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December 2016

A LEAF FROM THE PRESIDENT

Snnaaapp! That's the fourth mouse we've caught in the trap, and one more caught by the cat. Makes us aware of the busy-ness of fall. And that extends to our Book Sale activities- settling our nest in the locker, sorting by categories, packing and stacking to be ready for the day we can lay it all out in the GECC. We work hard on the Book Sale because we care about the success of those issues that AAUW stands for...empowering women and girls with education, programs and learning. We convert our sales to scholarships.

All this activity is enhanced by two busy scouts, our Educational Opportunity chairs, Marilyn Wiedemann and Susan Levy-Creed who first contact the Wheaton and Glen Ellyn high school counselors and ask them to identify four deserving girls. These four graduating students will receive a Branch scholarship of \$1,000 each for entry into College of DuPage next fall. This school contact takes patience and persistence. Once the girls are chosen, our chairs try to connect with them by email, text, phone, letter, whatever yields the mice from the nest. In spite of the difficulties in communications and the invisible nature of seventeen year olds, we want to know something about these four girls who receive our own local grants. And we want to know the two recipients of our American National Fellowships- the Jackie DeFazio and our Wheaton-Glen Ellyn Branch Fellowship, and five Grant awardees.

Over 60 years, we've endowed these two American National Fellowships with \$100,000 each, designated for scholars at the PhD, post-doctoral, or publishing level. The endowments bear interest that keeps the funds active and growing following award disbursements. Wheaton-Glen Ellyn has also funded five Research/Career/Community Action and Select Professions Grants at \$75,000 each (including the Marjorie Robinson/Kay Storm Research Fund) for study at the master's degree or project level and composed of Book Sale proceeds and donations. All told, our Branch has contributed \$575,000 in national endowments...plus all the years of four \$1,000 scholarships to COD...that's a BIG mouse trap!

At year's end our EOF chairs will recommend and our treasurer will send \$4,500 to AAUW National from our Book Sale proceeds. This donation will be assigned to the former Illinois Lake Forest Chapter's incomplete Lois List Fund. Branches across the state will help complete this important fellowship for the work of other top graduate scholars. We are gratified to help complete this fund which would not otherwise become active. Sharing the load can be great.

And here's the best part...our persistent EOF mouse trappers make the effort to find local recipients of our National Fellowships. They are our Winter Banquet speakers and they tell us what they are doing with the funds. We should note that with all the focus on raising educational monies at the Book Sale, EOF is working in parallel to contact these deserving and busy students, their counselors, and to contact National AAUW Funds officers who put the faces to our work. Thanks to Marilyn and Susan for their dedicated commitment to track down these recipients. Each aspect of our effort involves many members' time and generosity to complete our goals. We have cause to celebrate...it's a BIG mouse. Thanks to all who cheerfully give.



Kitty

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event	Time	Information
November 26	Sign Up Deadline	---	Last day to sign up for Winter Banquet
November 30	PM Non-Fiction Lit	7:00 pm	Jean Lindsey's
December 1	Spice Routes	7:00 pm	Peggy Connolly's
December 2	AM Lit	9:30 am	Suzanne Gagner's
December 7	Winter Banquet	6:00 pm	Reserve 22 Restaurant at the Village Links of Glen Ellyn
December 9	Film Group	7:30 pm	Sue Herrmann's
December 10	STEM Event	10:00 am	Glen Ellyn Public Library, 400 Duane Street, Glen Ellyn
December 12	Book Sorting	10:30 am	U-STOR-IT, 120 Tubeway Drive, Carol Stream
December 14	AM Non-Fiction Lit	10:30 am	Sue Herrmann's
January 11	Board Meeting	7:00 pm	Susie Gullickson's
January 16	PM Lit	7:00 pm	Kitty Johansson's
February 25	Cultural Arts Event	8:00 pm	Ira Glass, MAC, COD



No Board Meeting in December

No Program Meeting in January



Membership

Lisa Cherry and Karen Schulz

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The Winter Banquet is a wonderful way to introduce a potential member to all that we are and what we have to offer! They will experience the warmth and camaraderie in the room and hear from a speaker who benefited from an AAUW fellowship. Anyone who signs up that evening will join at the discounted rate of \$53.50. So, please do invite a guest! We will have a special table for all members who joined in 2016 and will, of course, take our Class of 2016 photo. We look forward to the celebration!

Below, please read about two new members.

