

A Leaf from the Co-Presidents:

We are just coming off a marvelous 2022-23 year with some wonderful programs and events held in person for our Branch. Some highlights:

- Our newest venture, *Aging Information Resources (AIR)*, devised and headed by Ewa Bacon has been met with enormous enthusiasm!
- Our membership grew by a remarkable 11%.
- Our Winter Luncheon was well attended.
- Our Used Book Sale culminated in a phenomenal three days of sales ending with a robust profit that allows us to continue our mission of providing scholarships to four local high school graduates entering College of DuPage.

That legacy has us kicking off our new AAUW calendar year with an amazing head of steam starting with an enthusiastic and creative group of new and veteran Officers and Committee and Interest Group Chairs that we are delighted to work with (see the list in this issue of Twigs).

Our Program Vice Presidents, Jean Lindsey and Patty Mugavero, are putting together a series of programs, starting with the Executive Director of Innovation and Technology in District 200 speaking about the topic for the foreseeable future: Artificial Intelligence.

Our Membership Vice Presidents, Sarah Allen and Susan Hagerty, are recruiting new members while planning a New Member Orientation to be held later this month.

Our Interest groups are moving forward as always with our signature book and film groups. Spice Routes continues to be a huge success, this year focusing on Island cuisine.

Looking forward to seeing you all throughout the year starting on September 6 at the Glen Ellyn Police Station Community Room at 6:45 pm. Please note the earlier time of this meeting since we will be serving gelato treats before the meeting starts! This will also be our showcase evening where you can sign up for participation in wonderful events throughout the year; that is why this is a great meeting to join us in person! And do not forget; bring a friend and introduce them to AAUW!

Please consider attending the AAUW Central States Regional Conference, emphasizing Public Policy:

October 19 to 21, 2023 in St. Louis, MO.

Drury Plaza Hotel, St. Louis at the Arch (314.231.3003).

Conference Registration: Early Bird, \$200/person before September 16 (\$225 after).

Registration fee includes conference meals.

Nancy Possinger and Karen Schulz

Upcoming Events

DATE	EVENT	TIME	INFORMATION
Sept. 6	Branch Meeting	6:45 pm	Glen Ellyn Police Station Community Room, 65 Park Boulevard.
Sept. 8	AM Lit	9:30 am	Glen Ellyn Public Library, First Floor Meeting Rooms, 400 Duane Street, Glen Ellyn.
Sept.8	Film Group	7:00 pm	Anne Hanley, 679 Forest Avenue, Glen Ellyn
Sept. 13	Board Meeting	7:00 pm	Nancy Possinger, 26W070 MacArthur, Carol Stream
Sept. 14	Spice Routes	6:00 pm	Peggy Connolly, 1445 Brentwood Lane, Wheaton.
Sept. 18	PM Lit	7:00 pm	Carole Yesensky, 756 Lenox Road, Glen Ellyn
Sept. 22	Fall Fundraising Walk	9:00 am	Hidden Lake Forest Preserve, Route 53, South of Butterfield Rd.
Sept. 27	PM Non-Fiction	7:00 pm	Mayer Wiedemann, 373 Oak Street, Glen Ellyn



Programs

Jean Lindsey & Patty Mugavero

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Branch Program Meeting & Showcase of Activities

Wednesday, September 6

Hospitality: 6:45 pm

Glen Ellyn Police Station Community Room

65 Park Boulevard, Glen Ellyn

Do mark your calendars today and plan on attending the Branch Meeting, September 6!

Here are Four Good Reasons to Join the Festivities:

- 1) Socialize! Greet old friends, meet some new members.
- 2) Enjoy a delicious gelato treat with friends.
- 3) Listen to a challenging program about the impact of Artificial Intelligence, *The Robot Uprising in Schools*.
- 4) Discover what Branch activities may interest you in our Showcase of Branch Activities

The Robot Uprising in our Schools



Ready to embrace the brave new world of Artificial Intelligence or AI? Jason Spencer, Executive Director of Innovation and Technology, District 200, will explore how AI impacts school curriculum. His presentation, *The Robot Uprising in Schools* will explore AI's effect on student learning and teaching delivery. AI is a whole new world in many ways, and there is a steep learning curve to understand its pros and cons.

