



MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT SUSIE SLACK

The summer has flown by and Board committees are diligently working on fall projects and program planning.

BOOK SALE! BOOK SALE! BOOK SALE!

Yes, it's that time of year again—the opportunity to make our major fundraiser a tremendous success! It will be

September 25 through 28 at the Wayne County Fairgrounds.
Please volunteer as often as you are able.

The Kiwanis Book Committee under the leadership of Walt Kearney, Don Ackerman, and Ed McKiernan has made tremendous strides in organizing and planning for the 2019 sale. The revised marketing message – **Wooster Used Book Sale** – a joint event by the Kiwanis and American Association of University Women, benefits Wooster youth and provides scholarships for women.

A few facts rounded up by Ed McKiernan:

- Largest fall used book sale in Ohio
- Over 47,000 items on sale
- Books are cleaned, sorted, and categorized
- 95% of books are donated
- 75% of the books are hardcover
- Book Sale is now accepting major credit cards

AAUW members will sign up at the July and August Literary meetings and followup calls will be made by Kay Rowekamp and Linda Crouch to fill in empty slots. Should you be missed, please contact either Kay or Linda.

Specifically, volunteers are needed on the following days:

Monday and Tuesday, September 23 and 24, beginning at 9 a.m., to unpack books and place them on tables
Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, September 25, 26, and 27, to staff the sale
Saturday, September 28, working from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., for final sales and teardown

Book processing will continue through the week of September 15 with AAUW and Kiwanis members meeting on Thursdays from 1 - 3 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m.- 12 noon.

The Wooster Branch of AAUW is starting another strong year with an active agenda of programs and stimulating books to read and discuss. However, I have always been especially partial to the impact that our scholarship program makes in the lives of young women. Hence, I end this message again with **BOOK SALE!!!!**



It takes a lot of work by many to get ready for the Wooster Book Sale!

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

The program committee is firming up plans for some excellent programs for the 2019-2020 year. Kris Evans, Chair, states that they hope to have programs that further the goals and missions of AAUW, providing programs that will interest and challenge all members. A full listing of programs will be in the membership Program Booklet distributed to members during the annual Wooster Book Sale. Coming up . . .

“FAST TIMES AT SECREST ARBORETUM”

It is a busy and exciting time at Secrest! On **Thursday, October 10, at 7:00 p.m.**, we’re privileged to have Jason Veil, curator of the new Welcome and Education Center at Secrest Arboretum, provide a tour for our group while highlighting some recent changes, ongoing improvements, and future plans to make the Arboretum more beautiful, diverse, and useful to students, researchers, and the community. Information re meeting place and parking will be forthcoming later.

CANDIDATES’ NIGHT

AAUW Wooster is pleased to be helping the League of Women Voters again this year with Candidates’ Night on **Thursday, October 17, at 6:00 p.m.** in Bruch Hall of First Presbyterian Church. AAUW will be asked to provide volunteers to serve as greeters, ushers, and “questions collectors.” An email nearer to the event will be sent asking for volunteers. If you have any questions in the meantime, please contact Kris Evans, kevans9453@sbcglobal.net.

AAUW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2019-2020

Wanting to become more active in our Wooster Branch but not sure where to start? Here are some opportunities that give you an easy way to meet and work with other members and won’t take a large time commitment. If you (with or without a friend) would like to volunteer for any of these spots, please contact Kris Evans at kevans943@sbcglobal.net.

Program Hostesses - two needed for each meeting

- October 10, 7:00 p.m., Secrest Arboretum
- January 23, 1:30 p.m., Wayne County Public Library
- March 2, 1:00 p.m., First Presbyterian Church

Candidates' Night - Thursday, October 17, 6:00 p.m.

- ___ • Six greeters needed
- ___ • Eight “questions collectors” needed

Holiday Luncheon

- ___ • Song leader - One or as many as can carry a tune!

Annual Spring Luncheon - Wooster Country Club, Saturday, April 18, 11:30 p.m.

- ___ • Two greeters needed
 - ___ • Two needed to handle registration
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WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THE ADELANTE! BOOK CLUB?

As noted in the April 2019 newsletter, AAUW National has started a new book club to replace the Adelante! Book Club. This new club is named **Operation Equity: Reading for Results**. The focus is to do something to advance gender equity rather than simply discuss the issue. There is quite a long list of books (15) for the August - October period with a focus on education and training. You can find these books listed on the National AAUW website. A sampling is listed here for your convenience.

