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Let's do it again! *POTLUCK SUPPER*

Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. (note earlier time)
Villa Maria Academy High School (Note New Location!!)

Our Potluck Supper has become a traditional way to kick off our program year and this year will be no exception. It certainly is a great way to get to know new members, chat with old friends, and taste some delicious homemade dishes. **PLEASE NOTE: This year's Potluck Supper will be held at Villa Maria Academy High School, 370 Old Lincoln Highway (same as 370 Central Avenue), Malvern, PA 19355.** (The street goes by two different names.)

Directions from US 202: Travel north on US 202 from West Chester to Rte 29 South exit. Follow Rte 29 South to Rte 30. Turn left on Rte 30. At the next traffic light (only 2/10 mile), turn right onto Old Lincoln Hwy. Follow it for about 3/4 mile. VMAHS is on the left with parking area and main entrance beside the road.

Directions from Paoli Hospital: At the traffic light entrance to Paoli Hospital on Rte 30, turn opposite the hospital onto Central Avenue. Go approximately 1/2 mile to VMAHS on the right where parking area and the main entrance are beside the road.

For more information about directions, please call Helen Reid at 610-696-4131.

This year, instead of the usual descriptions of Special Interest Groups, we will have a **Special New Program** for that meeting. We will have several easy and fun **Get Acquainted** activities that will help us to know each other better and that everyone is sure to enjoy.

Note That The New Members Are Guests And Do Not Need To Bring A Dish.

We will again move the dish donation assignments so that you should **not** bring the same type of dish as last year – see the NEW schedule below.

Here's the schedule for the Potluck Supper:

Please Bring A Quantity To Serve Five People

- ✓ Members with last names beginning with "I" through "O" should bring an hors d'oeuvre or salad
- ✓ Members with last names beginning with "P" through "Z" should bring a casserole
- ✓ Members with last names beginning with "A" through "H" should bring a dessert
- ✓ **RSVP no later than September 1** to Fran Pierce or Ann Boohar, Co-Vice Presidents for Programs, franpierce@verizon.net or 610-594-0625; aboohar@comcast.net or 610-388-1275.

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Touching Base **Keeping Informed**

Kay Philipps and Louise Shea are looking forward to another interesting year of AAUW Programs, Special Interest Group (SIG) meetings and educational and social interactions as we learn and advocate for the rights of women. This fall we celebrate The Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the West Chester Branch of AAUW. Our Anniversary Celebration will be in October and is under the capable leadership of our two former Co-Presidents, Roselyn Cadoff and Leslie Wachob.

After attending several Board Meetings, we have come to appreciate even more the dedication, capabilities, hard work as well as enjoyment that our board members have demonstrated over the past year. They have all been extremely helpful and we feel fortunate to have them continue on the Board. Your Program Chairs, Ann Boohar and Fran Pierce have been hard at work. They will provide the details and we encourage all to support them by attending as many meetings as possible. Do join one or more of our SIG groups or start one of your own. These small interest groups are a great way to meet members who share your interest.

We are still looking for several persons to assume leadership positions in our Branch. We need a Chair or Co-Chair of our local scholarship Committee and prefer someone who is not directly affiliated with our local colleges whose students are eligible to apply.

- *Let's Read Math* needs a Chair to set up this project locally. In keeping with AAUW's new organization, we need:
- One Chair for the Educational/Legal Advocacy Fund
- One chair for Leaders training Institute/NCCWSL.
- Someone to organize a local educational day tour similar to the Waterworks tour we had last spring. Interested? Please give Kay or Louise a call.

- Co-Presidents Musings - Kay Philipps and Louise Shea

Did you know that three of our members are on the State Board? Leslie Wachob is Finance Officer, Graham Boose is College/University Chair and Sebronette Barnes is Diversity Chair. Fran Pierce presented a workshop at the State Convention on "Robert's Rules of Order". Kay attended, found it excellent, and now knows where to turn when questions arise.

No person from our Branch could attend the National Convention, but we have heard that the Membership requirements will remain as they are. More information from the Convention will be provided once received.

Louise Shea will be welcoming all to our September meeting. Kay looks forward to meeting new members and seeing longtime members in October. We are both looking forward to a year of activities that will provide inspiration and education to all our members.

