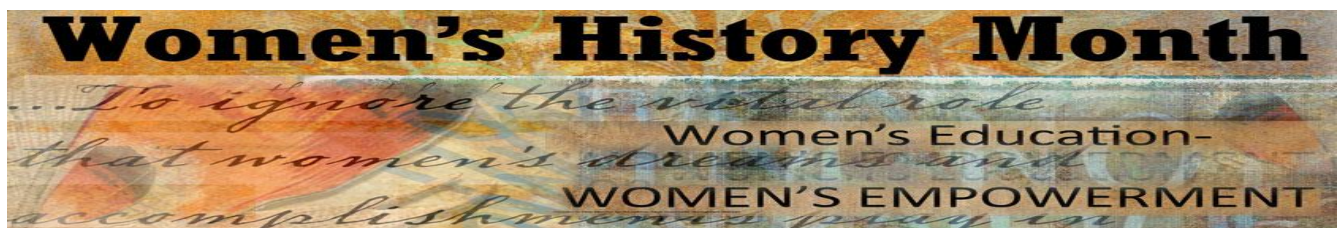




## Faribault Branch Communiqué

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



### **AAUW Presidents' Message March 2016**

- March was officially declared "Women's History Month" by Congress in 1987. Since 1989 the Faribault Branch has annually had a series of articles printed in the Faribault Daily News. We thank them for faithfully allowing us to honor women. I hope you're enjoying these articles printed weekly in the newspaper.
- To kick off Women's History Month, 14 of us viewed Suffragette, a powerful movie inspired by events in early 20th century Britain when women were trying to get the right to vote. This right and responsibility is all too often taken too lightly or not at all. AAUW's 2016 Get Out the Vote Campaign is "It's My Vote: I Will Be Heard." I have enough interest that I could offer more viewings later this spring. Let me know what won't work for you. It is available in 48-hour increments until June 27th, but I'd prefer by May 31.
- I earlier emailed our invite to the Rochester EF Luncheon on Sat. Mar. 19th at 11:30 at the Willow Creek Golf Course. Cost is \$20. Program is to be presented by Elizabeth "Liz" Koehler, Teacher & STEM Resource at Lincoln (K-8). Further details are available at: <http://www.aauwrochmn.org>.
- We are looking forward to going to the MN History Theatre on Sunday, March 20th to see Watermelon Hill. We have 14 going and could take more, but those might sit elsewhere in the theatre. Contact Pauline Schreiber if you find you're able to go.
- I also emailed the invite to our Tri-Branch Luncheon on Saturday, April 16 at 11:30 at The Inn on the Shattuck-St Mary's campus. The cost is \$20 and RSVP to Betty Harmsen by 4/9. Let's have a great turn-out of Faribault members! We are hosting the Tri-Branch this year and the luncheon takes the place of our regular April meeting. There will be a sign-up at the

March 28th meeting and the payment opportunity.

- The winter edition of The Pine is available at: <http://aauw-mn.aauw.net>. It includes the details and registration for the AAUW MN State Convention in Duluth Apr 29 – May 1 . We are to have four delegates and the registration deadline is March 31. We will vote on our delegates and alternates at our March 28th meeting. If you're interested in attending, we will need to know by the meeting night.
- We are planning to host the AAUW MN State Convention in 2018 in a 24 hour format April 27-28 and are beginning to check on possible venues.
- Book Sale preparations are being made. AAUW will be featured on KDHL's AM Minnesota on Wednesday, March 30 at 9:30 (920 AM) to discuss the Book Sale and our scholarships.
- The tentative date for moving the books to the Mall is Saturday, April 9th, time to be announced. We would welcome pick-ups and vans.
- We are anticipating having about 15 Faribault High School students from the National Honor Society to help us sort books Apr 18-20th. The book sale opens on Apr 21st. The Kids' Karnival is Sat. April 23 from 10-2. The FHS Prom is that night so we aren't expecting the NHS students' help that day. Please help then if you can.
- Rene' Perrance shared information that there will a 2-hour workshop on "Sex Trafficking in the Heartland" in Rochester's Northrup School, Room 316, on Wednesday, April 27 starting at 6:30 and going until 8:30. Ruth Ann Marsh has a van and has offered to drive. I'll have a sign up at the next meeting. The cost is \$3. Maybe we could get a van load or two and eat supper prior, if you gals would be interested?
- The deadline for the two local scholarships for \$1500 each is May 1. The application is at our website: [faribault-mn.aauw.net](http://faribault-mn.aauw.net) or I could email it to interested females. The qualifying local women who are recipients must be presently enrolled in a program at a four year college or university and have completed a minimum of one year. The program may be at the undergraduate or graduate level. Applications are to be sent to me at the address on the website.
- Betty Harmsen has stepped aside as Scholarship Chairman . I would like to suggest that co-presidents get the application info out and a committee from the pool of past presidents select the scholarship recipients. Shelly Rockman, a past president, has volunteered her expertise to help guide the selection process.
- Please thoughtfully consider accepting the position of Co-President. Elections are Monday, May 23 and we are to announce the slate of officers 30 days prior.
- Would there be any interest in having the cameo directory printed on good paper with a cover page and table of contents for cost of printing? Let me know if you are interested

