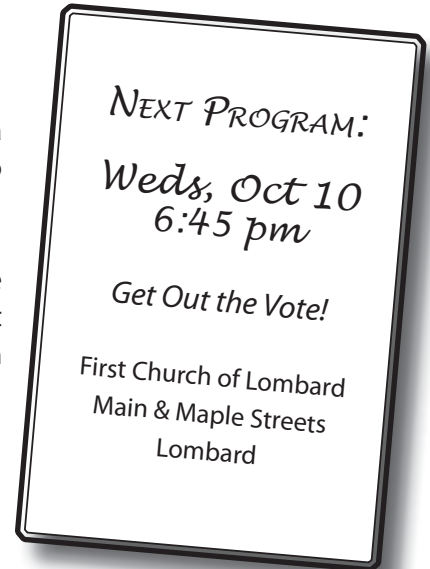


Wednesday, Oct. 10: *Get Out the Vote!*

Briana Brown from the Illinois AAUW will be presenting a program about the national campaign to encourage women to "get out the vote" that AAUW is sponsoring.

The emphasis is on young women ages 18-31, who may not be interested enough in politics to vote. Illinois is one of 15 target states with a dedicated staff member to work with the branches on setting up phone banks and/or canvassing events.

The program will be preceded by a short business meeting.



Affordable Care Act - Items to Consider

Why is Health Care Reform Important to Women?

- Women visit the doctor more often.
- Women are often the primary decision makers about health care in their household.
- Women are less likely to get insurance from their job because many work part-time or provide unpaid care to family members.
- Women currently pay more than men for the same insurance plans.
- It is especially hard for certain women, such as women of color, young women, and women who live in rural areas, to get health care.

Illinois Women Win with Protections from Pre-Existing Conditions

- Under the ACA, women will no longer be denied coverage because they are pregnant, had a c-section, have cancer, or survived partner violence or sexual assault.
- By 2014, people living with pre-existing conditions can get the health coverage they need.
- Already, children cannot be denied insurance because of a pre-existing condition. (This rule will include adults in 2014.)

Illinois Women Win with Covered Preventive Care

- Under the ACA, many preventive care services will be offered at no cost to the patient (no co-pays, no deductibles).
- No-cost preventive services will include annual well-women's visits, birth control, breastfeeding support and equipment, STI and cancer screenings, and more.

Illinois Women Win with Consumer Protections

- Starting in 2014 insurance companies will be unable to continue charging women more for their coverage because of their gender.
- After 2014, insurance companies will no longer be able to impose annual limits on care.
- Insurance companies must spend 80%-85% of the money they collect from health insurance premiums on medical care, instead of administrative costs or profits.
- Insurance companies are required to justify their actions if they want to raise rates by 10% or more.

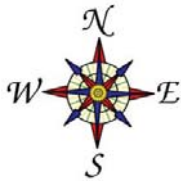
For more information on how Illinois women win with the ACA, visit:

healthcare.gov or ilmaternal.org.

- Mary Ann Dion

Six in the City - Oct. 25

Six in the City takes a private tour of the College of DuPage **Homeland Security Education Center** (HEC), home of the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy, Criminal Justice program, Fire Science Technology, and COD Police Department.



Imagine a training compound that prepares multi-jurisdictional emergency personnel to respond to international and domestic terrorist acts, man-made and natural disasters. See a bullet-proof courtroom, steel beam from New York's World Trade Center, 3-story street scene for fire and EMS situations, 4-story tower for rappelling, smoke rooms, hazardous materials leak and ambulance simulators and more. Your hour-long visit starts at 10:00 am on Thursday, October 25, followed by lunch at the Waterleaf Restaurant in the College' new Culinary Arts Building. Spouses welcome. Sign up at AAUW's Wed. Oct. 10th meeting, or email Doris Schertz (dcschertz@comcast.net) by Fri. Oct. 19.

Ways & Means

We will once again support Carson's Community Days on November 9 & 10 at Yorktown. We will be selling in the store and at our meetings. Each booklet is \$5.00 and AAUW keeps 100% of the booklet price. We will have the booklets available for sale at the October 10 meeting & will have sign up sheets for volunteers who can help sell at Carson's.

