



Monthly Newsletter

Mission Statement

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

Vision Statement

AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting lives of women and girls.

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September Welcome Back

Tuesday, September 12th
6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
St. Thomas Church
2441 Nichols St., Trenton, MI 48183

Welcome back to a lively meeting at St. Thomas Church on Nichols in Trenton. Come dine on a sumptuous feast from Shish Gardens. Cost is \$10. Be sure to come pick up your newly updated AAUW Directory!

Contact Lee Ann Shade or Colleen Lough
313-460-3700



August Yard Sale

Our August Yard Sale was a big success!! A huge thank you to Donna McLaughlin-Shuereb for hosting the sale at her home. It was the perfect location! We earned \$1185 throughout the weekend. Thank you to everyone who helped make the sale such a success.

A special thanks goes out to Jackie Hector, Frank Shuereb and Jack Zills.



2017 Leadership Conference

HELP WANTED for "Changing the Face of Leadership" Saturday, September 30 at Wayne Co. Comm. College. We are proud to be the host branch for this annual state conference!

We need volunteers to help Joan Hemsworth assemble folders the week prior. Ruth Briggs & Jane Russ also need helpers at the registration table and giving directions/answering questions. With WCCCD experience (STEM and Women of the Year) this should be a snap! Contact me if you'd like to be involved.

Check out the www.aauwmi.org website for the agenda, speaker bios, and to register. Panelists include Julia Pulver, the founder of Michigan's largest women's rallies! (Anyone go to Lansing in January?) along with Annette May, one of 40 advanced cicerones (beer expert) in the world! Speakers also include our own Sheila Blair- "Recruiting & Engaging Millennials", and member Rep. Erika Geiss, will moderate the panel. Past branch speakers Betty Priskorn, VP Beaumont Health System (Women's Health Equity) and Denise Brooks-Williams, CEO of Wyandotte Henry Ford Hospital (keynote speaker) are also on the agenda. And our own STEM leaders will be on a panel of branches sharing their STEM project stories! Please plan to join us and support these, and many other, dynamic women leaders!



DINE OUT and raise money!

On **Friday, Sept. 29, Carrabba's Italian Grill of Southgate** will hold a fund raiser for AAUW of Michigan, from 11:00 am - 9:00 pm. Just tell your server you're with AAUW and a portion of your bill will fund our state programs like the Student Advisory Council and our Government Relations Coordinator (lobbyist for state legislature). Tell your friends too, better yet take them along! The state board will be dining at 6:30 and we hope you can join us or dine at another time that day.

Join me in thanking Ruth Briggs, Rep. Erika Geiss, Beth Haynes, Abby Kurlfink, Diana Mente and Jane Russ for being on the core planning team. We look forward to sharing this educational and inspiring day with all of you.

[If you are interested in attending, you can find more information and how to register here.](#)

August Board Meeting

Monday, August 28th
7:00 p.m.
Riverview Public Library
14300 Sibley Road
Riverview, MI 48193



Correspondence

We are pleased to welcome Bea Cassidy as

our new Corresponding Secretary. If you could please inform her of any surgeries, illnesses, accidents, etc. or any passings that would warrant a note or card of caring from us, as a community of concerned women, please contact her.

You can reach her by e-mail at tobeatricecassidy@icloud.com or leave her a message at her home phone 734-287-8945 or iPhone at 734-552-9597.



*"Thank you for the many
thoughts, prayers, and cards
on behalf of the
passing of my father."
- LeeAnn Shade*



Bridge Group

Join fellow members for a lively time playing Bridge. The group meets in members' homes at 12:30 PM on the first and third Tuesdays.

If you are interested, contact Dianne Batch at (734) 675-0181 or at diannebatch@wowway.com.



Attention Food Enthusiasts! Couple's Gourmet

We are looking for couples that like to cook. Our group meets about 6 times each year in homes or restaurants. The hostess plans the menu and each couple is assigned a food item to bring to the dinner. Each couple hosts a dinner in their home every other year.

Please contact Janice Acker if you would be interested in joining this learning group at janiceacker@yahoo.com



Detroit Symphony

Series of 6 or 12. Meet at Holiday Inn in Southgate at 9:30 am. Carpool to Friday Coffee Concerts and lunch out.

If you are interested, contact Mary Sue Sickafus at mssickafus@u-sit.net.

Evening Book Club

The next reading selected for this season is To Be Determined.

The next meeting will be
Tuesday, Oct 7th
7:30 p.m.
Southgate Library
14680 Dix Toledo Road
Southgate, MI 48195

Everyone is welcome to join us for one meeting or all. Call Jean Carnahan at [313-382-1914](tel:313-382-1914) for information.



