

AAUW ASHEVILLE NEWSLETTER

AAUW: Breaking down educational and economic barriers for women and girls



APRIL 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3	4 CAB Books <i>Everything I Never Told You</i> Metro Wines on Charlotte St. niniabbott@gmail.com 4:30—6:00	5 Lunch Bunch RSVP Deadline Noon sherry-saerie@gmail.com	6 Literatae Books <i>Elegance of the Hedgehog</i> @ Fusako Krummel 146 Hillside #43 Asheville fusakok@bellsouth.net 1:00	7	8 Lunch Bunch Char Bar 2 Gerber Rd. in Asheville sherrysaerie@gmail.com Noon	9
10	11 Film Buds 5:00	12 AAUW Board Mtg.	13	14 Film Fans Noon	15	16
17	18	19	20 Photography Group aauwphotog.weebly.com or email Lynette Miller at lcmlisterstudio@gmail.com 3:00	21	22	23
24	25	26 Branch Meeting Sierra Nevada Tour 11:30	27	28 Tea Time Books <i>The Girl on the Train</i> @Emily Quinn's 112 Ballentree Dr. davean-dem.quinn@gmail.com 4:00	29	30

Tuesday, April 26th

Sierra Nevada Brewery, Mills River

Our tour will begin at 10am with lunch to follow in the Taproom at 11:45

Our Brewhouse Tour is 90 minutes in length and does include a tasting at the end of the tour. For a group of 35, we would offer a tasting of two beers. Also, the larger group will require more than one tour guide so we will be splitting the group up for the walking portion of the tour.

Contact Marlene Shaklan to reserve a space mshaklan@bellsouth.net

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And thanks to Barbara Robinson, for her help with organizing the information for the newsletter!

Find us on the Web at
<http://asheville-nc.aauw.net>



Tell your friends “Happy Birthday” and honor them with a gift to GEM.

April Birthdays

Marlene Shaklan	1
Pat Kutay	1
Linda Nicodemus	8
Jeanne Smolkin	8
Barbara Weatherall	8
Pat Ashe	10
Pam dement	10
Helen McClintock	13
Judy Duncan	14
Jill Preyer	14
Mary Lloyd Frank	16
Mary Lee Cerillo	21
Barbara Mayer	27
Barbara Robinson	29

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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NEWS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

April signifies Spring and its time ‘to spring into action’ and start renewing your memberships to AAUW for the 2016-2017 year.

Membership renewal includes the following dues: \$73. The breakdown of the dues for one year is: \$49.00 goes to the National Organization; \$11.00 to the State; and \$13.00 to our local branch. Remember the \$49.00 is tax deductible. Dues for Life Members are \$24.00.

Please renew before June 30th so that we can prepare the directory over the summer.

If you have questions or need help, call AAUW Member Hotline [\(800\) 326-2289](tel:8003262289)

It is simple to renew on-line by following these easy steps:

- * Go online to <http://www.aauw.org/>
- * Click “Login” at the top of the page, enter your member id and password, or click “ need to register” if it’s your first time logging in to the national site. (Registering will require a few extra steps, including confirming via email before proceeding.)
- * Click on Member Services Database (MSD) toward the bottom of the page.
- * Click on "Enter the MSD" (green rectangle)
- * Click on “Enter Member Services Database”
- * Click on “Renew My Membership” at left
- * You will be asked to pay dues by credit card.

Prefer to renew by check?

Make your check payable to AAUW and mail to our Treasurer Laurie Powell, 15 Harrison Hill Road, Swannanoa, NC 28778.

