



News By Degrees

SCHAUMBURG AREA BRANCH

OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 2018

Upcoming Events

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President's Message

Perhaps because I have been a student or an educator all my life, the start of the academic year is always a special time. When I was young, my grandmother took me and my cousin for a new school dress each year. I continue that tradition by buying my own new dress each fall and by taking my granddaughter for a new school outfit...I must say that I will be glad when she does not insist on going to Justice! As I gathered my faculty at the start of the academic year, I posed these questions to them:

What do you want to start?

What do you want to continue?

What do you want to stop?

I think these 3 questions are good for the members of the Schaumburg Area AAUW as well, especially in light of the new AAUW Strategic Plan. What do you want to start? For me, it is attend the AAUW-IL conference after not attending for many years (Branch Strategic Plan Leader-

ship focal area). What do you want to start this year? What do you want to continue? For me, it is to continue to purchase mums (done) and participate in Bunco to support fundraising efforts for AAUW funds and our Harper scholarship (Branch Strategic Plan Economic Security focal area). What do you want to continue this year?

that is not serving you well? For AAUW-IL it ***It's a Year of Change*** please join me at the AAUW-IL Northern Conference on Saturday, October 6 from 9am to 1pm, where we will • Meet our new state president • Learn about new initiatives • Celebrate successes! https://aauw-il.aauw.net/files/2018/08/LINK_fall2018.pdf



What do you want to stop? For me, it is to stop giving excuses that I am too busy, but instead not only read the Action Alerts, but take Action (Branch Strategic Plan Governance & Sustainability). What do you want to stop

After participating, we will all be better prepared to attend to the business of the year ahead.

-Peg

General Meeting



On October 11, Hannah Hyman, the newest Schaumburg Library Board member, will speak to about how and why she ran for this office. The reason Hannah is special and is speaking about her experience is that she could just legally vote for herself when she ran. Hannah is one of the special young people in our community who have stepped up to serve. Come to



learn about her experience. The business meeting will start at 7:00.

. Anne and Mary

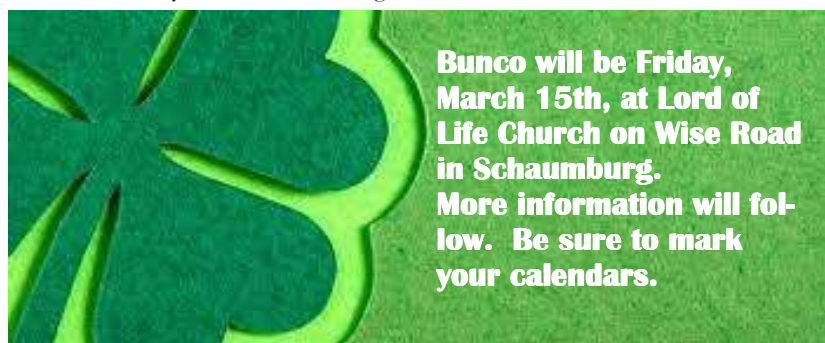
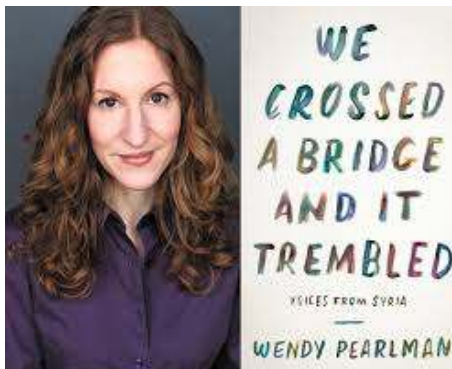


Dining Out

The Silver's will be hosting the Dining out couples group on Saturday, November 10, at the Weber grill restaurant on Meacham Road in Schaumburg. Dessert will be at our house. Please let Fran know if you will be attending.

