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Twigs

Summer 2018

A Leaf from the Co-Presidents

Our Used Book Sale was another fantastic event! A very huge and special thanks to Book Sale Coordinator Carolyn Oesterle, her second in command, Nancy Possinger and their right hand woman, Marilyn Wiedemann for all of the hard work they have extended during the past eight months! Also, a big shout out to all of the members who solicited books, packed boxes and to those of you who worked the sale. Without all of you, we would be unable to finance the local scholarships that help make our Branch the success it is.

Our next big event is the Spring Banquet, June 4, at Adelle's in Wheaton. Chair, Karen Bondy, has arranged for a lovely dinner and is accepting reservations until May 29. Be sure to send in your reservation if you have not done so. We will be celebrating our year's achievements and installing our new officers.

Our Branch/State/National Dues renewals will be handled differently this year. Please watch for an email that will be sent to you from AAUW National. The email will explain how to easily renew your membership. A renewal invoice can be downloaded from the National website if you prefer mailing in your dues. Be aware that there is a \$10.00 increase in National dues. It has been over 10 years since our last increase, so we are feeling that this is a fair increase.

I had the pleasure to attend the AAUW Illinois Convention held at Benedictine University, April 27-28, along with Lisa Cherry, Patricia Spence, Laura Desmarais, Susan Levy-Creed, Donna Jean Simon and Carolyn Oesterle. It was an excellent convention. Laura Desmarais did an outstanding job as the Program Chair and Donna Jean Simon and Patricia Spence were excellent presenters at the event. Over 95 people attended from all over the state. We all came home with some excellent new ideas for our Branch and were updated on the new directions being set by National. Stay tuned for more details in the coming year!

During the Summer, please be sure to invite friends to join us at our September Showcase meeting on Wednesday evening, September 5. It is a great occasion to show all of our exciting interest groups and activities.

Sue

Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Time	Information
June 1	AM Lit/Potluck Lunch	9:30 am	Peggy Connolly's
June 4	Spring Banquet	5:30 pm	Adelle's, 535 W. Liberty Dr., Wheaton Paid Reservation Only, Deadline May 29. See form end of Twigs.
June 7	Spice Routes	7:00 pm	Peggy Connolly's Contact Peggy for reservation.
June 8	Book Sale Wrap-Up Meeting	9:30 am	Carolyn Oesterle's
June 13	Board Meeting	7:00 pm	Donna Jean Simon's
June 18	PM Lit/Potluck Dinner	6:00 pm	Bonnie Wheaton's
June 27	AM Non-Fiction	7:00 pm	Carolyn Oesterle's
July 6	AM Lit	9:30 am	TBD
July 25	PM Non-Fiction	7:00 pm	Marilyn Wiedemann's
August 3	AM Lit	9:30 am	Nancy Possinger's
August 22	AM Non-Fiction/Salad Lunch	10:00 am	Sue Herrmann's
August 22	PM Non-Fiction	7:00 pm	Ewa Bacon's



Membership

Kitty Johansson and Karen Schulz

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Having just wrapped up our Book Sale, we are reflecting on the opportunity we had to renew old friendships and develop some new friendships. We are pleased to extend a warm welcome to three new friends: Shannon Burgess, Peggy McGrath and Beverly Stevenson who joined our Branch at the Book Sale. Please keep an eye out for them and greet them personally. You will be hearing more about them in our next newsletter issue.

Over the summer, you may encounter someone interested in AAUW and while we welcome membership inquiries at any time, please remember to invite your friends and all potential new members to our September Showcase meeting. This is always a very special and informative event and our discounted membership rate (\$58.50) will be available to anyone who joins at the meeting.

What is AAUW?

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.



Member Records and Directory

Maureen Sheehan and Karen Schulz

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Please add the following updates to your directory.

New Members:

Burgess, Shannon

AAUW No.: **AAUW Mbr. Date:**
Neighborhood: W Glen Ellyn (8)

McGrath, Peggy

AAUW No.: **AAUW Mbr. Date:**
Neighborhood: S Glen Ellyn (7)

Stevenson, Beverly

AAUW No.: **AAUW Mbr. Date:**
Neighborhood: W Glen Ellyn (8)



Treasury

Carolyn Oesterle

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Spring is here and this means tulips and dues renewal. Please send in your dues renewals as soon as possible. It is easiest to renew online. Or you may send a check (full dues are \$88.00 this year) to Elaine Nissen—not to me. Many of you are confused about treasurer. I am still treasurer until June 30 and then Elaine takes over. She has agreed to do the membership dues this year to help out since I was Book Sale Chair. Thanks Elaine.

