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*"For there is always light,
If only we're brave enough to see it
If only we're brave enough to be it."* – **Amanda Gorman, American poet and activist**

Mar 1	State Convention Registration Opens
Mar 3	Second Choice Books
Mar 8	International Women's Day
Mar 10	Art Class
Mar 15	Newsletter Articles Due
Mar 16	Branch Meeting
Mar 17	Wednesday Afternoon Books
Mar 18	Thursday Afternoon Books
Mar 23	Social Justice Group
Mar 23	Cities for CEDAW Initiative
Mar 24	All Women's Equal Pay Day

Who knew that among all the significant voices at the inauguration it would be the words of a young woman that resonate with us days after. Who knew that a poet would become our inspiration, our hope and our encouragement to *"find light in this never-ending shade."* Who knew she would be the one to challenge us to be brave.

Her words call us to action, both personally and as an organization.

Seeing the light: We had 36 AAUW Reads participants in our discussions of *Just Mercy*. I'm sure many others read it as well. The difficult, honest and personal views shared about how we treat our most vulnerable were powerful conversations.

Being the light: AAUW-Appleton donated to the Equal Justice Initiative and will continue to speak out for the rights of all. *"just is isn't always just-ice"*

Seeing the light: We learned about the Wisconsin Task Force on Racial Disparities at our February branch program.

Being the light: AAUW-Appleton members will pay attention in the weeks to come to learn how to support policy changes that reflect equity. *"let us leave behind a country better than the one we were left with"*

Seeing the light: Our AAUW-Wisconsin Public Policy committee is focusing on the issues of fair maps and the state budget as it relates to issues we care deeply about. We will participate as individual members when opportunities for learning arise.

Being the light: AAUW-Appleton members will write and call to advocate for fair maps, public education, student debt and women's issues of fair pay. *"we will rebuild, reconcile and recover"*

Being brave enough to *see the light* might be the easier part of Amanda Gorman's challenge. Although reading the books, unpacking the data, and getting the facts straight is not always simple, it can be done.

Being brave enough to *be the light* really takes work. But let's do it. Let's do it together.

*"The new dawn blooms as we free it
For there is always light.
If only we're brave enough to see it
If only we're brave enough to be it."*

Becky O'Connor, past president

Program News

Join us on Zoom for our March Meeting:

Tuesday, March 16, 2021 6:30 PM

Program: Recognition of the Winners of our Annual Middle School Essay Contest
on Influential Women in STEM Fields



SAVE THE DATE

Our April meeting will be Thursday, April 8, 2021, 6:30 PM on Zoom.

Our program will be Carlene Bechen, Organizer for the Fair Maps Coalition.

She will speak to us on the census, redistricting, and gerrymandering.

MISSED THE FEBRUARY MEETING? WATCH IT NOW.

Recordings of the previous month's meeting will be available up to the day before the next branch meeting. This was an important report from Representative Jim Steineke. Be sure to watch!

Click on the link below and then **TYPE** in the passcode: **GuH!=956** Do not copy & paste.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/
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PROGRAM MEETING ZOOM ETIQUETTE

- ◆ The Waiting Room opens 15 minutes before the start of the meeting. You can enter & test your audio & video while you wait. **All participants' microphones will be muted upon entry to the meeting.**
- ◆ All members will be admitted from the waiting room to the meeting about 3-5 minutes before we start. Any special instructions will be given at that time.
- ◆ **Meetings will start promptly at the time listed. Please be courteous and be on time!**

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Welcome to 'In the Spotlight', a new feature to help our branch members get to know each other.



Elaine Siegrist
Member since 1953



We are proud and excited to announce that Elaine Siegrist has the distinction of being the first official AAUW Appleton branch member to be highlighted (excluding introductions of new members) in our monthly newsletter! Thank you, Elaine!

Elaine was born in Green Bay, and went to B.S. Fontbonne University in St. Louis, Missouri, then to the University of Iowa, where she served an internship and earned an M.S. in nutrition. She worked and taught as a dietitian at Mercy Hospital in Iowa City, and then at St. Mary's Hospital in Milwaukee.

Elaine and her husband moved to Appleton where he became the second anesthesiologist at St. Elizabeth Hospital. Within a week of living in Appleton, a neighbor invited her to her home for the Annual AAUW Fireside Chat meeting. It was 1953. Elaine recalls that during those early years of AAUW, the book sale was held in the lobby of the Zuelke Building on a few tables!