Originally from Chicago, **Patti Wales** moved to Lombard in 4th grade. Currently, she resides in Glen Ellyn with her husband, Keith. They have two daughters, Courtney, whose husband is Justin, and Cristi and her fiancé Cam. Patti graduated from University of Illinois with a BS in interior design and went to National Louis University to earn her master's degree in special education. She is a special education teacher at Glenbard North High School. Patti's hobbies include water aerobics, gardening, and reading. You might get to meet Patti as she checks out the book clubs and film group. Patti has also expressed an interest in getting involved with the Book Sale and STEM program. Please welcome Patti when you see her at a Branch meeting, in a book club or some other group event.

Gwen D'Addio was born in Chicago and has lived in Glen Ellyn since she was 3 years old. Gwen keeps busy with her 3 children- 2 daughters, Joy and Amy, and a son named Mike. She has 4- almost 5 grandchildren-2 boys and 2 girls with another boy due later this month. Gwen graduated with a teaching degree from National Louis University. She is a former teacher who currently is working for Scholastic. Some of Gwen's hobbies and interests include travel, sightseeing, reading and water aerobics- a place where she has met and become friends with several other AAUW members. Gwen is looking forward to joining a book club, film group and checking out Spice Routes. We are very excited to have Gwen join our local AAUW Branch and look forward to her support and contributions in the future.



Book Sale

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WE NEED BOOKS

We can't have a Book Sale without books! We rely on every member to spread the word and help collect books for the Sale. If every member is responsible for donating 2-3 bags or boxes of books, we will be in great shape. These books don't have to come from your treasured library. But they could! You might need space for the latest books on your list. Is it time to let go of those books you haven't looked at in years? Even better- spread the word to family, friends and neighbors. Let them do their own culling. I have neighbors who are happy to donate a couple of bags of books each year. This is an easy way to support the Sale.

Books can be dropped off at either RE/MAX Suburban location:

**RE/MAX Suburban
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Glen Ellyn**



AM Lit

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We meet December 2 to discuss *Doc* by Mary Doria Russell at the home of Suzanne Gagner. Our discussion leader is Jean Tufano and our cohostesses are Laura Desmarais and Donna Staples.

The novel tells the story of Doc Holliday, a sickly dentist who went out west for his health, settled in Dodge City, and became a legendary figure in his short lifetime. This where the unlikely friendship of Doc Holliday and a fearless lawman named Wyatt Earp begins— before the gunfight at the O.K. Corral links their names forever in American frontier mythology.

Looking ahead to 2017, we meet January 6, at the home of Marilyn Wiedemann to discuss *The Forest Lover* by Susan Vreeland. Janet Arden and Susan Levy-Creed serve as our co-hostesses. A volunteer is needed to lead the discussion.

The Glen Ellyn Library obtains a small supply of the selected books a month before the discussion. Those who hold a card from another local library are also eligible to check out the books.

If you would like to be added to my email distribution list for updates and announcements, please contact me.



STEM

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We could use your help as a volunteer for these outreach programs. No science experience needed- just enthusiasm. There is no better fulfillment than seeing a child's eyes light up when they understand a new concept. Please join us at our next library events.

Glen Ellyn Public Library

Saturday, December 10 *Astronomy*
Saturday, February, 11 *Simple Robotics*

First session for grades 2-5
10:00 am to 11:00 am

Second session for grades 6-8
2:00 pm to 3:00 pm



Non-Fiction Lit

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AM Non-Fiction

Welcome one and all to the newly-formed AM Non-Fiction book group. We will be meeting every other 4th Wednesday of the month at 10:30 am. Our next meeting will be December 14 at 10:30 am at my home. We will be discussing *The Quartet, Orchestrating the Second American Revolution 1783-1789* by Joseph Ellis. You may pick up a copy of the book at the Glen Ellyn Public Library.

Please note following books that will be read this year:

December 14, 2016: *The Quartet, Orchestrating the Second American Revolution 1783-1789* by Joseph Ellis

February 22, 2017: *Asia's Cauldron, the South China Sea and the End of a Stable Pacific* by Robert Kaplan

April 26, 2017: *The Inconvenient Indian: A Curious Account of the Native People in North America* by Thomas King

June 28, 2017: *Invention of Nature: Alexander von Humboldt's New World* by Andrea Wulf

August 23, 2017: Book selection day and possibly a potluck lunch

Please remember to call the monthly site hostess to reserve a chair for the meeting! Otherwise, the floor is always available! Contact me at: (h) 630-665-9221 or (c) 630-234-1941.

Sue Herrmann

PM Non-Fiction

Enjoy the holidays to come and remember to ask for a copy of our next selection: Harari's *Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind*. The evening non-fiction readers meet every other month and will meet again on January 25, 2017!

