AFTERNOON LITERATURE

The Afternoon Literature group is on hiatus for the summer. Keep track of your great summer reads for sharing time in September. Info on September's book & meeting arrangements will be in the Summer II newsletter edition. Our book list will be up on our website. If you're not currently a member of the group but would be interested in attending, contact Judy Goodnight at 729-9553 or at Judy@gwd.org.



SECOND CHOICE BOOK TALK

We are discussing

Murder in the Lincoln White House
by CM Gleason.

Wednesday, June 2nd at 1:00 pm.

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

Our July book is *Crazy Rich Asians* by Kevin Kwan.



THURSDAY EVENING LITERATURE

We will meet in person(!) again starting Thursday, June 10th
11:30 am Salad Potluck luncheon at Mary Ditter's house
RSVP to Mary with what you will be bringing by June 7th

The book to be discussed is *Five Quarters of the Orange*, by Joanne Harris

Book choices for 2021-2022 year:

- Submit suggestions to Donna Cook by May 26th
- Donna will compile list and email
- Vote for your nine books, in order of preference, by email to Donna by NO LATER than June 5th Choices will be announced at potluck on the 10th.

Looking ahead-July 8th, time and location to be determined Book: Lady Clementine, by Marie Benedict

If you would like to join us, please email or call Donna so we can get your name on the list!

Thank you!!



Summer Mystery Lunches

Summer Mystery Group 2021

All branch members are welcome to join us:

When: Wednesday, June 16

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Zoom

Book: Two If By Sea by Jacquelyn Mitchard

Discussion leader: Betty Pontius

Also: When: Wednesday, July 21

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: TBA -- hopefully, a restaurant

Book: The Beekeeper's Apprentice by Laurie R. King

Discussion leader: Judy Goodnight

*When: Wednesday, August 18

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: TBA -- hopefully, a restaurant Book: *A High-End Finish* by Kate Carlisle

Discussion leader: *

When: June 2022 Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: TBA

Book: *Split Second* by David Baldacci Discussion leader: Judy Goodnight

bettypontius@yahoo.com

^{*}Please email me **soon** if you are willing to be the discussion leader for August.

"WASHED ASHORE: ART to SAVE the SEA"

At the GREEN BAY BOTANICAL GARDENS

Join us for a day at the gardens to enjoy the flowers and larger than life sculptures of animals made entirely of garbage and other debris washed up on beaches. This exhibit is on a National tour.

DATE: Friday, June 25, 2021

TIME: 9:00 a.m. to Approximately 3 p.m.

Meet at the Carpool lot on Ballard Road just north of 41 in

Appleton. Or meet us at the Gardens, if that works better for you.

COST: Admission to the Garden

\$10.00 - For Seniors (62+), AAA, or AARP Member

\$12.00 - Regular Adult Admission

LUNCH: Bring a bag lunch to eat at the Gardens.

Vending machines are available for snacks, drinks, ice cream

RSVP: To Judy Phillips at 739-1000 or email cubbie1945@gmail.com
Let us know if you would like to be a driver and how many people you can take including you. Also, if you are driving there on your own.





JUNE AAUW ART CLASS:

Tuesday, June 8

Place: Chris Scott's House (1406 W. Edmund Dr., Appleton)

Time: 12:30 pm

Theme: Acrylic Chain Pour

Cost: \$15.00 (All Materials Provided)

No experience necessary...just come and have fun!

Please RSVP to Laurie Leonard RJLLAL@new.rr.com by June 1



JULY AAUW ART CLASS:

Wednesday, July 7

Place: Chris Scott's House (1406 W. Edmund Dr., Appleton)

Time: 12:30 pm

Theme: Bubble Fun

Cost: \$15.00 (All Materials Provided)

No experience necessary...just come and have fun!

Please RSVP to Laurie Leonard RJLLAL@new.rr.com by July 1



Member Outreach

Member Outreach is a way for our AAUW community to stay connected and reach out to members during significiannt 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

Attention History Lovers!

The Grignon Mansion in Kaukauna is built on land which is the oldest recorded deed in Wisconsin. A trading post was established there in 1760. The home was built as a wedding gift to Charles Grignon's wife Mary Elizabeth Meade in 1837, and today is furnished as it would have appeared at that time. It's fascinating!

There is a new executive director for the museum, and she has plans to increase awareness and enjoyment of the home. Cassidy Mickelson will share her own story as well as her plans for the future of the museum with us! It will be an informal gathering, with plenty of opportunity to ask questions.

We will meet with her Tuesday June 29, at 2:00, at the Mansion. The address is 1313 Augustine St. in Kaukauna. If it's a nice day we will sit outside on the shaded grounds for our conversation with Cassidy, but she has graciously agreed to allow us to walk inside the Mansion and she will answer questions. There is no cost for this program.

