



APPLETON (WI) BRANCH

Aug 26	Women's Equality Day
Aug 29	Book Sorting Mornings (Tues. 9-Noon)
Aug 29	Board Meeting
Aug 30	Afternoon Literature Summer Gathering
Aug 30	Book Sorting Evenings Wed. 6-8 PM
Sept 5	Second Choice Books
Sept 5	Lunch out after Book Sorting
Sept 7	Women's Fund Luncheon
Sept 12	Fall Program Kickoff
Sept 14	Evening Literature
Sept 20	Afternoon Literature Tea
Sept 26	Social Justice Group
Sept 27	Art Class



The Apple Branch

American Association of University Women Appleton, Wisconsin
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"We're back in the saddle again...riding the range once more!"
Thank you, Gene Autry, 1941

How can it be time to turn the calendar page to September already? It is sad to wave good-bye to summer; but it's also an exciting time as we look forward to all that AAUW-Appleton has in store for us. ***So, let's hop on that saddle!***

Even before we "gallop" into September we can celebrate "Women's Equality Day" on August 26th at Houdini Plaza. The newly formed Women's Action Coalition brings Fox Valley women's groups together to celebrate the anniversary of the 19th amendment, granting women the right to vote. Please consider coming down to help celebrate such an important day...and of course take advantage of the Farmers' Market.

Our first Branch Meeting will be Tuesday, September 12th. It is such an important evening (details inside this newsletter). Important because we have a chance to socialize, pick up the 2023-24 Directory & Yearbook, hear the latest branch news, and be reminded of the many activities and projects that are so important to furthering our mission. I hope to see a "stampede" of members at our first Branch meeting!

Speaking of furthering our mission, please try to stay aware and participate in the many ways our branch furthers gender equity for women and girls. You'll see that our speakers for Branch meetings are all intended to educate and advocate for issues related to gender equity. I think we've got a great line-up of topics that will "harness" your interest this year.

Our two largest endeavors are, of course, the Book Sale in October and Tech Savvy in March. These two events serve our community in many ways and require "the rounding up" of everyone's time and effort. (I promise not to use a lasso in so doing!) Please "trot" over to our new Northland Mall location and help with book sorting, and later with set-up. But save some energy for the Tech Savvy event too. Give some serious thought to joining that planning committee (contact Stephanie Malaney or Jacqui Klimaszewski).

Are you aware that the Appleton Branch has approximately 160 members? Quite a "herd" and I mean that with respect! I recently got an email from the State Board Membership VP as she had looked at branches' gains/losses from 2022-23. We gained 26 members over the year, surpassing pre-COVID numbers. No other branch came close!

Yippee-ki-oh-ki-ay!! See you around the corral!

Chris Taylor, President

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Program News

FALL KICK-OFF MEETING

SAVE THE DATE

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
2330 E. Calumet St., Appleton

Note: Use the west entrance and parking lot

5:15 Gather

5:30 Eat and Visit

6:00 Branch Meeting

6:30 Sign up for activities

PLEASE BRING A SAVORY SNACK OR DESSERT TO SHARE

Thank you,

Paulette Stoltzmann, 920-428-4844 pstoltzmann@gmail.com

Membership News

Our August picnic was a great success! About 40 current and prospective members enjoyed an evening of good food, great conversation, and perfect summer weather. Former AAUW member, Mary Bechle provided the beautiful centerpieces that many took home as prizes! As this was a "Shape the Future" event, we were able to offer four discounted memberships to our prospective guests who attended. All four signed up! Additionally, we have another new member who joined while helping out with the book sale!

Welcome to our new branch members! They are Denise Radzins, Kayla Rouse, Victoria Rotzel, Paula Birkholz, and Lisa Balster. We are thrilled that you joined AAUW-Appleton! Current members, please introduce yourselves to our newest members and help them discover all the wonderful opportunities that being part of the Appleton branch offers.

We are looking forward to an exciting year! At the September Branch Meeting you will have the opportunity to sign up for interest groups and to help with committees. Please consider joining the Membership Committee! We would love your involvement and ideas!

Your Membership VPs-Linda Buck, Jayne Heinrich

JOIN US!

On Book Sale Work Night
For an (Optional) Box Lunch from Cousin's Subs

When: Thursday, October 5, 2023

Where: Northland Mall at our new location (formerly Rogan's Shoes)

Time: 5:00 pm

Book sorting opportunities before and after the branch meeting

Menu Choices

Italian Special: ham, bologna, salami, provolone, lettuce, tomato, salt, oregano, and oil

Ham and Provolone: ham, provolone, lettuce, onions, tomatoes, oregano, and mayo

Veggie: provolone, spring mix, cucumbers, green peppers, onions, and tomatoes

Club: ham, turkey breast, provolone, lettuce, onions, tomatoes, oregano, and mayo

Each box will include a 7 ½" sub, chips, and cookie. Water will be available.

