



Faribault Branch Communiqué

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



October 2022 Presidents' Letter



It was great to have everyone back together for our first meeting this fall and to learn about the new female operated business at the Mall in the old Salvation Army location. I know that Laura Sterling has worked hard to get Eclectic Alliance up and running. We hope that our AAUW members stop in and see what they have.

October is our month for Candidates Forums. Thanks to Pauline Schreiber, Sue Stout, Sue Wilcutt, Cheryl Freund, and crew for making it happen. Despite the lack of participation from candidates Jasinski and Daniel, it was a good Forum. Having another commitment, Daniels did send a position paper. The forum on the 13th will feature Rice County District 3 County Commissioner and School Board candidates. On the 20th, come and hear from the Rice County Sheriff and County Attorney candidates. See times in this issue.

Make plans to attend on 20th. We will have a short AAUW Business Meeting for Treasurer JoEllen Schulz to present the annual budget for approval.

Get your Halloween finery out and ready for the breakfast on Oct. 30th at the American Legion. The men cook and we serve and bus the tables. We would like everyone to help sell tickets and work the event. Kathy Larson and Karen Rasmussen have tickets can find you a time slot to work. This is one of our 2 fundraising events, so we need all hands on deck, plus it is lots of fun.

Thanks again to Pat Umbreit for coordinating the Yearbook and Directory. Any changes should go to her. Mark down Nov. 28 for our meeting. It will again be a silent auction so find some choice items to bring. Profits will go for scholarships.

Pat and Carmen, Co-Presidents

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The Faribault Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) is offering a series of public candidates' forums in October; all held in Faribault City Hall Council Chambers, 208 First Ave. NW.

Three nights of forums are planned. They are:

* Thursday, Oct. 6, from 7 to 8 p.m., State District 19 Senate and Dist.

19A Representative candidates;

* Thursday, Oct. 13, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Rice County Dist. 3 County Commissioner candidates;

That same night, Oct. 13, 7 to 8:30 p.m, Faribault School Board candidates.

* Thursday, Oct. 20, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Rice County sheriff and county attorney candidates.

The purpose of the forums is to allow voters to see candidates in person and ask them questions. The forums will be broadcast live on FCTV, the local public access channel (Charter/Spectrum 181; Consolidated Communications 10), and taped for rebroadcast at a later date on the access channel.

AAUW are nonpartisan and meant as a public service to help voters chose whom to vote for.

Here is the link to the Forum videos on FCTV YouTube page. Feel free to share. It will also be on cable various times leading up to the election.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tdAxwjXAfJU>

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~Our Omelet Breakfast Scholarship Benefit~

Sunday Oct. 30, 2022 - 8:00am-12:00pm

American Legion Club



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October is already filled with trees of gorgeous red, yellow orange leaves, cooler days and lots of AAUW Autumn Activities.

Our Faribault AAUW Branch's main focus this October is our annual Halloween Breakfast Fundraiser for Women/Girls' Scholarships. Last year we had a WONDERFUL TURNOUT because everyone spread the word and promoted our event by selling tickets. Maybe you could treat someone to a breakfast ticket as a special outing.

Sell! Sell! Sell!

We are including the Work Schedule (see attachment) for this year's Omelet Breakfast ~ Scholarship Benefit. There are still some opportunities to help make this breakfast a big money-maker! We have budgeted \$300 to give out this year in local scholarships so let's make this year the BEST ever!

□ Please see where you can help and call Karen Rasmussen (507-412-1011~ cell/text or 331-0126~home or email kadras1217@gmail.com) or call Kathy Larson (332-2525).

□ **Remember: call Kathy Larson (332-2525) with presale numbers by October 23rd. This will be the base number to order the food.**

□ If you didn't get any tickets or need more, give Ruth Ann Marsh a call at 507-491-8787 and be sure to leave a message. She does a lot of teaching and will get back to you.

□ New this year: the bar will be open from 8 -12 so Bloody Marys and Mimosas can be ordered to go with the breakfast.

□ Two Thrivent Impact Cards were requested and approved. With one card we will order assorted muffins. With the other card the placemats, napkins, and assorted candy bars (not all chocolate) have been ordered and with some leftover to purchase extra muffins.

□ Instead of putting the candy bars on the tables this year, we'd like members to carry a Halloween bag and circulate, asking guests to pick out a candy bar.

□ Menu: Made-to-Order Omelet with choice of Meats and Vegetables, Breakfast Potatoes, Cheese Sauce, Salsa, Assorted Muffins, Milk, Juice, Coffee

□ Presale tickets can also be purchased until October 28th at the American Legion or AAUW members.

□ Presale: Adult - \$13.00 Children (9 & under) -- \$6.00
At the Door: Adult - \$15.00 Children (9 & under) -- \$6.00

□ PLEASE WEAR A COSTUME OR SOMETHING HALLOWEENY!



Submitted by Kathy Larson and Karen Rasmussen

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Membership Memos for October

Our AAUW Membership campaign is still on with an extension from the National AAUW. So, a grace period of November 20, 2022 has been extended for anyone to pay her 2023 dues.

So, if you've forgotten or been gone, please pay your **dues of \$86. 00 to Jo Ellen Schulz** at our next meeting or event. Thank you so much.

Remember we can accomplish more together than doing work alone.