Save the Date: Networking Luncheon

The Networking Luncheon will be at the Embassy Suites Deerfield on Saturday January 26, 2019. The luncheon cost remains at \$40.00. Our speaker is Wendy Pearlman, a Professor of Political Science at Northwestern University. She deals with the issues of refugees and has written four books about the plight of people in countries including Syria, the Middle East and the Arab-Israeli conflict. - Donna



Bunco will be Friday, March 15th, at Lord of Life Church on Wise Road in Schaumburg. More information will follow. Be sure to mark your calendars.



Early Voting begins at Trickster Gallery on October 22.

Jewel Fundraiser

Our next Jewel gift card order will be placed on Thursday, October 4th. If you would like to be included in this order, please let me know. Checks can be mailed to Barb Garvin or dropped off at my house. The following Jewel card fundraiser will be after Thanksgiving with orders being placed on Monday, November 26th. The cards will arrive in time for pick up at our Holiday Brunch. The proceeds from our first Jewel fundraiser on August 20th were \$92.50. Thanks so much for your continued support.

- Sue



On Monday Oct. 22 7-8:30 PM the Immigrant experience panel will discuss a first hand account of local immigrants' experience in America. Register at the Schaumburg Library 847-923-3347

Candidates Forum is Saturday, October 20 from 1-4 PM at the Central Rasmussen Room. Register now. Learn about candidates' individual positions and you may submit questions for the candidates at the beginning of the program. Sponsored by the Library and the League of Women Voters of the Palatine area.

Novel Approach

Educated: A Memoir

by Amy Ellis Nutt

We'll have a lively discussion in October about Tara Westover's childhood. Her story about growing up in rural Idaho in an abusive family led by a survivalist father is compelling.

This discussion will take place at Fran's home on October 8 at 1:00 p.m. Please let Fran know if you will be attending.



A Piece of the World

by Christine Baker Kline

The story centers on Christina, who has a degenerate disease And whose life centers around her life with her family in Maine. Her friend Andrew Wyeth, who summers in Maine is drawn to Christine and makes her the center of his famous painting. It is a fictional story but much of it is taken from true accounts of the people in the story. I found it to be a fascinating story.

This discussion will take place at Janet's home on November 19 at 1:00 p.m. Please let Janet know if

Mums

I would like to take this time to thank everyone who supported and/or helped with our Mum Sale Fundraiser this year. Judy compiled orders and collected the checks. Sue, Janet, Peg, Peg's husband, and Inara all helped unload the truck with Joe Heidgen from Shady Hill Gardens. Joe brought beautiful dark red, white, bronze, yellow, and purple mums for us to distribute. There were many very happy customers!!

Our branch ended up selling 90 mums and making \$443.60 profit after tax and delivery expenses. We also helped another branch with their order of mums. They were very pleased too.

- Judy S.

Broken Ladders: Barriers to Women's Representation in Nonprofit Leadership

Though most people are aware that women, and women of color in particular, are underrepresented in leadership in the corporate world, many may be less aware of the pervasive impact of bias against women in nonprofit leadership. Indeed, women's lack of representation in leadership extends to every sector, including the \$1.4-trillion nonprofit sector, which employed more than 11 million Americans in 2012. Women make up 75 percent of workers in education, health care, and social assistance, the sectors that encompass most nonprofits. But women hold far less than 75 percent of leadership positions at nonprofits.

There is no single solution to the leadership and pay gaps faced by women. AAUW supports a multi-pronged approach with reforms at the governmental, employer, and individual levels to address these problems. We are working on helping women succeed and gain leadership opportunities in the workforce and on changing federal and state laws to provide more tools to

challenge the pay gap. We encourage employers to adopt leadership and pay equity best practices, and AAUW advocates that agencies should collect more leadership and pay data based on gender and race. Finally, AAUW wants to empower employees to advocate to maximize

their salaries and will be training 10 million women in salary negotiation by 2022. By fighting for changes on all of these fronts, we can work together to lead the way for women's equity in leadership. More information about this AAUW research at : <https://www.aauw.org/research/broken-ladders/>



March to the Polls 2018

Women's March Chicago Returns to Grant Park to Rally and March as Early Voting Gets Underway

Saturday, October 13, 2018

"March to the Polls 2018" to Celebrate First Time Voters and Inspire Voter Turnout