Urgent Request For Anecdotes, Memories, Etc.

The 50th Anniversary Celebration Committee needs your help in proceeding with plans for our Oct. 13 anniversary party. We are asking for interesting, significant, amusing, etc. stories about the history of our Branch that might be shared orally or in written form that evening. They may be presented anonymously, or even in absentia, if desired. Please submit your entries to Leslie Wachob or Roselyn Cadoff via snail or e-mail. Thanks so much!

Pennsylvania Governor's Conference for Women

The Pennsylvania Governor's Conference for Women is Thursday, September 17th, 2009 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia. One of the keynote speakers is Suze Orman, a personal Finance Expert and bestselling author. One of the supporting organizations is AAUW Pennsylvania. Register for the conference online at: <http://www.pagovernorsconferenceforwomen.org/>

Branch News

Mission Statement

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research.

AAUW Sum, pronounced awesome, is the newsletter of the West Chester-Chester County PA Branch of the American Association of University Women. It is normally published 8 times each year: September, October, November, January, February, March, April, and May. Deadline for copy is the 12th of the month preceding. January deadline is Dec. 1.

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Internet and email: The website for national AAUW is <http://www.aauw.org/>. Once you have accessed the site go to the Member Center. Have your Membership Number available to change your record information (see directions on page 35 of the branch member handbook). Type in your Membership Number and set up a password. Make a note of your password for future communications. In addition, you can find your Membership Number on the address label of the Association

publication, *Outlook*, or call either Carol or Barbara (Co-Membership VPs).

Send us your News!

The co-editors of AAUW SUM, Norma George and Nancy Rumfield, are delighted to bring you the September issue of the AAUW SUM newsletter. *We continue to need input from members.* Please send *articles* as Word documents. It is most helpful if you forward your news articles to the *gmail account*: aauwsumnews@gmail.com, indicating the topic and month in the subject box and cc the Co-Presidents. Norma and Nancy share access to this account, it keeps their work mailboxes from getting filled and makes the process of collaborating easier.

Remember that articles for a given month of the newsletter are due on the 12th of the preceding month. Please provide all necessary information with your submission.

Get Your Keystoner Online!

Switch to receiving the Keystoner online. For each issue, you will receive an e-mail notice of the posting with a table of contents and a link to a downloadable copy of the issue, which can be printed or read on the computer screen. Getting the Keystoner online helps the environment and saves the state organization money. And no waiting for delivery. To sign up just fill in the blanks at:

<http://www.aauwpa.org/keystoner.htm>

Members can check the archived issues online at the same site. *Kathy Quinn, Keystoner Editor*

Audit

Our annual audit took place on July 20th, 2009. Auditing our financial information were Roselyn Cadoff, Ann Boohar, Louise Shea, and Kay Philipps. The audit went well and we congratulate Rosemary Macdonald, Treasurer for a job well done.

Need more information on the proposed Health Care Bill?

The League of Women Voters of Arizona has a document to answer your questions:

<http://www.lwvaz.org/azvoterservice/LWVAZ%20-%20Issues%20Behind%20HC%20Reform%20-%20General.pdf>

Members of West Chester-Chester County AAUW Serve on AAUW-PA Board



Our branch is fortunate to include three AAUW-PA Board members. Taking a break at the mid-July Board meeting in Lewisburg are, Deb Roney, AAUW-PA Co-President; Graham Boose, WC3, AAUW-PA College/University Chair; Cathy Wieland, AAUW-PA Secretary; Toni Horrman, AAUW-PA Administrative Director; Kate Sweeney, AAUW-PA Co-President; Leslie Wachob, WC3, AAUW-PA Financial Officer; Sebronette Barnes, WC3, AAUW-PA Diversity Chair; and Katie Cibrot, AAUW-PA Younger Member Chair. The Board meets four times each year to develop statewide strategies to implement the AAUW mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research.

Member Presented Teaching Award

Sebronette Barnes was presented the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Distinguished Teaching Award during the May commencement at Cheyney University. An associate professor, she has been a member of the Fine Arts faculty for 13 years.