Karen Rasmussen with Pat Fuchs, Co-Presidents

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## Program

Who accompanied Lueretia Mott to the World Anti-Slavery Convention in London, in 1840, only to find women could not be seated as delegates? Answer at branch March 28 meeting.

Program co-chairs Pauline Schreiber and Mary Lillquist want members to hone their knowledge of women's history for the March 28 meeting.

A "Women's Trivia Challenge" will be the program for the evening as a way of celebrating Women's History Month. We will divide into teams for this game - meant to be a social program where members can get to know each other better.

The meeting will be 7 p.m. March 28 in the basement of District One Hospital. A business meeting precedes it at 6:15 p.m.

Pauline Schreiber and Mary Lilquist, Program Co-chairs

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### **March Branch Meeting**

**Monday March 28**

**District One Hospital Classroom**

**5:30 p.m. Board Meeting**

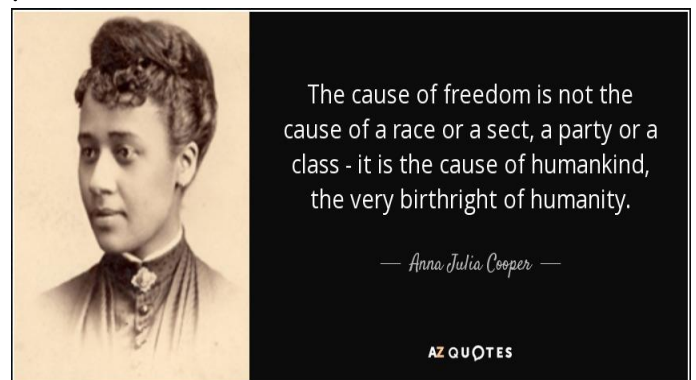
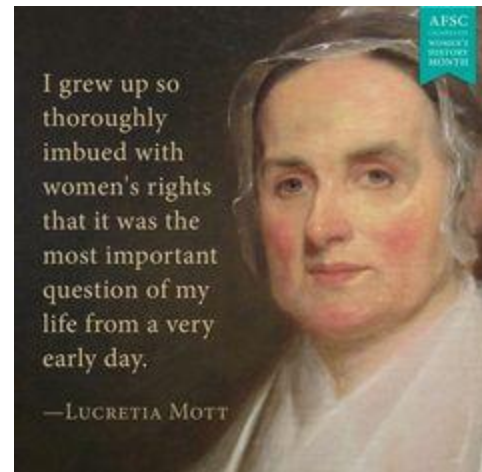
**Dining available in Cafeteria from**

**5:30 to 6:15**

**6:15 p.m. Business Meeting**

**7:00 p.m. Program**

**"A Women's Trivia Challenge"**



## Membership News

Our AAUW Faribault Branch has a SPECIAL ON MEMBERSHIP DUES - ONLY \$43.50 - for the 2016-17 for NEW Members!!

Encourage friends interested in our organization to come join us and experience our camaraderie while supporting our mission.

### OUR MISSION:

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

Our March meeting (3/28) - Social Event/ Women's History Month Trivia Game - would be a fun experience to encourage a prospective AAUW member to meet us and participate. Business meeting at 6:30/Social Event 7:00. Invite someone!

For more membership information call Karen Kittlesen (334-4900) or Kathy Larson (332-2525) Membership Vice Presidents

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"We ask justice, we ask equality,  
we ask that all the civil and political  
rights that belong to citizens of the  
United States, be guaranteed to us  
and our daughters forever."

~ Susan B. Anthony

1820 - 1906

## Treasurer's Report

Here are the February 29 numbers: Savings \$5,183.81 and Checking \$519.88.

I have the official February 1 2016 fiscal year count for the State of Minnesota. Outside of two small branches whose membership increased substantially, thereby causing a large percentage increase, Faribault is this year's membership-increase champ!! Great work, ladies! Now on to the next fiscal year. New members can be added starting March 16, and these memberships go for a full fifteen months. So keep up the good work, including retaining all those great new members from this past year.

