



APPLETON (WI) BRANCH

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"To the wrongs that need resistance, to the right that needs assistance, to the future in the distance, give yourselves." – **Carrie Chapman Catt**, women's suffrage leader, president of the National American Suffrage Association 1900-1904, 1915-1920

We knew that when Faye organized our participation in the Flag Day parade that it would be fun. We knew it would be hot. We knew only Lynne could manage to wear authentic, awesome suffragist boots and the rest of us would don our sturdy walking shoes. We knew it would be joyous because we had not been together for so long. But none of us knew the impact we had on the folks watching the parade. It actually sort of took my breath away. We carried signs that Chris and Georgianne made. They had been waiting a full pandemic year to be carried. *We Can Do It. Title IX Equal Opportunity. Votes for Women 1920. Women's Rights are Human Rights. Pass the ERA. Making History Working for a Victory. RBG.* Oh...and of course, *AAUW Used Book Sale!*

And they cheered. Grandmas and grandpas, mamas and daddies with little ones, teens and preteens. Cheering 101 years of voting, cheering suffragists, cheering our costumed women in history, cheering the work done by women of the past, and cheering with hope for a better future. Cheering the women of AAUW. Cheering the huge banner saying *Celebrating Our Vote*. Mouthing the words "thank you" as we walked by.

AAUW still has work to do. We will still work for diversity, equity and inclusion. We will still use the collective megaphone to resist wrongs and assist what is right. We will give ourselves to speaking out for all the issues that are outlined in our public policy priorities.

But for now, for a moment, we will enjoy the cheers knowing that support for our mission is out there. Simply stated from our webpage: *Together, we can achieve a vision of equal opportunity for all.*

Walking together...in a parade, at our branch meetings, reading books, sharing ideas and dreams for a better world...walking together.

See you at the August book discussions for *The Woman's Hour*. Carrie would be proud of us.

Becky O'Connor, past president
bandboc@gmail.com

Program News

-WANTED-

Fresh vitality and enthusiasm for AAUW's
Appleton Branch 2021-2022 season.
Apply to the following:

Kick-off date is Set

Mark your calendar NOW for Wednesday, Sept 8. We will be gathering for our 2021-2022 Kick-off!! at 5:30pm at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

Remember? We gather for snacks, have a meeting, sign-up for activities and socialize - in person!! We will have a guest speaker, "Re-entry into Normalcy after COVID-19".

Details will be in the September newsletter (at the end of August).

Sign up now - Don't Wait

You can sign up now to volunteer to help with the monthly programs. It's easy to do and requires from you only a little extra time and a smile. You can let me know now - just send me an email with a "I'll be happy to help out, just give me a call"!

Also, I will begin planning the Holiday Brunch right away the end of September. If you wish to tell me now that you want to help with the planning of this exciting event (before the Sept sign-up), please do so. If you have a particular expertise or interest, let me know.

(These are great opportunities for new members - please join in.)

Thank you.

Sylvia Bull, VP Programming

Contact me at sjbcreate@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

DUES RENEWAL—DON'T DELAY!

Send your payment of \$90 made out to AAUW Appleton along with the dues invoice form (see May newsletter) to Mary Bechle, 425W. Kennedy Ave. #205, Kimberly, WI 54136.



The Membership Committee will be hosting a New Member Meet & Greet Tea on Monday, August 23rd at 10:30 AM at Susie Jennings' home. Watch for more details to be sent out via branch email.

Grignon Mansion Visit Take II

Due to unsettled weather, the visit to the Grignon Mansion in Kaukauna had to be postponed. We had hoped to meet Cassidy Mickelson, the newly appointed Director, to learn about her plans for the historic site, and her own background.

Fortunately, we have a second chance to meet with Cassidy. We will also be allowed to walk through the Mansion, which is on land that holds the oldest deed in Wisconsin. The Grignons were in the fur trading business in the earliest days of white settlement of the Wisconsin territory. The home was built in 1837, but there was a trading post on the land as early as 1760. It's a historic treasure!

Visit the Grignon Home
1313 Augustine St. Kaukauna 54130
Monday, July 19, 2:00 PM

Bring a lawn chair if the weather's good
We will meet in the lower level of the Mansion if it's raining

Please let Faye Binsfeld know if you are interested in attending.
binsfeldfaye@gmail.com 920-268-8246
Reply by July 15 if possible.

There is no cost.

