



Faribault Branch Communiqué

Mission: To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.



~ December 2019 ~

"Pauline's Presidential Pen"

"Give to the world the best you have, and the best will come back to you."

Madeline Bridge

Thanks to all AAUW members who give of their time to keep our branch thriving. Our 95th anniversary is coming up in February, but we will celebrate it at our May picnic. The best gift people can give to an organization is their time, talents and a willingness to "give the world their best."



Our Christmas party is at 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 16 at the Cathedral of Our Merciful Savior's Cloister. Members are asked to bring an appetizer or holiday treat to share. Beverages will be provided. If you choose to bring your own holiday mug, the less throw-away cups will be needed. If anyone has coffee pots that can be used to make the punch, please contact

Liz Hartman. We need two pots.

Sue Garwood, director of the Rice County Historical Society, will give a short program on Christmas during pioneer days in the county. Also, we hope to have our traditional Christmas Carol sing-along with May Bottke at keyboard.

We will again collect peanut butter to give to patrons of the Community Cafe. It is optional to bring a jar, but it has been appreciated in the past by organizers of the Community Cafe.

A "Social Saturday" in January is being planned instead of a regular meeting. It is set for Saturday, Jan. 18 beginning with meditation at 10 a.m., lunch at 11:30 a.m. At Gran Plaza restaurant, painting at the East Side Gallery from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. And a bracelet project at Garden Glass Beads from 3:30 p.m. To 5 p.m. Members can attend all, or just one or as many activities as they want.

At 9 a.m. That morning, there will be an AAUW Board meeting at Crack of Dawn and any member who would like to socialize can attend that coffee.

More details will be in January newsletter, including where the meditation will be.

A very merry Christmas to all,

President Pauline





Carol Quail and May Bottke, two beautiful and vibrant women, are living proof that age is just a number!

Our November speaker, Tiffany Tripp from GRAISE Farms, and her proud mom, AAUW member, Carmen Tripp



Membership

When thinking of a Holiday **gift** for that certain someone- family or friend- **a membership to our Faribault AAUW Branch would be a great idea! Membership dues for a new member is still only \$48.50**. If you know anyone who is interested in becoming a member, please let us know. We will certainly contact that person and send out information. Thank You:)

"MAY YOUR DAYS BE MERRY AND BRIGHT" this joyful season!

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Treasurer's Report

Here are the balances for November 30: checking \$145.28, savings \$10,515.99.



Once again, we had a successful LAF donation from our November meeting sales: \$273.50. Thanks, generous members!! See you at on the 16th, and happy holidays.

Julie Olson, Treasurer



BOOK CLUB NEWS

December's book club meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 17, the day after our AAUW December meeting! Because we will be sharing hors d'oeuvres at our Monday meeting, we could share them again on the following evening. We will begin earlier, at 5:30. Members will share a Christmas story, poem or a children's story.

We'll work on our next few months' choices also. If I remember correctly, I think *Minnesota* 1918 by Curt Brown is January's choice.

We will <u>not</u> meet for coffee and treats at Crack of Dawn in December--see you in January again and hopefully at our Christmas gathering.

Thanks, Sue Olson



Historian and Yearbook

NOTE: If anyone has pictures from the October meeting with Dr. Lisa Moore, or the silent auction, Tiffany Tripp or the Halloween Breakfast please forward them to me. Thank you so much.

Pat Umbreit

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Secretary's Report

AAUW Meeting November 25, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Pauline Schreiber. The secretary's report was approved as printed in the newsletter. Treasurer's report noted that we cleared \$2047 at the Halloween Breakfast.

Our membership is currently at 48.

Ruth Hildebrandt reported that we will give two \$750 scholarships to South Central College in 2020.

A Brainstorming Committee was established to find an alternative fundraiser to replace the Book Sale. Gloria Olson, chair, Barb Dubbels, Jo Ellen Schultz, Karen Rasmussen, and Kathy Larson.

The Book Sale will be held again in May. A Book Sale Committee will be set up after the first of the year.

Social Saturday will be held on January 18, 2020.

Coffee 9:00am Crack of Dawn Meditation 10-11am Library Lunch 11:30 am -1:00pm Grande Plaza Painting 1:30-3:30 Upper East Side

\$15 elastic bracelet 3:30-5:00 Glass Garden Beads

Members can participate in as many of the activities as they choose.

December 16, 2019- Christmas Party at the Cathedral. Bring hors d'oeuvres to share. Sue Garwood will speak about Christmas in Pioneer Times. Liz Hartman will bring the punch.

Jo Ellen Schultz invited members to enroll in classes offered by the Cannon Valley Elder Collegium.

Karen Rasmussen reported that Pat Rice helped Carol Quail apply for a Thrivent Impact VISA Card worth \$250. Karen used the card for buying paper products to cover the cost of mailing and printing newsletters, colored paper for posters and for branch use.

Kathy Larson provided cupcakes to celebrate Carol Quail's 85th birthday and May Bottke's 95th birthday. The silent auction for Legal Advocacy Fund was held. The program followed with Tiffany Tripp from Graise Farm speaking on the importance of buying produce/meat locally. Tiffany is the daughter of our member Carman Tripp.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Umbreit, secretary

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