



News By Degrees

SCHAUMBURG AREA BRANCH

MARCH –MAY 2018

Upcoming Events

- *TechSavvy: March 24*
- *Pay Equity Day: April 10*
- *Scholars Luncheon: April 14*
- *General Meeting: April 16*
- *Novel Approach: April 16*
- *State Convention: April 27-28*
- *EOY Dinner: May 30*

Attachments

State Convention
registration form

Equal Pay Day
Rally Flyer

President's Message

SPRING ---- I am shouting this fun time to refresh and renew!!!!



Yes, we have many opportunities to learn and grow in these next months. The annual Scholars Luncheon on April 14 gives us the inspiration of how these women are making a difference in our world. The Pay Equity gathering at noon on April 10 at Dailey Plaza is another time for us to come together to show our support for women and the initiative to contact our legislators to

support positive policy for women. Our Branch meeting and program "Lady Churchill"

April 16 at the Schaumburg Library gives a historic perspective. Our AAUW of Illinois annual state convention is April 27-28 at the Hyatt in Lisle and nearby Bene-

dictine University will have impactful speakers and breakout sessions to energize you to *Make a Difference!* I look forward to this convention and hope you might join me. Thank you Sue for being the Registrar for this convention.

Thank you to Lisa D. for being our representative as the Financial person for our District Networking Luncheon.

Thank you, Mary M. for being our representative for GEMS – exciting that 250 girls participated this year. Thank you, Judy S. for coordinating our Branch Bunco fundraiser for our educational fund and scholarship support and the many who donated items, participated and helped with set up, clean up, registration and other areas. It is refreshing that we as AAUW Branch members come together to support our AAUW mission and vision for our community events or programs. Also thank you to supporting each other in various areas that impact our lives.

Now – *what is your fondest memory of springtime and what positive memories do you want for our young woman and girls?*
Barb O.

General Meeting

The April General Meeting will be on April 16 at the Schaumburg Main Library. We will be attending one of the library's programs entitled "Lady Churchill". It is one of the library's living history presentations. Lady Churchill was American born woman who married into British high society. She was included in Queen Victoria's inner circle of confidants. We will find out how she influenced Winston Churchill one of Britain's most famous prime ministers.

The program starts at 7:00 and we will have a general meeting following the program. We must register for the program. I was told that I can register 15 people on April 2nd. Email me to let me know if you will attend before April 2. I will call the library on April 2nd to register.



May Dinner
Join your friends on Wednesday, May 30 for dinner and installation of new officers. We will meet at 6:30 pm at California Pizza Kitchen.
- Mary



Dining Out

Saturday, May 5 at 6 PM
Makray
1010 S. NW Hwy
Barrington 60010



**April 10 rally in Daley
Plaza at noon.**

Dues Increase

It has been 10 years since there has been an increase in dues for AAUW national membership. On January 31, an email was sent to all members from Chief Executive Officer Kim Churches and AAUW Board Chair Julia Brown, containing a link to a short video detailing why a dues increase is now necessary. The video can be viewed through this link: <https://www.aauw.org/resource/membership-dues-update/>.

Effective March 16, 2018 (Memberships valid through June 2019): National Dues will be raised to \$59.00 from \$49.00. As before, all but \$3 of the national dues amount is tax deductible.



The Jane Addams Branch is sponsoring a Tech Savvy Conference for Girls on March 24 at Triton College. More information can be found at <https://janeaddams-il.aauw.net/tech-savvy/>.

WING—Mother's Day

Our branch is supporting the Wings Mother's Day gift bag project. If you would like to help brighten Mother's Day for another mom please purchase one or more of the suggested items below and bring to the next AAUW meeting on April 16th. I will put small gift bags together (we are committing to 3 bags valued at under \$40 each).

If you are unable to attend the next AAUW meeting I'm happy to pick up your items - (call or e-mail).

Wings thanked us for our participation in the Holiday Donation Project.

Suggestions:

Body Wash, Loofah, Bubble Bath, Lotion, Body Spray
Blush, Mascara, Eyeliner, Lip Gloss, Compact Mirror

Nail Polish, Nail Polish Remover,
Manicure Items for Hands &
Feet, Foot Lotion
Costume Jewelry
Adult Coloring Books with Fine
Line Markers
Gift Card to Stores - Bath &
Body, Target, Walmart, Kohls (\$10 only)



Thank You

Thank you for supporting our Annual AAUW Bunco Fundraiser this year. We had fewer players (38), but we still earned over \$612 dollars after our expenses. So many people contributed to this successful event. Thank you, Judy S., Barb O., Sue, Mary, Anne, Inara, Janet, Risa, Barb G. and many non-AAUW members.

Jewel Fundraiser



Our last Jewel Gift Card Order, for the branch year, will be placed on **Tuesday, May 15**. Please let me know if you would like to be

included in this order and your card denominations.

Thank you for your support again this year.

- Sue



**Illinois
Convention**

April 27-28

**Hyatt Regency Lisle
and Benedictine
University**

Registration Form enclosed



he year 2018 marks 70 years since the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) was adopted by the United Nations, and today the global rights of women and girls are being proclaimed in marches, social media campaigns, and legislatures. While the world will never be free from conflict or violations of human rights, the UDHR set forth a foundation for a more just world — a world in which people are inherently born with dignity and fundamental rights; never had that idea been internationally recognized.

Never had a single document been so effective at laying the groundwork for national and international protections against human rights abuses.