Venture Girls: Raising Girls to be Tomorrow's Leaders by Cristal Glangchai

We Believe You: Survivors of Campus Sexual Assault Speak Out by Marilyn Cabay, Bianca L. Bernstein, Melissa Rivers, and Natalie Fabert

Investigating Gender Differences in Mathematics and Science: Results from the 2011 Trends in Mathematics and Science by David Reilly, David L. Neumann, and Glenda Andrews

Please let either Carol McKiernan or Stefani Koorhan know if you read one of the listed books so that they can share your insights with the Literary Group.

STUDY AND INTEREST GROUPS

The Interest Groups of AAUW Wooster Branch include the following, with the name of the facilitator responsible for the group. Should any members wish to join a group they are not already participating in, please contact the facilitator named.

Bridge Lessons	Mary Ann Merchant, 330-264-9371 / mahmerch@aol.com
Social Bridge	Mary Ann Merchant, 330-264-9371 / mahmerch@aol.com
Cinema Date (usually includes a lunch/dinner)	Cathy Frame Stone, 330-262-9446 / cathystone@msn.com
Out-and-About	Mary Ann Merchant, 330-264-9371 / mahmerch@aol.com
Literary	Carol McKiernan, 330-749-9658 / cmckiernan67@gmail.com or Stefani Koorhan Hinden, 330-262-7197 / skoorhan@aol.com
Bookmarkers	Don Ackerman, 330-201-1329 / dackerman@cawm.org
Expanding Your Horizons	Anita Greene, 330-264-9700 / media@bright.net

Our annual **Holiday Luncheon** will be held on Thursday, December 5, at the First Presbyterian Church. Mickey Asleson and Karen Alexander will chair the event. Watch for more **information to be provided as we get closer to the date !**

LITERARY READING FOR FALL 2019

Carol McKiernan, Co-Facilitator with Stefani Koorhan Hinden, for Wooster Branch Literary with Stefani Koorhan, has listed the books to be read through November 2019. Note: The Literary Group does not meet in December. All reviews are Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. unless noted otherwise.

<u>August 20</u>	Everybody's Son by <i>Thrity Umriga</i> : To be reviewed by Lettie Nault at the Unitarian Fellowship with Stefani Koorhan Hinden and Bobbi Jentes Mason serving as Co-Hostesses.
<u>September 17</u>	The Great Alone by <i>Kristin Hannah</i> : To be reviewed by Mary Beth Henthorne at Hospice and Palliative Care on Route 585 (Akron Road) in Wooster. Co-Hostesses will be Judy Mallonn and Julie Mennes.
<u>October 15</u>	The Clockmaker's Daughter by <i>Kate Morton</i> : To be reviewed by Kris Evans at the home of Mary Ann Merchant with Bev Crafton and Mickey Asleson serving as Co-Hostesses.
<u>November 19</u>	Little Women by <i>Louisa May Alcott</i> : To be reviewed by Susan Roberts at the Community Action Building (former Lincoln Way school), 905 Pittsburgh Avenue, with Co-Hostesses Judy Taylor and Judy Kastelan.

A complete listing of books to be read through the entire AAUW year will be included in the Program Booklet coming out in September – to be picked up at the Wooster Book Sale.

CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Monday, August 19	AAUW Social Bridge; Hostess is Bev McCoy
Tuesday, August 20	Literary meets at Unitarian Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.
Monday, September 16	AAUW Social Bridge; Hostess is Gwen Bayless
Tuesday, September 17	Literary meets at Life Care Hospice on Akron Road, 6:45 p.m.
Mon., Tues., Sept. 23, 24	Setup for the annual Wooster Used Book Sale
Wed., September 25	Used Book Sale, 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Thurs., September 26	Used Book Sale, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday, September 27	Used Book Sale, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Half-Price Day
Sat., September 28	Used Book Sale, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Bag Day (\$5 each) followed by sale cleanup
Thurs., September 26	AAUW Board Meeting, home of Susie Slack, 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, October 15	Literary meets at the home of Mary Ann Merchant, 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 17	Candidates' Night, Bruch Hall, 6 p.m.
Monday, October 21	AAUW Social Bridge; Hostess is Nancy Danby
Monday, November 18	AAUW Social Bridge; Hostess is Nancy Stephan

AAUW BRANCH MEMBERSHIP NEWS

A THANK YOU to all! Members responded quickly with renewals, allowing Treasurer Sarah Miles to submit membership reports to National and State on time. We currently have 74 members. As we lose a few, we gain replacements, so our membership is holding steady as we become one of the largest branches in the state.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Joyce Burdno

Wooster, OH 44691

Joyce, after several years absence, is returning to Wooster Branch. She graduated from Kent State University with a BS in Elementary Education and additional work at The University of Akron. She is interested in Literary, BookMarkers, Out-and-About, and helping at the Wooster Used Book Sale.