PM Non-Fiction, please contact me at 630-871-7741 or baconew@lewisu.edu.

Ewa Bacon



Cultural Arts

Kathleen McCullough and Ellen McGowan

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Cultural Arts has reserved group seats at the MAC for *Seven Things I Have Learned: An Evening with Ira Glass*, Saturday, February 25, at 8:00 pm. Glass, a humorist and host of NPR's award-winning *This American Life* "recounts some of the more memorable events that led to his career as one of the seminal voices in American Radio." Group sales rate is \$64.60, payable to College of DuPage. We will collect the checks when we know we have the minimum number of 10 attendees to maintain the group rate contract with the MAC.

We are also looking into a winter 2017 Drury Lane production of *Saturday Night Fever*. We are assessing if there is interest and will then pursue group rate tickets if we have the required minimum of 20 attendees. Please contact Kathy if you are interested. Production dates are mid-January to mid-March 2017.

Buffalo Theater Ensemble at the MAC, College of DuPage, is presenting *Good People*. We are planning a Thursday evening, February 2, outing to see this production. There will be a pre-show discussion at 6:45 pm prior to the 8:00 pm performance. "The New York Post hails this play set in an old South Boston neighborhood as "poignant, brave and almost subversive in its focus on what it really means to be down on your luck." Ticket fee will be approximately \$31 if we have the minimum number of 10 attendees.

Please contact Kathy to reserve your seat for any of the above events or to be added to the Cultural Arts database for email announcements.



Attention PM Lit readers

Although we take a break from meeting in December, you may want to read ahead or add these to your gift list.

January 16: The Marriage of Opposites by Alice Hoffman

Rachel Pomié, the only child of French Jewish refugees, was raised on St. Thomas in the early 19th century. To save her family business, Rachel was married to Isaac Petit and her family's estate became her husband's. Isaac was an older widower with three children, and she was pregnant with their fourth when he died. The estate and business passed to her husband's family in France and Isaac's young nephew, Frederic Pissarro, was sent to manage the family concerns. Eventually she and Frederic defied the Jewish community and secretly married. Rachel and Frederic had four sons. The third was the Impressionist artist Camille Pissarro.

February 20: The Secret Chord by Geraldine Brooks

This historical novel is based on the life of King David. Brutality and complexities of battle abide but it's also a study of loyalty and betrayal. *The New York Times* calls it a thundering, gritty, and emotionally devastating reconsideration of King David. Brooks is the author of *People of the Book* and *Caleb's Crossing*.

**Film Group****Anne Hanley**

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Our December meeting is sure to be a great one, as many the Oscar contenders will be in the theaters. Join us on Friday, December 9, 7:30 pm, at the home of Sue Herrmann. As always, the film selection will go out via email the weekend before our meeting. If you are not on the distribution list and would like to be added, send me an email at the address above. I hope to see you in December!

**History and Cuisine of the Spice Routes****Peggy Connolly and Pat Kaczor**

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Persia created an incomparable civilization in the ancient world. Although Cyrus the Great subjugated empires, he respected the customs and beliefs of those he conquered. King Darius created the first proclamation of human rights. The Persian Kingdom was egalitarian: men and women enjoyed equal rights, slavery was not tolerated- all workers were compensated, and freedom of religion was guaranteed. The Persians created the largest empire in ancient history, stretching from the Balkans to the Indus Valley, and Siberia to the Arabian Desert. Persia developed and maintained extensive road systems and sea routes, as well as a canal from the Nile to the Red Sea Persian, and trade routes linked three major early centers of civilization: the Nile Valley, Mesopotamia, and the Indus Valley. Persian spices are distinctive. The tradition Persian spice, advieh, is actually a blend of six: cardamom, coriander, cumin, cinnamon, dried rose petals, and star anise.

Join us December 1 as we explore the ancient Spice Routes and Persian Cuisine. Please let Peggy know by November 23 what Persian delicacy you will tempt us with.





Winer Banquet Speaker

After the collecting, after the sorting, after the selling comes the fruits of our Book Sale labor- dollars for scholars at the local COD level and at the Association level with fellowships and grants to women across America and beyond. Kitty has generously devoted her leaf this month to that process.

At the Winter Banquet you will hear from one of our Branch recipients, an impressive actor/activist who heads up a Chicago-based non-profit empowering young girls through language. Yes, even through Shakespeare. Often at a loss for words to express their greatest desires, angers, needs- young people can sometimes find voice and satisfaction in using the words of others, in this case of the greatest wordsmith of the English language. Shake a spear.