Judy & Lynne Phillips



Mother & Daughter Members

45 years ago, I received a call inviting me to an AAUW Appleton prospective member meeting. She sold me (a new mom) on AAUW as a place to have adult conversation and interaction.

I'm a Chicago native & lived there until moving to Appleton in 1970. I attended Ripon College in WI and earned a BS in Biology. I taught science first in IL, then in WI at Madison Junior High in Appleton. I retired after teaching 6th grade Science at Wilson Middle School.

I've been involved in many branch projects & activities- the Book Sale, the Child Development Interest Group, the Holiday Brunch committee & auctioneer, Tech Savvy and co- chair of Math and Science Rocks! I served as President of the Appleton Branch back in the eighties. I joined the Membership Committee, which helped me immensely when I became Membership VP twice. Before I knew it, I was the State Membership VP.

Education for women and girls has always been important to me. There have been many women in this Branch who have been role models for me in this area-such as our past presidents, those who take on many leadership positions at one time, our Public Policy people and, of course, my original role model – my mother.

I am involved in Girl Scouts, Church committees, past member of the Ripon College Alumni Board, and am currently on the Appleton Education Association – Retired Committee. Reading and the Afternoon Book Group, golfing and travel are my pastimes as well as the Chicago Cubs no matter what their record is at a particular time.

AAUW is full of memorable moments such as members rushing to help me when needed, National Conventions, Book Sales when people tell us how much our Sale means to them, etc. That phone call I received 45 years ago has brought meaning and substance to my life and I am grateful for all AAUW has done for me.



This has only been my first year as an AAUW member, yet it feels like my whole life has been involved with AAUW. I've been tagging along with my mother since I was a baby.

I went to Ripon College (my mother's alma mater) and got my BA in biology and French. I planned to pursue a career in

the sciences, so I headed to the UT-Houston's Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences. All of my internships were geared towards space science, including my graduate work at Johnson Space Center. When that didn't work out, I did a 180 and got my Masters in History at UH-Clear Lake and then got my Masters in Museum Studies at JFK University in Berkeley. While there, I did public programming at the USS Hornet Museum, as well as an internship at the Walt Disney Family Museum that turned into my first job as a museum professional. I next moved cross country to become the Collections Manager at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum. I was there for almost 9 years before coming back to the Midwest to be the curator at the National Museum of the American Sailor. That didn't last very long. After a brief stint at home, I started at MacMurray College as their archivist. But then Mac closed after 174 years due to Covid. So now I'm home, working at Bergstrom Mahler Museum of Glass, though not in my area. But I'm happy to be here and still at a museum.

Education for girls is an issue I feel passionate about. My own liberal arts education was how I was able to switch from science to humanities so easily. That education was partly funded by AAUW scholarships, and I want to be able to afford that opportunity to others. Growing up in the book sale has provided many memories, from playing in the Masonic Temple as a child, to actually doing something productive by sorting and putting out the sci-fi books as an adult. I hope to contribute even more now that I'm a member.

The person who inspired me toward space science, Mae Jemison, is still a role model with her educational foundation. But my forever role model is my mom. If it wasn't for her, I wouldn't have joined AAUW. I admire her volunteerism, love of education, and generosity.



Fund Development & Book Sale Chair—Mary Grace



I graduated from Dominican University with a major in sociology, a minor in English, and an elementary education certificate. Throughout my career, I taught 4th grade, worked as a Program Director for the local Girl Scout council, and served as the volunteer and community relations director for LEAVEN.

In 1984, Ruth Henschel urged me to join AAUW, so I did. I joined because I wanted to be in a book group and be involved in the book sale. Over the years, I have served in a variety of leadership positions including Program VP, scholarship committee chair, Math and Science Rocks! Co-chair, and book sale chair. I have enjoyed all of those roles. It has been most special to interact with each year's scholarship recipients. What an impressive group they always are! Watching the eager customers pour into the book sale on the opening morning of the sale is always exciting. I love that our book sales encourage people to read and recycle their books as well as providing money for scholarships.

Besides AAUW, I serve on the board of the Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes and the Girl Scout Gold Award committee for our region, the Service and Justice committee for our church, and volunteer at LEAVEN.

Joining AAUW has enriched my life. It has provided life-long learning opportunities in so many ways; branch meeting speakers, state conventions, book groups, information on important issues, & travel group opportunities. Through book group I have read and enjoyed books I would never have read otherwise. Most special of all are all of the amazing women I have met through AAUW who I call friends!



