

# Bulletin

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## ***Thoughts from the President:***

*By Dr. Bobbie Weikle*

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### **Paving the Way for the Future!**

At our last Board meeting, many of the plans for future events and projects were discussed. My granddaughter, Jillian, accompanied by my daughter in-law, Corrina Weikle, also attended the meeting. Corrina has been working on updating the information for the AAUW Web site to make it more interesting and inviting to new members. She has also worked on starting a Facebook page which will open thousands of doors to let more people know who we are and what AAUW is all about. As we talked, I looked over at my granddaughter and thought – “This is what it’s all about! AAUW is about paving the future for “EQUAL Pay for EQUAL WORK” for her generation and so much more!

### **“Startsmart Workshop” – Collaborating with Purdue University:**

Our collaboration with Purdue University has gotten off to a great start this year. We will be co-hosting a “Startsmart” workshop for students who will be entering the workforce and providing training on negotiating salaries to help bridge the wage gap! Dr. Terri Swim, our AAUW / Purdue University Representative and Dr. Melissa Gruys, Dean of the Doerner School of Business at Purdue University, have worked hard to make this venture become a reality. The workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, October 21, 2019, from 1-4 pm at the Purdue University campus in Fort Wayne. We will also collaborate with the university to have a social event for faculty and students which will be held sometime in the spring. More information will be sent out soon about these events. Please extend a hearty welcome to Dr. Gruys, who is one of our newest members of AAUW. We extend our thanks to Terri and Melissa for their work in providing this training for students and helping foster the goals of AAUW.

### **Indiana Tech University – Our Newest Collaboration with AAUW:**

Our newest collaboration has been with the faculty at Indiana Tech University. Dr. Kathleen Hanold Watland, Dean of the College of Business, contacted me about discussing our mutual interests. Dr. Watland spoke at our last Board meeting about collaborating with AAUW in the future. We will be co-hosting a social event with the University in March. We want to welcome Dr. Watland, Dr. Kayla Crecelius, and Dr. Staci Lugar Brettin to our Fort Wayne Branch of AAUW as new members.

Dr. Lugar Brettin recently asked me to present to one of her classes about mission and goals of AAUW. Their classes are “project based”, so I asked the students to think about giving us tips or ideas to help us with attracting new members and keeping our current membership.

We will also be co-hosting with the University a social event which will be held in March of 2020. We extend our thanks to Dr. Watland, Dr. Lugar Brettin, and Dr. Crecelius for their time and efforts. Their collaboration with AAUW will be extremely valuable in helping new generations to know what AAUW is all about.

## Membership

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### **NOW**

*is the best time to Recruit  
New AAUW Members!*

*Every AAUW member is a  
part of the membership  
team. Experience tells us  
that new members who  
are **recruited by our own**  
Branch members become  
active and **stay** in AAUW.*

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Celebrating  
**80**  
Years

***Save the Dates!***

***Mark your  
Calendar!***

## Membership Matters

*By Kris Conner and Donna McKenzie, Co-Directors of Membership*  
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Welcome new members! Contact info will be in the 2019-20 Yearbook

Dr. Melissa Gruys

Dean of the Doermer School of Business, Purdue University Ft. Wayne

Dr. Kathleen Harold Watland

Dean of College of Business, Indiana Tech University

Dr. Staci Lugar Brettin

Associate Professor of Marketing & Management, Indiana Tech University

Mrs. Kayla Crecelius

Director of Fashion Marketing & Management, Assistant Professor, Indiana Tech University

Mrs. Amy Lehman

Radiology Technician, Summit Radiology, Inc.

