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MESSAGE FROM WOOSTER BRANCH AAUW PRESIDENT

In mid-April Judy Mallonn, Gail Carter, Kris Evans and I made the trip to Columbus to attend our AAUW State Convention. The theme was “Women Rock the World” emphasizing and promoting equal pay, supporting activities that increase interest and access to educational opportunities for women and young girls—especially in the STEM fields—and decreasing violence against women. Our Wooster Branch won six awards for the 2015-2016 membership year for increasing our membership, our participation in activities promoting AAUW and its goals, supporting AAUW through our philanthropy, being inclusive in membership and community involvement, and maintaining excellence in mission-based programming. We were also recognized with honorable mention for our website/newsletter. Give yourselves a round of applause!

We did a great job with our contributions to this year’s convention. We stood out in our region by helping with pre-convention organization and acting as hostesses at breakout sessions. Our beautiful basket of items showcasing Wooster and Wayne County raised \$70 in the silent auction. Our thanks go out to our Anita Greene for coordinating that project and to those of you for the amazing collection of items. Also thank you to Kris Evans for putting together a basket of Smucker goodies that was used as a “thank you” gift for one of the breakout sessions speakers.

We were fortunate to have Georgia Nugent, interim president at The College of Wooster, as our speaker at the Spring Luncheon and Annual Meeting. Her emphasis on mentoring and advocacy and the importance of acting as a role model for the women and girls in our lives was inspiring.

Thank you for an exciting and eventful two years as your president. Susan Buchwalter and I will be working to transition to her leadership and even more success for AAUW in the future. Happy spring to you all!!!



Marion Cropp, President Georgia Nugent, and Carol McKiernan.

REPORT ON SPRING LUNCHEON AND ANNUAL MEETING

Luncheon organizers Mimi Lewellen and Judy Mallonn report that over 60 members and guests of AAUW gathered at the Wooster Country Club for the 2016 Spring Luncheon, Saturday, April 23. Guest speaker was Interim President at The College of Wooster, Georgia Nugent, who was introduced by Marion Cropp. Speaker Nugent spoke about her year’s time here at the College and about her career in general opening doors for women to serve as presidents of noteworthy colleges and universities. She was the first woman president at Kenyon College, and Sarah Bolton will take up her duties next fall as Wooster’s first female president as the College marks its first 150 years.



Two of 2013-2015 scholarship winners, Addie Ross (Smithville) and Rhonda Donda (Orrville), were introduced by Judy Mallonn, member of the Scholarship Committee. In addition, AAUW Wooster acknowledged their two **new** life-time members, Letty Nault and Bev Crafton, both of whom started with AAUW in 1966. With life-time member Lois Freedlander (who was also present), Wooster Branch now honors three lifetime members.



President Elect Susan Buchwalter, 2016-2018

A short business meeting was held after the luncheon. Contributions of officers and Board members were recognized and a change in bylaws to conform with National AAUW changes was approved. Carol McKiernan, Judy Mallonn, Kris Evans and Gail Carter attended Ohio's convention on April 16 in Columbus and reported on their activities to the membership.

Susan Buchwalter was elected president for the 2016-2018 term and Mary Hetrick as secretary. Outgoing president Carol McKiernan and secretary Carol Gates were thanked for their years of service to AAUW Wooster.



Secretary Elect Mary Hetrick, 2016-2018.

EXPANDING YOUR HORIZONS (EYH), April 2016

The 2016 Wooster Expanding Your Horizons (EYH) conference was held on The College of Wooster campus on April 16, with over 200 fifth and sixth grade girls from the Tri-County area participating in the daylong "hands-on fun." Eighteen (18) science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) sessions were presented this year, with each student attending three. The conference gives the girls an opportunity to learn about career opportunities in the four disciplines. AAUW Wooster Branch supported the conference with \$800, by delivering applications to schools, and by "welcoming" students and parents the day of the event. Thank you all!

UPCOMING PROGRAMS FOR AAUW BRANCH YEAR

Programs are starting to be discussed for next year. Our first program for the new year will be some time in September, and Anita Greene is planning the meeting (date and time to be announced). Program Coordinator Kris Evans is asking for program suggestions from members. Contact her at kevans943@sbcglobal.net.

Literary AND Out-and-About have joined forces for a trip on Friday, July 15, 2016, to Lakeside, Ohio. **Paula McCain, author of Circling The Sun** is the featured speaker. Since Mary Beth Henthorne (501 No. Erie Beach Road, Lakeside/Marble head) is at Lakeside during this period, she has invited both the Literary and Out-and-About groups to attend Paula McCain's 1:30 p.m. lecture following a "bring your own sack lunch" at her house. Because this trip could have a very large AAUW attendance, we are asking that only members of AAUW be invited as guests. As usual, we will gather in Odd Lots parking at 10:00 a.m. to share rides. Contact Mary Beth Henthorne, Letty Nault, or Mary Ann Merchant, by July 10 to let us know you plan to attend.