Women's Equality Day Join the Celebration!

Join the Fox Valley Amendment Centennial Coalition Thursday, August 26 at 4:30 pm at Perry Hall on the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh-Fox Cities Campus for *The Woman's Hour*, featuring award-winning author, journalist Elaine Weiss.

In her book, *The Woman's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote*, Weiss provides a gripping account of the ratification of the 19th Amendment. A wine and hors d'oeuvres reception will precede the program, which starts at 5:45 p. m. Elaine Weiss will sign copies of her book following the program.

Tickets are \$5 and are required in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door. The registration deadline is August 15, 2021. Save your seat early!

This event is presented by the Fox Valley 19th Amendment Centennial Coalition. AAUW-Appleton is one of the partners in the coalition.

To reserve your ticket, visit the Fox Valley 19th Amendment Centennial website:

<https://hervoicehervoteourvictory.com/upcoming-events/> or click on the Event on our Facebook page & click on Tickets.

“One Book Is Never Enough” 2021 Book Sale

Important Dates

Oct. 2 - Move to the Northland Mall

Oct. 7 - Book Sale Work night

Book Sale Dates, Times and Prices

Thurs., Oct. 14th – 9am–8pm (Most books \$1)

Fri., Oct. 15th – 9am–8pm (Most books \$1)

Sat., Oct. 16th – 9am–5pm (Most books \$1)

Sun., Oct. 17th – noon–5pm (Most books \$1)

Thurs., Oct. 21 – 9am–8pm (Most books \$1)

Fri., Oct. 22 – 9am–8pm (Most books \$1)

Sat., Oct. 23 – 9am–5pm (½ price day)

Sun., Oct. 24 – noon–5pm (½ price day)

Thurs., Oct. 28 – 9am–8pm (\$5/bag)

Fri., Oct. 29 – 9am–8pm (\$5/bag)

Sat., Oct. 30 – 9am–1pm (Books free)



Book Collection, Drop Off, and Sorting:

WE NEED BOOKS & PUZZLES! Please continue to let people know! Throughout July you may drop off books at the Kaukauna Library every Tuesday morning from 9:30 - 11:30 am. If you are unable to bring the books on Tuesday mornings, please contact Betsy Minter (832-9218), Shirley Schloemer (843-8888) or Chris Taylor (636-8153). One of them will arrange a time to meet you there. We also need the paper boxes with lids.

If you would like to help with book pick-up, please contact Donna Cook at 427-6655 or djocook16@gmail.com.

We will begin book sorting on Tuesday, August 3. We will be sorting each Tuesday from 9:00 am until noon. On August 3, we will go out to lunch afterward at a nearby Kaukauna restaurant.

We are looking forward to a great 2021 book sale!
Your Book Sale Committee

Saturday, March 5, 2022



It seems so long ago that we were within days of our 2020 Tech Savvy event that had to be cancelled. 2021 was skipped because the committee felt the most critical part of the event was face to face interaction with STEM career women. Now it is time to start our planning for the 2022 Tech Savvy event. We are starting the planning this summer and are looking for committee chairs to help with the planning and committee members to help them. **Many hands make light work! Contact S. Malaney at smalaney505@gmail (920-740-9632) or J. Klimaszewski at JJKlim@new.rr.com (920-830-2919). Join us!!**

Committees for Tech Savvy Planning

Budget- Stephanie & Jeanne

Establishing cost of event

Fundraising- Stephanie & Jeanne

Raising needed funds to keep the cost at a low rate for participants

Publicity

Updating contact list, promoting the event through posters and social media and photography

Parent Sessions

Establish 1 hour or longer sessions for parents including a panel of STEM career women, paying for college, etc.

Girl Savvy- Becky O'Connor

Planning sessions for girls--- budget, career planning, leadership, personal skills

College Savvy

Work with college recruiters and school counselor - am sessions

STEM Hands-On

Recruiting STEM career women to do girl workshops

Food Planning- Nancy Havens

Meeting food services, planning & selection menu, set up for breakfast and lunch

Volunteering-

Establish needs of the day, recruit, and train volunteers

Evaluation-

Create an evaluation that helps the committees with planning and fundraising

Registration-

Managing the registrations of parents and students, printing groups, name tags

Check-in Coordinator - Joan Moeschberger

Distributing Tech Savvy backpacks, nametags, and t-shirts

Opening and Closing of the Day

Speakers and PowerPoints to set the tone of the day and the wrap up at the end

Program Booklet

Assembling the program booklet

Next Planning Meeting July 19, 2021, 1:00 by Zoom

AAUW Appleton has traditionally reserved a table for the Women's Fun Luncheon. This year's luncheon will again be virtual. We can attend in a GATHER for HER Virtual Party with a minimum of 10 people at \$50 per person. Joan Moeschberger will be coordinating sign-ups for us so contact Joan if you are interested in participating.

