

A Leaf from the President

April showers... a burst of May flowers. Time for past reflections, to assess our present course, time for the Book Sale. Logistics are planned, volunteers are assigned, everyone speculates on how many books we have, how many people we will need. How much money will we make from our hard work?

In October, Rosemary Hahn led a successful Eleanor Roosevelt Walk to support equal rights for women and girls. The name honors the woman who championed equal rights for the working women of her time. She lives on in AAUW's national support for women's equality and in the 20 Wheaton-Glen Ellyn Branch members who marched in protests following our national election and who challenged legislative representatives. Locally, Patricia Spence, Jean Lindsey, and Sandra Alexander were some of the essential organizers.

Peggy Connolly and Susie Gullickson arranged an array of inspirational programs this year. We are proud of the financial seed money given by AAUW to Marie Curie and portrayed by Maria Bakalis at Fall Showcase. This informative narrative was followed by Jamie R Daling's timely description of the work being done by World Relief DuPage/Aurora Volunteer Services... important information when we think of the shallow resources and lack of safety for refugees living in our midst. November also spotlighted the unconventional career paths for women at a Glen Ellyn brothel, as researched by Historical Society member Dan Anderson. And our own Glennette Turner presented a thorough description of the Underground Railroad in February.

Our Winter Banquet featured a sparkling presentation by Skyler Schrempp, a Wheaton-Glen Ellyn Kay Storm/Marjorie Robinson Project Grant recipient at The Viola Project for Chicago's underserved middle and high school girls. Shakespeare is the lens used to focus on social justice issues. Skyler's articulation of this program was inspirational. We appreciate the efforts of Marilyn Wiedemann and Susan Levy-Creed who contacted Skyler.

Winter also saw the settlement of a 2012 court case against the University of Tennessee by 3 women who were to lose their jobs with the merger of the men's and women's athletic departments. The women won this sex discrimination case with the help and support of AAUW's Legal Advocacy Fund, which our Branch supports. Thanks to Gail Davis, who keeps us informed.

A truly wonderful event was a special presentation of Sterling Library's botanical prints by Rita Hassert at Morton Arboretum. It was a unique opportunity to view some of their beautiful collection first hand and relevant to many of the non-fiction books on environment, conservation and endangered species that we have read together in our book groups.

Soon we'll be conserving trees by recycling good books. We salute Laura Desmarais, Jean Tufano, and Steph Zvirin, our hard working Book Sale captains. We're ready to sail and Sale. We're planning a triumphal entry into summer's harbor. Come help and experience the rewards of working together... and enjoy the Spring Banquet celebration.

Kitty

FRACKING AND EARTHQUAKES



Jessica Fujan
Midwest Region
Director
Food & Water Watch
will discuss
the science, policy,
and future of fracking

Wednesday, April 5

7:00 pm Social
7:15 pm Program
8:15 Business Meeting

Glen Ellyn Civic Center
535 Duane Street

Program Vice Presidents:
Peggy Connolly and Susie Gullickson

UPCOMING EVENTS

| Date | Event | Time | Information |
|----------|----------------------|---|--|
| April 2 | Cultural Arts Event | 2:00 pm | <i>Saturday Night Fever</i> at Drury Lane |
| April 4 | Equal Pay Day |  | This date symbolizes how far into the year women must work to earn what men earned in the previous year. |
| April 5 | General Meeting | 7:00 pm | Glen Ellyn Civic Center, 535 Duane Street, Glen Ellyn |
| April 7 | AM Lit | 9:30 am | Carolyn Oesterle's |
| April 8 | Film Group | 7:00 pm | Jean Lindsay's |
| April 12 | Board Meeting | 7:00 pm | Mary Sue Brown's |
| April 13 | Spice Routes | 7:00 pm | Peggy Connolly's |
| April 15 | STEM Event | 10:00 am | Wheaton Public Library, 225 North Cross Street, Wheaton |
| April 17 | PM Lit | 7:00 pm | Location is TBA |
| April 26 | AM Non-Fiction Lit | 10:00 am | Carolyn Oesterle's |
| May 1-3 | Book Sale Setup | Various | Glen Ellyn Civic Center, 535 Duane Street, Glen Ellyn |
| May 3-6 | Book Sale | Various | Glen Ellyn Civic Center, 535 Duane Street, Glen Ellyn |
| May 18 | Play Before the Play | 6:00 pm | Wine and cheese before Buffalo Theater Ensemble event Peggy Connolly's, 1445 Brentwood Lane, Wheaton |
| May 18 | Cultural Arts Event | 8:00 pm | <i>Improbable Fiction</i> by Buffalo Theater Ensemble at the MAC |
| May 22 | Spring Banquet | 5:30 pm | Adelle's Restaurant, 535 West Liberty, Wheaton |

