



GREETINGS FROM WOOSTER BRANCH AAUW PRESIDENT

The 2018 year closed with a lovely soup luncheon, complemented by table decorations and music, hosted by Bev Crafton and Kris Evans. A large donation of personal items was collected for CAMO.

We have now ended the deep freeze of January (at last!). Nonetheless, the AAUW Wooster Branch is warming up with several planned activities.

January 29 brought the program “**DNA Testing: What it is and What it isn’t**”, presented by Deb Kitko of the Genealogy Department of the Wayne County Public Library. Nearly 35 members braved the cold and discovered what tests like 23&Me can and cannot tell us. When asked about the program, nearly all attendees commented that it was “very interesting.”

Tuesday, March 12 at 1 p.m., Barbara Thelamour, assistant professor at The College of Wooster, will share her research “**Narratives of Racially Diverse Immigrant Women.**”

At the January Board meeting, Sarah Miles reported the net profit for Wooster Branch from the 2018 Book Sale was \$6,761.50 (with an equal amount to Kiwanis). Bookmarkers continue to work diligently from 1-3 p.m. on Thursdays, with Judy Mallonn and Kris Evans monitoring the AAUW volunteers. Please give one of them a call if you are interested in assisting. Don Ackerman is planning to chair the 2019 Used Book Sale efforts with AAUW members helping the days of the sale.

The Scholarship Committee of Clara Ann Fain, Letty Nault, and Lee Peart are in the process of distributing applications to local colleges. If you know of a potential applicant, contact one of them or direct inquiries to the Wooster AAUW Branch or the Wayne County Community Foundation websites.

On March 10 daylight savings time arrives and shortly thereafter three exciting events in April: **Expanding Your Horizons on April 6, our Annual Spring Luncheon on April 13, and the State District Meeting on April 27 in the Youngstown area, focusing on Pay Equity and Women in Debt.** Watch for the newsletter and emails for more details.

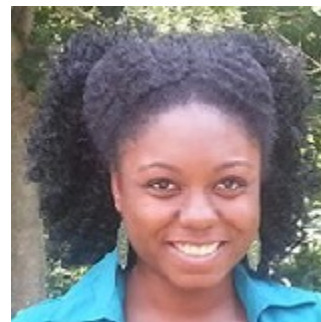
Meanwhile, stay warm and dry by bracing the cold and participating in our AAUW events.

Notes - Judy Kastelan has taken over Sunshine for Leslie Breeden, and **Cathy Stone** is now handling Dinner and a Movie. Our sincere condolences to Leslie on the loss of her husband.

UPCOMING AAUW PROGRAMS

Narratives of Racially Diverse Immigrant Women – On Tuesday, March 12, 2:00 p.m., at the Lean Lecture Hall in Wishart Hall of The College of Wooster, 938 N. Bever Street, we are fortunate to have Dr. Barbara Thelamour, assistant professor of psychology at The College of Wooster and a very engaging speaker to talk about her research regarding immigrant women, a timely topic she is passionate about.

Because the College will be on spring break, parking should be readily available.
GUESTS ARE WELCOME!



Dr. Barbara Thelamour,
The College of Wooster

Annual Spring Luncheon – Saturday, April 13, 11:30 a.m., Wooster Branch will hold their Annual Spring Luncheon at The Wooster Country Club. Former Canton resident Kathy Prosser Bovard will remember John Glenn as both the hero and the man. She was Glenn's top staff member when he was a U.S. Senator from Ohio, and she will relate her experiences with him as a boss and a friend.



Kathy Prosser Bovard talks
about John Glenn.

Further information about the luncheon and a reservation form will be sent closer to the date.

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MEMBERSHIP NOTES

Anita Greene, Membership Vice President, notes that our new member campaign will begin March 16, 2019, and continue through May 31. Our AAUW membership year runs from June 30 - July 1 of the following year; National and State offices request membership dues before June 30 of the fiscal year.

The Wooster AAUW membership application is posted on our Branch website and in this newsletter. Current members will also receive a renewal form with the Spring Luncheon reservation form and at the luncheon itself. Since National has increased their dues by \$10, total Branch membership dues will equal \$80 for the year.

EXPANDING YOUR HORIZONS

Expanding Your Horizons for girls grades five and six will be held Saturday, April 6 at The College of Wooster. If you would like to help coordinate materials one evening prior to the workshop or greet students the morning of the workshop, please contact Susie Slack or Anita Greene. Wooster Branch has always contributed financially to this important event for girls.

AAUW OHIO NORTHEAST DISTRICT MEETING

This event rather than the statewide convention will be held Saturday, April 27, from 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Center, in Austintown. Attendees will hear a keynote speaker on the topic of pay equity followed by a WorkSmart Online demonstration. Those attending are encouraged to bring their own

laptops or tablets to follow along—or your phone! At noon there is a “Lunch Into Action” for pay equity followed by a panel discussion on inclusion and equity. This event is open to anyone interested in AAUW.