I will need to close the books for the 2017-2018 fiscal year soon. Please have any check requests and expenses in to me by June 10 at the latest. Thank you all. I have enjoyed being treasurer for the last four years. Elaine will be a great replacement.



Book Sale

Carolyn Oesterle and Nancy Possinger

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WOW! What great support for the Book Sale. Thank you to everyone for your help. We had a smooth set up thanks to the excellent sorting beforehand. Marilyn Wiedemann was responsible for the sorting plan and did a large part of the sorting herself. Multiple members commented on how much this helped the set up.

It is impossible to mention all the members who contributed to the sale. But I would like to specifically thank the daily chairs—Karen Bondy and Laura Desmarais on Monday, Patricia Spence and Susan Levy-Creed on Tuesday, Nancy Possinger on Wednesday, Ruth Schumacher and Judy Sims on Thursday, Kathy McCullough and Jean Lindsay on Friday and Marilyn Wiedemann and Deb Ness on Saturday. Personally I need to thank Nancy Possinger for being a terrific assistant and performing multiple tasks, Marilyn Wiedemann for finding and the running the book locker and heading the estate sale initiative and Laura Desmarais for consultation services and handling the properties.

Now for the heroes of the Book Sale! The set up and sale went smoothly. The clean up was made very difficult by the lack of student helpers and the lack of helpers from Discovery Books. Also there was only one truck and insufficient book bins. That meant we had to lug the books downstairs on a flat cart or handcart. Bravo to the members who stayed—Marilyn Wiedemann, Ewa Bacon, Karen Schultz, Tracy Kline, Deb Ness, Marla Felsten, Margaret McGrath, Susan Levy-Creed, Jean Lindsey, Nancy Possinger and Donna Staples. The clean up was finished Monday with a second truck and the help of Marilyn Wiedemann, Margaret McGrath, Deb Ness, Ewa Bacon and Diane Serb.

Finally, it is not too late to donate to the Book Sale. Just send a check made out to AAUW Wheaton Glen Ellyn Branch NFP, put Book Sale in the memo area and mail it to me.

The Book Sale Wrap Up meeting will be at 9:30 am, June 8, at my house. This will be combined with a discussion of the future of fundraising at the Branch—the Book Sale, an alternative or both. Please help with this decision.



Cultural Arts

Suzanne Gagner

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From Peggy Connolly:

Buffalo Theatre Ensemble has announced its new season, and until June 15, subscriptions are 25% off and the processing fee is waived, if you order by phone or in person at the box office.

We will meet before the play at Peggy Connolly's home before heading to the MAC for the performance:

- *Ding Dong*, Thursday September 27, 2018
- *Defiance*, Thursday February 7, 2019
- *Miracle on South Division Street*, Thursday May 23, 2019

More specific information will be in the September newsletter.



Educational Opportunities Fund

Susan Levy-Creed and Marilyn Wiedemann
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We have our three remaining local scholars selected to receive funds to attend College of DuPage. All our hard work at the Book Sale helps support these worthy young women in their first post high school endeavors. More information and pictures will be at our Spring Banquet.

From Glenbard West, we have Shelby McDonnell, who plans on completing her Associate's Degree and then transferring to a four-year program in Illinois. She has been active in school, but worked at a local beauty salon in her senior year.

From Glenbard South, we have Ingrid Marske, who has juggled jobs, schoolwork, extracurricular activities and some tough home issues and still managed to impress her counselor with her great work ethic.

From Wheaton-Warrenville South, we have Jillian Richer, a young woman who has joined extracurricular activities to help others. Her major is undecided at this point, but she especially enjoys working with children.



Public Policy

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Legislative Update, Springfield

At the April AAUW-IL State Convention, our contracted lobbyist, Jenni Perdue (J&J Legislative), provided a list of 37 House Bills and 18 Senate Bills that AAUW-IL is supporting, opposing or monitoring. If you want a copy of this list, please notify me by June 1.

Via the Branch Public Policy Alert Group Email (P.A.G.E.) members may be alerted to contact their legislators this spring and summer. Most likely, the source of such requests will be the AAUW-IL Public Policy Directors requesting member support for lobbying efforts.



AM Lit

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On Friday, June 1, 9:30 am, we meet at Peggy Connolly's home to select books for 2018-2019. Jane Palmer and Judy Sims are organizing the selection process. After the vote, we will celebrate with a potluck luncheon. Suzanne Gagner is co-hostess. Please let Peggy know if you are coming so she has a number for lunch set up.