Carole Erdos

Creston, OH 44217

Carole graduated from Kent State University with a BS in Education and received her Masters of Education from Ashland University. She has indicated an interest in Literary, Bookmarkers, "Expanding Your Horizons," and working the Wooster Used Book Sale.

Roni Mellon

Wooster, OH 44691

Roni is a returning member to AAUW Wooster now that she has retired. She received a BS in Biology from Stanford University and her MS in Entomology from the University of California at Riverside. She is interested in joining Literary and when not out of town would like to help Bookmarkers and work at the Wooster Used Book Sale.

Gayle Noble

Wooster, OH 44691

Gayle graduated from The College of Wooster with a degree in Psychology, receiving her MSSA in Social Work from Case Western Reserve University. She is interested in joining Literary and "Expanding Your Horizons."

Rachael Oyer

Wooster, OH 44691

Rachael graduated from Bluffton University with a degree in Elementary Education and received her MSW from the University of Denver. She is interested in Cinema Date, "Expanding Your Horizons," and helping with the Wooster Used Book Sale.

Julie Runnels-Smith

Wooster, OH 44691

Julie graduated from Texas Tech University with a BS in Education, minoring in English, and received her Masters in Community Service from Michigan State University. She is interested in Literary, Bridge Lessons, Cinema Date, Out-and-About and helping with the Wooster Used Book Sale.

Anne White Strauss

Wooster, OH 44691

Anne is a lifetime member of AAUW. She received an Ohio Special Education Certificate in 1975, and was a Peace Corps Volunteer in 1977-1978. Receiving an AIB Foundations of Banking Diploma in 1983, and an Ohio School of Bank Marketing in 1984 from Ohio University, and her Series 7 in 1986, she worked in banking and financial services for 10 years. Anne wishes to help with Bookmarkers and the Wooster Used Book sale.



The Beginning Bridge class is still going strong although Susan Buchwalter is no longer attending.

Beginning Bridge players include Steve Slack, Blake Stone, Tim Mendiola, Cathy Stone, Lee Peart, and Nancy Stephan (not pictured). At the convenience of both the instructor and students, class is usually held on Thursdays, 4-6 p.m.

If any AAUW members wish to join this group or form a new one, please contact Facilitator Mary Ann Merchant, 330-264-9371.

WOOSTER BRANCH SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS FOR 2019-2020

Clara Ann Fain, current Chair of the Scholarship Committee, informed the Board at their May 23 meeting that four scholarship winners were selected. Now that notification of winners has been made by the Wayne County Community Foundation, Wooster Branch welcomes the following scholarship winners:

Lisa Elder of Wooster is currently a paralegal for Critchfield, Critchfield and Johnson with an ultimate goal of attaining her law degree.

Aimee Lee Smith of Orrville (renewal) is currently working toward a Bachelor degree in Organizational Supervision at The University of Akron.

Karen Wald of Dalton (renewal) is pursuing a BSN from Kent State University and is currently working as an RN.

Taylor Whitworth (renewal) graduated in May 2018 with a certification in radiology, and is continuing her education leading to a BS of Diagnostic Medical Sonography from Kent State (Stark Campus).

OUT-AND-ABOUT - September 6, 2019

An Out-and-About trip has been planned to **Rebecca's Bistro in Walnut Creek on Friday, September 6**, before work starts on the Wooster Used Book Sale. This restaurant is highly recommended and although the sandwiches, etc., are around \$9 they include a side of soup, yogurt, etc. Since Rebecca's does not take reservations but open at 11:30 a.m., those attending this luncheon will meet at Odd Lots in Wooster at 10:00 a.m. to share rides. There is shopping in the area should it be necessary to wait for seating. Mary Ann Merchant (Facilitator) needs to know the number attending and if you will be able to drive. Please contact her, 330-264-9371 or mahmerch@aol.com., by September 4.



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.