



Faribault Branch Communiqué

"AAUW's mission is to advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

September 2022



Presidents' Message

Welcome back to AAUW to continue our mission of advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy and education. I hope everyone had a relaxing summer and that we all are ready to share ideas and talents to help us have another successful year.

Our September 26 Meeting will be held at the Rice County Historical Museum. The Executive Board meeting at 5:30. Business meeting is at 6:15 and the Program is at 7:00.

One of important topics will be our annual Halloween Breakfast which is set for October 30 at the American Legion Club. The Committee will have tickets and information for this important fund raiser.

Another important upcoming date to remember is the Election Forum October 24, at Faribault City Hall.

The September Program will be Laura Sterling to speak about "What's New at the Faribo West Mall?" She is the manager of the Mall and has started the Eclectic Alliance at the Mall.

Start of a new year is a great time to bring a friend or a prospective member to our programs. If someone wants to become a member contact Kathy Larson, Membership Chairwoman.

See everyone at the Monday, September 26, AAUW Meeting. It will be great to be back together and see everyone.

Your Co-Presidents: Pat Rice & Carmen Tripp



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Secretary's Report

Faribault AAUW Branch Meeting –May 23, 2022

Co-president Kathy Larson called the annual May picnic meeting of the Faribault Branch of AAUW to order at 7:25 p.m. at the lovely lake home of our hostess, Pat Umbreit. Prior to the meeting, Arna Farmer had catered a delicious meal for our members.

Treasurer's Report: JoEllen Schultz reported we had over \$5,000 in book sales.

End of the Year Recognitions:

- Kathy thanked Pat Rice for her work as co-president and encouraged members to consider filling the vacancy in the co-president position that will occur when she steps down and Pat will need another co-president.
- Members who paid their dues were rewarded with a garden stake. Kathy thanked Pauline Schreiber and JoEllen for handling the payments.
- Pat Rice distributed chocolate bars to the board and other committee chairs, thanking them for their work.

Book Sale Wrap-up: Pat asked for help on the last day of the book sale and on Wednesday when remaining books will be packed up for next year or disposed of.

New members welcomed: Kathy introduced attendee Sue Stout and welcomed her as well as another new member, LaVonne Venero. She also welcomed back returning members, Wendy Williams, Christy Dore and Colleen Rolling.

Triumvirate Thanks: Liz Hartman presented flowers to Pat, Pauline and Kathy thanking them for stepping up to the challenges faced during the pandemic years. Like ancient mariners, they steered us through the zoom sessions, mask mandates and outdoor meetings in the parks.

AAUW Sportswoman of the Year: Mary Osborne announced that the 2022 Sports Woman of the Year is Whitton Wolff. She received a \$250.00 scholarship.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Hildebrandt



Treasurer's Report

Balance as of 8/31 is \$10,541.84. Karen Rasmussen is working on the audit and Julie Olson has been and continues to be a great help to the office of treasurer.
Submitted by JoEllen Schulz



Social Time

Hi AAUW Sisters,
Let's meet this coming Saturday, September 17th, at 10:30 at Perkins. I've made reservations for the back room ("library") and hope to see you there. *Sue Olson*



Membership

Welcome Back Ladies :)

Please think of inviting someone to our September 26th. Monday meeting at 6:15. **Our Speaker Laura Sterling**, Faribo Mall's Executive Manager, will tell us "**What's Happening at the Faribo Mall**". It's great to be able to visit each other after the summer break,

work on projects together and have enjoyable meetings.

Thanks to all our A.A.U.W. members for paying your dues for 2022-23.

If you haven't sent in your dues -just a reminder - pay them at our next meeting or send them to: **JoEllen Schulz, our Treasurer, 2125 7th. Street NW Unit 307 Faribault, MN 55021.**

DUES, like everything else, have gone up \$5 more- the year **membership is \$86.00.** First year dues are still only **\$50 yet.**

REMEMBER we can accomplish so much together!!