Congratulations to Our Newest Board Members!

The following members were elected to Board posts at our March Branch business meeting:

Co-President - Lisa Cherry

Co-VP, Program - Janet Arden

Co-President - Sue Herrmann

Co-VP, Program - Donna Jean Simon

Secretary - Patricia Bernhold



Membership

Lisa Cherry and Karen Schulz

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Do you have an upcoming graduation in your family or among friends? Consider giving a young woman the opportunity to begin a lifetime of affiliation with AAUW!

Free E-Student Affiliate National memberships are available to undergraduates attending AAUW partner colleges or universities. A paid (\$17) National Student membership is available for those attending schools that are not AAUW partners. Our Branch offers an additional fee of \$5.00 for affiliate undergrads who wish to take part in Branch activities.

Graduate students qualify as regular National members but may receive a special discounted rate of \$18.81. Check with us for additional details.

Don't forget about the "Give a Grad a Gift" program that allows members to give unlimited free memberships to college students who have earned their degrees. This lasts for a period of 24 months following graduation. E-Student affiliates earn this automatically.

Lastly, for women beyond graduation (maybe way beyond) this is that great time of the year when new members may take advantage of all activities immediately, but their membership (Regular \$78 or \$53.50 Shape the Future) will extend all the way through June of 2018. Questions? Let us know. We welcome your referrals for this great value!



Treasury

Carolyn Oesterle

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This year you will receive a dues invoice by email in the week before the Book Sale. Look for an envelope in the curio room to deposit your checks and any Directory updates. You can also pay dues by credit card at aauw.org, which has less paper work for the Branch. Dues are \$78.00 again this year. The Board voted for no increase and dropped the networking fee of \$2.00. Thanks to all for your support.



“Volunteers are seldom paid; not because they are worthless, but because they are PRICELESS “

The Book Sale is just around the corner. Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to accept a designated role. Thanks to those who freshened up yard signs with new dates and times. Thanks also to those of you who will say ‘yes’ within the next month. We have lots going on. Please read Book Sale articles in Twigs and open your all-Branch emails. The Book Sale is fun! Yes, we raise money, but the best part of the Sale is that we get to know each other better.

Traditionally, every member of the Branch contributes to the success of the Sale. There are jobs for all members. Everyone doesn’t have to lift boxes. I have listed many ways you can contribute. If you have questions, contact me at lkdesmarais@gmail.com or 630.854.2730. Let me know what you are doing!

We tweaked the hours of the Sale a little this year. We are not sorting late, closing the Sale earlier and opening at 4:00 pm on Wednesday. (Sounds like we are becoming part of the older generation!) If you want to come after work, sign up for the last schedule and note what time you plan to come. Love to have all volunteers whenever we can get them.

Dates of Sale

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| May 1-3 | Move In and Sorting | 9:00 am – 7:00 pm |
| May 3 | Opening Night | 4:00 pm – 9:00 pm |
| May 3-6 | Book Sale | 9:00 am – 8:00 pm |
| May 6 | Books by the Bag | 9:00 am – 2:00 pm |
| May 6 | Clean Up | 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm |

Sign Up to Work the Sale

Marla Felsten has agreed to coordinate the volunteer sign up for the week of the Sale. There will be opportunities to sign up at the April Branch meeting and at interest groups.