Sebronette returned to Columbus, Ohio for two engagements during the last weekend in July. She was the featured soloist for the morning worship service at the Worthington Seventh Day Adventist Church. On Sunday afternoon she presented a program of art songs and spiritual arrangements by African American

composers at Antioch Baptist Church where she served as director of music while completing her doctoral studies at Ohio State University.



Sebronette Barnes

Sock It To Us

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of Chester County Participates as a member of Senior Corp in collecting socks for those in need throughout our county. Some of the Agencies receiving socks are Safe Harbor, Salvation Army, Mission Santa Maria, Oxford Neighborhood Services, Atkinson and City Gate Shelters in Coatesville, Maternal and Child Health Consortium, St Agnes Day room, Wings For Success, La Comunidad Hispana, Cares Food Network, St Vincent DePaul Society, Care Center for Christ, the Exchange Club Family Center, Project I and The Chester County Family Academy, and the Good Samaritan Shelter.

Our AAUW Branch has been collecting socks for the last two years. Last year, our Branch donated approximately eighty-five to one hundred pairs of socks. Since the majority of socks received are for men, I think it would be great if we donated more for women and children including stocking for those returning to work. Kay Philipps will be collecting them at our September and October meetings.

Branch Spreads *Let's Read Math* Using Educational Foundation Grant

In July 2007, the West Chester-Chester County Branch received the first of two checks from a two-year, \$10,000 Community Action Grant (CAG) from Association's Educational Foundation (EF) to Spread *Let's Read Math*. After a two-year effort drawing on the skills and experiences of our branch volunteers, this effort has concluded, and we wanted to tell you what we have done.

The program objectives were to spread the program to three additional branches in each of two years, one in Pennsylvania and two in the Middle Atlantic Region, while continuing support to existing *Let's Read Math* (LRM) programs. Expected returns to the branches included increased presence in their communities, fun for the members as they worked through the well-documented LRM activities, and a decrease in math-phobia for the students. Approximately 2500 children, of whom 1400 were girls, and 650 adults participated. All goals were achieved.

The funding supported:

- 1). Continued training for Makefield (4th & 5th year) and West Chester (4th year) branches, including a program run at the Honey Brook Library by member and Library Director Paula McGinniss.
- 2). Training for additional branches (2007-08): PA - Bethlehem-Allentown-Easton; Reading; Philadelphia--fall-June 2008; NY- North Shore and Smithtown Long Island--August 2007 -- Support for a large middle school girls' STEM program in Buffalo--winter 2007
- 3). Training for additional branches (2008-2009): PA: 5 branches, District 1 in western part of state, fall 2008; Northeastern Montgomery County (NEMCO)--fall 2008 --NY: Poughkeepsie--fall 2008, Rockland County--fall 2008
- 4). Successful programs continued in 2007-2008 in Makefield, West Chester, Smithtown; NY; new program initiated in North Shore NY.
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initiated in Bethlehem, Easton, NEMCO and Reading PA; and Garrett County, MD (learned of us through AAUW publicity, but funded largely by the college); Poughkeepsie and Rockland County, NY.

6). Support for Taste of Success at AAUW-PA Convention, April 2008; and Annual Meeting, April 2009.

7). Presented at Middle Atlantic Regional Conference, June 21, 2008.

8). Presented at PA Leaders Conference, July 2008.

9). Featured in AAUW Annual Report 2009 and on AAUW Blog. Thanks, everyone on staff.

10). Recruited college student teacher talent to help with branch workshops: 2008-2009. (Note potential for C/U partnerships and Student Affiliates.)

11). Featured at NY State Convention, thanks to Poughkeepsie Branch.

12). Improved the website, letsreadmath.com, to include experiences of branches and on-line lesson plans (i.e., free), as well as podcasts for branches to use in interesting their members in the program (we found that this medium works better than the CDs previously provided).

13). Participated in the National Girls Collaborative (eastern) startup program at The Franklin (spring 2009).