Please update any changes/corrections to your contact information for the directory by emailing corrected information to Linda Beltran: linbeltran09@yahoo.com

FROM THE BRANCH PRESIDENT

March was Women's History Month. Here are a few notable accomplishments of American women:

- 1777** Abigail Smith Adams, wife of the second president and mother of the sixth president writes that women "will not hold ourselves bound by any laws in which we have no voice."
- 1826** The first public high schools for girls open in New York and Boston.
- 1833** Oberlin College in Ohio is the first co-educational college in the U.S.
- 1838** Mount Holyoke College is established in Massachusetts as first college for women.
- 1849** Elizabeth Blackwell becomes the first woman in the U.S. to receive a medical degree.
- 1866** The American Equal Rights Association is founded by Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Stanton, Martha Coffin Pelham Wright and Ernestine Rose.
- 1868** The 14th Amendment denying women the right to vote is ratified. Women lawyers are licensed in U.S.
- 1872** Susan B. Anthony is arrested for attempting to vote.
- 1878** A Women's Suffrage Amendment is introduced to Congress for the first time.
- 1890** Wyoming is first state to allow women to vote. Women begin to wear knickerbockers instead of skirts for bicycle riding.
- 1913** 5,000 suffragists march in Washington, D.C. for the women's rights movement.
- 1915** A petition with 500,000 signatures in support of the women's suffrage amendment is given to President Woodrow Wilson.
- 1920** The 19th Amendment is ratified, allowing women the right to vote in federal elections.
- 1923** Alice Paul and the National Women's Party proposes the Equal Rights Amendment.
- 1971** Supreme Court rule ends sex discrimination in hiring.
- 1972** Congress passes the Equal Employment Opportunity Act. The Equal Rights Amendment passes Congress but has yet to be ratified.
- 1981** Sandra Day O'Connor becomes first woman appointed to the Supreme Court.
- 1997** Madeleine K. Albright becomes first woman Secretary of State.
- 2000** Hillary Clinton becomes the only First Lady ever elected to the U.S. Senate.
- 2005** Condoleezza Rice becomes the first African-American woman to be appointed Secretary of State.
- 2016** ???

Now, let's go make history!

Carolyn

Check out these sites for more:

<http://www.womenatworkmuseum.org/>

<http://www.history.com/topics/womens-history>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

AAUW Branch meetings are at 11:30 am in the large dining room of the First Baptist Church, which is centrally located at Charlotte Street just south of I-240

Tuesday, April 26

Road Trip

Sierra Nevada Tour



Tuesday, May 24

First Baptist

Christi Whitworth

Education/STEM

Sunday, June 5

Fernihurst

Fundraiser

ADVOCACY COMMITTEE WORKED TO SUPPORT VOTERS IN 2016 MARCH PRIMARY

We are excited by the much higher than expected turnout for the 2016 Primary during the early voting period and on election day on March 15th. AAUW members worked to register voters, educate the public about the new voting regulations, especially voter ID, and encouraged their friends and neighbors to get to the polls to express their preferences.

A large number of AAUW members worked as Voter Protection workers on election day in various polling places throughout the county in partnership with Democracy NC. Voter Protection is a program implemented to address problems voters face due to election law changes. Workers dressed in yellow t shirts collected exit polls, compiled reports of voting problems and connected voters to attorneys at the UNC School of law.

As we move into the fall election, the Advocacy Committee will continue to work on voter engagement activities. To learn more, come to our **next meeting on April 1 at 9:30 at Atlanta Bread Company on Merrimon Ave.** For more details contact Anne Sayers at annesayers432@gmail.com.

AAUW MEMBERS SHARE NEWS

AAUW Scholarship Women are excelling at school. Savanna Brown, Patricia Downey, and Kimberly Thurmond have been named to the President's List (4.0 GPA) for the Fall 2015 semester. AB Tech thanks GEM for making a difference.

Please save any birthday, holiday or other cards you may be ready to throw away. The Drop-in Daycare can use them for art projects. Kids love to paste and create with the pictures. Give to Jan Schwartz, Eleanor Walther or Barbara Robinson. Many Thanks!