The easiest way to sign up is to check your calendar RIGHT NOW and email her at marla74781@gmail.com.

Volunteer Schedule

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| Monday, May 1 | Set Up | 8:00 am to noon | noon to 3:00 pm | 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm |
| Tuesday, May 2 | Set Up | 8:00 am to noon | noon to 3:00 pm | 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm |
| Wednesday, May 3 | Final Set Up | 9:00 am to noon | noon to 4:00 pm | |
| Wednesday, May 3 | Opening Night | 3:30 pm to 6:30 pm | 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm | |
| Thursday, May 4 | Book Sale | 8:45 am to noon | 11:45 am to 3:00 pm | 2:45 pm to 7:00 pm |
| Friday, May 5 | Book Sale | 8:45am to noon | 11:45 am to 3:00 pm | 2:45 pm to 7:00 pm |
| Saturday, May 6 | Books by the Bag | 8:45am to 11:45 pm | 11:45am to 3:00 pm | |
| Saturday, May 6 | Clean Up | 2:00 to 3:30 pm | | |

Sign Up to Help Publicize the Sale

Flyers and Bookmarks that Publicize the Sale

Pick up Sale flyers and bookmarks at the April Branch meeting. Flyers can be posted at various places of business though out the area. Think of shops, lounges, waiting areas. Can you post a flyer at your cleaners, grocery or hair salon? Bookmarks are great to leave at reception desks or pass out at train stations. They are colorful and draw attention to the Sale. If you aren’t going to be at the Branch meeting and would like flyers or bookmarks contact me at lkdesmarais@gmail.com or 630.854.2730.

Yard Signs

Yard signs will also be at the Branch meeting. All members should pick up a couple of signs and look for strategic locations. If your house isn’t on a through street, maybe you have a friend who will be willing to post a sign. This includes stores that are on busy corners, etc. It only takes 5 minutes to ask. The most someone can do is say ‘No’ then off to the next best place you go. Be aware that there are ordinances against putting signs in parkways. They must be on private property. Donna Jennings (drjennin@att.net) and Margaret McGrath (margmcgrath@yahoo.com) have agreed to lead this effort.

Collect Books

It’s not too late to ask friends and neighbors for books. Health Track in Glen Ellyn and Wheaton Sport Center are conducting book drives for us. Last year members donated a great selection. Did you know one of our best sources for donated books are from friends and family who are downsizing or moving? Take donated books to the RE/MAX Realtors in Wheaton and Glen Ellyn or directly to the locker. See your Directory for addresses. Contacts are Jean Tufano at vsq531@aol.com or Steph Zvirin at zvirin@gmail.com.

There are flyers you can use to solicit books from neighbors and friends on the branch website: wheatonglenellyn-il.aauw.net.



Film Group

Anne Hanley

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Our April gathering will be at the home of Jean Lindsey on Saturday, April 8 at 7:00 pm. Spring is always unpredictable for film selections as we are between Oscars season and summer blockbusters, but we have found some wonderful films in past years. Remember *Mr. Turner*? *Danny Collins*? *Eye in the Sky*? Let's see what this April brings us. Keep your eye out for good movies and let me know what you want to see! I will take suggestions until Saturday April 1 and will send out the "winner" that weekend.



AM Lit

Kathy McCullough

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We meet on Friday, April 7, at the home of Carolyn Oesterle to discuss *My Brilliant Friend* by Elena Ferrante. Our discussion leader is Jean Lindsey with Suzanne Gagner and Jeanne Koepke serving as co-hostesses.

"Lila and Elena grow up in the rough neighborhoods of Naples, developing a profound friendship that shapes each of their lives. They challenge and rely on each other as their lives unfold separately and together. The novel portrays the joys and angst of enduring friendship, while revealing the dramatic political and domestic changes taking place in Italy in the 1950's and the decades that follow."