So far we have raised \$365 from summer bingo, September raffle and Carsons booklet sales. Our goal is to raise \$800 this year.

Thank you for all your help in meeting the goals of our organization.

Ellen Dassow & Marge Ostendorf
Ways & Means



Branch Board Positions Open for 2013-2015

The nominating committee is looking for members who would be interested in serving as Lombard Area AAUW Branch officers for 2013-2015 including:

- President
- Finance Director
- Program Chair(s)

If you are interested or want details on job descriptions, please contact Betsy Swinson (630-627-0152) by Oct. 20.

Find job descriptions online at our website:

aauw-il.org/branch.htm

Fond Farewell to Helen Westlake

Many of you may know Helen Westlake, an AAUW friend from Wheaton. I'm sad to report that she passed away Sept. 9. She wrote textbooks on family living and child development and was a very active member in community organizations and the Wheaton AAUW. Helen taught school for over 50 years - at York High School and COD. Her motto was TOTS - "Think of the Students." Helen spoke to our Women's Issues interest group and was a friend to many Lombard members.

A memorial service for Helen will be held at 2pm on Sunday, Nov 11 at NIU-Naperville campus (1120 E. Diehl Road).

Used Book Sale 2013 - Details

We've signed the contract for next year's book sale at First Church, so we already know the dates for next year's sale!

Barrel Collection

June 24 - August 2, 2013

Sorting

Move In: July 26, 2013

Sorting July 26: August 6, 2013

Drop Off Days

Friday, July 26: 5:30-8:30pm

Saturday, July 27: 9am-1pm

Thursday, August 1: 5:30-8:30pm

Saturday, August 3: 9am-1pm

Sale

August 7-10, 2013

Move Out

Saturday, August 10, 2013: 1-3pm



Thank You Sociable Women

Many thanks to all who helped at the September potluck. We know furniture moving is not in your job descriptions and greatly appreciate all your efforts. Extra thanks to the Cobb Family for setting up tables. (Wilma's daughter and grandchildren).

Please remember to thank Nancie Stewart for generously lending us her 19 pounds of stainless steel flatware, so we don't have to snap off plastic forks and knives while enjoying all the delicious offerings of the branch members.

A special thank you to the AAUW CALL GIRLS: Carol Hester, Vera Knapp, Olive Langlois and Carol Von Holst, who called their lists from last year for the Pot Luck Dinner. We send our appreciation to Olive for her years calling our members. Starting in October, some callers will have new lists. Welcome Pat Porep and Evelyn Montgomery to the group of callers.

Social/Hospitality

Lombard AAUW Calendar

OCTOBER

Date	Time	Event
Mon, 10/8	7 pm	Lit Wits <u>Does My Head Look Big in This</u> by Randa Abdel-Fattah (and) <u>Infidel</u> by Ayaan Hirsi Ali; at Trademark Restaurant - 777 E. Butterfield
Weds, 10/10	6:45 pm	General Meeting , First Church of Lombard
Tues, 10/16	10 am	Women's Issues Protecting seniors' funds; at Mary Ann G's; RSVP to Marilyn G.
Fri, 10/19	1 pm	Literature <u>Doc</u> by Mary D. Russell; at Olive's.
Mon, 10/15	7 pm	Board Meeting , COP Center, Yorktown
Thurs, 10/25	7 pm	Mystery Buffs Mysteries by Sherlock Holmes surrogates; location TBA.
Thurs, 10/25	10 am	Six in the City (see pg. 2) Tour of Homeland Security Building at COD, and lunch at Waterleaf Restaurant.

Updated Branch Web Site

Our branch web site has been redesigned - aauw-il.org/lombard. The link to the current newsletter remains on the front page; and I've moved several things to the BRANCH page.

The new BRANCH page includes: Branch bylaws, reimbursement vouchers, archived newsletters, Interest Group details, and other documents.

Let me know what you think of the new modernized design.
Leslie Sull - Web Maven

"All my life, I always wanted to be somebody. Now I see that I should have been more specific."
- Lily Tomlin

NOVEMBER

Date	Time	Event
Tues, 11/6		GET OUT AND VOTE!
Sat, 11/10	9 am	General Meeting , First Church of Lombard
Mon, 11/19	7 pm	Board Meeting , COP Center, Yorktown

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