WOOSTER BRANCH OFFICERS 2016-2017

President	Susan Buchwalter*
Vice President, Membership & Communications	Anita Greene*
Secretary	Mary Hetrick*
Treasurer	Sarah Miles*

Board/Committee Members

Program Coordinator	Kris Evans*
Newsletter	Mary Ann Merchant*
	Mimi Lewellen
By-Laws	Mary Ann Merchant*
AAUW/Kiwanis Used Book Sale	Cathryn Frame Stone*
	Gail Carter*
	Don Ackerman+
“Expanding Your Horizons”	Susie Slack*
Scholarships	Susie Slack, Chair*
Membership Program Booklet	Mary Ann Merchant*
Past President	Carol McKiernan*
Historian	Letty Nault*
Sunshine	Leslie Breeden*

*Indicates Board Membership

+Kiwanis Representative

Board meetings are held the second Thursday of the month at Buehler’s Milltown Community Room, 6:30 p.m. Scheduled dates are June 9, July 14, August 11, September 8, October 13, and November 10 for 2016; January 12, February 9, March 9, April 13, May 11 and June 8 for 2017. All dates will be confirmed prior to each meeting. **Members are always welcome!**

AAUW-KIWANIS USED BOOK SALE

We need more books! The sale is scheduled to begin on Wednesday, September 28, and will be here before we know it! This summer would be a good time to check closets, book shelves, bedside tables and such for those books you don’t need to keep any longer. If you have difficulty letting go of your books, know that we will find them good homes. We accept book donations every Saturday from 10 a.m. - 12 noon at the warehouse location behind Carquest at the corner of North and North Bever Streets. Signs will direct you to our doorway.

Book Markers are busy on Thursday afternoon from 1 to 3 p.m. cleaning, processing and sorting books. (It is a well-known secret that book donations have also been accepted there on Thursdays during Book Markers).

OUT-AND-ABOUT TRIPS

Out-and-About’s last trip was to the Cleveland Museum of Art to enjoy Monet’s paintings. Mary Ann apologizes for the lack of trips since then but hopes to make up for it this summer, along with the help of Carolyn Kearney.

Under our listing above of upcoming AAUW programs, a Literary/Out-and-About trip to Lakeside, Ohio, on Friday, July 15, 2016, is planned to hear speaker **Paula McCain, author of Circling The Sun.** Check it out!

LITERARY READING FOR SUMMER 2016

These books are to be read through September 2016. All reviews are the third Tuesday of the month at 7:15 p.m. unless noted otherwise. New Literary Facilitator (with help from Letty Nault) is Wendy Zimmermann, 330-345-3393, wkzimmermann@gmail.com. Please contact her with any questions or if you wish to join Literary!

June 20 - **Still Life With Bread Crumbs by Anna Quindlen** will be reviewed by Sally Bernhardt at her home. Letty Nault will be Co-Hostess.

July 19 - **The Beautiful Mystery by Louise Penny** will be reviewed by Sue Herman at Letty Nault's home with Nancy Danby serving as Co-Hostess.

August 16 - **The Wright Brothers by David McCullough** will be reviewed by Mary Hetrick at the home of Helen Atchison with Anita Greene and Susan Buchwalter serving as Co-Hostesses.

September 20 - **Everything I Never Told You by Celeste Ng** will be reviewed by Stefani Koorhan with Co-Hostesses Kris Evans and Sue Olive at Westminster Church House, Wooster.

RATINGS FOR BOOK

The following ratings were given the books read from September 2015 through April 2016, based on a five-star scale. Brown Girl (4.5), Storied Life of A. J. Fikry (3.4), The Mighty Fitz (3.2), East of the Mountains (2.8), Clara and Mr. Tiffany (4.0), Girls of Atomic City (2.5), and Nightingale (4.3). This averages out to a rating of 3.5 for the books read during the year.



Co-Hostesses Mimi Lewellen and Sharon Taylor get a chance to enjoy the food along with Carolyn Kearney and Bev McCoy.

ADELANTE! BOOKS OF THE MONTH

Our AAUW National website has begun to include author discussions for some of the Adelante! Book of the Month titles. It is amazing to have these discussions available for our listening. They can be accessed at <http://www.aauw.org/resource/adelante-book-of-the-month-club/>.



Wendy Zimmermann (new Literary Facilitator (with help from Letty Nault,) Inell Keller and Cathy Frame Stone enjoy pot luck.

The Cherokee Rose and Disgruntled by Tiya Miles are archived for listening online. Two more author discussions will be available: June 23, 2016 Charity and Sylvia: A Same-sex Marriage in Early America by Rachel Hope Cleves, and July 28, 2016, Soldier Girls by Helen Thorpe.