Elaine and her husband had six children, so she was quite a busy mother, involving herself in Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and many school activities. Today, she is active in a local book club and also an investment club previously through AAUW (but now divested from the Appleton Branch).

Elaine will soon be 95 years old, but that did NOT keep her from being very active pre-COVID in several classes at the local YMCA. She misses everyone so very much!!!

A Message from the AAUW Appleton President

In the past months we have had inspirational programs on racism that we can use as a call to action. Our national website is a good source for practical advice on continuing our work. **Visit the website to learn more.** The introduction to the *Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Toolkit* is printed below.

AAUW Seeks to promote inclusion and awareness for all members to create an equitable, sustainable and inclusive membership reflective of today's world.

We recognize the need to attract and retain members and to celebrate the diversity that all individuals bring. Members of AAUW have long raised awareness through their impactful initiatives, programs and research.

AAUW is dedicated to helping members become more comfortable sharing their perspectives outside of diversity trainings and to address diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) in all aspects of their work and lives. We seek to encourage ongoing dialogue that will inspire all members to bring these values to their personal and professional interactions. Within AAUW, our goal is to turn these conversations into actionable goals and strategies for each branch. We seek to help members understand how inclusion factors into every decision made in the branch and in their lives. AAUW hopes to bring inclusion to the workplace, including transparent advancement and opportunities for development.

The AAUW Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) resources aim to identify best practices for promoting diversity, equity and inclusion within AAUW. These resources present guidelines for how AAUW branches, national members, student members and individual members can demonstrate an understanding of AAUW's mission, values, goals and strategic plan. It is meant to start the inclusion conversation. We encourage all members to seek ways to incorporate inclusive practices into their branches and daily life. As Maya Angelou said, "In diversity, there is beauty and there is strength." AAUW respects and celebrates the diversity of our members and those differences form the backbone of our organization. These resources are one way to show others how to bring together differences for positive change through inclusive practices.

Thank you for your efforts. We hope to help create positive change.

<https://www.aauw.org/resources/member/governance-tools/dei-toolkit/>

-Joan Moeschberger

(Related article continues on the next page.)

AAUW-Appleton Book Recommendations - Racial Disparities

***Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson:** *Just Mercy* is an unforgettable true account of an idealistic, gifted young lawyer's coming of age, a moving window into the lives of those he has defended, and an inspiring argument for compassion in the pursuit of true justice. Bryan Stevenson founded the Equal Justice Initiative, a legal practice dedicated to defending the poor, the wrongly condemned, and those trapped in the furthest reaches of our criminal justice system. This book was named one of the best books of the year by *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Boston Globe*, *Time* and *Esquire*. It also was winner of multiple book awards including the Carnegie Medal for Excellence in non-fiction and the NAACP Image Award for Nonfiction.

***Evicted* by Matthew Desmond:** In *Evicted*, sociologist Matthew Desmond follows eight families in Milwaukee as they each struggle to keep a roof over their heads. This book transforms our understanding of poverty and economic exploitation while providing fresh ideas for solving one of America's most devastating problems. *Evicted* is a Pulitzer Prize winner and winner of many other awards. This book was a Fox Cities Reads book in 2019.

***Caste* by Isabel Wilkerson:** In this brilliant book, Isabel Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America as she explores, through an immersive, deeply researched narrative and stories about real people, how America today and throughout history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings. Wilkerson, who received a Pulitzer Prize for her book *The Warmth of Other Suns*, shows that the insidious undertow of caste is experienced every day. This book is beautifully written, original and revealing.

***How to Be an Antiracist* by Ibram X. Kendi:** We are either racist or antiracist, there is nothing in between, argues this powerful memoir and political guide. Kendi's argument is brilliantly simple. An idea, action or policy is either racist – that is contributing to a history that regards different races as inherently unequal – or it is antiracist, because it is trying to dismantle that history. There is nothing in between. People of all races and backgrounds can fall into either category depending on their ideas, actions or the policies they support.

***Waking Up White* by Debby Irving:** This book is a non-fiction book about the subject of white privilege. Author Debby Irving reflects on her own experiences of being an American white woman and coming to terms with the complexity of race in the United States. This book is about how race has long mattered in more pervasive ways. With eloquence and a sense of urgency, Irving takes us on a journey into the heart of this American issue.

