

September 9—Younger Women’s Task Force & Potluck

PROGRAM

**Weds,
Sept 9**

6:30pm

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*First Church
of Lombard*

**YOUNGER
WOMEN’S
TASK FORCE**
powered by AAUW

We will hear about the Younger Women’s Task Force. YWTF is a movement by and for younger women to fight for social justice— a diverse and inclusive group of activists, organizers, and professionals. They are also a community founded on the belief that we can work within and beyond the women’s movement to change the things we care about.

YWTF Chapter Director Sequoya Hayes graduated from East -West University in 2007 with a BA in Behavioral and Social Sciences, and earned a Master’s Degree in Social Work from the University of Michigan in 2008. Some of her titles include Professor, Cultural Critic, Emerging Women’s Rights Activist, Scholar and viable candidate for saving the world. In 2011, Sequoya was named Alumni of the Year by East-West University which highlighted her work not only as a Social Worker but also as an alumnus returning to educate our emerging leaders.

Sept 9 is also our welcome-back potluck dinner. For the potluck, last names A—G bring desserts, H—Z bring main dishes or salads.

Anyone who can come about 6pm to help set up tables and chairs is heartily welcome!

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Dare to Dream Conference—2016



The Dare to Dream Conference keeps growing! The next conference will be held Saturday, January 30 at the MAC at COD.

Want to help? Kathy Brenniman is looking for a partner to join the Dare to Dream committee to help plan the speaker panels. We’ll also need many volunteers at the conference.

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President's Letter

Welcome back for another stimulating year of AAUW programs and activities. I think you will find that we have a lot of good things coming up during 2015-2016.

I'd like to begin by saying "thank you" to everyone who worked on this year's Annual Used Book Sale. Everything went quite smoothly, despite my moments of panic, and many members pitched in whenever called upon. We also had a great group of teen volunteers, as we have had in the past; we definitely could not do this without them.

My second big "thank you" goes to Doris and Dave Schertz, who hosted our end-of-summer, the book sale is over, picnic at their home on Saturday, August 15th. I believe I can safely say that a great time was had by all who attended...about 35 in total.

Finally, the downside. We are still without a Ways & Means Chair for this coming year. If any of you is willing to consider this board position, please call or email me so we can discuss what is involved.

I look forward to seeing and working with all of you during the coming year, beginning at the September 9th Pot Luck. See details elsewhere in this newsletter.

Barbara Kozi

We will vote on the budgets on Sept 9 meeting. *See the Operating budget on page 5.*

PHILANTHROPIC BUDGET

	Actual 2014-2015	Proposed 2015-2016
INCOME/ Resources		
Beginning Balance (Balance on 7/1)	5,176.90	2,138.26
Income	9,386.10	9,364.00
Total Resources	14,563.00	11,502.26
EXPENSES		
Book Sale	2,154.74	2,100.00
Local Scholarship Committee	0.00	50.00
Dare to Dream	500.00	500.00
Scholarships*	9,770.00	7,500.00
Total Expenses	12,424.74	10,150.00
BALANCE FORWARD	2,138.26	1,352.26
Scholarship money available		
Scholarship-Local (40%)	2,800.00	3,000.00
Scholarship-AAUW Funds (60%)	4,050.00	4,500.00
	6,850.00	7,500.00

AAUW National Convention

In June, Kathy Brenniman, Danielle Byron, Laurie Driscoll, Heidi Koberstine & Ruth Sweetser attended the AAUW 2015 National Convention. The convention was 1,000 women strong. Here are just a few of the highlights:

Speakers – They were incredible. Katherine Lhamon Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights told us eye opening stories on how much further we have to go with Title IX. Lily Ledbetter was part of a wonderfully diverse and passionate panel on violence against women. The panel included a former NFL football player and several emerging women’s rights leaders from the millennial generation. Juanita Johnson-Baily, the recipient of the 2015 Eleanor Roosevelt Fund Award, shared moving stories about her teachers and her global work on gender oppression. You can see her speech on YouTube: www.youtube.com/watch?v=IDefxLOdGig

Workshops – They were entertaining, interactive and informative. For example the workshop “Programs, Passion, People: The Prescription for Recruitment Success” featured a skit with a doctor prescribing some unique solutions. A workshop on salary negotiations is the pilot for a campaign with the goal of training 100,000 women in salary negotiations in the next five years. Other workshops focused on advocacy from local to national levels. Other workshops focused on advocacy at local and national levels and on Title IX, specifically inequality in sports.

People - We learned about the new AAUW campaign “Charting the Course” that our own Ruth Sweetser co-chairs. We heard from National AAUW staff, the new National Board of Directors and connected with wonderful women from across the country.

Overall, the Convention gave all in attendance a greater appreciation of the scope, impact, and depth of AAUW programs at the national and grass roots level. Hopefully, more of us can plan to attend the 2017 Washington DC Convention.

Danielle Byron - first time attendee



AAUW-Illinois President Carol Heisler (L) ,
Ruth Sweetser, and Laurie Driscoll at the
2015 National Convention - San Diego

Watch a great video about AAUW: <http://www.aauw.org/resource/one-aauw-video/>

Public Policy Events in September



Weds, Sept 16— Independent Maps Initiative (Park Ridge Library)

7pm; Park Ridge Library, 20 South Prospect Ave

The Northwest Suburban AAUW and the Park Ridge League of Women Voters are co-sponsoring a program of the **Independent Maps Initiative**. Independent Maps is collecting signatures to get a Constitutional Amendment on the November 2016 ballot to have Illinois' political maps redistricted by an independent body rather than the political party in power. Redistricting, which is done every ten years, has caused many races to go uncontested when districts are drawn unfavorably towards the opposing party. Cities have been cut in half during this process and current legislators have been drawn out of their district requiring them to move in order to run to retain their seat. The public is invited to attend.

