

Branch Program—Weds, May 13 End of Year Potluck

Join us for our annual end-of-year Potluck and Officer Induction. We will also hear about our Return-to-Learning scholarship winner.

Please bring these items to our May 13 meeting:

- Food for the pot luck. Last names A – F bring dessert, G—Z bring a salad or main dish.
- Dues check (see below)
- Calendar—we'll be signing up for book sale slots for July & August
- Cash for a split-the-pot raffle! Denise will finish off Ways & Means with a raffle—half to the winner, half to our operating budget!

See you Wednesday, May 13 at 6:30pm for our potluck celebration!



PROGRAM

**Weds,
May 13**

6:30pm

**End of Year
Banquet**
*First Church of
Lombard*

Six in the City Tour of historic 1858 Lombard Hotel: Saturday, May 9, noon.

Meet at the Town Centre office (9 S. Park in downtown Lombard) Enjoy a self guided tour of the third floor ballroom of the original Babcock's Grove House, St. Charles & Park, Lombard. *Contact Doris S. for more info.*

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It's Spring and AAUW Membership Dues time

Our annual dues are \$73 (\$49 for national, \$10 for state, and \$14 for our branch). Don't forget that \$46 of your dues are tax-deductible!

The official 'due' date for our dues is June 1, but it would be so good if you could get this taken care of as soon as possible (make it easier on the incoming Finance Chair). When you're paying your dues, please let me know if you have a new address, phone number, or email address, so that we can get your information updated before the next yearbook comes out.

Please send your \$73 check, payable to Lombard Area AAUW, to:

Carol Hester 1143 South Edgewood Ave. Lombard, IL 60148

OR bring your check to our branch meeting on Weds, May 13!

Thank you, Carol Hester, Finance Chair

Branch Officers

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Barb Kozi

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President's Letter

I am looking forward to our May pot luck and a chance to visit with all of you as well as to vote for the Association Board of Directors for 2015-2017. We will have laptops available for any of you who wish to vote that night.

As I'm sure you know, branch officers will be installed at the May 13 meeting. The new board is mostly in place, and I think we will have an excellent year. However, **there are two important jobs that have yet to be filled:**

- Social/Hospitality – we have several committee volunteers but still need a chair...someone who knows the routine and has perhaps some knowledge of the First Church kitchen.
- Ways & Means – we will probably continue the sale of Carlson Days booklets but will need to find some additional ways of earning our operating income. Since there will be no Taste of Lombard this year, we will not have the bingo income we've had the past few years.

Please give some thought to these two positions and contact me if you need further information. The board meets on the 3rd Monday of each month except December, June and July. The joint (transition) board meeting will be Monday, May 18th, at Lexington Square.

You will be hearing also from many of the book sale chairs regarding your commitments to various book sale jobs...barrel tending, sorting, the sale, and move out. **Please be generous with your time. Bring your calendar to the May meeting**, as sign-up sheets will be passed at that time.

*All the best,
Barb Kozi, President*



More information

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Lombard AAUW Book Sale Dates

- check your calendar!!

Barrel collections: July

Drop offs: July 24 & 31: 5:30-8:30pm

July 25 & Aug 1: 9am—1pm

Move-in: July 24

Sorting: July 24—Aug 4

Sale: August 5—8

Move out: Sat, August 8, noon

We'll have sign up volunteer sign-up sheets at our May 13 meeting.

Wheaton-Glen Ellyn AAUW Used Book Sale May 6—9, 2015

May 6: 6pm—9pm \$10/adult (no scanner fee)

May 7 & 8: 9am—9pm Free admission

May 9: 9am—2pm Free admission and Books by the Bag: \$10/bag

Glen Ellyn Civic Center—535 Duane Street

Enter through the gym west entrance.

Elevator accessible

Recommended By Laws Changes—Annual Meeting Month



The Lombard Area AAUW Board recommends we change our annual meeting from February to April. We will vote on these changes at our May 13 general meeting/potluck:

Proposed amendment to Article XIII, Section 1(a) (Annual Meeting) of the Lombard AAUW Bylaws:

Move to amend Article XIII, Section 1(a) by deleting the word "February" and substituting the word "April."

Rationale: To hold our branch annual meeting where we elect officers in the spring, not winter, when the weather is better, which should result in increased attendance.

(Current) Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the Branch shall be held at the general meeting in **February** for the purpose of electing officers.

(Proposed) Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the Branch shall be held at the general meeting in **April** for the purpose of electing officers.

Kathy Brenniman, Parliamentarian



Kathryn Tecza, Ruth Sweetser, and Kathy Brenniman
Chicago Equal Pay Day Rally, April 14

Looking for Program Ideas/Comments

We always have a goal to attract new members; not only new to AAUW but also younger members.

At the April Board meeting we discussed ideas for programs for next year—programs which will hopefully bring us new younger members. And when I say "younger" I mean women in their 20s, 30s, and 40s. These women want something different; they want to be engaged and participate in projects where they can make an impact.

With that goal in mind, we plan to change the meeting schedule a little, and trying to ensure our meeting topics are aligned more closely with AAUW's mission statement: Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

Here are some of the topics being considered. If you have other suggestions, please provide them to me.

- Younger Women's Task Force
- Election 2016 - Why the Women's Vote is important
- Tech Savvy/Dare to Dream
- Candidates Forum/debate
- AAUW-Illinois update from a state board member
- The "Religious Freedom" law recently passed in Indiana ignited lots of controversy...for many reasons which touch on our mission.

Thank you, Karla Bullett Program Chair (630) 247-8758 wikabull@att.net

Branch Calendar—May 2015

Sun, May 3 10am—4pm	Lilac Time Craft Fair Stop by to say hello to Lombard AAUW used book booth!	St. Charles Ave in downtown Lombard HELP IS WELCOME! 10-1 or 1-4pm shifts. Call Leslie if you can help.
Mon, May 11 7 pm	Lit Wits (bring a book suggestion for next year) <u>Me Before You</u> by JoJo Moyes	Anyways Restaurant 5 E Roosevelt, Oakbrook Terrace
Wed, May 13 6:45 am	End of Year Pot Luck & Officer Induction Our end of the year celebration and pot luck. (See page 1 for details)	First Church of Lombard
Fri, May 15 1 pm	Literature <u>The Paris Wife</u> by Paula Mc Lain	Olive's
Mon, May 18 7 pm	Board Meeting	NEW LOCATION - Lexington Square (Note: All future board meetings will take place at Lexington Square.)
Tues, May 19 1 pm	Life Writing	Lexington Square 555 Foxworth, Lombard
Thurs, <u>June</u> 25 7 pm	Mystery Buffs Dinner out, and plan next year's books!	(NOTE: this is a June date, no May meeting) Restaurant TBA

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