## Programs

### **October 26, 2019 – Celebrate Books and Literacy!**

Allen County Public Library (ACPL) Main Branch, downtown

See page 5 for more details

### **December 7, 2019 – Silent Auction and Celebrate Local Partnerships**

Pine Valley Country Club

### **March 21, 2020 - Annual Meeting & Recognition Luncheon**

Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana-Michiana Service Center

## Branch Board Meetings

**Start time:** 6:00 p.m.

**November 4, 2019**

**February 3, 2020**

**April 6, 2020**

**Location:** Business and Technical Conference Room (2nd FL)  
Allen County Public Library (ACPL)  
900 Library Plaza (between West Washington Blvd. and West Wayne St.)

**June 8, 2020 6:00 pm** Potluck

**Location:** Clubhouse  
UMMH Community Villas of Heritage Lakes  
8220 St. Joe Road, Fort Wayne

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**Grant Applications  
accepted**

**January 1 through February 28.**

The Grant Application Form and instructions for applying may be found on the web site at: <http://aaufortwayne.org>.

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## **AAUW Trust**

By Barb Kanning, AAUW Trust Chair  
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## **New Interest Group – “FIRST IMPRESSIONS”**

Everyone has been a “new member” at one time or another when you joined AAUW. Members have expressed a need to have an informal group that meets just to talk and get to know one another. Networking, sharing interests, talking about issues that concern us are all part of getting to know each other better. We also want new members to feel a sense of belonging and help them get acquainted.

Cheryl Mathews, our Branch Secretary, and one of our newest members, Amy Lehman, have volunteered to help get the new interest group “First Impressions” going. Each month a AAUW member will volunteer to choose a place to meet and members will be invited to together to share some type of beverage and/or food – all for the purpose of enjoying being together and sharing interests and conversation. Cheryl and Amy have volunteered to coordinate the efforts for October and let people know about the following event:

- Who:** AAUW members are invited to share a glass of wine or other beverages, food, and conversation. Feel free to bring a friend along!
- Where:** BJ’s Restaurant & Brewhouse  
245 W. Coliseum Blvd. (In front of Glenbrook mall)  
There are alcoholic, nonalcoholic drinks, and a wide selection of food on the menu.
- When:** Thursday, October 24, 2019, at 6:00 pm. (Don’t worry about being a little late, some of the members will be coming from work.)

For information, please contact  
Cheryl Mathews at 483-8733 or [cmathews167@gmail.com](mailto:cmathews167@gmail.com)  
Amy Lehman, 705-6155 or [amylynnl@comcast.net](mailto:amylynnl@comcast.net).

Our thanks to these members for helping to get this new interest group off the ground. Please **RSVP to Cheryl** if you plan to attend on Oct. 24. We look forward to seeing you soon.

## Interest Groups

### **Creative Arts and Service – Meets at various locations, dates, times**

Tuesday, Sept. 17 – Trip to Quilt Museum	Hostess: Ruth VonDeylen
Tuesday, Oct. 15 – Card making for local nonprofit	Hostess: Monette King, Linda Flatley
Tuesday, Nov.19 – Lunch at The Clyde Club Room	Hostess: Carol Isaacs
Tuesday, Dec. 18 – Winter Centerpiece, DYI Florist	Hostess: Donna McKenzie

### **Creative Stitchery and Crafts – Meets the first Tuesday of the month at a group member’s home at 1 pm.**

*No additional information provided*

### **Current Literature I – Meets the first Tuesday of the month at group member homes at 7:15 pm.**

September 3 – <i>The Long Road to Mercy</i> by David Baldacci	Discussion Leader: Rosemary Bobish
October 1 – <i>A Man Called Ove</i> by Fredrick Beckman	Discussion Leader: Linda Manning
November 5 – <i>Carnegie’s Maid</i> by Marie Benedict	Discussion Leader: Linda Manning

### **Current Literature II – Meets the fourth Monday of the month at Villas of Heritage Lake Clubhouse at 1:30-3 pm.**

September 23 – <i>The Lilac Girls</i> by Martha Hull Kelly	Discussion Leader: Martha Weatherford
October 28 – <i>The Wife</i> by Meg Wolitzer	Discussion Leader: Leslie Sperry
November 25 – <i>A Piece of the World</i> by Christine Kline Baker	Discussion Leader: Pat Becker

### **Great Decisions Book Club – Meets the Second Friday of the month at a member’s home at 11:30 am.**

*Next meeting is September*

### **Pen Pals R Us – organizer is Bobbie Weilke**

Members write letters throughout a semester to students who are Pen Pals. The purpose of the interest group is to help build language skills through the arts of handwriting and letter writing, foster inter-generational relationships, and help the youth of today make a connection with AAUW members.