Link to the **Imagine Fox Cities presentations on policing** presented on February 4th featuring Dr. Theodore Darden who traces the history of policing in America:

<https://imaginefoxcities.com/event-directory/>

COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE:

Change for Mary Lee Powell: Phone number is 920-716-2671

Make changes in your directory.

Nominating Committee Report—Becky O’Connor, Chair

Encouraging women to develop and apply leadership skills is a vital part of AAUW’s mission whether it’s leadership on the job, as a leader in government, or as a leader in an AAUW branch. The following branch members are nominated to serve as new branch leaders for AAUW Appleton in 2021-2022:

- President Elect—Christine Taylor
- Assistant Program VP — Kathy Kuck
- Assistant Membership VP — JaneAnne McCabe
- Assistant Finance VP — Nancy Grube

The election of officers will occur at the April branch meeting.

International Women’s Day—March 8, 2021



Celebrated every year on March 8th, International Women’s Day is a focal point in the movement for Women’s Rights. This year’s theme is #Choose to Challenge.

“A challenged world is an alert world and from challenge comes change. So let’s all choose to challenge. How will you help forge a gender equal world? Celebrate women’s achievement. Raise awareness against bias. Take action for equality.”

<https://www.internationalwomensday.com/>

Equal Pay Day denotes how far into the new year women must work to be paid what men were paid the previous year. Started by the National Committee on Pay Equity (NCPE) in 1996, the goal was to raise awareness about the gender wage gap. Since then, other Equal Pay Days have been added to the calendar to denote that mothers and most women of color face a wider-than-average gap and need to work even longer to catch up to men’s earnings.

ALL Women’s Equal Pay Day is March 24. American women as a whole are paid 82 cents for every dollar paid to a man who works full time and year round.

AAUW has developed a free program to learn to successfully advocate for yourself – and help close the pay gap for women everywhere. Through Work Smart Online you can research your target salary, highlight your accomplishments and find the right words – and the confidence – to negotiate for better benefits and pay. You can sign up for an online course which takes less than two hours to complete and can be done at your own pace.

<https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/salary/>

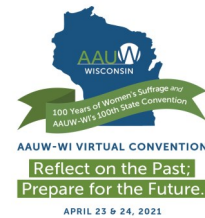


AAUW State Convention April 23 – 24, 2021

Did you know that this year marks the 100th anniversary of AAUW in Wisconsin? Please plan on joining us as we toast our first 100 years of AAUW in Wisconsin. We hope that the activity of our many statewide members will secure the future of AAUW for many years to come.

It is time to get serious about making plans to attend our virtual convention April 23rd and 24th. **Registration opens on March 1st**. Be sure to visit the convention website and sign up for the sessions you wish to attend. More information is being added daily, and a digital copy of the convention book will be arriving in your email soon.

[AAUW WI – April 23rd and April 24th \(aauwwisconsin.com\)](http://aauwwisconsin.com)



Helen Bannan portrays
Jessie Jack Hooper

Even if you choose not to attend any sessions, read through the convention program and learn about the many women in our state who have taken on leadership roles and what they are achieving. All members have an opportunity to purchase the commemorative AAUW pin. You will also be able to participate in the on-line auction that will take place from April 21 – 27. Many of us are getting pretty good at navigating Zoom meetings, so we hope that you will join us during our convention.

Badger Briefs The Winter issue of Badger Briefs is available on our branch website:

<https://appleton-wi.aauw.net/files/2021/02/BadgerBriefsWinter2021-Final.pdf>

Scholarships 2021

Thanks to the success of our holiday brunch auction and the generosity of our members we will be offering scholarships for the 2021-2022 academic year. Women who will be Juniors or Seniors in college or attending graduate school are invited to apply. They must have graduated from a greater Fox Cities area high school or have lived in the Fox Cities for at least 10 years. Applications and complete information on eligibility and how to apply can be found on our website: <https://appleton-wi.aauw.net/scholarships/>

The deadline for applying is April 15, 2021.

Please spread the word about our scholarship program. There will be posts about our scholarships on Facebook. When you see a post, please like and share it. If you have questions or would like an application mailed to you or to a student, please contact me by phone (920-734-6379) or e-mail mcggs@aol.com. We are looking forward to again being able to assist deserving women on their academic journeys!