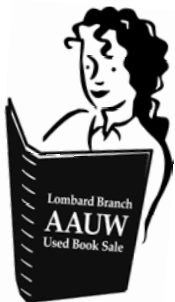
Tues, Sept 29— Illinois Power Woman—(Downers Grove Park District Rec Center)

7pm; Downers Grove Park District Recreation Center, 4500 Belmont Rd

Our branch is co-sponsoring along with several surrounding AAUW branches the AAUW Public Policy Program "**Illinois Power Woman**" with Illinois State Senator Christine Radogno. Senator Radogno is the first female Caucus Leader in the history of the Illinois General Assembly. She began her third term as Senate Republican Leader in 2013. She has served in the Illinois Senate since 1997.

In May 2014, in a critical vote for Illinois ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) to the U.S. Constitution, Senator Radogno voted "YES" paving the way for its passage in the Illinois Senate. Sadly, the ERA was defeated in a subsequent Illinois House vote. It took an act of political courage for Senator Radogno to vote for the ERA passage in the Illinois Senate. The "Illinois Power Woman" series, initiated by the Public Policy Committee of the Hinsdale-Oakbrook AAUW, hosts female elected officials who tell us their stories of securing positions of leadership at all levels of government. We will take this opportunity to honor Senator Radogno at the September 29th program for her vote in favor of ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment in May 2014. Everyone is welcome.

Book Sale Totals for 2015



2015— \$9,364 (estimated)

2014— \$9,386

2013— \$10,923

2012— \$9,605

Opening night attendance doubled over the previous years—we lowered the admission to \$5 from \$10. Thanks to a lot of help from members, Scouts and parents, the move out was completed in record time! We did not sell our big ticket collectibles yet, but are pursuing avenues to get them sold to interested persons. Thank you to all helpers!!

Branch Budgets

We will vote on our budgets at our Sept 9 program.

Questions? Ask Danielle B.

(Find the Philanthropic budget on page 2.)

OPERATING BUDGET

	Actual 2014-2015	Proposed 2015-2016
Beginning Balance (Balance on 7/1)	\$4,680.88	\$5,378.50
INCOME		
Advertising	\$300.00	\$300.00
Dues	\$1,296.50	\$1,000.00
Other Income	\$60.00	\$449.00
Ways and Means	\$1,128.00	\$500.00
Total Income	\$2,784.50	\$2,249.00
Total Resources	\$7,465.38	\$7,627.50
EXPENSES		
By-Laws	\$0.00	\$0.00
Contributions	\$100.00	\$100.00
Convention Expenses - National	\$941.20	\$500.00
Insurance	\$175.00	\$175.00
Luncheon	-\$29.00	\$0.00
Membership	\$76.30	\$100.00
Memorials	\$125.00	\$100.00
Miscellaneous	\$100.00	\$125.00
Newsletter	\$118.19	\$240.00
Officer Expenses	\$44.14	\$50.00
Programs	\$180.25	\$450.00
Rent	\$150.00	\$150.00
Social & Hospitality	\$62.68	\$100.00
Yearbook	\$43.12	\$50.00
Total Expenses	\$2,086.88	\$2,140.00
BALANCE FORWARD	\$5,378.50	\$5,487.50

Welcome to Life Writing Interest Group

The "Life Writing" Interest Group will continue this fall, but without Diane Dassow as presenter and guide. We have learned a lot from Diane and are grateful for her help in developing and encouraging writing about our experiences, history and lives. We will have a leader each month as we begin another year of writing! If you are interested in joining this group, the first meeting will be at Lexington in the Hyde Park room from 1-3 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15. We are going to talk about having several Tuesday evening meetings (not only afternoons) to accommodate people who cannot make the daytime. Our second meeting will be on October 20 in the evening. There will be a sign up sheet at the potluck if you would like to become a part of this writing adventure, or contact **Betsy Swinson** 630-627-0152; swinsonjb@juno.com.

Lombard Area AAUW Calendar—Sept 2015

Wed, Sept 9 6:30 pm	Younger Women's Task Force & Pot Luck (see page 1)	First Church of Lombard
Mon, Sept 14 7 pm	Lit Wits <u>Capital Dames</u> by Cokie Roberts	Anyways Restaurant (LOCATION MAY CHANGE)
Tues, Sept 15 1 pm	Life Writing (Call Betsy S for details)	Lexington Square 555 Foxworth, Lombard
Weds, Sept 16	Independent Maps Initiative (see page 4)	Park Ridge Public Library
Fri, Sept 18 1 pm	Literature <u>The Orchardist</u> by Amanda Coplin	Nancy H's
Mon, Sept 21 7 pm	Board Meeting	Lexington Square 555 Foxworth, Lombard
Thurs, Sept 24 7 pm	Mystery Buffs Mysteries by Adrian McKinty (#1: <u>The Cold, Cold, Ground</u> —part of the <i>Troubles Trilogy</i>)	Barb K's
Tues, Sept 29	Illinois Power Woman Presentation (see page 4)	Downers Grove Park District

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