## ***Thoughts from the President*** *continued from page 1*

*By Dr. Bobbie Weikle*

### **Next AAUW Meeting with Guest Speaker:**

We hope to see you at our next AAUW meeting on **Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 11:00 am**, held at the Allen County Main Public Library, Room A. Be sure to register the type of lunch that you wish to eat and note the date for turning in your registration. Our guest speaker, Heather Allen, will talk about her newly published book. We are also asking members to **bring a new hardback book for donating** to the Boys and Girls Club. All ages of reading material (5- young adults) are needed. Unfortunately, there are far too many youngsters in our city who do not have good reading materials in their home, so your generosity will be appreciated.

Have a great fall!

Dr. Bobbie Weikle

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**Fall Meeting**  
**Saturday, October 26, 2019, 11:00 am**  
**Allen County Main Public Library, Room A**  
900 Library Plaza (between West Washington Blvd. and West Wayne St.)

At the Fall Meeting we will celebrate “All Things Books”. We will feature a guest speaker, Heather Allen, who has written a book about a relative’s experience in Cambodia during the rule of the Khmer Rouge. Following her presentation, we will celebrate our Book and Great Decisions Interest Groups. We will also be **collecting book donations for The Boys and Girls Club**. A box lunch will be provided. Guests are always welcome! **Reservations are required!**

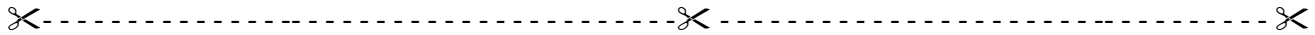
Menu Choice catered by Apple Spice Junction:

1. **Trio Classic:** (Roast beef, sliced turkey, ham and Swiss cheese on fresh baked 13-grain bread). Includes dill pickle, cookie and crispy potato chips).
2. **Granny Apple Turkey:** (Tangy sliced green apples, creamy Havarti cheese and our famous apple cider vinaigrette dressing combined with oven roasted turkey breast on fresh baked honey wheat bread). Includes dill pickle, cookie and crispy potato chips).
3. **Café Club:** Oven roasted turkey and Virginia baked ham topped with bacon, cheddar & provolone cheese on homey wheat bread). Includes dill pickle, cookie and crispy potato chips).
4. **(GF Option) Strawberry Grilled Chicken Salad:** Grilled chicken breast, strawberries and Feta cheese make this a sweet and savory salad favorite. Served with Vidalia onion dressing on the side.

We welcome all and we want you to be able to come so if you need a ride, please contact Cathy Huff at 260-403-7074 so she can arrange car pool services.

**Early Bird reservation is \$10 per person if received by Wednesday, October 16.**  
**On-time reservation is \$14 per person if received by Wednesday, October 23.**  
**Your reservation and check must be received no later than October 23, 2019.**

**?** Contact Cathy Huff at 260-403-7074 with any questions.



**October 2019 Fall Membership Meeting Reservation Form**  
**Saturday, October 26, 2019, 11:00 am**  
Reservations and checks – **must be received by Wednesday, October 23, 2019**

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle Choice: 1 2 3 4

Guest #1 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle Choice: 1 2 3 4

Guest Phone number/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest #2 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle Choice: 1 2 3 4

Guest Phone number/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each meal = Total Check Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this form and your check payable to “AAUW Fort Wayne Branch” to:  
Eileen Fraser 9726 Silver Shore CT Fort Wayne, IN 46804  
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