If you would like to make any donation to the scholarship fund for this year, you can make out a check to AAUW Appleton and put scholarship fund on the memo line. Mail checks to Laurie Leonard, 4009 Cross-creek Circle, Appleton WI 54913. All donations for this year's scholarships must be received by Laurie by April 1st. Our scholarship recipients will be very grateful.

Proposed AAUW Bylaws Amendment

AAUW's annual election will start on April 7. Included in the vote is a **proposal to open membership**, which requires a change to AAUW's national bylaws through member vote. A description of the proposed bylaws changes can be found [here](#).

HOW MIGHT THIS BYLAW CHANGE AFFECT MY BRANCH?

It will help protect the future of AAUW by opening up opportunities for funding. Because our current educational degree requirement can be deemed discriminatory and not in keeping with our mission, some foundations and corporations will not donate to our organization since it is counter to their criteria of equity. This disadvantage, along with the now 400-plus organizations competing with AAUW on women's equity issues for funding, greatly affects National's ability to get much needed funding. Declining membership, now at 50,000, only provides 15-20% of the annual budget. This is not enough to support branch and member services.

It will make it easier for your branch to recruit a more diverse membership, including those who did not have the opportunity to attend college 30, 40 or 50 years ago. In addition to possibly increasing membership, these new members may bring new energy and viewpoints critical to your branch's ability to meet the needs of your community through our mission. It will also remove the embarrassing situations when you must tell someone they do not qualify, such as a government official, a non-profit leader or even a Tech Trek parent. Remember, Eleanor Roosevelt and Lily Ledbetter would not qualify for AAUW membership with our current educational requirement.

It will update the relevance and image of your branch as the world reckons with inequality and systemic racism, much of which disproportionately affects women. It might open up more opportunities for collaboration. Having a limiting membership requirement can be considered discriminatory and off putting to other local like-minded groups. When speaking at community functions, it demeans the branch to say that not everyone can be a member.

It will no longer limit your membership by penalizing women who cannot attain a degree due to today's skyrocketing educational costs, childcare, elder care, transportation, working multiple jobs and language barriers. Today, there are more alternatives to college degrees which have burdened women with two-thirds of the national college debt. With more careers open to women, i.e., firefighters, pilots, entrepreneurs, artists, politicians, manufacturers, retail managers, and more, your branch may have the potential for a variety of new members.

WHAT WON'T CHANGE IF THIS PASSES?

It will not affect AAUW's status as one of the leaders in graduate grants and fellowships. Due to the generosity of our members our fellowships and grants are fully endowed and will continue in perpetuity.

It will not affect the name – AAUW. Like the YWCA and NAACP, much of the original meanings are no longer accurate. For example, we are international, not just American. We have been open to individuals with associate degrees, not just degrees from universities, since 2005 and open to men since 1987.

It will not affect the honor of having earned a degree in times when so few women attained this achievement. Today, with women outpacing men in earning all degrees for decades, we can be proud that we were instrumental in breaking down the barriers for women who followed us.

The “Cities for CEDAW Initiative” is Coming to Appleton!

CEDAW is an international treaty approved by the United Nations: Convention to Eliminate All Forms of Discrimination Against Women—the most comprehensive international agreement addressing women’s rights withing political, civil, cultural, economic, and social life. This is also knows as the International Bill of Rights for Women. Check out this website for more information: <http://worldwithoutgenocide.org/toolkits/cedaw>.

CEDAW is celebrating is 40th anniversary this year. This treaty was signed by Jimmy Carter on July 17, 1980—however, *it has still NOT been ratified for the US by our legislators!!* This treaty has been signed and ratified by 189 States Parties—but not the United States. Other governments that have **not ratified** the treaty include Iran, Palau, Somalia, Sudan, and Tonga.

Two hundred international and national organizations have already indicated their support for CEDAW including **American Association of University Women—and AAUW Appleton Branch** as well as the Appleton Mid-day Women’s Alliance.

Cities for CEDAW will have a virtual public meeting to educate people on CEDAW on Convention on **Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 7:00-8:30 pm CST**. The goal is to have Appleton passing a resolution in support of the Convention/ International Bill of Rights for Women. A registration link will be sent out via MailChimp in March—look for it!

Book Sale Update



Book Drop Off: Due to the cold temperature in our sorting room at the Kaukauna library we will not be hanging out there on Tuesday mornings until it gets a little warmer. Betsy Mintern, Shirley Schloemer or Chris Taylor would be happy to meet you there for a drop off. Just give one of them a call.