The **GEM Fundraising Committee** will have a Fall fundraising event, an **Upscale Garage Sale**. It will be held at the Beaver Dam Fire Station, 450 Beaver Dam Road on October 15th, 2016. We will be asking for volunteers and, of course, stuff to be placed in the sale. If you have any interest in volunteering, please contact Karen Mauro at 828 891 5963 or ktminnc@gmail.com.

NEW STUDY GROUP FORMING

A new HISTORICAL STUDIES group is being formed by Sherry Brown. Field trips to places of historical interest will be planned, and meetings with speakers who are knowledgeable on a variety of subjects of historical interest will be sought and scheduled. Please contact Sherry for questions and/or to be added to the email list. sherrysaerie@gmail.com or 828-357-8455

STANDING INTEREST GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

Remember to notify the hostess or group leader if you plan to attend this month's meeting so they can predict attendance and so that you can be apprised of any last-minute changes.

Advocacy Group: The Advocacy Group is organized to support and advocate for issues that support the mission of AAUW and will increase awareness and effectiveness in bringing about social change to improve the lives of AAUW members and our community. The Advocacy Group will support only issues that are non-partisan and align with those of the national board of AAUW. For more information, contact Anne Sayers at 919-302-0084 or annesayer432@gmail.com.

AAUW Upstreamers: This group works with Riverlink to clean up a stream at Reed Creek Park near UNC-A three times a year. For more information contact Barbara Robinson at baritar16@gmail.com 230-7113.

CAB Book Group: The "Cocktails and Books" discussion group meets Metro Wines the first Monday of each month, from 4:30 to 6 pm for wine and conversation. To get more information or to add your name to the list of members, contact group leader is Nini Abbott, niniabbott@gmail.com

Film Buds: This film discussion group meets the second Monday of each month from 5:30 to 7 to discuss first-run films; attendance is limited to the first 20 current group members who make a **reservation** with the group leader, Beth Ellers. Because of the large size of the group, new membership is closed, but note that the Film Fans group discusses the same film and is open to new members; to obtain this month's film selection, location, and other information, contact Beth Ellers at slark1@att.net. Participants bring pot-luck supper.

Film Fans: This film discussion group meets the first Thursday after the second Monday of each month from noon to 1:30 at the River Ridge Apartments Club House; film is the same as that discussed by the Monday Film Buds group. Members bring their own lunch; open to new members; for the film selection of this month's meeting or to get more information, contact group leader Beth Johnson at JOHNSON1ea@earthlink.net.

International Dining Group: The International Dining Group is composed of AAUW members who enjoy sharing great cuisine and conversation, with a dash of history, storytelling and personal experiences. Member may bring one guest. Dinner is potluck, with menu suggestions from the host. Dinners are approximately every other month. For more information, contact Pat Kutay at 828-575-2766 or pkutay1@gmail.com or Jeanne Smolkin at 828-254-4789 or jmolkin@gmail.com

Literatae Book Group: The book study group meets the first Wednesday of every month at homes of members; for this month's location and more information, contact group leader Pat Argue at 828-891-4521 or pkargue@gmail.com.

Lunch Bunch: The Lunch Bunch is an informal gathering for lunch on the second Friday of each month at noon at a different area restaurant. The Lunch Bunch is open to all AAUW members who wish to be added to the **reservation list**. Be sure to contact Sherry Brown by the **deadline date** at 828-357-8455 or sherrysaerie@gmail.com to reserve space and get directions to the restaurant.

Photography Group: The Photography Group is open to anyone with an interest in photography—with or without a camera. The group will meet on the 3rd Wednesday at 3:00 though field trips/events may necessitate changes. More information at our website aauwphotog.weebly.com or email Lynette Miller at lcmlisterstudio@gmail.com.

Tea Time Book Group: This book discussion group meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 4 pm at the homes of various members; all are welcome; for this month's book and location or to obtain more information, contact group leader Juanita Spanogle at 258-0096 or jspanogle@aol.com.



GEM Scholars at AB Tech Luncheon