Read about AAUW's role in this important document at <https://www.aauw.org/2018/02/22/the-universal-declaration-of-human-rights-turns-70/>

Novel Approach

Lilac Girls: A Novel of Fiction,

by Martha Hall Kelly



This New York Times Bestseller is inspired by actual events and based on the intertwined lives of a New York socialite, Caroline Ferriday, who works in the French Embassy helping their citizens in New York. Kasia Kuzmerik is a captured Polish German resistance teenager who was sent

to Ravensbruck, a “re-education” concentration camp, where medical sulfa experiments were conducted on mostly non-Jewish healthy individuals. The third individual was a young German doctor named Olga Oberheuser, who performed experiments on the prisoners named the “rabbits” at the camp, thinking her results were patriotic to insure the health of German soldiers. They are set on a collision course during World War II. This captivating novel shows the power and bravery of the unsung women (actual pictures of them included) struggling at that time to change history and save lives. It explores the difference one person can make to begin to rectify the injustices that this world can inflict on us.

Please join us on Monday, April 16th at Anne's at 1:00 p.m. Sue will be the discussion leader. Please let Anne know if you can attend.

A Statement from the AAUW Board of Directors

The AAUW National Board of Directors has voted to put three proposals for bylaws amendments before the membership for a vote this spring. The board strongly supports the proposed amendments that we believe will help keep AAUW vital as an organization and enable us to increase our impact in advancing equity for women and girls.

The proposed amendments address creating three-year staggered board terms, opening board service to those outside of the AAUW membership, and eliminating the degree requirement for membership. While rationale and details for each proposed amendment can be found on the [AAUW website](#), the overarching motivation for these changes at this time is to uphold and advance AAUW's mission and ensure optimal execution at the national board level.

The first two proposals would bring AAUW's board governance structure more in line with nationally accepted nonprofit best practices and the needs of the organization. The third proposal — to eliminate the degree requirement for membership — has come before the membership for vote a number of times. The board feels strongly that while the degree requirement made perfect sense at AAUW's inception, this requirement is now perceived by many as counter to our mission and limits our ability to build the capacity needed to increase our impact as an organization.

The board recognizes that we have not traditionally put proposals up for vote outside our AAUW National Election, but these proposed changes have been under consideration for several years by both the Governance Committee and the board, and we believe it is important to move forward without delay to position the organization for greater growth.

Members can comment on the proposed amendments and submit their own proposals from February 22, 2018, through March 22, 2018, at 11:59 p.m. ET. Voting will open on April 25, 2018, and close June 9, 2018, at 9 p.m. ET.

We encourage you all to engage in respectful debate that has always been a hallmark of the AAUW community, exercise your vote, and encourage fellow members to do the same.



REGISTRATION FORM

2018 AAUW-IL, Inc. Convention, Hyatt Regency Lisle, Benedictine University
April 27-28, 2018

Registration Deadlines: Early Bird – Submitted or postmarked by April 6, 2018.

General Deadline: Submitted or postmarked by April 27, 2018

Go to aauw-il.aauw.net for online registration form &/or to pay for convention with credit card or PayPal.

Register me for: ☐ Friday Dinner and Program - 6 to 8 pm and President's Reception
Friday Entrée Options (Check 1) ☐ Horseradish Crusted Atlantic Salmon, Lemon Butter Sauce
☐ Blackened Chicken with Roasted Tomato Pesto ☐ Seasonal Vegetable Risotto
☐ Saturday Convention – 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, including breakfast and luncheon

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Branch _____ Position _____

Check all that apply: ☐ Branch Member ☐ National Member

☐ State Board Member ☐ College / University Rep ☐ Student Affiliate

☐ Past State Pres. ☐ First-time Attendee ☐ Legacy Circle Member

☐ National Committee Member ☐ Chair ☐ TRIO registrant ☐ Guest

Convention Fees

Early Bird Registration for Saturday
postmarked by April 6 \$55 \$ _____

Registration after April 6 \$60 \$ _____

Friday dinner: \$45 \$ _____

Subtotal \$ _____

Past State Pres. Discount -\$15 \$ _____

TRIO Stipend** -\$55 \$ _____

Total Due \$ _____

**Members seeking a TRIO stipend certify that they are attending the state convention for the first time and providing documentation of approval from branch president.

SPECIAL NEEDS:

_____ I have the following dietary restrictions:

_____ I would like a display table (please bring table covering)

_____ I am interested in finding a roommate

Room reservations at Hyatt Regency Lisle Room rate guaranteed until April 6.

\$120.00 + tax

for one deluxe king & sleeper sofa, or 2 beds.

Book online or call 888-421-1442.

Be sure to ask for the AAUW group rate.

Mail registration form and payment to:

Sue Stauffer, 1031 Seaview Court

Schaumburg, IL 60193

Email: staufferw@sbcglobal.net

Home phone: (847) 985-5560

Room Reservation page: <https://book.passkey.com/e/49611208>

Saturday afternoon Special Topics Sessions – Please indicate which two of the four sessions you plan to attend by writing a 1 for the 1:30 session and a 2 for the 2:45 session.

- _____ Every Branch Plays a Role in the AAUW Mission
_____ Now is the time for the ERA Amendment in Illinois
_____ Overview of Tech Savvy: What is your DNA?
_____ Pay Equity: Key Strategies for Making Change



8TH ANNUAL EQUAL PAY DAY CHICAGO 2018

Join us to raise awareness of pay equality
in Chicago and around the nation.

DALEY PLAZA
CLARK & WASHINGTON
TUESDAY, APRIL 10TH, 2018
NOON TO 1:00PM

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
ALPANA SINGH

WITH:
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