Friday, July 6, 9:30 am, Susan Levy-Creed will lead our discussion of Marie Benedict's *The Other Einstein*. This historical novel focuses on the brilliance of Einstein's wife, who was often credited with the insight leading to his theory of relativity. Eleanor Saliamonas will serve as co-hostess. Location TBD.

Friday, August 3, at 9:30 am, at the home of Nancy Possinger, LaVonne Ruoff will lead our discussion of Theodore Dreiser's *Sister Carrie*. The novel describes the adventures of Caroline (Sister Carrie) Meeber, who leaves her Wisconsin farm for life in Chicago. Co-hostesses TBD, volunteers welcome.

Reluctantly, I announced at the last meeting that I would resign as Chair after the June meeting. Although I had not planned to resign, life has become too complicated for me to continue. Because you are a wonderful group, I have greatly enjoyed working with you.



PM Lit

Phyllis Fogel

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PM Lit meets at the home of Bonnie Wheaton for our potluck dinner and book selection on Monday, June 18, at 6:00 pm. Weather permitting we will enjoy the potluck on Bonnie's lovely deck and then choose the books for the coming year. We will also determine the discussion leaders, hostesses, and co-hostesses. Bring a favorite food for the potluck, be it a salad, entree, dessert or appetizer. Please let Bonnie know if you are attending at 630-665-5497 or *bonwheaton@aol.com*

Good books, like good friends, are few and chosen; the more select, the more enjoyable.

Louisa May Alcott



AM Non-Fiction

Sue Herrmann

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Our next meeting is June 27, at the home of Carolyn Oesterle. We will be discussing *Can't Just Stop: An Investigation of Compulsions*, by Sharon Begley. Claudia Finley will provide treats and Elaine Nissen will serve as discussion leader.

Since this is our summer issue of Twigs, be sure to put August 22, on your calendars. This will be our book selection salad luncheon meeting at my house at 10:00 am. I am asking everyone to bring an ingredient for a large communal salad bar. Please let me know what item you are bringing so I can keep track of what will be offered. You also need to send me no more than three book titles that you would like us to consider reading for next year. Be sure to include a two-sentence description of the book as well as the author and number of pages.

*Please Note: the Glen Ellyn Public Library will not be able to supply books for meetings that occur between May 13 and July 21 due to their new partnership in a larger consortium.



PM Non-Fiction

Ewa Bacon

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We are meeting, 7:00 pm, July 25, at Marilyn Mayer-Wiedemann's home to discuss Ed Yong's *I Contain Multitudes*. Kathy McCullough will lead our discussion and Karen Schulz is our co-hostess. Yong's sub-title is *The Microbes Within Us and a Grand View of Life*—this is the hot, hot science of the microbiome, the microbial life with which we must co-exist. *Wicked smart, broadly informed, sly, savvy and illuminating.*

On August 22, 7:00 pm, at the home of Ewa Bacon, we will do book selection for 2018-2019. Collect your recommendations and forward to me!

Spring Banquet Reservation Form
Monday, June 4, at Adelle's in Wheaton

Name(s) _____ Number in Party _____ @ \$38.50 = _____

Entrée Choice:

- Herb-Panko Breaded Whitefish
- Oven Roasted Chicken Breast
- Karen: Please contact me for special dietary need

Please clip and mail with a check made payable to AAUW Wheaton-Glen Ellyn Branch, NFP to Karen Bondy , must be received by Karen no later than May 29
Mail to Karen Bondy at 784 Black Walnut Ct., Sugar Grove, IL 60554



Cost: \$38.50 per person
Reservation due: May 29

5:30 - 6:15 pm Social Hour
Cash Bar - wine \$7/glass

6:15 pm Dinner
Program to follow

Mail entrée choice along with check to Karen Bondy.

Make check payable to:
AAUW Wheaton-Glen Ellyn Branch, NFP.

To reserve your place, make sure your check and selection is received by May 29



AAUW-Illinois State Convention, April 2018

The following members represented our Branch at the convention:

Standing, left to right, Lisa Cherry, Donna Jean Simon, Laura Desmarais, Carolyn Oesterle.

Sitting, left to right, Patricia Spence, Susan Levy-Creed, Karen Schulz, Sue Herrmann.

Note of Appreciation

It takes more than one editor to get Twigs into your hands. I would like to thank the following members for assisting me in this endeavor my first year: Kimberly Thacker who taught me all I know to even attempt it and continues to very patiently field my questions; Ruth Schumacher for proof-reading, coordinating with Mail 'n Stuff, folding and labeling the mailed issues and Jane Palmer for all things technical, like arranging all the sponsors on one page!

Thank You All!

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