

Sat, Feb. 11 – Meet the COD President

Program

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9am

COD

President

Ann Rondeau

First Church

of Lombard

220 S Main St.



2017 is the 50th anniversary of the founding of the College of DuPage.

Come hear Dr. Ann Rondeau, president of the College of DuPage since last July, speak to us about how she and her team are working to improve and prepare COD for the future.

This will be a breakfast meeting, so please contact Sandra Henry if you are able to bring food (bagels, fruit, juice, etc.).

January program recap:

Our January meeting was awesome! The young women from the Islamic Foundation School in Villa Park who spoke to us about their experiences preparing for and participating in the "Battle of the Bard" were INCREDIBLY enthusiastic.



If you would like to view their competition entry, see www.dailyherald.com/article/20161117/news/161119130/

To learn more about the "Battle of the Bard" competition: www.chicagoyouthshakespeare.org/what-we-do/battle-of-the-bard-botb/

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

AAUW Funds is the world's largest source of funding exclusively for graduate women. The Funds also work to combat sex discrimination in higher education and the workplace.

Future Programs:

Weds, March 8: You think you're busy? "Her Highness Builds Robots" authors Laura and Beth Winters, twin sisters and young entrepreneurs, will tell us about creating the coloring book, founding EqualiToys, graduating from college, and starting their professional careers...all in a short span of time.

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President's Letter



Happy Valentine's Day! I hope to see you all at February's meeting on Saturday, February 11th, 9 am. We will hear from Dr. Rondeau, the new president of COD.

Barbara Kozi, President

Scholarship Applications Available Now

The application for our Branch "Return to Learning" scholarship to be used for the 2017-18 academic year is available on our branch website. This scholarship is available to qualified women residents of Lombard, Villa Park, Oakbrook Terrace, Wheaton, Addison, Glendale Heights, and Glen Ellyn.

The scholarship amount is determined by the success of the organization's annual Used Book Sale held in August. This year's scholarship will be given in the amount of \$1600. **Application deadline: April 1, 2017.**

The scholarship will be awarded to a qualified woman completing an undergraduate or master's degree, or a certification program, not including a doctoral degree. This award is offered as a community service and as an expression of the purpose of AAUW, which is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

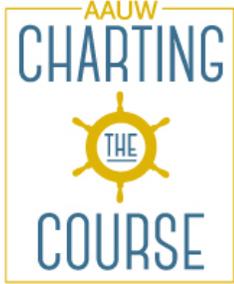
If you or anyone you know who is interested in applying has any questions, please contact me. Help us get the word out!

Laurie Driscoll

Branch AAUW Funds/Local Scholarship Chair

***View the scholarship application, or download the flyer at our web site:
lombard-il.aauw.net/scholarships***

Charting the Course—Anchors Aweigh!



AAUW Exceeded Our Goal! Anchors Aweigh!

The Charting the Course campaign had a goal: to raise \$1 million in unrestricted funds in two years. But you weren't satisfied with that. Together, 1,045 of you gave over **\$1,020,000** in unrestricted funds to turn the tides of inequality. Now we're not only ready to set sail — we have a tailwind!

Thanks to you, our Charting the Course donors, women and girls are that much closer to a brighter horizon.

We are proud that donors from all 50 states and Washington, D.C., six Branch Navigators, and a fantastic Charting the Course Committee and Advisory Committee made this campaign so successful.

A special thank-you goes to the co-chairs: Judy Horan, Ruth Sweetser, and Neola Waller. Their dedication to AAUW's mission helped navigate the campaign forward. We were honored that Neola Waller was the first and last donor to the campaign!

Special note: Lombard Area Branch is one of six Navigator Branches in the country! We donated \$25,000 to Charting the Course (from our book sale proceeds). We are the only branch from the Midwest—the other branches are from California, Hawaii, Maryland, and Virginia.

Some of our members joined the Women's Marches across the country. Here are just a few photos.



Laurie—Denver



Leslie, Mary, Ruth—Chicago



Kathryn—Washington, DC

Lombard Area AAUW Calendar — Feb 2017

Sat, Feb 11 9 am	General Program COD President Ann Rondeau (see page 1)	First Church of Lombard
Mon, Feb 13 7 pm	Lit Wits <u>All the Stars in Heaven</u> by Adriana Trigiani	Lexington Square 555 Foxworth, Lombard
Fri, Feb 17 1 pm	Literature <u>The Art Forger: A Novel</u> by B.A. Shapiro	Loretta C.
Mon, Feb 20 7 pm	Board Meeting	Lexington Square 555 Foxworth, Lombard
Thurs, Feb 23 7 pm	Mystery Buffs Commissario Ricciardi series by Maurizio de Giovanni (first: <u>I Will Have Vengeance</u>)	Judy S.

Women's March on DC/Chicago/Everywhere!

Several of our branch members (Ruth S., Mary M., Leslie S., Karla B., Danielle B., anyone else?) joined 250,000 other supporters at the Women's March on Sat, Jan 21, in Chicago. Kathy T. marched in DC, Laurie D. marched in Denver. It was exhilarating, emotional, powerful to stand with our sisters and brothers to let the new administration know we will not back down for women's rights. Up to 4,000,000 people marched around the world!

But what comes next?

10 Actions in 100 Days is a great website that promotes direct action we can take to continue getting our voices heard. Go to www.womensmarch.com/100/ which highlights a new action every 10 days. Browse the site or sign up for e-mail notifications of each action.

ACTION 1: Postcards! Send a postcard to your Senators about what matters most to you - and how you're going to continue to fight for it in the days, weeks and months ahead. Pour your heart out on any issue that you care about, whether it's ending gender-based violence, reproductive rights and women's health, LGBTQIA rights, worker's rights, civil rights, immigrant rights, religious freedom, environmental justice or something else.

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