Mr. Spencer comes well prepared to inform us on AI. He has earned two BAs from the University of Illinois and Elmhurst University and has two MAs from the University of Illinois, one In Educational Psychology-Curriculum, Technology and Educational Reform and the other in Educational Administration and Leadership. Mr. Spencer leads district wide initiatives for innovative teaching practices across District 200's 21 buildings.



Membership

Sarah Allen & Susan Hagerty

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As new Co-Vice Presidents for Membership 2023-2024, Sarah Allen and Sue Hagerty want to thank past Vice President Nancy Possigner for all her help and guidance as we assume our new role! We are proud to be involved in such a vibrant organization advancing gender equity for women and girls through research, education and advocacy.

We were delighted to end the year on June 30, 2023 with 117 members! Last year saw 12 new members join and we hope *with your assistance* to continue that trend. Please consider bringing a friend to the September 6 Kick Off Branch meeting on a very timely topic : *Artificial Intelligence: The Robot Uprising in our Schools*.

New Member Gathering: Tuesday, September 26 at 7:15 pm at Sarah Allen's home, 822 Abbey Drive, Glen Ellyn. This is a wonderful opportunity for ANY new members to meet with other recently joined members and hear from our leaders about our mission, vision and the various events, activities and interest groups that meet throughout the year! An invitation will be sent in the next week to members who have joined our Branch from January 2023 to the present.

Membership Renewals for Any of Our Members Who Have Not Yet Renewed for This Year:

Hopefully, you received a reminder email last week encouraging you to renew your AAUW membership dues for 2023-2024.

- Send a Check in the Amount of \$101 (National \$72 AAUW IL \$10, Branch \$19) made out to **AAUW Wheaton-Glen-Ellyn Branch, NFP**, to our Treasurer, Maureen Sheehan, 200 Wyndemere Circle, W126, Wheaton, IL 60187 **OR**
- Renew online by going to the AAUW website at aauw.org.

Remember: *Your Continued Membership Means Everything to Our Organization and to the Women and Girls We Support with Scholarship and Other Gender Equity Initiatives.*

Member Contact List Update: On Branch website and current as of June 30,2023. **Please send any changes in your contact information** to Sue Hagerty or Sarah Allen at above email addresses.

New Member Introductions

Sylvia Washington is actually rejoining the Branch after a few years. Originally from Ohio, she relates that she comes from an Oberlin College family and is a true farmer's daughter who *loves, loves, loves gardening*. She and her husband have been residents of Winfield for 26 years. They have two grown daughters, both married and both living out of state.

Sylvia is a true academic with multiple graduate degrees in multiple disciplines (Epidemiology, History of Public Health, Engineering) and while now she teaches part-time, she is also a frequent contributor to WTTW and historical documentaries. She is also a keynote speaker, and has published *Packing Them In*, which is a history of the Chicago Stockyards and the impact on the Chicago environment and public health. Most recently Sylvia has created and is managing her own foundation *The One Drop Rule Rare Disease Foundation*. As you might expect, Sylvia is an avid reader and is looking forward to being an active Branch member again.

Welcome Sylvia!

Sylvia Washington

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Welcome Julia Husen (pronounced YOU+lee+a) to our Branch!



According to Julia, her friend Peggy Connolly encouraged her to join and finally she has. Julia and Peggy worked together at IMSA. Julia initially taught Russian but after earning her Master's degree from Northern Illinois University in college counseling, she became one of Illinois Math and Science Academy's college counselors and the team coordinator. She loved her job because for twenty years she advised hundreds of talented IMSA students on college pathways, traveled extensively on numerous college visits in the US and abroad, and helped students families navigate the elaborate world of college financial aid.

