



Faribault Branch Communiqué

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



AAUW Presidents' Message ~ November 2022

Happy Thanksgiving Everyone.

We want to thank everyone who, worked, sold tickets, and donated to another successful Halloween Breakfast that goes for our scholarships. A big thanks to the committee that pulled this all together Karen Rasmussen, Kathy Larson, Isabell Monk O'Connor, Ruth Ann Marsh and Gail Kielmeyer.

Our meeting this month is November 28, at the Rice County Historical Museum. Board meeting at 5:30, Business meeting at 6:15 and Program at 7:00.

Program will host Cheryl Steinberg from Blooms, giving us ideas on Holiday Decorating.

This month is our Silent Auction, so check your house for sale items or baked goodies. This year the funds will stay at our local level.

See everyone Monday November 28 and have a Happy and Pleasant Holiday.

Your Co Presidents: *Pat Rice and Carmen Tripp*

Halloween Breakfast



Karen Rasmussen sent these wonderful pictures from our Halloween breakfast. She also wrote the following submission to the Faribault Daily News.

Dear Editor,

The American Association of University Women – AAUW had a Halloween Breakfast on Sunday, Oct. 30th. We have so much to be thankful for:

We would like to thank the community for coming. We were thrilled to see such a marvelous turnout!

The Sons of the American Legion did a super job of cooking the omelets and their help was greatly appreciated.

We thank the Legion for the use of their building to make it possible.

Hy-Vee made 36 dozen jumbo muffins, and we have received numerous compliments on how fresh and tasty they were, especially the pumpkin ones.

We would like to thank the more than 30 members who had a part in the breakfast, whether they donated candy, presold tickets and/or pitched in to help make this breakfast one for the record books as well as fun for all.

We plan to offer more local scholarship opportunities for female students with the success of this fundraiser.

Tentatively, we hope to have our annual Book Sale in May, 2023.

With heartfelt appreciation,

*Kathy Larson and Karen Rasmussen
AAUW Halloween Breakfast Co-Chairs*



Halloween Breakfast Report

Halloween Breakfast on Sunday, Oct. 30th.

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We would like to thank the 325 people for coming

The Sons of the American Legion did a super job of cooking the omelets and their help was greatly appreciated. We're grateful for the Legion and the use of their building to make it possible. Hy-Vee made 36 dozen jumbo muffins, and we have received numerous compliments on how fresh and tasty they were. Some lucky individuals were able to purchase some of our "planned-overs."

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We haven't met with the Legion yet, but the preliminary numbers make this "Fun"draiser a "no-brainer."

We hope you noticed the tri-fold display of our Scholarship winners. Between 2016 and 2019, we awarded 16 scholarships to local women. We had our first breakfast in 2015, so we have really stepped up our number of scholarship winners with the seven breakfasts we have had.

There was one scholarship that SCC awarded in 2020. We haven't given out any other scholarships in 2020, 2021, or 2022, so now we have a healthy bank balance and I'm sure there are some deserving women out there who could really use some of our AAUW scholarship money.

Karen Rasmussen and Kathy Larson
Halloween Breakfast Co-Chairs



Secretary's Report

Minutes for the Oct. 20, 2022 Faribault AAUW Business Meeting

The branch met at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 20, 2022 in the Public Meeting Room in Faribault City Hall. The meeting followed AAUW's third, and final, local candidates' forum. The Council Chambers had a packed audience for the forum that featured candidates for Rice County sheriff and county attorney. Other forums held were: Oct. 6, District 10 State Senate candidates and Dist.19A State Representative candidates; and on Oct. 13, Rice County District 3 commissioner candidates and Faribault School Board candidates.

The main purpose of the meeting was to pass a 2022-2023 budget. Karen Rasmussen, who had presented the 2021-2022 audit of the branch's finances at the September meeting, had worked with

former Co-president and current Membership V.P. Kathy Larson, and current Co-Presidents Pat Rice and Carmen Tripp, to come up with the budget. She went through it for the membership. Once her presentation was read, and there were questions that were answered, Emily Nesvold made a motion to approve the budget; Barb Dubbels seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Rasmussen and Larson, co-chairs of the Halloween Breakfast, gave a report. The Thrive small-grant cards will be used to pay for placemats, napkins, give-away candy, and some of the cost of the muffins. Larson thanked Rasmussen for writing up an article for the Faribault Daily News on the event which will raise funds for scholarships. She added that members needed to call her by Oct. 23 with their number of pre-sold tickets. Larson needs to call the American Legion on Monday, Oct. 24 with the number of pre-sold tickets so that food can be ordered for the omelet breakfast.

AAWU Funds V.P. Liz Hartman told members that names for 2023 Named Honorees need to be submitted by the beginning of January. She asked members to contact her if they had ideas as to which members to honor.

Pauline Schreiber made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Diane Hagen seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Submitted by Secretary Pauline Schreiber



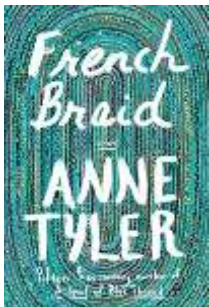
Treasurer's Report

Although expenses are not in from the American Legion, we had a very successful Halloween Breakfast with great sales both pre and at the door. Ticket sales totaled \$5,112. In addition, our donations

were \$168 and the sales of extra muffins was \$141

I will report on net profit as that becomes available

Submitted by JoEllen Schulz



Book Club

The AAUW Book Club will meet on Thursday, November 17 at 2pm at Barb Dubbels' to discuss *French Braid* by Anne Tyler.

The book club first met in November of 2002 so we will have a prosecco toast to 20 years of (mostly) great reads!! *Submitted by Barb Dubbels*



Social Time

Dear Members,

Let's meet for coffee and treats this coming Saturday, November 19th at 10:30. I'll make reservations at Janna's for that upper back corner we used last month. If you come in the front door, go towards the

cash register. See you Saturday, *Sue Olson*



Membership

We still have time to encourage family or friends to join our Faribault A.A.U.W. Branch ! Consider a membership gift to our organization for only \$50.00 as a first time member!

(\$4.18 a month). We need to encourage more members to

continue our mission "To advance gender equity for women & girls through research, education and advocacy."

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, we need to thank our past female leaders and members for all the advances and achievements for women!

If you have any ideas for increasing the "younger generation of women" to join us - please let me know:)

For any membership information please contact me:

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