As a special "Thank You" you receive a painted garden metal butterfly, hummingbird, butterfly or bee on a metal wire when you pay your dues:)

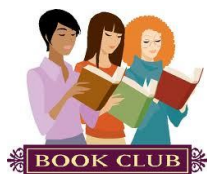
Let me know if anyone wants information on becoming a member.

Contact: Kathy Larson - Membership Vice- President
(332-2525) kathyhilgerslarson@gmail.com

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer reports little activity. Looking forward to a big money maker with our Halloween breakfast. Balance is \$10,575

JoEllen Schulz, Treasurer



BOOK CLUB NEWS

The AAUW Book Club will meet Thursday, October 20 at 2pm at Barb Dubbels' and discuss *My Italian Bulldozer* by Alexander McCall Smith.

Barb Dubbels

Yearbook and Directory Updates

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This was submitted by Mary Osborne, our Sportswoman of the Year Chair.

May 20, 2022

The 2022 AAUW Sportswoman of the Year is Whitton Wolff!

Whitton was a four-year participant of Faribault High School Volleyball, and Track and Field, and was captain of both teams. She was an Academic Award Winner and also received the Kimmy Wilson award. Whitton was the manager for the girls basketball team for two seasons and was involved in strength training.

Whitton was a member of the National Honor Society, student council, an AVID tutor, participated in the Link Crew, Prom Committee, and Campus Faith Club. Whitton was involved with Big Brothers Big Sisters, a church youth leader, Red Cross, and community service projects.

Whitton Wolff was well qualified for our Sportswoman of the Year! She was given a \$250 Scholarship at the Senior Awards program on May 18, 2022. I want to thank Bonnie Becker for helping with the selection of the Sportswoman of the Year!

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Minutes for the Sept. 26, 2022 Faribault AAUW Business Meeting

The branch met at the Rice County Historical Society, in its Carlander Program Room. The first order of business was to elect officers. The slate of officers recommended by the nominating committee was: co- president's Pat Rice and Carmen Tripp; program V.P. Mary Niermann; membership V.P. Kathy Larson; treasurer JoEllen Schultz; secretary Pauline Schreiber; AAUW Funds V.P. Liz Hartman; public policy V.P.s Sue Willcutt and Sue Stout; and diversity V.P. Diane Hagen. Karen Rasmussen made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot; Cheryl Freund seconded the motion. The motion carried.

* Karen Rasmussen, a past branch treasurer, audited the 2021-2022 branch finances and accounts and is in the process of coming up with an easier-to-read budget, using in-put from the treasurer and Co-presidents. The 2022-2023 branch budget will be presented at the October business meeting and considered for adoption by a vote of the membership.

* Part of Rasmussen's report was a tally for the net income for 2021-2022 fundraisers. They were: Halloween Breakfast, \$3,156; Silent Auction in November, \$294; spring book sale, \$4,951; Buck-It donations for scholarships, \$129; donations, \$75.

* The Candidates Forum Committee was comprised of Cheryl Freund, Pauline Schreiber, Sue Stout and Sue Willcutt. Schreiber presented the report on AAUW-sponsored forums in October the committee has organized. They are: 7 to 8 p.m., Oct. 6, State District 19 Senate and District 19 A Representative; Oct. 13, first District 3 Rice County Commissioner candidates from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. and the Faribault School Board from 7 to 8 p.m.; Oct. 20, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Rice County sheriff and county attorney. Schreiber passed around a sign-up sheet to members asked them to help with the forum.

* Halloween Breakfast Plans: This year's Halloween Breakfast will be Sunday, Oct. 30 at the American Legion, 8 a.m. to noon. The fundraising event will raise dollars for scholarships. Kathy

Larson and Karen Rasmussen are co-chairs of the event. Larson had a list as to where members could drop off flyers and a sign-up sheet for doing so. She, also, passed around a sign-up sheet for shifts to help at the event. Because of higher food cost than last year, ticket prices had to go up. The prices for the made-to-order omelet breakfast are \$13 pre-sale and \$15 at the door. Tickets for 9 and under will remain at \$6. RuthAnn Marsh volunteered to keep track of ticket sales. Members need to call her with their number of pre-sold tickets by Oct. 24.

* Co-president Pat Rice reminded members to pick up their 2022-2023 Yearbooks that Pat Umbreit prepared. She asked members to take those of members not at the meeting, if they would be seeing them soon. Changes to information in the yearbook can be emailed to Liz Hartman to be placed in the next newsletter.

* Pauline Schreiber made the motion to adjourn the meeting; Co-president Carmen Tripp seconded the motion. The motion carried.

* Kathy Larson introduced Laura Sterling, coordinator of the Faribo West Mall and owner of the Eclectic Alliance at the mall where over 30 vendors have space to sell items. Sterling told of changes in the mall as well as explaining how her business worked. Submitted by Secretary Pauline Schreiber

The Faribault AAUW Branch Newsletter is published from September to May during our program year. The Editors are Emily Nesvold and Liz Hartman. Because of different operating systems and formats, articles other than Google Docs, should be submitted within the text of an email, not as an attachment. Items should be sent by the 10th of the month to either Emily enesvold@gmail.com or Liz ethartmanariz@gmail.com on alternating months. A reminder email will always be sent out.