She is very excited to bring to our Branch her dedication to women's rights, a passion for environmental causes, and her fondness for champagne.

She and her husband love travel and outdoor adventures—so much so that she has even summited remote Gannett Peak in Wyoming, Mt. Whitney (the tallest mountain in the continental US) in California, Mt. Baker in Washington, and Mt. Shasta in California. Here she is on Mt. Baker.

She lives in North Aurora with her husband and she has two adult sons .

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We would like to thank Audit Committee members Phyllis Goodman and Cathy Soohoo for reviewing Branch financial activity for Fiscal Year 2023 (FY23) which ended June 30. The Audit Committee met on August 6 and everything was found to be in good order for the year. The Branch finished the year in excellent financial condition because of several successful fundraising events that exceeded expectations, thanks to your support of and participation in Branch fundraising events.

Branch Budget Planning for Fiscal Year 2024 (July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024) is underway. The Board reviewed, modified, and unanimously approved a Draft Proposed Budget FY24 at the August 9 Board meeting. The Finance Committee met on August 14 and approved the Proposed Budget FY24 for presentation at the September 6 Branch Program Meeting. Branch members will have a month to review the Proposed Budget FY24 before voting on it at the October 4 Branch Program Meeting. Copies will be available at the September Program meeting or can be obtained by sending an email requesting the **Branch Proposed Budget FY24** to Maureen at above email address.



The Branch Board met on August 9. After the minutes are approved by the Board at the September Board meeting, they will be available on the Branch Website, *Members Only* page. Details of topics discussed are described in the reports from Officers and Chairs elsewhere in this newsletter.

There were no new motions passed during this business meeting. Discussion of the proposed budget for 2023-2024 took a significant portion of the meeting. The proposed budget will be presented to the membership at the September Branch Meeting and voted on in October.

The next Board meeting is September 13, 7:00 pm, hosted by Nancy Possinger, 26W070 MacArthur, Carol Stream.

The Inside Scoop - News from AAUW-IL

Donna Jean Simon

AAUW-IL President, Branch Member & former Branch Co-President

I am pleased to have the opportunity to communicate now and then with Branch members in my role as State President.

This month I want to congratulate the members, officers, and board members on their role in keeping this Branch vibrant and growing. Across the state branches are struggling with leadership and membership issues. Both national and state officers are working to identify strategies to assist branches in maintaining themselves. However, the reality is that the world has changed and the previous strategies to grow and maintain branches are no longer as effective as they were in the past. The challenge is for branches to create new ways to approach leadership and recruitment.

Our mission is so critical to the future of this country. We need to continue to work on supporting gender and pay equity and providing leadership opportunities for women in all areas of life. Over the next few months, state officers will be scheduling affinity groups with their counterparts at the branch level. These will provide information, ideas, and the ability to exchange ideas with cohorts.

Hopefully, you are receiving the various communications from national and state. These are *Mission & Action*, *Membership Matters*, and *Connection*." If not, check your spam folder. Sometimes, computers push these out of your normal email, because they are sent out as group emails. These publications are sent monthly and update you on activities at the AAUW National and State levels. This month *Connection* has two articles on sister branch programs that might be of interest to our Branch: the GEMS program from Morton and I-ACT from Naperville.

I look forward to seeing you all at Branch meetings this year and am excited by the opportunities that our mission provides us.

Editor's Note: We are very fortunate to have our very own Branch member, Donna Jean Simon, AAUW-IL President and former Branch Co-President in our proverbial back yards. I thought it would be a good idea for her to share her knowledge at the AAUW State level. She immediately agreed and came up with a title for her articles. Welcome back to Twigs, Donna Jean!

AIR---Aging/Information and Resources Study Group
Ewa Bacon (baconew@lewisu.edu)

The September Branch meeting will feature information about a useful new feature of AIR: arranging a companion to take you to a medical procedure which requires that someone else drive you there and back. If you are going to be sedated, your medical provider will not allow you to drive yourself. Peggy Connolly has created the ***Traveling Teams*** and will introduce us to this list of helpful Branch members.