Looking ahead to May 12, **a week later due to our annual Book Sale**, we meet to discuss *Painted Horses* by Malcolm Brooks at the home of Laura Desmarais. Our co-hostess is Ruth Schumacher. Please contact me to volunteer to lead the discussion or serve as the second co-hostess.

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/announcements, please contact me.



PM Lit

Janet Arden

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PM Lit meets on Monday, April 17 to discuss *When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi. This bestseller is an account of the 37 year-old neurosurgeon, a cum laude graduate of Yale and Stanford, who was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer, and his courageous way of working through it. It's a remarkable story, one that is far more than inspirational. Please note our hostess for the evening is TBA.



Non-Fiction Lit

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AM Non-Fiction

Welcome one and all to AM Non-Fiction. Please note that we will meet at 10:00 am on April 26 at Carolyn Oesterle's home. Our discussion leader will be Lavonne Ruoff. We will discuss *The Inconvenient Indian: A Curious Account of the Native People in North America*, by Thomas King. You may pick up a copy of the book at the Glen Ellyn Public Library in early April. Please note the following books that will be read next.

Note Change:

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| June 28: | <i>Being Mortal</i> |
| August 23: | Book Selection Day and potluck lunch |
| October 25: | <i>Invention of Nature: Alexander von Humboldt's New World</i> by Andrea Wulf |

Please remember to call the monthly site hostess to reserve a chair for the meeting. Otherwise, the floor is always available!

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PM Non-Fiction Lit

It's time for action! Our loyalty to excellent non-fiction books means that we all support the annual AAUW Book Sale. This is the most noble of recycling activities. Please come and sort those wonderful books and come and sell them to our faithful patrons. We do not meet again as a group until June 28 when we will discuss the *Romanov Sisters* by that faithful chronicler of all things tsarist, author Helen Rappaport.

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Cultural Arts

Kathleen McCullough and Ellen McGowan

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Cultural Arts is planning another theater outing on Thursday evening, 8:00 pm, May 18, to Buffalo Theater Ensemble's production of *Improbable Fiction* at the MAC, College of DuPage. Group sales ticket price will be \$31.20 per person. Please contact Kathy to make your reservation. Please join us at 6:00 pm at the home of Peggy Connolly for wine, light appetizers, and convivial conversation prior to the 8:00 pm performance. (This evening will not include CODS's pre-show discussion, as the it will be held May 4 and *nothing* must interfere with Book Sale opening night!)

"During the meeting of a writers' group in Arnold's home, as the members talk in turn about their works in progress, their glaring literary shortcomings become obvious. After they leave, the lights suddenly go out and Lisa, in Victorian dress, advances toward Arnold, carrying a knife and a candle. One by one, Arnold wanders into the other writers' imaginations, each story with its own mystery that is just teetering on the brink of solution - when he's off again into another imagination!"

Our February outing to Buffalo Theater Ensemble was a great success and we sold out our allotment of tickets. Be sure to make your reservation soon!

Please contact Kathy to be added to the Cultural Arts database for email announcements.



History and Cuisine of the Spice Routes

Peggy Connolly and Pat Kaczor

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Four hundred years ago, a group of Dutch merchants and independent trading companies, impatient with the Portuguese monopoly of the spice trade and growing British sea power, founded the Dutch East India Company. The Dutch East India Company was granted a government charter, guaranteeing the right to the colonize any territory it desired and enslave the indigenous people to achieve market and political goals. In 1652 a "refreshment station" was established at the Cape of Good Hope to service ships and crews passing to the spice lands. South African cuisine reflects the mix of indigenous influences, trade, and colonization.

Join us April 13 as we sample the delicious cuisine of South Africa. Please let Peggy know by April 6 what dish you will be bringing to share.



