



Faribault Branch Communiqué

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

~ May 2024 ~



President's Message

Spring has sprung as April showers brought May flowers. This May is a busy month for our AAUW group. PLEASE read this newsletter with all our events happening.

Book sale (May 17, 18, and 19) This is our last AAUW book sale so please volunteer to help.

Our **Scholarship** applications are due June 1, so help get the information out (see below) and seek out candidates.

Picnic – Monday, May 20 at 5:00 p.m. out at Pat Umbreit's home. Plan to pay your yearly dues, join in recognition of members, and have fun camaraderie with fellow members.

Remember we are AAUW - advocating equity for women and girls. Coming off our State Meeting, we as members want to come together for inclusion, collaboration, and empowerment for women. Have a great summer everyone...

Co-Presidents: Carmen Tripp and Mary Niermann

*The deadline for the Spring Picnic and catered meal by Arna Farmer is **Noon Monday, May 13!!** Please call, text, or email Pauline Schreiber. She only has a cell phone now. You can call or text her at: 507-602-0876. Her email is: stpauline818@gmail.com

People who sign up by May 13 can pay the \$17 for the meal the night of the picnic. If paying with check, make a check separate from paying your AAUW dues to make it easier for the treasurer.



AAUW Spring Picnic

When: Monday, May 20

Where: Pat Umbreit's – 3593 Chappuis Trail Go past the smiley face. One more block turn left on Chappuis Trail at the Wells Township Hall.

Social Time: 5 PM

Meal: 5:30 PM Cost \$17

Program and business meeting: 6:30 PM

Menu: chicken salad croissant (or egg salad for vegetarians), fruit, mixed green salad with raspberry vinaigrette, pasta salad with vegetables, and bars for dessert. There will be wine, coffee and lemonade.

What to bring;

Bring lawn chairs.

Money for meal and AAUW dues.

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Membership

MAY is filled with many opportunities to support the women and girls of our Faribault community! We award financial help through college scholarships and FSHS awards.

We have accomplished our AAUW mission to advance gender equity, for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy in many ways during our 99 years!!

This coming year we are approaching our **100th. Anniversary** of our own AAUW Faribault Branch. (February 25, 1925)

We should be so proud of all the women before us who accomplished "making a difference in the lives of women and girls"!

If everyone in our Branch could invite a friend to join us - that would be an outstanding way to celebrate our 100 years of commitment and camaraderie!! It would also double our membership.

Our current AAUW members have successfully carried on many community projects over the last 50+ years. I'm always telling other people about the wonderful, dedicated women in our Faribault Branch: we are dynamic, like-minded people from all walks of life.

Congratulations to **Gail Kielemeyer** for being a **50-year** member this year!!(7-1-1974) Thank you, Gail, we appreciate all the work you have done in our AAUW these years!!

REMEMBER: PLEASE PAY YOUR YEARLY DUES AT OUR AAUW SPRING PICNIC ON MAY 20th. NOT ONLINE

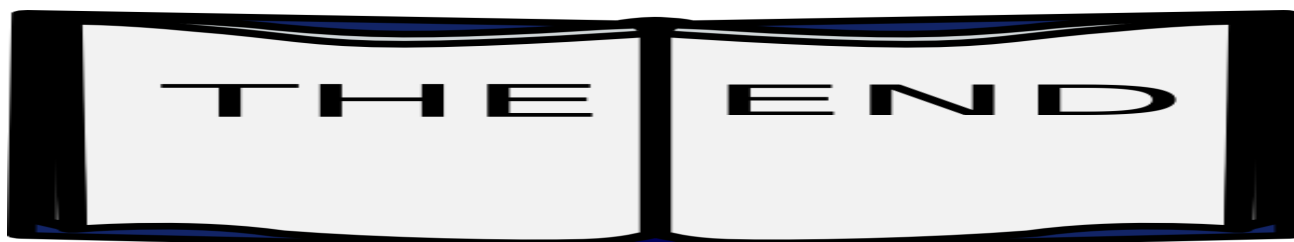
Membership Dues: \$92 New Membership Dues: \$55

Please contact Kathy Larson for more information:332-2525

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Thank you,

Submitted by Kathy Larson- Membership Vice President



It's a wrap! - Our Last Book Sale - Our Last Hurrah #55

We again need all hands on deck to make our final sale a big success. Books will be moved from storage on *May 13 at 1:30* by Faribault Correction inmates. We have three days to sort. The sale is *Friday May 17 through Sunday May 19* at the Faribault West Mall during Mall hours. Liz Hartman will be signing up folks to sort books and work the sale. Sign up a friend too! Books can be brought to the Mall beginning *Saturday May 4*. Carts will be at the entrance near Pet Smart. Tell all of your friends. Use social media to help publicize our event. Clean up will be *Monday, May 20th* – at which time everything goes. Thanks to all for your help!!