If you live in Milton Township, please take a careful look at the *S.A.L.T. Communicator*, a newsletter which is devoted to publicizing services for seniors and issuing warnings about Medicare fraud and elder fraud and abuse.

FYI: SALT is offering free auto inspections for Seniors on Saturday October 14 from 9:00 am to noon at the Wheaton Fire Station located off Roosevelt Road, behind Target. Call 630-668-1616 for more information.

NOTE: Are your Covid vaccines current as we start the fall/winter season? Adults 65 and older make up 17% of the US population, but account for 76% of Covid death.

Please visit the AAUW website and look at the AIR information on physicians, retirement homes, home service providers (carpenters, plumbers, roofers, etc.), medical groups and Medicare Managers. What other information should be listed? Have you used our posted information? Please let us know.



Public Policy

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As the new Branch Public Policy chair, I look forward to providing information on important public policy issues. Patricia Spence has been very helpful in bringing me up to date on recent Branch actions and activities. I will continue her practice of sending information to those members who have indicated their interest in staying informed.

Most of the information and alerts will come from AAUW and AAUW-IL. Members are also encouraged to let me know of any local events that fit within the AAUW Public Policy guidelines. The Public Policy guidelines are available on the AAUW website (aauw.org) under the *Take Action* tab. If any other members wish to join the email group, please send me an email and I will add you to the list.

Looking Ahead:

- The Illinois Legislature is currently on recess. The fall veto session will be held on October 24, 25, 26 and November 7, 8, 9.
- The Illinois Primary election will be held on March 19, 2024.

Our Branch Fundraising Activities

Fundraising Walks

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Join us on Friday, September 22 at 9:00 am for our Fall Fundraising Walk at Hidden Lake Forest Preserve! (Rain or Shine)

Where: Hidden Lake Forest Preserve is just south of Butterfield Road off Route 53. After you enter, turn left and meet us in the parking lot near the picnic shelter. Bring a chair and water bottle. The walk is one or two miles in two loops. We will walk rain or shine and will meet at 9:00 am.

Why: This is a twofer. Your contribution helps our Opportunities Fund for AAUW priorities and our local scholarships. You also join in a healthy walk, good both mentally and physically. Please make your check payable to **AAUW Wheaton-Glen Ellyn Branch, NFP**. You may bring your check to the event or mail it to my home at 645 Lake Road, Glen Ellyn 60137.

Post-Walk Activities: Coffee and Dunkin' Donuts will be served after the walk. Please let me know of any special request for donuts. And back by popular demand, we will be treated to a Trivia Game by our own emcee extraordinaire—Patricia Spence.

RSVP: Please RSVP to me. You can also participate in only the post walk festivities if you prefer. It is always a treat, so come use your feet.

Book Sale

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Following 30+ years as a member of the Lombard Area Branch, I joined the Wheaton-Glen Ellyn Branch this past spring, and I am so glad I did! Just as I did in the Lombard Branch, I have found a warm, welcoming group of members who are always willing to help one another and the Branch.

I served on the Lombard Branch board and book sale committee for many years, going from totally uninvolved to taking a week's vacation from my day job to work at the book sale. And I always said that I would chair the book sale after I retired.

I retired on May 31 and am now the chair of the 2024 Book Sale. In between those two events I worked at the sorting and sale at Forest Glen Elementary School and met a lot of friendly, welcoming members of our Branch, which is why I was willing to chair the 2024 Book Sale.

I believe in AAUW's mission, to promote equity for women and girls, and I have seen the results of AAUW's efforts as the number of women in STEM and other professions have increased dramatically in the past few generations...women now comprise the majority of the US workforce and a significant percentage of professionals in many occupations...physicians, attorneys, accountants, engineers, and education administration. Many of those women professionals benefited from AAUW, whether from a scholarship, a fellowship, a Legal Advocacy case we brought, or by seeing women professionals in their lives.