End-of-Year Giving to AAUW

In this season of generosity and giving, we have been asked to provide the Branch with direction for worthy AAUW charitable donations you might like to make before the end of the year. As a 501(c)3 organization, donations made to our Branch as well as National AAUW are entirely tax-deductible.

Branch-Level Giving:

Unrestricted Funds:	Goes into general operations for the local Branch.
EOF:	Provides money to women for fellowships, grants, and research.
LAF:	Provides money for legal case support including education, travel, campus outreach.
Eleanor Roosevelt Fund:	National research reports: pay equity, hiring, STEM, Title IX, sexual harassment.
Community Action Projects:	Funds STEM, Tech Savvy, Start Smart, National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, Elect Her: Campus Women Win. Local and national projects.

If you have one, put your preference in the memorandum line of your check and it will go into that line item. If you have no preference, leave blank and it will go into the general, unrestricted Branch fund.

Send your check to: Carolyn Oesterle at 645 Lake Road, Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137.

A tax-deductible receipt will be provided.

AAUW National-Level Giving

After this hyper partisan election year, AAUW's nonpartisan leadership and research-based advocacy is needed now more than ever. To donate to the **AAUW Public Policy Fund** make check out to AAUW Fund #4337 and send to AAUW, 1301 L Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005.

Thank you!

One Story About Giving to the Branch

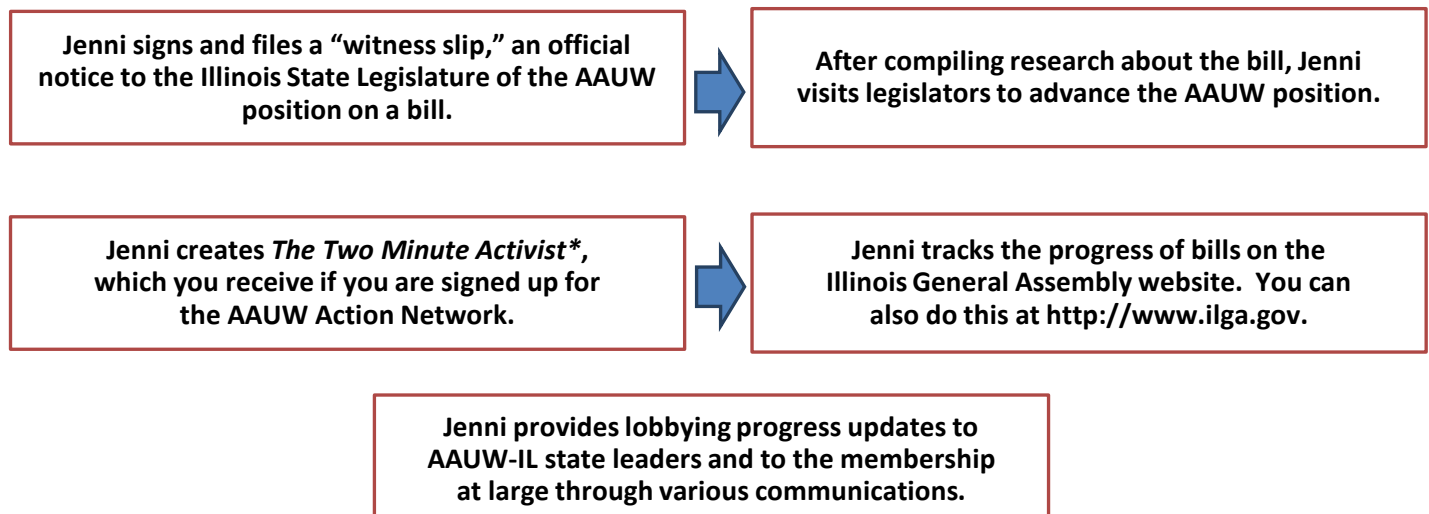
After Pat Kaczor's successful cancer treatment, she and her husband wanted to express gratitude for life, for friendship, and for the values they hold dear. Pat was particularly moved by the support of her AAUW friends throughout her treatment. After her recovery, Pat and Bob made generous donations to organizations they believe in, including Lurie Cancer Center for Children and, most dear to Pat's heart, Wheaton-Glen Ellyn AAUW. We are grateful for Pat and Bob's generosity and for the gift of Pat's life.



How Does AAUW Illinois Lobby the State Legislature?