Cost: \$11.00 includes 5.5% state sales tax and 20% tip.

Place your order at our table during the September 12th meeting. Exact cash amount or check much appreciated. Checks are to be made out to Linda Kellett and can also be mailed with your lunch order no later than Monday, September 25, 2023:

Linda Kellett
831 E. Pondview Ct.
Appleton, WI 54913

BINGE ON BOOKS!

2023 AAUW USED BOOK SALE

Sorting Volunteers needed!

Just a reminder: We are meeting at our Book Sale site in the former Rogan's shoe store every Tuesday morning from 9:00 am - noon and Wednesday evening from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm to sort books. The store is located just east of Kohl's in the Northland strip mall. If you are able please join us whenever you can, coming for all or part of the time, whatever works into your schedule.

If you are new to sorting we will be happy to give the assistance you need to get started. When you come to sort books, please park in the lot and enter through the front door. The number on the door is 792.

If you are dropping off books come to the back door which is labeled and open. If you are staying to sort, you will need to move your car to the front to park.

You are invited to join for lunch after book sorting on Tuesday, September 5.

Bookmarks and Posters

The bookmarks and posters advertising the sale dates, times, and new location are ready to be distributed. They are being handed out at all AAUW events and are available at the book sale site. You may also contact Trish Brehm at trishbrehm@yahoo.com if you won't be at any of our August or September events.

Gift Certificates

We have gift certificates which you can purchase to give to family or friends. They are available in any amount. They will be available at the September 12 branch meeting.

You can also get certificates by contacting Ruth Henschel at ranger1chc@gmail.com.

Looking forward to another successful sale!
Your Book Sale Chairs



86th Annual AAUW Book Sale!

Binge
on
Books!



Hardcover • Paperback Books
Children's Books • Books on CD
Large Print Books • Sheet Music
CDs • DVDs • Puzzles • Games

booksalefinder.com

Profits for Scholarships

To contribute books
prior to the sale,
Please call:

920-284-7098 920-731-4693
920-540-7751 920-734-6750

Northland Mall
792 W. Northland Ave. - Appleton, WI

Oct. 12-14, 2023

Thursday & Fri 9am - 7pm
(Most books \$1)

Saturday 9am - 5pm
(Most books \$1)

Oct. 18-21, 2023

Wed., Thurs., & Fri. 9am - 7pm
(Most books \$1)

Saturday 9am - 5pm
(1/2 Price Day)

Oct. 25-28, 2023

Wed. 9am - 7pm
(1/2 Price Day)

Thurs. & Fri. 9am - 7pm
(\$5/bag)

Sat. 9am - noon
(All Items Free)

AAUW
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AAUW Art Class (2 Parts: must attend both)

Instructor: Chris Scott

Tuesday, September 27 at 12:30 pm

Thursday, October 9 at 1:30 pm

Ceramic Garden Mushrooms

\$15 All Materials Provided



These two classes will consist of:

Week 1 Hand building a clay mushroom.

Week 2 Glazing your mushroom.

All are Welcome. No Experience Necessary. Just come and have fun!

Please RSVP to Laurie Leanard at RJLLAL@new.rr.com by Friday, September 22.



SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

NEXT MEETING:

TUESDAY, September 26 6:00 PM

STARBUCKS 1680 S Appleton Road

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME—

We're turning to the subject of antisemitism in the US and specifically in Wisconsin. We're reading the **final chapter** of the book "Antisemitism: What It Is. What It Isn't. Why It matters." by Julia Neuberger for discussion.

It's available to read on the free Kindle app—book is 1.99 + tax on Amazon. Contact judy@gwd.org if any questions

***Watch for a special mailing for a travel group outing to the Jewish Museum in Milwaukee for their new exhibit titled "Women Pulling At The Threads of Social Discourse".

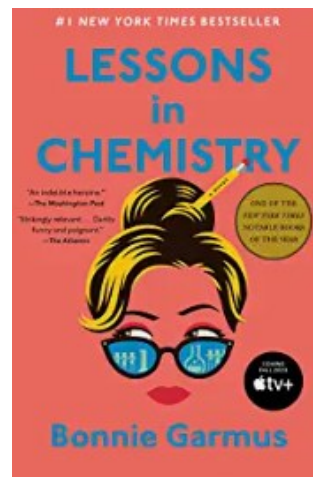


SECOND CHOICE BOOKS

Our August book is *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus.
We'll meet on September 5th at **12:15/12:30ish pm**
at Parker John's, 2331 E. Evergreen Dr., Appleton.
(Former Beefeater's restaurant)

RSVP to Judy Goodnight at judy@gwd.org
or 920.729.9553
by Sept. 1 if you plan to attend.