Educational Opportunities Fund (EOF)

Susan Levy-Creed and Marilyn Weidemann

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Great News: Our counselor contacts at Glenbard West, Glenbard North, Wheaton North, and Wheaton Warrenville South are now at work finding a student from each school whom we may support in their next step as college students at College of DuPage starting in the fall of 2017.

These counselors have become familiar with our Branch and its mission, and they now look forward each year to this very helpful funding, especially at a time when college costs are increasing.

As you know, our Book Sale is the source of the money for these scholarships. Donating books now, gathering books from neighbors and friends, helping in sorting and at the Sale helps make the dreams of these young women come true.

We will be able to announce the names at our Spring Banquet. Thank you for participating in this noble work!

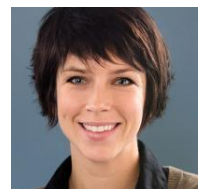
April General Meeting Presentation

Fracking and Earthquakes

Between 1973 and 2008, the central and eastern United States experienced an average of 21 earthquakes of magnitude three and larger annually. In the same area in 2014, there were 659 comparable earthquakes. The US Geological Survey concluded that human actions, particularly fracking, have contributed significantly to increased incidents of earthquakes.

Jessica Fujan, the **Midwest Region Director at Food & Water Watch**, will update us on the science, policy, and future of fracking. In her role with Food & Water Watch, Jessica works to fight back fracking and frac sand mining, to halt factory farm waste, and has stopped the privatization of public water utilities. She also works for more transparency in food labels.

Jessica was formerly a community organizer for affordable housing in Chicago. Following her graduation from Beloit College in 2008, Jessica also worked for Heifer International, Brigadas Internacionales de Paz in Guatemala, and interned for the World Food Program in Nepal. Jessica continues to muddy her boots as an urban farmer. She can be reached at jfujan@fwwatch.org.





Washington, D.C. Advocacy: The Trump budget will contain massive cuts to non-defense discretionary (NDD) spending, which includes programs related to labor, health, and education. Rep. Tom Cole (R-OK) has commented: "There's no part of this budget that can escape unscathed if we have **\$18 to \$20 billion in reductions.**" At the same time, the president's budget will call for additional defense spending. In response, **AAUW** signed a letter with **2,000** organizations to urge Congress and the president to work together to protect NDD programs from further cuts.

Springfield, Advocacy: HB40 (preserves pro-choice legal status in Illinois regardless of Supreme Court decisions) continues to work its way through the Illinois legislature. As *Twigs* goes to press, AAUW-IL lobbyist Jenni Perdue believes that the votes to support HB40 exist in the Senate, but it must first clear the House.

Celebrate Equal Pay Day, April 4: *Raise your glass!* A major technology corporation, Intel, announced that it has achieved **100 percent equal pay** for women and underrepresented minorities, according to its 2016 diversity and inclusion report. *Reality check:* A Harvard researcher found that requests for flexible workplace scheduling are more likely to be granted to men than women. <http://fortune.com/2017/02/21/flexible-schedule-women-career/>

DuPage County: The Better Government Association will offer BGA Watchdog Training DuPage County on April 24, 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm at DuPage Universalist Unitarian Church. BGA teaches you how to keep an eye on government and find out what's happening in your community. In this training, experts will help you understand government, the Open Meetings Act and the Freedom of Information Act. It is free and open to the public. You must register in advance .Go to: <https://bettergov.salsalabs.org/watchdogtrainingdupage/index.html>.

"The price of liberty is constant vigilance." Thomas Jefferson

Member Resources: **AAUW** has published the documents it has used for advocacy/lobbying on its website for you to reference. Check out this paper trail on economic security, education, civil rights and Title IX, from the 114th and 115th Congresses. Use these materials for your own advocacy efforts.