--Graham Boose, Project Director

AAUW West Chester-Chester County Branch Public Policy

Yvonne Peiffer, Local Public Policy Chair

Historically, AAUW members nationwide have influenced and continue to influence public policy debate on critical issues such as education, Social Security, sex discrimination, civil rights, reproductive choice, affirmative action, Title IX, welfare reform, vocational education, pay equity, family and medical leave and health care reform. **Go to:**

<http://www.aauw.org/TakeAction> to access AAUW's *Public Policy Program*, Legislative Agenda, Congressional Voting Record. **To sign up** for the Two Minute Activist Alerts go to:

<http://capwiz.com/aauw/home/>. You can even sign up for a weekly e-bulletin!

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Public Policy *cont'd.*

In addition to the above mentioned resources, your local public policy committee for the 2009-2010 program year will be doing or exploring on your behalf the following:

- 1). Soliciting** selectively your help via e-mail - Ex. In June 2009 we asked you to write to your U.S. Senators encouraging them to support the "Paycheck Fairness Act". And by the way, Senator Casey is one of the sponsors and does reply about specifics when you write him.
- 2). Offering** you the names and contact information for your own U.S. and State Senators and Representatives.
- 3). Sending** you e-mails or regular mail when those who represent you need to hear from us about local issues that AAUW Association has said we can support; and visiting our senators/representatives in their home offices. (When the one being visited covers the area in which you live, Would you like to go with us to meet and talk with him or her?)
- 4). Finding out** (a suggestion made by some members of our branch if feasible) whether our local school districts are getting Title IX monies and applying the monies equitably. (Yes, Title IX covers more than just sports' teams! Are you interested in this area?)
- 5). Working** in cooperation with LWVCC (League of Women Voters, Chester County) to get out the vote, to educate voters, to look at gerrymandering issues (Would you like to join with the League to do this important work?)
- 6). Facilitating** workshops to teach young women how to negotiate for equal pay using the "Women Are Getting Even (Wage)" materials.
- 7). Teaming** with Graham Boose as she works to get the young women (and men) at our local universities to join AAUW as current and future movers and shakers! And,
- 8). Exploring** your interests in doing more about health care issues or bullying or other....?

What are YOU interested in pursuing Public Policy wise? Call me, Yvonne Peiffer, at 610-363-9535 or e-mail extonpeiffers@verizon.net. When I am out-of-town and not available,

August 23-Sept. 17, 2009 you may call previous Public Policy Chair, Leslie Jean Allison at 610-436-1598 or e-mail her at ljallison324@verizon.net. Leslie Jean will also be available at the September 8th Pot Luck and Get Acquainted Supper. She will have the 2009-11 Public Policy Program Sheet, and Pay Equity Info to give you. Remember that each one of us, by ourselves or together, *can contribute* to a better world – if we act!

Scholarship Winner, Jaclyn Dowlin, Expresses Appreciation

In early June, Cathy Horvath, Scholarship co-chair, received a lovely thank you card, addressed to the branch, from Jaclyn Dowlin, the recipient of the 2009 Alice Lawson - AAUW West Chester Branch academic scholarship. In the card, Jacki expressed her gratitude to the entire membership for the award and thanked everyone for the lovely meal and the chance to meet some of the members during our banquet.

Jacki was awarded the scholarship at the year-end banquet, on May 12. Cathy noted in the award presentation that Dowlin is the branch's first non-traditional award winner to take advantage of on-line instruction, using technology to make degreed programs a reality for older students strapped for time and means. As a single, working mother, Jacki's resources are limited and the scholarship means she can move closer to completing her degree in health care management.



Jackie Dowlin at the May Banquet

International Relations Committee
Targets Education/Action re: The 8 UN Millennium Goals

Committee History: Members of the League of Women Voters (LWV) and AAUW of Chester County studied Immigration together in 2007-2008. Because of the success of this prior collaboration, members of our local LWV and AAUW groups, chaired by Betsey Cullen of the LWV, have decided to continue working together, this time on education/action relating to the 8 United Nations Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). Activities of this initiative began in October 2008, and have included a presentation by Sandi Kwisz's daughter and others on their stays in African countries, attendance at a class with students at Lincoln University on African Political Systems, and readings on ongoing projects throughout the world.