The October book will be *The Sentence*
by Louise Erdrich.



Second Choice Books is open to all members of the branch. Attend the discussions only for the books you wish to read.



AFTERNOON LITERATURE SUMMER GATHERING

August 30th 1:00 pm at Judy Goodnight's

1406 Fieldstone Court, Neenah

It's a BYO Beverage and
BYOLC (bring your own lawn chair) event!

Gather with your reading friends to share books read over the
summer while enjoying tasty treats (provided by Judy) and your
cool beverages. **RSVP ASAP, please!**

Evening Literature News

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 14th, 6:30 PM

Host: Joan Moeschberger, Address and contact info in Yearbook

Book: The Lost Wife by Susanna Moore

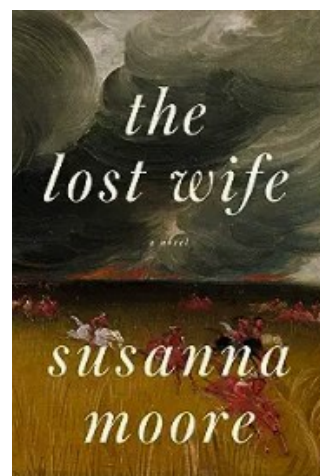
Discussion Leader: Amanda Skorr

RSVP: to Joan or Donna by phone or email by September 12th

Note: This meeting starts our 2023-2024 schedule. Books and meeting dates can be found on the AAUW Appleton website under what we do/ interest groups. The complete schedule, with hosts and discussion leaders, will be in the 2023-2024 Yearbook, which will be available at the September 12th AAUW meeting.

There will be no meeting in October because of the book sale.

All AAUW members are welcome to join us.



AFTERNOON LITERATURE SEPTEMBER TEA

An Afternoon Literature Tradition !

September 20th at the Apple Creek Clubhouse

2228 Milestone Drive, Appleton ([Google link](#))

\$3.00 per person to cover the clubhouse cost (exact cash, please)

RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 6th to Nancy Samson—920.857.5322

or samsonnancy47@gmail.com

Sign up to help with set-up, provide one or more sets of place settings for 4, bring a savory snack, or a sweet dessert item. Food items should be in small servings.

If setting up, plan to arrive by 11:15. If bringing food, plan to arrive by 11:30.

Event begins at 11:45.

Discussion of Marta Molnar's book—

The Secret Life of Sunflowers

will follow the tea.

CARPOOLING IS ADVISED! The parking area is limited.



- ◆ Changes of address/phone number/email address? Report any changes to Judy Goodnight ASAP to ensure that your branch records stay up-to-date. Make sure you update your information in the national database as well.
- ◆ Are you on Facebook? Have you liked the AAUW-Appleton Facebook page? When you see our branch Facebook posts, like them, then share them!
- ◆ Have you visited our website? Find it here: <https://appleton-wi.aauw.net/>

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Appleton AAUW Income and Expense Statement
July 1, 2023 to July 31, 2023

As of 7/31/2023

Budget
2023 - 2024

INCOME:

		add'l 1145.50 received prior	
Membership Dues 2023-2024	465.00	to 7/1/2023	2,100.00
Membership Dues 2024-2025	0.00		0.00
December 2023 Brunch Income	0.00		1,994.00
Advertisement	0.00		100.00
Interest	<u>\$0.17</u>		<u>0.00</u>
Total Income		<u>465.17</u>	<u>4,194.00</u>

EXPENSE:

Membership/Recruiting	0.00		400.00
Financial Assistance (2)	0.00		144.00
Newsletter	0.00		0.00
Program	0.00		800.00
Yearbook	0.00		300.00
Insurance	0.00		300.00
Public Policy	0.00		150.00
Historian's Expense	0.00		150.00
President Expense	0.00		300.00
Finance Expense	0.00		300.00
General Expense	0.00		100.00
Woman's Action Coalition	0.00		200.00
Fox Valley Reads	0.00		200.00
Tech Savvy Sponsorship	0.00		500.00
Special Events	0.00		300.00
Diversity	<u>0.00</u>		<u>50.00</u>
Total Expense		<u>0.00</u>	<u>4,194.00</u>

Revenue Less Expenses

465.17

Checkbook Balances as of 7/31/2023

General Checking Account

Leadership Development	5,121.00
General Fund	<u>14,633.46</u>
Total Checking Account	<u>19,754.46</u>

Scholarship Money Market Account*

24,150.99

*Includes \$3.08 in monthly interest

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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Articles for the October newsletter are due September 15th.

Send articles to Judy Goodnight at judy@gwd.org.

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



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