2021 Book Sale Dates: We have decided not to hold a book sale this spring. Our 2021 sale will be in October if it is safe to do so at that time. Since we anticipate having a large number of books we are looking at a various options for having a larger sale such as using 2 stores and/or extending the length of the Sale. We will also be looking at safety features needed depending on the COVID situation by October.

Member Outreach

Member Outreach is a way for our AAUW community to stay connected and reach out to members during significant times in their lives.

Laurie Leonard, AAUW member creates beautiful cards for occasions such as:

- ◆ Thinking of you
- ◆ Congratulations
- ◆ Get Well
- ◆ Illness

If you know a member who we should reach out to in this way, please contact JaneAnne McCabe jamforever02@yahoo.com



Social Justice Group

Date and Time: Tuesday , **March 23rd at 10:00 am**, link will be sent 2 weeks before the meeting in a separate email just to group members. The email will also include the topic/ actions to be done prior to the meeting. Be sure to SAVE the email for the link.

Contact Judy Goodnight at 729-9553 or judy@gwd.org to get on the group mailing list. More info can be found on our website: <https://appleton-wi.aauw.net/what-we-do/groups/> Scroll down the page to Social Justice.

Articles for the April newsletter are due March 15th.
Send articles to Judy Goodnight at judy@gwd.org.

Website: <https://appleton-wi.aauw.net/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/AAUWAppleton/>

Instagram: #aauwappleton

AFTERNOON LITERATURE

March Book: *The Book of Lost Friends* by Lisa Wingate.
Wednesday, March 17th at 1:00 pm -or-
Thursday, March 18th at 1:00 pm.

Zoom link will be sent out to Afternoon Lit group members via Mailchimp.
Be sure to save the email to access the link.

SECOND CHOICE BOOK TALK

We are discussing *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng.
Wednesday, March 3rd at 1:00 pm.

RSVP to Judy at 729-9553 or email judy@gwd.org
so that you get the Zoom link.

On deck for Thursday, April 1st is
The Library of Lost and Found by Phaedra Patrick.

EVENING LITERATURE

Evening Literature is on hiatus until April, 2021.



BETWEEN THE
pages
OF A
book

IS A LOVELY PLACE TO BE

Zoom Art Class with Chris Scott



When: Wednesday, March 10th

Time: 12:30

Where: Your home

Topic: Painting on Glass

*You will need: an 11"x14" picture frame that has glass in it, 1 sheet of Silly Winks 12"x18" Glitter Paper (color your choice), acrylic paint, various brushes, glass cleaner/alcohol, paper towels, pencil and eraser.

No prior skill is needed. Just join and have fun.

RSVP to Laurie Leonard at rillal@new.rr.com by March 3rd if you are interested.

You will be sent the meeting number and the password prior to the class.

NOTE: This will be our last class until June. The date and project topic will be announced in the May Newsletter.



We received over 400 entries for the 2021 AAUW Art Contest. Now it's time to choose our winners!

Don't miss out on your chance to vote in this year's AAUW Art Contest! Through **March 3**, AAUW members can [vote](#) for their ten favorite entries. The six winning entries will be featured on a collection of AAUW note cards mailed to members this spring.

[Vote today!](#)

Thank you and good luck to everyone who submitted their work this year!

The website for voting is [2021 AAUW Art Contest](#). Click on the link and vote!

Remember: Appleton members Chris Scott and Sylvia Bull both have 2 paintings entered into the contest. **VOTE BY MARCH 3RD!**

AAUW-Appleton Branch Meeting Minutes

February 13, 2021 at 9:30 AM via ZOOM

President Joan Moeschberger welcomed everyone and reminded members that AAUW advances equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy. President Joan introduced Jacqui Klimaszewski, the program moderator for the evening, who introduced our speaker, Jim Steineke (R-Kaukauna) who spoke to our members on the Wisconsin Task Force on Racial Disparities.

President Joan then called the meeting to order. She thanked Jacqui Klimaszewski, Carol Lenz, Donna Cook, and Judy Goodnight for their help with this month's program. The January minutes were approved as published. President Joan then reminded everyone that this Spring there will be a vote at the National level concerning the elimination of the degree requirement for membership in AAUW. Check our AAUW website for more information.

Program VP Donna Cook reminded members of our upcoming branch meetings in March and April. March 16th at 6:30 PM will be our essay contest winners' presentation. April 8th at 6:30 PM is a presentation by Carlene Bechen on fair maps and gerrymandering.

