

AAUW-Dearborn welcomes individuals to join us as we promote equity issues for women and girls through education, research, and advocacy.

Regular membership requires a college degree. We also support a membership category for anyone who does not have a college degree, also known as a Community Associate.

One may become a member regardless of age, gender, disability, gender identity, residence, national origin, race, religious beliefs, sexual orientation or socioeconomic status.

SAVE the DATE

Board Meeting June 4, 2024 – 7:00 p.m. McFadden Ross House A donation from our Trivia Event of April 20th will be given to First Step Everyone is welcome!

LEGACY

HAPPY SUMMER, MEMBERS!

We hope everyone's well, and ready for grilling on the back porch. It's time to kick back and be thankful for everything we have. Don't forget June 14th is National Flag Day. Our "Stars and Stripes" was adopted by the Continental Congress as the official American flag on June 14[,] 1777 in the midst of the Revolutionary War.

The AAUW of Michigan 2024 Biennial State Convention was held May 11th in Livonia, and this year's theme was Shaping the Future Together. All Dearborn members were invited to attend, to learn, socialize, and reinvigorate our continuing work toward fulfilling the mission of AAUW. Multiple break-out sessions were conducted provided tangible tools for taking our branch into the future.

The Martha Griffiths Equality Award was presented to member Anne Gautreau, Anne's speech included many great points, among them the word SPINE: S-support, P-perserverance I-Inequity, N-navigation (a need to question), and E-equality, a quality that we as members of AAUW and women must strive for at all times. Anne is a continuing force in our Dearborn Community that we are so proud of.

Five of our Affiliate members were also honored at the State Convention as Fifty Year members. Not only that, the Marge Powell Leadership Award was presented to four Dearborn High School Seniors during an Evening of Celebration before the State Convention, and three new Dearborn Affiliate Officer's positions have been filled. We look forward to helping them in any way we can. All in all, the AAUW Michigan State Convention was a memorable one for the DEARBORN AAUW.

There are several days this June, honoring the world's awareness of the impact we've had in this life. Please take the time to find out more about these events and share your thoughts with others regarding what they mean and how they came to be.

- Equal Pay Act Anniversary June 10
- Women Veterans Day June 12
- International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict June 19
- -Title IX Anniversary June 23
- International Widows' Day June 23
- Women in Engineering Day June 23
- International Day of Women in Diplomacy June 24
- Helen Keller Day June 27

Our AAUW Dearborn Affiliate's continuing strength is helping each other, since we are dedicated women who care about each other and want others to join us in our efforts. Joan Reed

HELP WANTED - LEGACY Editor

We are in need of an editor for our monthly newsletter, The LEGACY. Please contact Joan Reed if you are willing to take this on!

AAUW BOARD MINUTES

AUW Dearborn Affiliate Board Meeting Minutes – May 7, 2024 At 7:00 p.m., the May AAUW-D board meeting was called to order by Joan Reed. It took place at the Commandant's Quarters. In attendance were Rosa Scaramucci, Carole Wells, Angie Aman, Deb McBain, Wayne Whitney, Val Murphy-Goodrich, Julia LeBrell, Kathy Savatsky, Jan Frank, Kimberly Ismail, and Mary Nameth.

Carole Wells made a motion to approve the minutes of the April meeting. Rosa Scaramucci seconded the motion. Approval of the minutes passed unanimously.

Mary Nameth made a motion that funds (\$65.00) received from Book Art items at the April 27th, 2024, book sale be deposited into the Book Sale fund. Jan Frank seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Furthermore, Mary Nameth moved that the funds that will be received from the sale of Book Art items in the October 2024 Book Sale be deposited into the Book Sale Fund. Wayne Whitney seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

Carole Wells made a motion for Judy Buck to have AAUW-D donate a gift basket consisting of an Empowering Women tote bag, coffee mug and book art item to the AAUW-MI Convention for its Drop Raffle. Deb McBain seconded the motion which was passed unanimously.

Joan Reed announced the scheduling of a meeting to discuss planning of future community outreach and fundraising activities. The meeting is to be held at the Dearborn Historical Museum on June 12th at 4:00 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend. Kathy Savatsky made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Carole Wells seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

The next Board meeting will be June 4, 2024 at McFadden Ross House, 7 p.m. Anyone can attend the Board Meetings. Join us!

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Savatsky

JUNE FINANCIAL NOTES

Financial Account Balances as of April 30, 2024

- The AAUW-Dearborn Business Checking Account Balance is \$20,753.28. This includes \$9.065.01 in the Marge Powell Leadership Award Fund.
- The AAUW-Dearborn Book Sale Accounts total \$15,836.15. This includes \$12,126.29 at DFCU and \$3,709,86 at Dearborn Federal Savings.