If you have completed the survey about the 2023 Book Sale, thank you! If you have not, please do so if possible. If you are not able to complete the survey, please email me at above address. Sharing information, ideas, asking questions, (*have we ever thought about doing...? Why do we...?*) is how we will make the 2024 Book Sale as successful as the 2023 Book Sale was and help young women in our communities.



The Cultural Arts Co-Chairs are planning several events this year. Some will be planned in considerable advance of their occurring. Others will be *pop-up* events of a more impromptu nature. For this reason, it is important that we have an accurate email list of all Branch members who wish to be notified of these happenings. If you are interested in participating, please email **both of us** no later than September 8, the Friday after the September Branch meeting. In the planning stages- lunch in Elmhurst and viewing the Elmhurst Art Museum Picasso exhibit.

Buffalo Theater Ensemble (BTE)

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If you like great live professional theatre, appetizers and wine, and great conversation, join us for the coming year's *Buffalo Theatre Ensemble* performances. We socialize of a Thursday evening at 6:00 pm, *Chez Peggy* before heading to the College of DuPage MAC Performing Arts Center for the 8:00 pm performance. You can order tickets online, but will save some fees if you order them in person at the box office.

<https://www.atthamac.org/buffalo-theatre-ensemble/>

- December 7, 2023:** *Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley*
- February 15, 2024:** *The Outgoing Tide*
- May 9, 2024:** *Into the Earth with You (WORLD PREMIERE!)*



History and Cuisine of the Spice Routes

Peggy Connolly

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Welcome to the twelfth year of incredible Spice Routes potluck dinners! The theme this year is *ISLAND CUISINE*. After voting for our top four island cuisines, we ended up with a tie – and five dinners for the coming year! The specific dates were chosen to coincide with one of the island’s traditional festivals.

- **September 14, 2023** Japan Chrysanthemum Festival (how lovely!)
- **November 9, 2023** Cuba Havana Art Biennial
- **January 18, 2024** Puerto Rico San Sebastian Street Food Festival
- **March 14, 2024** Hawaii Merrie Monarch Festival
- **June 6, 2024** Sicily Ritual of the Light: The Magical Wait for the Summer Solstice

If you would like to join the Spice Routes group and are not already on the list, please email Peggy.

Please RSVP by September 7, if would like to attend dinner (6:00 pm) on September 14. Everyone is welcome, but there is room for only 24. You may RSVP without indicating what dish you will bring, but Do Not Wait too long. If there are duplicates, the first person who RSVP'd with the menu item wins, and you may need to find an alternate recipe. If you do not like cooking, wine is an option. Looking forward to another year of great dinners and conversation.



AAUW Online Team: We are a team! Patricia Spence (pspence101@aol.com) takes the lead on Facebook and Tracy Kline (trakli@msn.com) keeps the website up to date. Jane Palmer is the Board Liaison and backs up Patricia and Tracy as needed.

Facebook: Contact Patricia Spence to share pictures of members enjoying Branch activities or if you have ideas for Facebook posts. Our upcoming September Branch meeting has already been posted on Facebook and is getting a good response. We will soon post about new experiments for our *Science Girls on the Go™* neighborhood boxes.

This year we are going to focus on increasing local awareness of the Branch and its activities. This will build on the reach of our Book Sale Facebook campaign from June. Our Branch page has 264 followers and our Book Sale page has 207 followers. In June, with our Book Sale posts, we reached over 5,000 Facebook members. The difference in the *followers* vs. the *reach*? We shared our posts in many Facebook Groups, such as, *What's Going On in Wheaton*, *What's Happening in DuPage County*, *What's Happening in Glen Ellyn*, etc. This significantly increased our reach. In the coming months, in addition to sharing information on Branch meetings and other Branch activities, we are also going to share some information from the national AAUW Facebook page about their mission and activities. If you are on Facebook, please *like*, *share* and *comment* each time you spot one of our posts. It keeps the buzz going!