<http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/public-policy/aauw-issues/economic-security/>
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(Due to space constraints, the flyer for the Spring Banquet is on the next page)

Spring Banquet Reservation May 22 at Adelle's in Wheaton

Name(s): _____

Number in Party @ \$38.50 = _____

_____ Pan Sautéed Parmesan Breaded Chicken Breast

_____ Sweet Corn and Bacon Risotto with Tempura Fried Shrimp

_____ Karen: Please contact me for special dietary need

Please clip and mail with a check made payable to AAUW Wheaton-Glen Ellyn, NFP to Jan Austin by Tuesday, May 16. You may also bring your RSVP and check to the Book Sale when you work.

Mail to Jan Austin at: 1648 Stonebridge Trail, Wheaton IL 60189



SPRING BANQUET

Monday, May 22

Adelle's

535 West Liberty Drive, Wheaton

Please plan to join your fellow Branch members at a celebration of the past year's achievements and installation of Branch officers at Adelle's in Wheaton. Adelle's has won many awards and mentions, including Zagat's one of the 9 best restaurants in the suburbs and "Best of the West" by *West Suburban Living* magazine. The restaurant will be closed to the public that evening, exclusively ours. Menu includes passed appetizers during the reception hour, salad, entrée and dessert. Price includes tax and gratuity. A cash bar will be available. Save the date and plan to attend this special end-of-the-year celebration. Contact Karen if you have dietary concerns and we will make certain that you are accommodated

5:30 - 6:15 Social, Cash Bar and Raffle Ticket Sales

Cash Bar is \$7 per Glass

6:15 Dinner

Menu

Parmesan Cheese Puffs with Whipped Garlic-Herb Filling

Field Greens, Crispy Goat Cheese Crouton, Toasted Pine Nuts,
Artichoke Hearts, Sundried Tomatoes and Balsamic Vinaigrette

Warm Rolls and Whipped Butter

Pan Sautéed Parmesan Breaded Chicken Breast with Tomato Butter Sauce,
Cheddar Mashed Potatoes, Grilled Asparagus and Onion Strings

or

Sweet Corn, Scallion and Applewood Smoked Bacon Risotto,
Tempura Fried Shrimp and Roasted Red Pepper Sauce

Strawberry Shortcake

Coffee, Tea or Soft Drink

Contact Karen If You Have Dietary Concerns.
We Will Make Certain That You Are Accommodated.

RSVP By Wednesday, May 16
See Reservation Form Earlier in this *Twigs*

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| | Unrestricted Funds | For general operations for the AAUW Wheaton-Glen Ellyn Branch, NFP. |
| | Educational Opportunities Fund | The Branch's main fund for providing money locally for scholarships and nationally for fellowships, grants, and research. |
| | Convention and Leadership Fund | Provides assistance to Branch members for leadership training at National and local AAUW conventions. Allows our President to represent us at AAUW National convention. |
| | Community Action Fund | Provides funding for local community programs for women's education and empowerment. Presently includes Branch STEM, Tech Savvy and Start Smart initiatives. |
| | Dues Assistance Fund | Assists members who temporarily need help paying dues. |

Note: For AAUW National funds like the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund (9170) or the Legal Advocacy Fund (3999) and others, you can give to AAUW National directly at aauw.org

**Make your check payable to AAUW Wheaton-Glen Ellyn Branch, NFP and mail to the address below.
A tax receipt will be provided.**

**Carolyn Oesterle
645 Lake Road
Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137**



Donate Used Books TO AAUW

Drop books at:
Wheaton

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1417 N. Main St
630/653-1900

OR

Glen Ellyn

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OR

Arrange a pick-up for
large donations by
calling:
630/534-6352



Proceeds from the Wheaton-Glen Ellyn AAUW (American Association of University Women) Used Book Sale will support scholarships for local high school students as well as community action projects and post graduate fellowships.

Please no textbooks,
encyclopedias, magazines,
video tapes or Readers'
Digest Condensed books.
CDs and DVDs are welcome.



2017 Used Book Sale at the Glen Ellyn Civic Center
May 3-6

For information on Wheaton-Glen Ellyn AAUW and the Used Book Sale:
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What is AAUW?

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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. |