This year's featured speaker is Dr. Scharmaine Lawson.



Thursday, September 9

11:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Countdown to the Luncheon
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Luncheon Program

Monday-Thursday, September 6-9 | Silent Auction

Bid on handbags and other items during the silent auction. Register for the event and follow us on Facebook to join all the fun!

The Public Policy Committee would love to have **you** join with your ideas and fresh approaches to AAUW issues advocacy. Contact Jacqui at jjklim@new.rr.com

Become a Two-Minute Activist!

Click here and sign up:

<https://www.aauw.org/act/two-minute-activist/>



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

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

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

Instagram: #aauwappleton



...in the 1000 Islands Conservancy Area of the Lower Fox River.

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May 21, 2021

Susan McFadden
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To all,

Thank you for the \$2,000.00 memorial donation to 1000 Islands Environmental Center in memory of Ellie Olson. We truly appreciate you selecting 1000 Islands to receive this donation so we may carry her legacy forward.

This monetary gift will be used for a new kiosk at our renovated Nelson Overlook on the Conservancy Zone. We will feature information on the American Bald Eagle and dedicate this panel to Ellie.

Ellie's legacy and love for the environment and nature will always be remembered and honored here at 1000 Islands. We are genuinely grateful for this donation.

Sincerely,

Debra Nowak
Director | Naturalist



AFTERNOON LITERATURE

The Afternoon Literature group is on hiatus for the summer. Keep track of your great summer reads for sharing time in September.

September 15th book :

Anxious People by Fredrik Backman

For more info, contact Judy Goodnight at 729-9553 or at Judy@gwd.org.

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SECOND CHOICE BOOK TALK

We are discussing

The Kitchen Front

by Jennifer Ryan

Wednesday, August 4th at 1:00 pm on Zoom.

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

Our September book will be

The Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter

Author: Hazel Gaynor



READ



THURSDAY EVENING LITERATURE

Our next meeting is Thursday, August 12th at 6:30 PM.

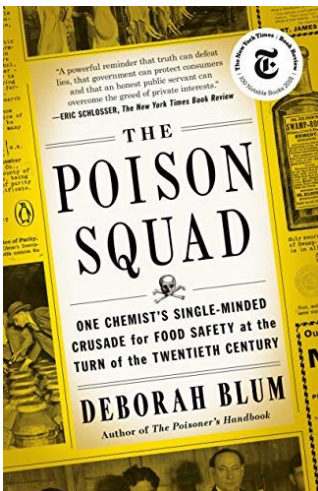
Location: Kaukauna Library

Book: ***The Poison Squad*** by Deborah Blum

Discussion Leader: Shirley Collins

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 Group 2021

All branch members are welcome to join us:

When: Wednesday, July 21

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Mad Apple Burger

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

Discussion leader: Judy Goodnight

RSVP and Preordering will be requested. Watch for an email in July.

When: Wednesday, August 18

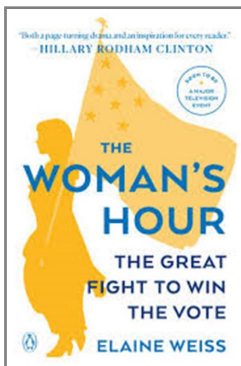
Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Anduzzi's

Book: *A High-End Finish* by Kate Carlisle

Discussion leader: Sylvia Bull

RSVP deadline: Aug. 15th to bettypontius@yahoo.com



AAUW READS BOOK DISCUSSIONS

We have 2 dates set aside for discussion of our second all-branch book read.

Tuesday, August 17th at 1:00 pm will be an in-person discussion hosted by Becky O'Connor at 500 E. Timberline Drive, Appleton. RSVPs are appreciated but last minute attendees are welcome.

Thursday, August 19th at 6:30 pm will be via Zoom hosted & led by Judy Goodnight. Zoom link will be sent to all branch members via Mailchimp earlier that week.

Be prepared then to hear the author of the book speak at the Women's Equality Day event.