You might want to bring along a folding lawn chair. There is a pavilion to shelter from light rain. There is a small meeting room in the basement of the mansion which we also may use if the weather is bad.

Call or write Faye Binsfeld if you plan to attend- by June 24, please! binsfeldfaye@gmail.com or 920-268-8246.



River Tyme and the Boating is Easy!

Come join the AAUW Travel Group for a summer time cruise aboard the River Tyme Too.

Spouses & friends are invited along for this special event but space is limited so don't delay—register today!

When: July 21, 2021 from 4-6 PM

Cost: \$30 per person includes cruise and snacks.

Beverages will be available for purchase from River Tyme Boat Company.

Register now: Text or call Connie at 920-205-3808 or email conniepolley@yahoo.com

ABSOLUTE DEADLINE TO REGISTER: JUNE 30

[in case of bad weather trip will be rescheduled.]

Tour departs from 181 S. River Heath Way (parking lot by the Tempest Coffee Shop)

Note: There are a few steps to get into the boat. Restroom facilities onshore only.

Top off the evening and get together with friends for dinner at a restaurant of your choice!

FLAG DAY PARADE! JUNE 12! JOIN US AND BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

Appleton AAUW will be celebrating women getting the vote in 1920 by walking in the Appleton Flag Day Parade Saturday afternoon, June 12. We want to be well represented with members, friends, young women and girls, anyone excited to celebrate 101 years of the 19th Amendment's passage. Our theme is Celebrating Our Vote.

Signs and banners are being prepared for you to carry, but you will need comfy shoes, sun protection, hat, water, a small flag if you have one, and willingness to walk the parade route of just over 2 miles in downtown Appleton.

We would like to have several people dressed in clothing the Suffragists would have worn- white blouse, skirt, hat, and a sash which we have ordered for you. They will lead our group carrying signs about getting the vote.

Others will wear AAUW T Shirts, period costumes such as flappers, Rosie the Riveter, Women in Sports celebrating Title IX, or any white top and khaki bottoms. Younger members of our group will have signs about being future voters, getting scholarships from AAUW- all representing what women did once they had the power of the vote. Really, whatever you decide to wear will be just fine. You can wave a flag or carry a (lightweight) sign. And of course we'll have signs with our Book Sale dates!

Too much to walk? Find some friends and a shady spot for your folding chairs and cheer us on when we walk by. You can find details about the parade at https://www.appleton.org/visitors/2021-appleton-flag-day-parade and on their FaceBook page.

FLAG DAY PARADE DETAILS

The parade begins on Wisconsin Avenue and Oneida Street, but we have been assigned to gather in Space 46 at the corner of Morrison and Randall Streets. The parade begins at 2:00, but we need to be at our starting location by 1:15.

Some cars may be parked at Liz Lokensgard's home at 614 E Roosevelt St, but it would be very convenient if some cars were parked near First Methodist Church at 325 E Franklin Street so we can return everyone to their car. If you need help getting organized for that, I will try to send out a list of people who are attending so you can work details out with them. Liz lives about 6 blocks from our starting point, which is just south of Erb Park, one block north of Wisconsin Avenue.

Whatever your plan, please be at our beginning space by 1:15 at the latest so we are organized by the starting time.

PLEASE LET FAYE BINSFELD KNOW IF YOU PLAN TO WALK WITH US!

PLEASE ALSO INDICATE WHAT YOU PLAN TO WEAR, EVEN IF IT'S SHORTS AND A T SHIRT- IT WILL HELP US PLAN.

BINSFELDFAYE@GMAIL.COM OR 920-268-8246

If you have questions or want help figuring out what to wear, feel free to ask. If you know of a group that would fit our theme and want to join us, let me know.



AAUW BRANCH MEETING VIA ZOOM

May 20, 2021 at 6:30pm

President Joan Moeschberger welcomed everyone and reminded members that AAUW advances equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy. Joan especially welcomed the scholarship recipients in attendance. There were 60 members and recipients total in attendance. President Joan then introduced AAUW member Susan McFadden who spoke about Ellie Olson's memorial. She introduced the 3 scholarship recipients in Ellie's name. Joan then introduced Mary Grace who presented the AAUW scholarship winners.

President Joan then called the meeting to order and announced that there has been a change to the Executive Board for next year. JaneAnne McCabe has stepped aside for personal reasons as the new Assistant VP of Membership, and Susie Jennings has graciously agreed to take on the role of Assistant VP of Membership. The April branch meeting minutes were approved as published in the May newsletter. Joan announced that the national vote to eliminate the degree requirement for membership did not pass with a 2/3 majority but 63% of voting members voting for this to pass shows that AAUW members are trending towards more inclusivity.