Membership VP Georgianne Bravick talked about our recent Valentine Zippy Zoom social on February 9th. She showed pictures of the 20 members in attendance and said there was a lively discussion at the meeting about getting COVID vaccines.

Finance VP Kathleen Gagnow reported that \$5700 from the December Auction has gone into the scholarship account and \$1600 in donations has been deposited into the Ellie Olson Memorial account. There was a \$100 program expense and we have \$17,500 in the general account.

AAUW Reads Becky O'Connor thanked all participants for attending the *Just Mercy* discussions. The next AAUW Appleton Reads book will be *The Woman's Hour* by Elaine Weiss. Author Weiss will be the speaker at the August 26th Women's Equality Day event.

Public Policy Jacqui Klimaszewski reported that our Branch gave a \$100 donation to the Equal Justice Initiative to further the work of Bryan Stevenson, author of *Just Mercy*. Jacqui talked about the upcoming election for State Superintendent of Schools, with the winners of the election on February 16th going on the April 6th ballot. A fair maps resolution, local school board, local municipal offices and State Circuit Court will be on the April 6th ballot. For the March essay contest, Jacqui has received some entries. The deadline for entries is February 26th.

Communications Judy Goodnight apologized for the difficulty in logging into the meeting today via the ZOOM link. If this happens again, copy and paste the link into your browser or go to the Zoom website and enter the meeting number & passcode. Judy is looking for some assistants to help with communications. She would like a branch Facebook assistant and a monthly newsletter correspondent/interviewer. Please contact Judy if interested in either of these positions.

Funds Development Mary Grace said there will be scholarships given away this spring. Funds are available thanks to donations from members and our auction proceeds. Applications may be downloaded from our AAUW website or a hard copy may be obtained from Mary Grace. Mary encouraged everyone to promote our scholarship program in any way that they prefer.

Book Sale Chair Mary Grace said there will be no spring book sale. We are hoping to have an October 2021 Book Sale possibly in multiple stores at the Northland Mall. Books are still being accepted, but due to the cold, books are being accepted by appointment only. Contact Betsy Mintern or Shirley Schloemer for more information.

(Minutes continued on next page)

Afternoon Literature and Second Choice Books Judy Goodnight reminded everyone that the Afternoon Literature book *The Woman Who Smashed Codes* by Jason Fagone will be discussed at ZOOM meetings on February 17th, 2021 at 1:00 PM or February 18th, 2021 at 1:00 PM. A link will be sent to group members or contact Judy if interested in attending. Second Choice Books will be discussing *Little Fires Everywhere* by Celeste Ng on March 3rd.

Social Justice Group will be investigating AAUW’s Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Toolkit looking for activities to share with the branch and/or the general public. Group members will report out at their ZOOM meeting on February 23rd, 2021 at 10:00 AM. A link will be sent to group members or contact Judy if interested.

Art Class Chris Scott said the art class on February 15th will be using oil pastels to create flowers. She listed the supplies needed. The next art class will be on March 10th, 2021. It will be painting on glass. Information was given on the upcoming AAUW 12th Annual Art Contest. Chris Scott and Sylvia Bull, two of our Appleton branch members, have submitted entries and their work was shown. Go to AAUW’s website and vote for 10 entries only.

New Business President Joan reminded all members of our next branch meeting on Tuesday, March 16th, 2021 at 6:30 PM via ZOOM. She introduced our musical treat, a joint service quartet featuring Nancy Samson’s son, Will, as one of the quartet’s members.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
 Connie Wunderlich
 Recording Secretary

FINANCE REPORT—AAUW APPLETON

02/05/21

Balance Sheet 01-2021
 As of January 31, 2021

	Jan 31, 21
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
General checking - Northshore	
Beacon Fund	206
Convention Fund	5,511
General checking - Northshore - Oth...	11,805
Total General checking - Northshore	17,522
Scholarship checking	10,729
Total Checking/Savings	28,251
Total Current Assets	28,251
TOTAL ASSETS	28,251
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Net Assets - Restricted (Schol)	10,876
Net Assets - Unrestricted	18,732
Net Income	-1,358
Total Equity	28,251
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	28,251

AAUW advances gender equity for women and girls through research, education and advocacy.

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, disability, or class.

AAUW empowers all women and girls to reach their highest potential.

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