



Faribault Branch Communiqué

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

April 2021



“Pauline’s Presidential Pen

No one has stepped forward to be president of AAUW. I did call a few people. All of you are so good at supporting AAUW and in so many ways help the organization. Yet, we do need someone to lead the Faribault Branch. My two year term as president ends in May.

An AAUW Board meeting was held April 9 on Zoom with six members attending. It was determined that the leadership crisis of our branch needs to be resolved by the entire membership. At the April Zoom meeting, leadership will be discussed. In addition to a president, we need a secretary and Julie Olson doesn't want to be treasurer forever. If someone would take on the role, she will train them. I certainly will be willing to work with a new president, or with two people willing to be co-presidents.

April program

Our April Zoom meeting will be at 2 p.m. Monday, April 26. The business meeting will be first, and then Suzy Rook, editor of the Faribault Daily News will join us. She will talk about the regionalization of the daily newspapers owned by APG in Southern Minnesota. Feel free to ask questions and also to give her story ideas. What types of stories and news would you like the newspaper to cover?

Have a Happy Spring! I love seeing the hepatica in bloom again at the River Bend Nature Center.

Pauline

Secretary's Report



AAUW zoom meeting was held on March 22, 2021 at 2:00 pm. President Pauline Schreiber called the meeting to order.

Faribault Branch can select four delegates and two alternates to the zoom State Convention. It will be held on May 1, 2021. We will be represented by:

Pauline Schreiber
Ruth Hildebrandt
Julie Olson
Karen Rasmussen

Alt Pat Umbreit
Mary Niermann

Any member may join the meeting.

Karen Rasmussen received a thank you from the National WASP WWII Museum, thanking us for the Liz Strohfus collage and \$300 donation. There is also a collage at the Faribault Airport and Rice County Historical Society.

We may be able to have the book sale in the fall.

Member Mary Anderson's husband has died. Cards can be sent to her home at 329 Tischler Ave SE.

We are in need of a co-president to work with Pauline Schreiber next year. We are in need of a treasurer and secretary also.

Lisa Simons, a board of directors member of the Faribault Diversity Coalition, was our program. She spoke about the Martin Luther King virtual breakfast, the Diversity Celebration in Faribault And the Diversity Coalition Book Club.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Pat Umbreit, secretary of the month

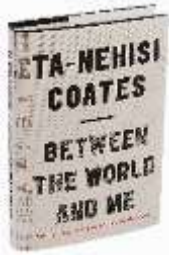
Treasurer's Report



Not a big month for AAUW, financially. We had a few small bills relating to our great gift to the Sweetwater Museum, that's about it. Balances are checking \$153, savings \$5363. Enjoy spring!!!!

Submitted by Julie Olson

Book Club



In March, the AAUW book club read *Between the World & Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates. The author writes a narrative to his teenage son explaining what it means to grow up black in America.

April is Poetry Month and we each will share a poem[s]. Our Zoom meeting will be on Tuesday, April 20 at 2pm.

Submitted by Barb Dubbels

Membership



"April Showers Bring May Flowers" and may April also bring some new A.A.U.W. Members to our Faribault Branch. We only need 3 more members to reach our Goal of 50 members for our 2021-2022 year.

Hopefully we will be able to meet in person for most of the new session. **Paying for someone** to join our group would be a **neat gift for a friend or relative**. Dues aren't due until our May meeting so you have time to think about asking someone to join or even paying for a new member.

This year our dues will go up a bit (\$3.00) because of rising costs.

Dues for a **new member** or (a returning member that hasn't joined in 2 years) is **\$ 50.00**.

Dues for renewing A.A.U.W member is **\$81.00** this year.

That's only \$6.75 a month!!!

WOW!! It's a worthwhile bargain for all the great work that's being accomplished to promote "our mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research."

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Thank you for your continued support.

Submitted by Kathy Larson

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