Assistant Program VP Sylvia Bull invited any interested members to attend the Program Planning for 2021-2022 Meeting on June 3, 2021, at 1:30PM via Zoom. E-mail Sylvia if attending. Next, Sylvia reminded all those who want an AAUW T-shirt to check their May newsletter and follow the directions there for ordering one.

Membership VP Georgianne Bravick showed a list of all members with significant anniversaries and especially honored Grace Fuller with 55 years in our AAUW branch. A donation of \$100. to AAUW National Greatest Needs Fund will be sent in recognition of members' anniversaries.

Georgianne announced that this year there will be prospective member get together for members and their guests on Friday, June 11, 2021, at 1PM at City Park on the SE corner. *Shape the Future* discounts on the first-year membership fee will be given to those who pay that day for their 2021-2022 membership. Georgianne then introduced Assistant VP of Membership, Mary Bechle, who conducted the gift card drawing for members who had paid their 2021-2022 dues. Winners were Jackie Booher-Author's Kitchen, Mary Grace-Meade St. Bistro, and LouAnn Graf-River Tyme restaurant.

Finance VP Kathleen Gagnow gave the April 2021 financial report which showed that \$4000 was deposited in the General Account for dues paid. \$2000 was sent to Thousand Islands Nature Center as part of Ellie Olson's memorial. \$150 was given to the Program Committee, and \$100 to the Public Policy Committee. Our branch has almost \$25,000 in the general checking account and our branch owes \$3200 to National AAUW for state and national dues. We are in the negative for our budget, but this will improve greatly as members pay their dues for 2021-2022.

Communications Chair Judy Goodnight announced that there will be only 2 summer editions of the newsletter. The deadline for the first summer edition is ASAP. This is for announcing all events occurring between now and July 15. Announcements for events occurring after July 15 need to be sent to Judy by July 5th for inclusion in the second summer edition.

Public Policy - Chair Jacqui Klimaszewski did a recap of all the Public Policy events for this past year. There were many and some of the highlights were reading and discussing the book, *Just Mercy*, and donating money to the Equal Justice Initiative, support of CEDAW, *Get out the Vote* activities, viewing the, *Can you Hear Us Now?* documentary, promoting state budget listening sessions, and encouraging everyone to be a 2 Minute Activist

Looking forward, work on Fair Maps at the AAUW state level is going on and if you are interested in becoming involved with that or being on the Public Policy Committee, contact Jacqui Klimaszewski.

Wisconsin State Public Policy - Stephanie Malaney, State Public Policy Chair, talked about the People's Map Commission. They need Wisconsin residents to create maps of community interests that can be used when drawing district lines. There are links which will be sent out with the next newsletter. These links are used to get involved in four different areas. Contact Stephanie if interested or for more information.

Book Sale -Trish Brehm talked about publicity using bookmarks and posters. Let Trish know if you want a poster to put up in an area business. Posters and bookmarks are on her front porch for members to pick up. The 84th book sale theme is *One Book Is Never Enough*.

Book Sale - Mary Grace said the dates for the sale are October 14-17, 21-24, and 28-30, 2021. The book sale will be held at two stores in the Northland Mall. October 2nd is moving day to the mall and October 7th is the work night for members. There is no sorting by branch members other than the book sale committee going on currently. The committee could use more books. Currently there are 1100 boxes of books that have been sorted. You can drop off book donations to the Kaukauna Library on Tuesdays from 9:30AM to 11:30AM or contact Chris Taylor, Shirley Schloemer, or Betsy Mintern for phone numbers of members who will pick up books. Contact Donna Cook if interested in helping with book pick up.

AAUW Reads - Becky O'Connor reminded members that our next *AAUW Reads* book is, *The Woman's Hour*, by Elaine Weiss. There will be discussions of the book this August.

Afternoon Literature and Second Choice Book - Chair Judy Goodnight first announced that the Afternoon Literature Group just met and had a reveal of the books for 2021-2022. The Second Choice Books Group will meet June 2nd at 1PM via Zoom. The June book discussion will be about *Murder in The Lincoln White House,* and the July book is *Crazy Rich Asians*.

Evening Literature - Chair Grace Fuller said that Donna Cook will be taking over as the new leader of that group. Contact Donna with any book ideas for next year. *Five Quarters of the Orange* by Joanne Harris will be discussed on June 10th at the home of Mary Ditter. Mary will host a salad luncheon at 11:30AM. Let Mary Ditter know if you are attending and what salad or dessert you will be bringing.

