

Take Our Quiz	'09 Events	Resources
How well do YOU know Jane Addams?	Check our website for continuous updates!	Find books (for children & adults) & articles about Jane Addams.
Promo Ideas	Publicity	Program Ideas
Ideas for promoting Jane Addams Day celebrations in YOUR community.	State of Illinois documents, City of Chicago resolutions, additional pix & press releases.	Read how AAUW-IL branches have celebrated Jane Addams Day in prior years of 2007 & 2008.

Among her many achievements, Jane Addams was:



- A founding member of the Chicago Branch of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae (precursor of AAUW).
- A founder and the first president of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.
- A founder of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU).
- A founder of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).
- **The first American woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize!**

www.aauw-il.org/jane.html

AAUW-Illinois Applauds New State Day Honoring Jane Addams: Carbondale Branch Members Instrumental in Lobbying State Legislature

When Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich signed HB 5243 naming December 10 "Jane Addams Day" in Illinois, he brought to fruition two years of dedicated work by Dongola (IL) Unit School teacher Cindy Vines and an eager team of eighth-graders. Their project received a major boost when Lelia Marvin, President of the AAUW Carbondale (IL) Branch entered the loop. HB5243 takes effect January 1, 2007, making December 10, 2007 the first "official" commemorative day. According to Jan Lisa Huttner, Director of International Relations for AAUW-Illinois, "our goal is to make sure everyone knows to mark December 10, 2007 on their calendars right away; great things will happen in Illinois on that date!"

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Jane Addams By One Who Knew Her by Louise V. Molkup

From JANE ADDAMS: A TRIBUTE

Prepared by AAUW Chicago Branch Members in 1972



Louise V. Molkup served two terms as President of Chicago Branch AAUW.
Photo Credit: Jan Lisa Huttner (1989).

In the early 1920's I was an undergraduate at the University of Chicago. Marion Talbot, one of AAUW's founders, was our dean of women and there were at that time on the faculty a score or more of other brilliant women. Miss Talbot had a coterie of friends destined to become world famous; it included Sophonisba P. Breckenridge, Jane Addams, Edith and Grace Abbott, and Julia Lathrop.

These gentlewomen were imbued with the ideals of altruism and service. They believed they had a duty to share the fruits of their superior education. Each contributed greatly in the field of social service: teaching, founding schools and establishing settlement houses.

But Jane Addams began her social service at the grassroots. In a neighborhood of immigrants she became personally concerned with the health and education of the people, especially the young. She believed children younger than age fourteen should not be permitted to work; nor should their non-English speaking parents be exploited. Along with working increasingly for the passage of child labor laws and the establishment of unions, Jane Addams was concerned for the quality of life of her neighbors. She invited them into Hull-House as she would have invited them into her own home. She and her associates taught the women English, cooking and sewing. The men were given tools and a workbench and were encouraged to speak English to each other. The young had materials for crafts of all kinds, for art work, for social games, for music and for drama. There was always a comfortable, quiet place to sit and read books, magazines and newspapers...

**To read Louise's full statement, see our website:
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