Branch Website: The Branch website is wheatonglenellyn-il.aauw.net. But, if you cannot remember our long website name, just Google *Wheaton AAUW* or *Glen Ellyn AAUW* and you are there! Tracy Kline continues to keep our website up to date with news on upcoming Branch activities. During September, Tracy and Jane will be working on the annual review of each page of the website to make sure everything is up to date and that all links are working. If you spot any problems, please let us know.

Members Only Page: In recent years, the *Members Only* page has become the go-to page for information about the Branch. It is password protected (twigs, all lower-case). Past Twigs newsletters are available there as well as an up-to-date Member Contact Listing. Branch documents are available, such as, Bylaws, Policy Handbook, Board and Branch Meeting Minutes, Financial Reports and the Illinois State Tax Exemption Letter. Also, thanks to the hard work of the Aging Information Resources (AIR) Study Group, there are now lists of resources and service providers personally recommended by the Study Group.



Welcome to Film Group 2023-24! We are a group of film aficionados that gathers in the homes of group members on the second Friday of each month, September through May (and sometimes over the summer) to talk about that month's film selection. I usually send out the name of the film a week in advance of our meeting, giving you plenty of time to view it at your leisure. Please take a look at your calendars and consider hosting a gathering or leading a discussion. If you are not on the distribution list and would like to join us, please contact me at ahanley@mindspring.com

Our first meeting will be on Friday September 8 at my home to discuss Greta Gerwig's *Barbie*. If you think it is a movie for kids, think again. This is a grownup's film about the challenges of being a woman in our society. We will gather and socialize between 7:00 and 7:30 pm and will begin our discussion immediately following.



Our Branch Book Groups

Reading is the key that opens doors to many good things in life. Reading shaped my dreams, and more reading helped me make my dreams come true.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg

AM Lit

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We meet on Friday, September 8 (due to Labor Day holiday), at 9:30 am in the north meeting room of the Glen Ellyn Public Library, 400 Duane Street., Glen Ellyn. Susan Levy-Creed will lead our discussion of *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah. Copies are limited, and you are urged to circulate your copies within the group.

Looking Ahead: October 6 Selection: *Fellowship Point* by Alice Elliott Dark.

PM Lit

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On September 18, we kick off our 2023-2024 PM Lit schedule with Toya Wolfe's *Last Summer on State Street*. Wolfe's novel is set in the Robert Taylor public housing complex on the South Side of Chicago. *It is a book filled with young, but distinct personalities, girls who live on the page and provide observational insights into a slice of the city that few knew beyond the horrors of newspaper headlines and the gore of television news. It is a novel of friendship, hope and resilience* (Rick Kogan, *Chicago Tribune*).

Join us on Monday, September 18, 7:00 pm at the home of Carole Yesensky. Patty Mugavero will lead the book discussion.

PM Non-Fiction

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The evening Non-Fiction group will meet on September 27 at the home of Marilyn Mayer Wiedemann (373 Oak, GE) at 7:00pm. Our discussion leader is Donna Jean Simon and our co-host is Susan Scown.

We have a wonderful book to read: Ed Yong's, *An Immense World: How Animal Senses Reveal the Hidden Realms Around Us*. He informed and entertained us with a previous book (*I Contain Multitudes*) and in this book he tells us: "The Earth teems with sights and textures, sounds and vibrations, smells and tastes, electric and magnetic fields. But every kind of animal, including humans, is enclosed within its own unique sensory bubble." This marvelous writer takes an imagined journey into the sensory world of insects, birds, bats, the whales and the crocodiles—not to mention our pets!

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Vision: Equity for all.

Values: Nonpartisan. Fact-based. Integrity. Inclusion and Intersectionality.



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*Editor's Note: It takes a team to get Twigs out to all of you.
I would like to acknowledge and thank the other members that make it all possible.*

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