Summer Mystery Group- Chair Betty Pontius announced the Summer Mystery Group meeting on June 16th, at 11:30AM, will be via Zoom. The book discussed will be, *Two If by Sea*, by Jacquelyn Mitchard. The July 21st book discussion will be about *The Beekeeper's Apprentice* by Laurie King, and the August 18th book discussion will be about *A High-End Finish* by Kate Carlisle. In June 2022, the book discussion will be about *Split Second* by David Baldacci. Note that the book discussions for the Summer Mystery Group are on the 3rd Wednesday of June, July, and August.

Travel Group-chair Connie Polley (co-chair Ruth Henschel) announced our first trip will be on June 25th to the Green Bay Botanical Gardens. We will carpool from the Ballard Road Park N Ride. RSVP to Judy Phillips. Bring your own lunch. Connie reported that they are also planning an evening River Tyme Cruise in July 2021. There will be a maximum of 35 people. Spouses, partners, and guests are invited. In the fall, the group will travel to West of Lake Gardens and the Farm Wisconsin Discovery Center in Manitowoc. A trip is also being planned for November 3rd to the Fireside Dinner Theatre in Fort Atkinson. Mark your calendars for May 2nd - May 6th of 2022. The group will travel to Shipshewana, IN.

Flag day Parade- Faye Binsfeld said that they need as many people as possible to march in the parade on June 12 at 2PM. Wear a costume if possible.

Grignon Mansion Opportunity- Faye Binsfeld announced a chance to visit the Grignon Mansion in Kaukauna on June 29th. The new Executive Director, Candy Mickelson, will share plans for the future of the museum. Bring a lawn chair and plan on a walk through the mansion. Contact Faye by June 24th if interested in attending.

Women's Equality Day- Faye Binsfeld reminded us that on August 26, Women's Equality Day will be celebrated at Perry Hall at UW Oshkosh Fox Cities Campus. The speaker will be Elaine Weiss and the cost will be \$5.00. There will be a reception with food and drink.

Social Justice-chair Judy Goodnight will have a meeting on Tuesday, May 25, at 1PM via Zoom.

Art Class - Chris Scott will have an in-person class at her home using the acrylic chain pull technique on Tuesday, June 8th at 12:30 PM. The cost is \$15. The class will permit a maximum of 8 people to allow for social distancing. RSVP to Laurie Leonard if attending. The next art classes are July 7th, August 9th, and September 15th.

Appreciation to Retiring Board Members - Joan Moeschberger recognized and thanked retiring board members for their contributions. They are Georgianne Bravick, Donna Cook, Laurie Leonard, Connie Wunderlich, and Kathleen Gagnow.

Introduction of Continuing and Newly Elected Officers - Becky O'Connor then introduced our new officers and installed them. They are Christine Taylor, President Elect; Sylvia Bull, Program Vice- President; Kathy Kuck, Assistant Program Vice-President; Mary Bechle, Membership Vice-President; Susie Jennings, Assistant Membership Vice-President; Nancy Grube, Finance Vice-President; Jackie Booher, Assistant Finance Vice-President; Sue Vannorsdall, Secretary.

Introduction of Remaining Committee Chairs - Judy Goodnight acknowledged standing and special committee chairs that will continue to serve on our board.

Pledge by Member on Behalf of all Branch Members - Susan McFadden represented all branch members as she pledged to support our new and continuing branch leaders.

Thank you - President Joan thanked Judy and Mike Goodnight for all their technical help during the past year. Branch, board, and committee meetings would not have been possible without their guidance.

New Business - Judy Goodnight thanked Joan for all her work this year on behalf of AAUW and its members.

Joan reminded everyone that the next branch meeting will be in September and hopefully it will be in person.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55PM. There was a social gathering following the meeting for all that were interested.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Wunderlich, Recording Secretary



SAVE THE DATE FOR WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY!

August 26, 2021

Perry Hall at UW-Oshkosh Fox Cities Campus

Featured Speaker: Elaine Weiss

Reception with food & drink

Cost: \$5.00



FINANCE REPORT—AAUW APPLETON

AAUW - Appleton Branch

05/04/21

Balance Sheet As of April 30, 2021

| | Apr 30, 21 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| ASSETS Current Assets Checking/Savings General Checking | |
| Beacon Fund Convention Fund General Checking - Other | 206 5,511 19,074 |
| Total General Checking | 24,791 |
| Scholarship Checking | 9,980 |
| Total Checking/Savings | 34,772 |
| Total Current Assets | 34,772 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 34,772 |
| LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities Current Liabilities Other Current Liabilities Due to AAUW National Due to AAUW Wisconsin | 2,666 598 |
| Total Other Current Liabilities | 3,264 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 3,264 |
| Total Liabilities | 3,264 |
| Equity Net Assets Net Income | 32,668 -1,161 |
| Total Equity | 31,508 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY | 34,772 |

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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