Pat Rice

Attached are our work sign-up sheets. Please email Liz at: ethartmanariz@gmail.com or call or text at 507-339-0527 to volunteer. This is our last sale – so volunteer all you can. We have jobs where you won't need to walk or lift. We need some members to sit and sort books!

Mall Hours: Monday - Friday 10:00-8:00 Saturday 10:00-5:00 Sunday 12:00-5:00



Scholarship

The Faribault Branch of the
American Association of University Women
is offering:

I or more - \$1500 scholarships to qualifying local women. The recipient must:

- Be enrolled in or accepted to a program at a four-year college or university,
- Have completed a minimum of one year or 24 credits,
- The program may be at the undergraduate or graduate level.

The deadline for applications is June 1, 2024.

Applications are available at: faribault-mn.aauw.net

Click on link under:

Faribault AAUW 2024 Local Scholarships

Email questions and additional requirements to:

faribaultaauw@gmail.com

* Attached is a qtr. page scholarship announcement if you are interested in printing and distributing. I plan to bring some to the luncheon on Wed. as well as some poster flyers for the scholarship(s) and book sale that I hope you will help me get distributed.

Karen Rasmussen
Education-Scholarship
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Treasurer's Report

Our checking balance is \$13,290.16. We had 51 guests at the Tri-Branch lunch. Our income was \$1,275.00. Speakers were given \$250.00 and the charges for food, room, and beverages at the Golfclub were \$1,473,21.

JoEllen Schulz, Treasurer
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BOOK CLUB NEWS

Seven of us met for poetry month and we had a delightful time. Lots of laughing but such interesting choices once again!

Kathy Kasten chose *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison for May's read. It is one of the banned books. She also mentioned 2 Dr. Seuss books which are on the list: *To Think I Saw it on Mulberry Street* and *If I Ran the Zoo*. I used *To Think I Saw it on Mulberry Street* as my poem at our April meeting. If someone gets *If I Ran the Zoo*, we could have it read to us as part of our discussion.

Kathy Larson chose *The Lost Girls of Paris* by Pam Jenoff for June. Mary Lillquist has chosen *Everything I've Never Told You* by Celeste Ng as July's book.

We meet *Thursday, May 16 at 2pm.*

Barb Dubbels

Social Time



Dear Members,

We will skip our coffee and treats at Janna's on May 18th at 10:30 because of the book sale event and our yearly picnic at Pat Umbreit's on Monday, May 20th.

Take good care,

Sue Olson



51 AAUW members enjoyed the Tri-Branch (Owatonna, Northfield, and Faribault) Luncheon at the Faribault Golf Club on Saturday April 20. The fantastic program showcased the talents of writer Pat Bauer and illustrator Dave Geister in their latest children's' book "Making Minnesota". Everyone went home with a book.



Smiles all around (Liz Hartman, Rene Perrance, Kathy Larson, Carmen Tripp and Mary Lillquist) for a great convention hosted by the Hasting's Branch.



Included in the lineup of excellent speakers, was Lt. Governor Peggy Flanagan.



We met at Joe's on May 1 to celebrate the April, May and June birthdays.

Pat Fuchs April 10 Shirley Norgaard April 19 Ruth Hildebrant April 2
Carmen Tripp April 8 Barb Dubbels May 21

- This is the first time all celebrants have been able to attend!!



Members of Joan Koonman's family stand by the Ironwood tree purchased and planted in her honor by the City of Faribault Staff and Tree Committee, AAUW members and GROWS garden club members on Saturday, May 4 at the annual Arbor Day celebration. The beautiful rains will get the tree off to a good start!

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.