Dues News

April 1st was the "kick off" for the 2024-2025 dues collection. Dues for Branch Members and Community Associates remain the same at \$101.00 (National \$72, State \$12, Branch \$17).

Branch Members who did not join on the traditional membership year cycle (April-June) will have renewal dates based on their date of joining AAUW. Regardless of when you renew, your dues will always be applied to your start date.

Dearborn opted to have national send renewal emails to Branch Members. They will be sent during the week of the 20th for three months; the month before your renewal date, the month of your renewal date, and the month following your renewal date.

Branch Students attending an accredited educational institution pay \$47.81 (National \$18.81, State \$12, Branch \$17).

Representatives of a College/University AAUW Partner pay only Branch dues of \$17.

New members or members lapsed for two or more years qualify for the Shape the Future Campaign and get 50% off national dues the first year (National \$36, State \$12, Branch \$17).

If you are interested in becoming a national <u>Lifetime</u> member, make a one-time payment of \$1,440 and never pay <u>national</u> dues again. (You still pay state and branch dues.)

Reminder - all national dues are fully tax deductible!!



AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES

*Effective July 1st State Dues will be \$15. Dues processed before July 1st are still \$12.

Convention 2024



LUPE, MARY, CAROLE, JOAN, ROSA

Our New Board Members



JAN, JOAN, SALLY DOTY (AAUWMI), MARY NAMETH





KATHY SAVATSKY AND JOAN REED

MARGE POWELL LEADERSHIP AWARD WINNERS-2024

DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL

EDSEL FORD

FORDSON



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STUDY & INTEREST GROUPS 2023-24 WE WELCOME ALL MEMBERS TO JOIN ANY OF THE STUDY & INTEREST GROUPS

MYSTERIOUS WOMEN

Chair: Linda Ramsdell (313) 336-7829 Meeting: See you in September

MYSTERIOUS WOMEN, TOO!

Chair: Corinne Asher (248) 259-1564 Meeting: June 12, 2024 Moderator:Corinne Asher We have room for new members! Book: *The Last Thing He Told Me* by Laura Dave

BOOK SEMINAR II (313) 622-3997

Chair: Janet Good 710 N. Waverly Meeting: June 13–2:30 P.M Book: *Tomorrow, Tomorrow, Tomorrow* Gabriella Zevin

FILM CRITICS:

Chair: Carol Long (313) 336-0029 Meeting: 6:30 p.m. Hostess: Carol Long - Preview a movie We welcome new members!

BOOK GROUP III

Chair: Ginny Grush – (248) 320-8860 Meeting: Last Thursday of the month No meeting planned this month

GLOBAL STUDIES

Chair: Barb Brandenburg (313) 563-0240 See you in September

BRIDGE GROUP

Chair: Pat Abbott (313)-467-7235 Meeting: June 18, 2024 Leon's Restaurant - 12:00-eat/ 1pm-play (Third Tues. of the month)

DAYTIME EPICUREANS

Chair: Joan Reed (313) 278-8759 Meeting: No meeting in June

CRAFTY CREATIONS

Chair:Mary Nameth (313) 378-2132 3313 Oak, Dearborn Meeting: June 20, 2024 – 10am



73rd Annual Meeting Reservation Form

Thursday, June 20, 2024 Park Place 5:30 (Gathering) 6:00 (Buffet Dinner) 6:30 (Meeting Begins)

Guest speaker is Deputy Secretary of State Aghogho Edevbie

Dinner (Vegetarian and Halal Friendly) Menu Chicken Park Place, Lasagna rollup with Alfredo Sauce, Green Beans Almondine, Michigan Salad, Rolls and Butter, Steamed Red Skin Potatoes, Fruit Tray

Cost for ticket is \$30.00. Please make reservation by June 13 to allow timely count for Park Place. Thank you.

Please contact Mary Jo Durivage at 313-278-0236 or 313-980-8603 (cell) or by email at <u>mjdurivage@comcast.net</u> with any questions or special dietary needs. Hope to see many of you there.

To pay by check, please use the form below.

Name(s) of Members

Name(s) of Guests (Please print)

Amount enclosed

Contact phone number and email address.

Checks should be made to LWV Dearborn-Dearborn Heights and should be mailed by **June 7** to get to the League office in time. **Mail to 120 N. Military, Dearborn 48124.**