MDGs History: The 8 Millennium Development Goals were adopted by the United Nations (UN) General Assembly in 2000 with the goal of creating a more livable world by 2015. To help you understand the goals, a list of the 8 MDGs (internet links) with their symbols is presented below:



[Eradicate Extreme Poverty and Hunger](#)



[Improve Maternal Health](#)



[Achieve Universal Primary Education](#)



[Combat HIV/AIDS, Malaria and other Diseases](#)



[Promote Gender Equality and Empower Women](#)



[Ensure Environmental Sustainability](#)



[Reduce Child Mortality](#)



[Develop a Global Partnership for Development](#)

These goals were adopted by the international community as a framework for the development activities of over 190 countries (some print media say 189) in ten regions, with over 20 targets (in 2007 four more were added) and 60 indicators (more of these added also). The U.S. supports these goals and wants to help developing countries become free from hunger, receive basic education, have safe drinking water and access to better health care. Because of all the information available, our committee members began to use the website <http://www.mdgmonitor.org> to keep our focus on the goals themselves. On this site, you can enter the name of the country in which you are interested, Ex. Liberia, and the Goals will appear with the symbol (see legend below) indicating that country's progress for each goal.

Progress by Goal using this ICON Legend



Achieved



Off track



Very likely to be achieved, on track



Insufficient information



Possible to achieve if some changes are made

Our committee members will be providing more information about MDGs in each publication of both the LWV and AAUW Newsletters. The October article will highlight "Millennium Villages", just one of the many workable approaches being used to address the Goals. **Meanwhile, put the date of Saturday, November 14, 2009 10am-12 noon on your calendar.** The LWVCC and AAUW West Chester-Chester County will be co-sponsoring a joint meeting on "Water in a Changing World" to provide yet more information on the MDGs.

Those interested in joining the committee may e-mail Betsey Cullen at ewcullen@yahoo.com or call her at 610-793-4664. The next meeting of the committee will take place on Thursday, Sept. 24th, 2009 in the Library on the 2nd floor of The Friends Home, 147 W. State Street, Kennett Square, PA from 9:30am-11am. Dr. Arun Deb will be talking to us about his work in building water systems in India since he will be in India when we have the Nov. 14th panel presentation.

AAUW Donations To Domestic Violence Center 2009-2010

September	Deodorants
October	Paper plates, plastic cups, plastic silverware
November	Paper towels or toilet paper (Not the largest sizes)
December	Gift cards from: Acme, Giant, ShopRite, Wal-Mart, Target, Rite-Aid, JoAnn Fabric, A.C. Moore, Michaels
January	Trash Bags (33 gal)
February	Laundry detergent , dryer sheets or bleach
March	Personal hygiene products
April	Pampers size 4 & 5 or plastic shower curtain & hooks
May	Antibacterial hand soap or office supplies: copy paper, folders, legal tablets, staples, paper clips, post-it-notes

Also on the General Wish List are the following items:

Bedding: twin sheets, pillows, blankets, Bath towels and wash cloths, Bath tub & Floor mats, General cleaning supplies, Sponge Mops & Brooms, Coffee mugs, Ethnic Hair Products, Small Bedroom lamps, Battery Operated Wall Clocks, Small Alarm Clocks.

Food items: Juice Boxes, Canned Apple and Orange Juice, Individually wrapped
Snack items such as cheese sticks, popcorn, peanut butter crackers, cookies, Goldfish

Also needed craft supplies: Glitter, Glue, Fabric Paint.

If you are downsizing or house cleaning and have any of these items which you would like to donate, call Marian at 610-429-1490, or call the Domestic Violence Office at 610-431-3546.

Ways And Means by Leslie Wachob, Chair

Our branch has several activities to raise funds for branch programs and projects:

- Recycling ink cartridges--- Bring cartridges to Leslie Wachob
- Genuardi's Escript program –Safeway /Genuardi's will rebate a percentage of purchases; **Enroll each fall** by internet (www.escrip.com) or using form available at Genuardi's; Our group ID is 150540758.
- Book Fair & Sale---Tuesday, November 17th. Do your holiday shopping. The Chester County Book and Music Company will donate 15% of most purchases to our branch. You may bring your friends. You may preorder books and pick them up that day. Use the specially marked register.
- *Pecans And Candy For Your Baking And Holiday Gifting!!*
The pecans and candy will be received the 1st week of November, just in time for the holidays. Everything is reasonably priced and comes already packaged in colorful, decorative bags. Contact Leslie at 610 458-1837 or rbs857@yahoo.com

Member Notes and News

Upcoming Meetings

50th Anniversary Meeting

October 13, 7:00 PM

Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the West Chester-Chester County PA Branch. The event will feature Barbara M. Smith as guest speaker, older members sharing anecdotal stories and fundraising for the Alice Lawson Scholarship. The meeting will take place at the Grove Methodist Church.