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

Kathy Larson - Membership Vice-President

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Thanks again for your cooperation! :)



Program

September 26-Kathy has arranged for Laura Sterling to speak to us about "What's new at the Faribo Mall?" She is the manager of the mall and has started the Eclectic Alliance at the Mall. This will be at the Rice County Historical Society. The business meeting will begin at 6:15 and the program at 7:00.

These are programs for the year that will be found in our Directory:

> October24-This will be the election forum. So the business meeting would be before one of the forums at city hall on a Thursday.

> October 30- Halloween breakfast.

> November 28- The annual auction will be held. Barb will take charge of this part of the meeting. I, Mary, will talk to Cheryl at bloom about a short presentation on decorating for the holidays.

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> December 19 -(note the change from the 4th Monday to the 3rd Monday.)

> This will be our Christmas party. I did contact Emily about reserving the Cathedral space for us.

Please bring a jar of peanut butter for the community cafe, an appetizer, or a sweet treat, if you want.

> Barb will be sharing her Night Before Christmas collection with us.

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> January 21[this is a Saturday]- Pauline has agreed to head up this day of brunch and fun.

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> February 27- Barb will talk to Carolyn Treadway about speaking to us.

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> March 27- Gloria has arranged for women from Mayo Clinic in Rochester to speak to us about women who contributed to the making of the Mayo Clinic and Hospital.

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> April 24- Betty has arranged for Tracy Corcoran, the director of Teaching and Learning in Faribault to talk with us on "Teach What? Say's Who?"

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> May 29?- our end of year picnic. I will meet with Anna Farmer about catering again this year. Location to be announced later.

Submitted by Mary Niermann



Candidate Forums

Candidate Forums will be October Program

Local candidate forums will be the October AAUW program. The forum committee, comprised of Cheryl Freund, Pauline Schreiber, Sue Stout and Sue Willcuitt, will need members' assistance on the night of the forums. We will need two people to be time keepers and two or

three members to collect written questions from the audience.

On Thursday, Oct. 6, there will be a State Legislative forum from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

On Thursday, Oct. 13, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., there will be a Rice County Commissioner District 3 candidate forum;

And, also, that same evening from 7 to 8:30 p.m., there will be a Faribault School Board candidates forum.

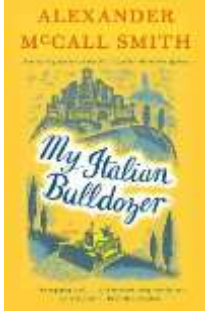
Kymn Anderson will be the moderator for the Oct. 6 forum; Cheryl Freund for the Oct. 13 forum.

We are also working to see if we can get the sheriff and county attorney candidates together, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20. Another forum with the bar association had already been scheduled on Oct. 6, the date we had hoped they could come for a forum before Legislative candidates.

The forums will be in Council Chamber in Faribault City Hall. It will be up to AAUW co-president if they wish to hold a business meeting between forums on Oct. 13 or after the forum on Oct. 20, if that works out.

There is still a lot of flux, but watch for the October newsletter or email update on the forums.
Submitted by Pauline Schreiber

Book Club



In July, the AAUW Book Club had read *The Sentence* by Louise Erdrich and followed that up with a trip to Birchbark Books and Native Arts which is owned by the author. We found an Indian restaurant called Namaste for lunch on their outdoor deck. In August, we read *The Yellow House* by Sara Broom and were graciously hosted by Kathy Kasten in her Northfield home. We ate cake in honor of all those August birthdays! September's book was *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* by Lisa See. Members of the group shared different teas, tea sets, and tea pots. Of course, all meetings had great discussions!

October's book is *My Italian Bulldozer* by Alexander McCall Smith. Our meeting day is Thursday, October 20 at 2pm. Location was not determined at the posting of this newsletter.

Submitted by Barb Dubbels

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