Daytime Book Club

Spend time with great books and great friends. Daytime Book Club meets the first Friday of each month from September through June at 1:00 PM. Our 2017-2018 books will keep you coming back for more.

Our next meeting is:
Friday, September 1st
1:00 p.m.
Flat Rock Library
25200 Aspen Road
Flat Rock MI 48134
***Ginny Moon* by Benjamin Ludwig**

Check out all of the book selections and full schedule [here](#).

Contact Janet at janingle40@gmail.com if you have any questions or are interested in attending.



A Note from our Treasurer

It is the beginning of the AAUW fiscal year so just a reminder that in order to get reimbursed for AAUW purchases, the Treasurer FIRST needs a receipt, or payment cannot be issued. Thanks in advance!

STEM Committee

Join the STEM Committee in encouraging girls to love and excel in the sciences, technology, engineering, and mathematics!

Our next meeting is:
Wednesday September 20, 2017
1:30 p.m.
Riverview Library
14300 Sibley Road
Riverview MI 48193

For more information about what the STEM Committee has been up to, [click here](#).

NEW!! Mentoring Group

The new Mentoring Group is looking for members interested in helping young women starting out in their careers by offering guidance and support as they navigate through the murky and often unequal world of employment. Please contact the leader if you are interested in helping to shape this new group and help shape the future of our young people on their career journey.

If you are interested or have any questions contact Sheila Blair at blair.s@live.com.



Great Decisions

The discussion chapters for the 2017 book are as follows:

Sept. 26: Chapter 4, "Saudi Arabia in Transition" & #7, "Prospects for Afghanistan & Pakistan"

Nov. 28: "Latin America's Political Pendulum"



Jan 23, 2018: "Nuclear Security....."

All meetings are at the Southgate Library at 7:00.

For information call Jean Carnahan at [313-382-1914](tel:313-382-1914).



Fisher Theater Playgoers

We have received tickets for the following play:

Sun Oct. 22 "Love Never Dies"

We will meet at the west side of the Holiday Inn at 11:30 and carpool to Traffic Jam for brunch. Please RSVP. Call Jean Carnahan for information or if you are interested in subbing for a season ticket holder that may be unable to attend.

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Jean Carnahan at frankandjean@outlook.com.



Meet-N-Eat

Tuesday, August 22
The Public House
125 North Monroe Street
Monroe MI 48162

Delicious homemade soups, dressings, salads, and unique sandwiches. The Needle Arts Group ate there last year and were "bowled" over! Charming decor!

Meet at Trafford Square at Van Horn and Fort Street by the southwest side of the fenced area in front of Tractor Supply at 12:15 pm for our 1:00 pm reservation. (Separate checks have been requested. There is street or lot parking.)

Call Dianne for a reservation 734-675-0181 or at diannabatch@wowway.com.

Hilberry Theater

If you are interested, contact the leader at maeaxelrood@gmail.com.



Euchre Group New Players Welcome!

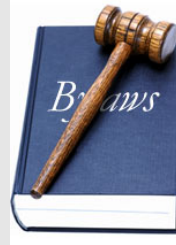
Join us on alternate Mondays at noon for lunch at Sportsman's Den, Riverview and euchre beginning at 1 PM.



Join us for lots of laughter and a great time sharing lunch together!

Cost \$2.00 to play and .10 cents if you are eured.

If you have any questions, contact Beatrice Cassidy at tobeatricecassidy@icloud.com.



Bylaws

If you are interested in helping out with Bylaws, contact Chris Howe at crishowe@gmail.com.



Open Book Theater

Spend Saturday afternoons with great AAUW friends at the female run Trenton Theatre. The 2017-2018 Season will be directed by talented women. Check out the Season Schedule here:

[Open Book Theatre 2017-2018 Season](#)

Contact Madeleine if you are interested by phone or at mizmadlin@yahoo.com.

Needle Arts

"Everything Legal with a Needle" Meets in members' homes on the third Friday at 9:30 AM, with lunch afterward.

Contact Carol Ann Sniderman at carolsni@wowway.com if you are interested in attending or have any questions.



Travel Group

Go to destinations near and far with AAUW friends! We are currently planning a trip to Costa Rica in March 2018. Spaces are filling up. If you are interested [click here for more information](#).

Sue and Walt Stoll are taking an AAUW planned trip to Russia this September. They are leaving for a river cruise from St. Petersburg to Moscow. AAUW wishes them safe travels!

The Travel Group has chosen their trip schedule for 2018! [Click here for a list of trips and who to contact if you are interested](#).

Contact Kay Cozzi at 734-675-5313 or at kcozzi@wowway.com.

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