Water In A Changing World

Saturday, November 14th - 10am-12noon

West Chester Borough Offices

Co-Sponsored By The LWV & AAUW --

An interactive panel of “hands on” experts, moderated by Stan Laskowski, President of the Philadelphia Global Water Initiative, will address how this vital resource directly affects the achievement of the eight UN Millennium Development Goals, how water and sanitation issues impede progress in developing countries, and what we can do to help.

Special Interest Groups

Couples Bridge

Couples Bridge will begin in October. We meet the 3rd Saturday evening monthly at members home. We are a social group and welcome all who like to play.

Mary and Walt Smith will host the Couples Bridge on Saturday, *September 19th* at 7:30pm to approximately 11:30pm. Please e-mail Mary at pangea49@comcast.net or call her at 610-269-3375. Those with questions about Couples Bridge or interested in joining the group may contact the chair, Carol Habig, at 610-431-9987 or e-mail her at whabig@verizon.net.

Women's Social Bridge 2009 - 2010

The Women's Social Bridge Group meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM. Please advise Beatriz Wee, at least seven days in advance of the scheduled date, if you would like to be the hostess for any month. She may be contacted at 610-594-2719; beatriztil@gmail.com.

Book and Discussion Groups

Lit I (formerly Lit III): meets on the 4th Thursday during the day at 12:30 PM. For additional information contact: Martina Ossman, 610-793-1469; ossman1072@verizon.net.

Lit II, Fiction and Non-Fiction: meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

September 16th, 7:30 PM– *Lipstick JiHadr*, by Azadeh Moaveni; Leader: Donna Eaves; Host: Phyllis Dunn, 610-696-1079

October 21st, 7:30 PM; People of the Book; Geraldine Brooks; Leader: Ann Boohar; Host: Donna Eaves, 610-692-5277;

Lit IV, Monday Evening Nonfiction Book Group

The Lit. IV discussion group meets on Monday evenings, every other month. You may contact Paula McGinness for more information, 610-942-4852 (home) or 610-273-3303 (work).

Great Decisions

All programs for the Great Decisions Group take place at 1:30 p.m. at the Chester County Book Company. Upcoming programs:

September 21st at 1:30 p.m.

Topic: Pakistan and Afghanistan

Leader: Franne Sippel-Wetmore

October 12th at 1:30 p.m.

Topic: The U.S. and Rising Powers

Leader: Jacky Page

Finance Discussion Group

The Finance Discussion Group meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Chester County Book Company. Participants are invited to bring related articles to share. For more information contact: Joan Baxter, 610-469-0710; jpbaxter19103@yahoo.com.

Knitting anyone?

Let us know if you're interested in joining this newest SIG. Call Roselyn at (610) 256-2839.

FIG (Food Interest Group)

Food Interest Group (FIG) event of the month: next meeting- October 4th; contact Betty Bradford at 610-363-7974; wdbrad@verizon.net



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September 2009 NEWSLETTER

AAUW Mission Statement

The AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research.

AAUW Vision Statement

AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

AAUW West Chester – Chester County Branch Vision Statement

The West Chester-Chester County Branch will

- Actively recruit members who support Association goals.
- Nurture these members through active Interest Groups, through monthly meetings with intellectual and social merit, and through member support.
- Sponsor at least one project per year with volunteers and with funds to promote Association and branch goals.
- Sponsor at least one local scholarship per year for a nontraditional student
- Support programs for training and self-development of branch members to promote Association goals.
- Raise funds through community projects and member gifts to support Association goals.

Since its first meeting in 1881, AAUW has been a catalyst for change. Today, with more than 100,000 members, 1,000 branches, and 500 college and university partners, AAUW contributes to a more promising future and provides a powerful voice for women and girls—a voice that cannot and will not be ignored.

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