The Illinois state government begins its 2017 session in January. At the same time, our AAUW-IL Public Policy leaders, Jo-An Takamoto Sabonjian and Marcia Wherry, and lobbyist, attorney Jenni Purdue, begin their monitoring of legislative activity. Our lobbyist reviews what bills are being proposed and alerts Jo-An and Marcia to bills that are pertinent to AAUW public policy principles. After careful examination of the bills and, often in consultation with the AAUW national office and others, a decision is made to either support or to oppose a bill. It is also possible that the option of not taking a position may be exercised. (A recent judgment of “no position” was the proposal to change the way new congressional and state legislative district boundaries are drawn. Another was the 2016 ballot to amend the Illinois Constitution to direct the spending of transportation funds.)

The official steps of lobbying are as follows:



**The Two Minute Activist* makes it easy for you to join the lobbying effort by giving you an easy-to-fill-out form to rapidly send to the legislators who are critical to the passage or defeat of the bill at hand.

When we, as AAUW members, know the lobbying process, we have a better understanding of how a portion of our dues is spent and how we can play a direct part (*The Two Minute Activist*) in legislative engagement. We also see our public policy principles in action. When we experience defeat, we regroup. And we savor victory when we are successful.

The AAUW National Response to the Elections

After this hyper partisan election year, AAUW's nonpartisan leadership and research-based advocacy is needed now more than ever. It is now, after an election that the real work begins. AAUW will find common ground with the Trump administration and the new Congress on issues that are important to women and working families. Women want progress on issues that affect them, and AAUW intends to be a valued ally and fierce critic, depending on what is warranted. Most importantly, in true AAUW fashion, we will not hesitate to speak truth to power. As much as possible, Public Policy will provide advocacy updates on the work of our state and national organizations.



The Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) provides financial and organizational support for a select number of sex discrimination cases in the workplace and academia that have the potential to provide significant protection for all women. We now have an example of a successful case.

This fall, the case of Moshak v. University of Tennessee was successfully settled. Jennifer Moshak, Heather Mason, and Collin Schlosser are former employees of the University of Tennessee's women's athletic department. In 2012, they filed suit against the university, alleging sex discrimination and unlawful retaliation. They were forced out of their positions during a university-led merger of the men's and women's athletic departments. Thanks to the support of AAUW the plaintiffs won this case.

We are again contributing \$5 of each member's dues to this worthy effort.

Winter Banquet Speaker



Skyler Schrempp is Artistic Director of The Viola Project, which empowers girls in Chicago's underserved communities through Shakespeare. Middle and high school students use Shakespeare's text as a lens through which to explore contemporary social justice issues facing girls and women. The project includes a performance component and many creative activities, with the goal of helping young women find their creative voices, advocate for themselves, and engage with their communities.



Skyler has recently spoken at the Chicago branch of AAUW and we are thrilled to have her join us for our Winter Banquet—as recipient of our very own Marjorie Robinson/Kay Storm Research and Projects Grant.

For more information on the Viola Project including photos and mission statement, link to <https://www.facebook.com/theviolaproject/about/>

AAUW-Chicago, Inc.

Jane Addams Day Celebration

**"Women, Leadership, and Election Politics:
Jane Addams and Ellen Gates Starr"**

Date: Saturday, December 10 **Time:** 1:00-3:00 pm

Place: University of Illinois Chicago Student Center East, Room 603
750 South Halsted Street

Parking: Halsted and Taylor Street garage

Cost: \$12 **Buy your ticket at** www.aauwjad.eventbrite.com

Join American Association of University Women Chicago (AAUW) and Illinois Women's Press Association (IWPA) for the 10th anniversary celebration of Jane Addams Day with historian and writer Louise Knight, Professor Annie Storr, and singer/songwriter Kristin Lems. Join us for a wonderful program about Jane Addams, political participation and much more! The event will conclude with coffee and snacks.



Annual Winter Banquet

Wednesday, December 7, 2016

Enjoy the holiday season with your fellow Branch members
This evening is always an AAUW highlight!

Village Links of Glen Ellyn
485 Winchell Way

6:00 pm Conversation and Cocktails (cash bar)
6:45 pm Dinner

Dinner Entrees
(salad and dessert included)

Chicken Piccata
Sesame Ginger Salmon



Winter Banquet Reservation

RSVP by Friday, November 26

Name _____

Choose one:

Chicken Piccata \$36.00 _____ Sesame Ginger Salmon \$43.00 _____

If you need vegetarian, contact Debbie Ness at (734) 604-3878 or Debbie.ness49@gmail.com.

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Mission:	AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.
Membership:	In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, class or disability. Membership is not by invitation.
Legal Advocacy Fund:	AAUW's Legal Advocacy Fund provides funding and a support system for women seeking judicial redress for sex discrimination.
Vision Statement	AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.