Registration is \$20 and includes a light breakfast and lunch. To register go to the [EventBrite](#) page. If members do not receive email or would prefer to pay by check, a registration form is included with this newsletter. If needed, contact Leah Sakacs at leah.sakacs@gmail.com for more information.

LITERARY READING FOR WINTER 2018

Judy Mallon (co-facilitator with Mimi Lewellen for Wooster Branch Literary) has listed the books to be read through May 2019. All reviews are Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. with refreshments served first and the review starting at 7:15 p.m. unless noted otherwise.

March 19 - **The Girl with Seven Names: A North Korean Defector's Story** by *Heonseo Lee* will be reviewed by Gwen Bayless. Hostess is Inell Keller with Sue Olive helping as Co-Hostess.

April 19 - **Before We Were Yours** by *Lisa Wingate* will be reviewed by Carolyn Kearney in the Community Action Board Room with Co-Hostesses Carol McKiernan and Susan Buchwalter.

May 21 - **Book Selection Meeting, 6:00 p.m.**, at Hunter's Chase Clubhouse, with Co-Hostesses Bev McCoy, Judy Kastelan, and Helen Atchison. Food will be provided by members attending.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Scholarship Committee members Letty Nault (chair), Susie Slack, and Clara Ann Fain are now advertising the availability of AAUW scholarship awards of \$500 - \$2500. Applications are due by May 1, and the application form can be found on the AAUW website as well as the Wayne County Community Foundation website. Letty will be happy to take questions or suggestions concerning the scholarships.

BEGINNING BRIDGE CLASSES

Beginning bridge classes taught by Mary Ann Merchant in her home are continuing. Held from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. on Thursdays, Mary Ann will welcome any new people who wish to join the class. Contact Mary Ann at mahmerch@aol.com or 330-264-9371 if interested.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating committee is meeting to select candidates for Membership Vice President and Treasurer. Candidates names will be approved by the Board in March and the membership notified of the candidates. Candidates will be voted on at the Annual Meeting in April.

Tuesday, March 12	General Membership meeting, 1:00 p.m., at The College of Wooster, Lean Lecture Hall in Wishart Hall, 938 N. Bever Street
Monday, March 18	AAUW Social Bridge; Hostess is Sue Olive
Tuesday, March 19	Literary meets at home of Inell Keller, 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 28	AAUW Wooster Board meeting, 6:30 p.m., Buehler's
Saturday, April 6	Expanding Your Horizons will be held at The College of Wooster for girls grades five and six.
Saturday, April 13	Wooster Branch Annual Spring Luncheon, Wooster Country Club, 11:30 a.m..
Monday, April 15	AAUW Social Bridge; Hostess is Helen Wright
Tuesday, April 16	Literary meets in the Community Action Board Room, 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 27	AAUW Ohio Northeast District Meeting, Austintown Ohio, 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

AAUW/KIWANIS USED BOOK SALE

Preparations for the 2019 Used Book Sale are in full swing. Cleaning, pricing, and sorting are scheduled on Thursdays from 1 to 3 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Book donations are accepted during the Saturday time. Remember that book sale volunteers get first choice on purchasing books before the sale. All this activity takes place at Illusions Screen-Printing. Also, our work space has benefitted from updated heating, although rain leaks are still prevalent. Don Ackerman is serving as coordinator for this book sale, which may be our last unless additional help is received.



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 an inclusive membership, workforce, leadership time, and board of directors.

There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of age, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, geographical location, national origin, race, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic status.

AAUW WOOSTER BRANCH MEMBERSHIP DUES FORM

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

Membership Dues are \$80.00 (\$59 National, \$11 State, and \$10 Wooster)

NOTE: \$56 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 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(is) _____

Degree(s) and Majors(s) _____

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

- ☐ **Literary:** Book review discussion group that meets monthly all year
- ☐ **Bookmarkers:** Used book sorting group works on Thursday afternoons at our facility
- ☐ **Bridge Lessons:** Usually offered during the summer; but also as needed, in instructor's home
- ☐ **Cinema Date:** Group meets monthly for dinner +/- or a movie; dates and dates rotate.
- ☐ **"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 all year 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 at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. Member participation is necessary for the success of this event.

NEWSLETTER DELIVERY: _____ email _____ U. S. Mail (if unable to receive email)

*Please feel free to use the back of this form to add any information or comments, especially indicating any programs you would like to see added in the 2019-2020 year. **New members are asked to include personal data for our newsletter on the back of this form.***

AAUW OHIO

NORTHEAST DISTRICT MEETING

27 APRIL 2019 • 9:30 - 3:30 P.M.

Immaculate Heart of Mary • Parish center
4490 Norquest Boulevard
Austintown, OH 44515

REGISTRATION COST: \$20

PLEASE MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION NO LATER THAN
APRIL 15, 2019 TO LEAH SAKACS:
5135 NEW ROAD, YOUNGSTOWN, OH 44515

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ # OF GUESTS: _____

BRANCH AFFILIATION: _____

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