Some fun facts from Anita Greene: Euphoria by Lily King is on the Adelante! Lis—but our Literary group discussed this title in August 2015, as well as Invention of Wings, July 2015. The Girls of Atomic City, was a Wooster Literary read in March 2016, and an Adelante! read in 2013. Adelante! Titles are posted on our Wooster AAUW website.

AAUW SUMMER BRIDGE LESSONS

Facilitator Mary Ann Merchant will again be offering Refresher Bridge lessons this summer. Because AAUW Social Bridge meets every third Monday throughout the summer, Mary Ann will start her lessons June 13 and the last lesson will be August 22—so plan your lives accordingly! Bitsy Loewenstein will introduce the class to duplicate bridge on the last day of class. Classes as usual are 1 - 3 p.m. on Mondays (except the third Monday of each month) at Mary Ann's home. Come if you can, but otherwise Mary Ann will know you are either on vacation or have a day off!

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Thursday, June 9	AAUW Board Meeting, Buehler's Milltown, 6:30 p.m.
Monday, June 13	Refresher Bridge Lessons start; 1-3 p.m., at the home of Mary Ann Merchant.
Monday, June 20	AAUW Social Bridge; Leslie Breeden is Hostess.
Tuesday, June 21	Literary meets at the home of Sally Bernhardt.
Thursday, July 14	AAUW Board Meeting, Buehler's Milltown, 6:30 p.m.
Friday July 15	Literary and Out-and-About go to Lakeside, Ohio.
Monday, July 18	AAUW Social Bridge; Sally Hart is hostess.
Tuesday, July 19	Literary meets at the home of Letty Nault.
Thursday, August 11	AAUW Board Meeting, Buehler's Milltown, 6:30 p.m.
Monday, August 17	AAUW Social Bridge; hostess will be Linda Crouch
Tuesday, August 18	Literary will meet at the home of Helen Atchison.
Monday, August 22	End of Refresher Bridge Lessons plus a taste of Duplicate.
September 8, 2016	AAUW Board Meeting, Buehler's Milltown, 6:30 p.m.
Monday, September 19	AAUW Social Bridge; hostess is Sue Olive.
Tuesday, September 20	Literary meets at the Westminster Church House.
Wed., Sept. 28-Thurs. 29	Start of AAUW-Kiwanis Used Book Sale, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday, September 30	Half price day for all books, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday, October 1	\$5 Bag Day, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Note: Dues for membership renewal should be paid by June 15.

BRANCH MEMBERSHIP

Our official AAUW membership year is July 1 through June 30. Membership renewals for the 2016-2017 are due by June 15! If you have not already done so, please renew your membership now! To date Wooster Branch has 42 renewals and 3 new members. Wooster Branch is one of the largest in the state. Let's keep it going!

BYLAWS CHANGES

The final version of the amended bylaws for Wooster Branch, mandated by AAUW National, were approved by the membership at its annual April 23 general meeting. The by-laws have been forwarded to state and national AAUW offices.

AAUW WOOSTER BRANCH MEMBERSHIP DUES FORM

July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017 • Dues are to be paid by June 15, 2016
Membership Dues are \$70.00 (\$49 National, \$11 State, and \$10 Wooster)

NOTE: \$46 of National dues are tax deductible

Student affiliate dues are \$17.00 (National only, with \$16 tax deductible)

Please make checks payable to:
AAUW Wooster Branch

Mail completed form with your check by June 15 to:

Sarah Miles, Treasurer
AAUW Wooster Branch
P. O. Box 1191
Wooster, OH 44691

Please complete ALL of the information below so that we may better serve you!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell or Work Phone: (____) _____

Email: (please print clearly) _____

College(s) / University(ies) _____

Degree(s) _____

Major(s) _____

Please check below ALL activities in which you would like to participate:

- Literary:** Book review discussion group that meets monthly
- Bookmarkers:** Used book sorting group works on Thursday afternoons at our facility
- Bridge Lessons:** Usually offered during the summer; meeting weekly in instructor's home
- Cinema Date:** Group meets monthly for dinner +/- a movie; dates
- "Expanding Your Horizons":** Volunteers work at The College of Wooster for the 5th and 6th grade science/math workshop on a Saturday in April
- Out-and-About:** Monthly or selected trips to areas of interest, usually including a lunch stop
- Social Bridge:** Players meet 3rd Monday of each month, July - June (except December)
- AAUW / KIWANIS USED BOOK SALE:** Wooster Branch's priority project is our scholarship program for Wayne County Women which is supported from the proceeds of this sale held the last week of September. Member participation is necessary for the success of this event.

NEWSLETTER DELIVERY: _____ email _____ U. S. Mail

*New Members: Please feel free to use the back of this form to add any information or comments.
New members are asked to include personal data for our newsletter.*

*AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.
AAUW provides funds to advance education, research, and self-development for women, and to foster equity and positive societal change.
AAUW provides funding and a support system for women seeking judicial redress for sex discrimination.
AAUW, in principle and in practice, values and seeks a diverse membership.
There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.*

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