Women in Philanthropy at EMU announced our second year of grants at our Fall meeting November 29th at University House. The event, hosted by EMU president and WIP member, Dr. Sue Martin, was attended by over 30 members and guests. Those attending enjoyed excellent food as they heard presentations from three of our award winners from year one. Sharing the work of their grants received last year were Harriet Lindsay, Ryan Molloy and Anita Rich. Lindsay, Professor of Chemistry, investigated peer mentorship and funded three summer high school students to work with EMU students in the chemistry lab.

Next Ryan Molloy, Associate Professor of Art, showed pictures of the Parsons Arts Center near Traverse City and discussed his project called Open Book which allowed participants to explore artistic representations of a book through an intensive summer workshop. The last presentation had all attendees on the edge of their seats as we intently watched Anita Rich, Professor of Communication, Media and Theatre Arts, share how she developed a program for EMU students to bring story sharing to middle school girls in Ypsilanti. We all felt our money was well spent supporting these three outstanding projects.

Year 2 Grants Announced

With great fanfare, Linda Pritchard announced, on behalf of the Awards committee co-chaired by Margo Dichtelmiller, the 13 grants for 2011. They are:

1. Go Green: A Year of Sustainability at EMU, Lois Vasquez, Student $1,450
2. EMU Inside Out– Women’s & Gender Studies Language & Literature, Robin Lucy, Faculty $3,360
3. Social Behavior in Two Species of African Tarantula, Sarah Schrader, Student $2,400
4. The Travels & Teaching of Ms. Clara Janet Allison: Professor of Classics at Michigan State Normal College 1918-1940, Lorinda Rausch, Student/Alumni $5,000

- Fall meeting held Nov. 29th at University House
- Heard 3 presentations from year one
- Announced 13 grants for year two. 31 applied, requesting $133,675
- Two new members joined that evening.

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Many EMU alumna are members of WIP-EMU and were present at the Fall meeting including Nora Martin, Kelly Quilter, Linda Polter and Maureen Thomas.

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5. **Addressing the Need for Women’s Healthcare**, Amanda Lefeld, Staff $5,000
6. **Project E Power**, Kay Woodiel, Faculty $1,470
7. **Detroit’s African American Artists 1926-1986: From the Pen and Palette Club to Gallery 7 & the National Conference of Artists**, Julia R. Myers, Faculty $3,673
8. **Supporting Communication Across the Curriculum through the Academic Projects Center**, Suzanne Gray, Faculty $4,500
9. **Women in Michigan Agricultural History Exhibit at Tillers International**, Robert Duke, Faculty $4,700
10. **Muriel Rukeyser Website**, Elisabeth Daumer, Faculty $4,000
11. **McNair in London: A Study Abroad Experience**, Heather Neff, Faculty $5,000
12. **Gaining a Global Worldview through Service Learning in Jamaica**, Marilyn Wedenoja, faculty $2,400
13. **Memories & Memorabilia: A Teaching Module**, Betty Brown-Chappel, Faculty $1,500

Thank you to all members of the Awards committee for your work: Nina Contis, Margo Dichtelmiller, Glenna Frank-Miller, Linda Pritchard, Judy Mich, & Ann Balazs. A very special thank you to Laura Thomas and Andrew Gefre.
Five members of the WIP–EMU executive committee were nominated by the other five members of the committee and were honored by the Association of Fundraising Professionals Greater Detroit Chapter at the 20th Annual National Philanthropy Day Dinner on Thursday Nov. 17, 2011. The event was held at the Marriott Hotel at the Renaissance Center and recognized the work of many volunteers with organizations all across southeastern Michigan.

WIP members were nominated for their work to support worthy projects at EMU. Honored were Margo Dichtelmiller, Karen Paciorek, Linda Pritchard, Donna Schmitt-Oliver and Jackie Tracy. The event was an excellent way to spread the word of WIP to over 600 people who attended. Thank you to Nina Contis, Lynette Findley, Bernie Lindke, Kelly Quilter, & Laura Thomas for the nomination. Paybacks next year ladies!

Our newest members include:
Sanya Gragg
Kate Mehuron
We are officially at 50 voting members.
We welcome our first non-voting member: Rev. Rick Kress.

A very special thank you to WIP–EMU member Tara Fulton who won the 50/50 drawing at the Fall meeting. The drawing will support the Operating Fund of WIP since all pledged funds go to the grants. Tara won $102 and chose to donate all of the money back to the Operating Fund. Thank you, Tara! The fund pays for our accounts monitor, materials and member events.

If you would like to donate to the Operating Fund through the EMU Foundation:
Use account # 1767
Thank you for your ongoing support of the great work we all do.

Thank you to Jackie Tracy and Donna Schmitt-Oliver, our Co-Presidents, for the chocolate treats each member received at the fall event. Delicious!

New members Kate Mehuron (L) and Chris Shell (R) join Linda Pritchard at the Fall event.