Julie Olson, Treasurer

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The Faribault Branch of AAUW will be hosting the annual *Tri-Branch Luncheon* on APRIL 16. We hope that many of our branch members and guests will attend. The venue is The Inn at Shattuck-St.Mary's School and the setting is beautiful.

Faye Leach the state historian for The Daughters of the American Revolution will present our program. Her topic will be *All You Want to Know About Historical Monuments and Markers But Were Afraid To Ask!*

The cost is \$20.00 each. Guests are welcome! Please let Betty Harmsen know, *by April 9*, if you will attend. Payment can be given to Betty or Barb (Dubbels) any time before April 16.

Betty 507-363-6420 (Cell)

Barb 507-363-0453 (Cell)

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**DATE: April 16, 2016**

**PLACE: Shattuck-St. Mary's**

**1000 Shumway Ave.**

**TIME: Social - 11:30 Lunch - 12:00**

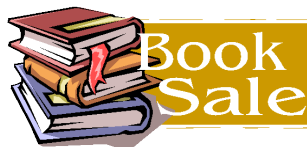
**COST: \$20.00**

***\*If you sign up to attend  
you are committed to pay the \$20.00!***

## Book Sale News

**Sign up!**

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Please note that the book sale sign-up sheet is being sent as an attachment. There are many blanks to fill in. Members do not need to feel limited by the number of blanks, but where you see blanks are where we need the most help. Members can email or call me. The best time to reach me is in the evening.

Dorothy

Phone: 333-5775

Email: [sdjoysteve@gmail.com](mailto:sdjoysteve@gmail.com)

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## BOOK CLUB NEWS

Nine members of our book group met on February 16 at the HyVee Market Grille meeting room for supper and a lively discussion of *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd.

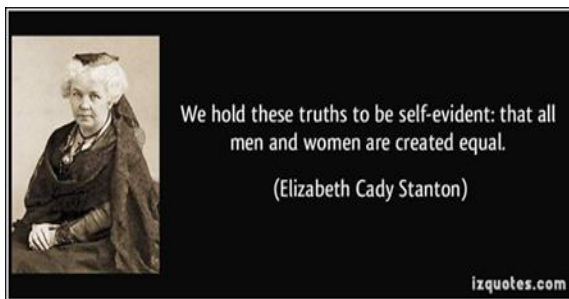
This New York Times best seller (for more than 60 weeks) turned out to be one of the group's favorite books of the year. We were all amazed that we weren't familiar with the real-life Grimke Sisters and their role in both the suffrage and anti-slavery movements. We also appreciated the voice of the slaves and how well Kidd seemed to capture their thoughts and feelings. Some readers found the descriptions of slave punishment difficult to read; all agreed that their treatment was even more cruel than we had been aware. Some readers were also disappointed with the conclusion (no spoilers here!).

On March 15 we will meet again at the Market Grille to discuss *I am Malala*, the story of a young Muslim girl whose family was uprooted by terrorism and her brave fight for girls' education.

All AAUW members are welcome. If you wish to order supper, come at 6:00; the book discussion begins at 6:30. New opportunity: The room will be available at 5:30 for those who wish to enjoy Happy Hour with half-price hors d'oeuvres.

Gloria O.

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## Secretary's Report

AAUW Faribault Board/Branch Meeting Minutes- Feb. 22, 2016

The February meeting of the AAUW Faribault Board was called to order by President Karen Rasmussen at 5:30 p.m. at District One Hospital on Monday,

Feb. 22, 2016. The agenda applied to both the board and branch meetings. The branch meeting was called to order at

6:36 p.m. She welcomed members and guests to the meeting and to the program to follow.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Emily Nesvold, second by Diane Hagen to accept the minutes as printed in the February newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Julie Olson, treasurer, reminded members that several members are approaching 50 year status and need to do the paperwork to be recognized as such. Motion by Pat Rice, second by Karen Kittlesen to accept the treasurer's report as printed in the February newsletter for audit.

Correspondence:

Thank you received from Lincoln School 5th graders and teachers for the Thrivent Action Team financial support for their career day and for the AAUW volunteers who assisted the speakers and activities.

Thank you for the donation of two book baskets to the 2016 Ruth's House Hearts Gala from the Gala committee.

Committee Reports/Announcements:

Membership: Kathy Larson announced that we have 51 members. May Bottke has been in contact with an individual who is going to join. Kathy displayed the membership packets that are available with a membership application, AAUW pamphlets and our program brochure.

Programs: Pauline Schreiber reported that 14 had signed up for the Mar. 20th trip to see Watermelon Hill at the History Theatre. Attendees will meet at 12:30 p.m. at Trucker's Inn to carpool and will enjoy dinner together on the return trip at a location TBD.

Suffragette viewing: Karen passed around the sign-up sheet for the 4 sessions on the three days, Feb. 29th - Mar. 2nd at her house.

Book Sale: Dorothy Joy prepared a sign-up sheet for working at the book sale on April 21st - 26th. This was passed around for members to complete.

Book Club: Mar. 15th the AAUW book club will meet at Hy Vee Market Grille to discuss I am Malala.

Cameo Project: Karen needs 14 more cameos, three more are needed for March.

Glass Garden Beads: 15 people attended. Several members were wearing jewelry they had created.

Women's History Month: Members were encouraged to look for the articles in

the Faribault Daily News contributed by our AAUW members honoring the work of “women who were first in their field for government service or political office.”

Tri-branch luncheon: Reminder that the luncheon will be held Apr. 16th at the Inn at Shattuck featuring Faye Leach, author of Historic Markers, Monuments and Memorials.

State Convention: The state convention will be held in Duluth Apr. 29th - May 1st. Watch for convention information in the Pine. (Pat Rice again voiced her concern at the board meeting that the money for the Name Gift Honorees from local branches must be allotted to Incomplete Minnesota Endowments as set by the state AAUW. She wants the state convention to pass a resolution to allow branches to designate Named Gift Honorees for each \$750 allocated to any of the endowed AAUW Funds.)

Political Forums: (Pauline Schreiber announced to the board that she would begin securing the dates for 3 forums in October for the city, county, school district and state candidates.)

Old Business:

Scholarships:

We are awarding SCC scholarship(s) for \$1500. We do have the option of awarding two \$750 named scholarships. (Board motion by Pat Rice, second by Julie Olson to recommend awarding two South Central College named scholarships at \$750.00 with priority given to women who have chosen a non-traditional career - mechatronics, welding, carpentry and machining - or a STEM career. The motion carried) Branch motion by Colleen Rolling, second by Pat Rice to offer 2 local scholarships to qualified applicants with priority given to those in non-traditional careers or STEM programs. The motion carried.

Two local scholarships for \$1500.00 to students currently enrolled in a four year or postgraduate program will be awarded in the 2015-2016 AAUW fiscal year in the form of a bank money order co-payable to college and recipient. Advertising, applications and selection committee need to be finalized soon for an Apr. 1, 2016 deadline. (Co-presidents' decision to change to May 1, 2016 deadline.)

New Business:

Hosting 2018 State Convention:

Additional information was provided by the state president regarding facility needs and state financial and organizational support. We would need banquet and meeting facilities for 110-125 people, which may or may not be adjacent to a sleeping facility We would also receive a \$1,000.00 loan from the state for planning costs.

A sub-committee made up of Pauline Schreiber, chair, Emily Nesvold, Pat



Fuchs, Kathy Larson, Pat Rice and Karen Rasmussen have done some preliminary investigation of local facilities and will be meeting on Mar. 2nd, at the Coffee Shop at 1:00 p.m. for further planning.

(Board motion by Pauline Schreiber, second by Pat Fuchs to pursue hosting the 2018 state convention after presenting to the membership for approval. The motion carried.) Pauline asked the membership at the branch meeting for a show of hands to go forward with the planning to host the 2018 state convention. The majority were in favor. Possible dates would be Apr. 27th-28th for a 24 hour convention with a banquet on Friday night and business meeting, lunch and breakout sessions on Saturday.

Nominations for branch officers: Karen asked that members consider candidates for the 2016-2017 term. We will need a co-president, membership vice president, and program vice-president. Julie Olson has agreed to remain as treasurer and Pat Rice has agreed to continue as AAUW Funds vice-president.

AAUW maps: Kathy Larson suggested she could take maps to sell to the Senior Center for those engaged in mindfulness coloring as anti-stress art therapy.

Motion to adjourn by Emily Nesvold, second by Pauline Schreiber.

Pauline introduced the evening's speaker, Jennifer Kath, dietitian from District One Hospital-Allina speaking on "Eating Healthy: Good Medicine."

Respectfully submitted,  
Ruth Hildebrandt, secretary

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*Sunday, March 20* **MN History Theatre** to see "Watermelon Hill"

*Monday, March 28* **March Branch Meeting** (District One Hospital Classroom)

5:30 p.m. Branch board meeting

6:15 p.m. Branch business meeting

7:00 p.m. Program "Women's Trivia Challenge"

*Thursday, March 31* **registration deadline** for the AAUW MN State Convention in Duluth  
Apr 29 – May 1

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