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Program Topics

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- Justice
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- Women Rock

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- Social/Cultural Change

Focus Days . . .

- October 29: Design and Architecture
- April 29: World of Gardens
- May 6: International Day: Greece



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Board of Directors 2012 - 2013 Meeting Dates

Officers, Directors, Area Representatives, Topic Chairs, and Chairs of Standing Committees have a vote. **All members** are welcome to attend.

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| *Tuesday, September 11, 2012 | 4:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, October 3, 2012 | 9:30 a.m. |
| Tuesday, November 13, 2012 | 4:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, December 5, 2012 | 9:30 a.m. |
| Wednesday, January 9, 2013 | 9:30 a.m. |
| Wednesday, February 6, 2013 | 9:30 a.m. |
| Wednesday, March 6, 2013 | 9:30 a.m. |
| Tuesday, April 9, 2013 | 4:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday, May 1, 2013 | 9:30 a.m. |

***Dinner is served. Make your reservation at 651-220-4777 by Thursday, September 6, 2012.** You are cordially invited to stay for dinner and the evening program in November and April.

The Annual Meeting is the last meeting of the year on Monday, May 13, 2013, at 11:00 a.m.

Membership . . .

Welcome back for another exciting year at AAUW. We hope you had an enjoyable summer but are now ready for more structure in your weekly schedule. It is like returning to school in the fall. The best part is seeing many friends and sharing lively discussions and great food with them.

If you had an annual lunch or dinner reservation last spring, remember that you must call 651-220-4777 to renew it. If you cannot attend on a certain date, don't forget to cancel that reservation so Chef Kevin Nichols doesn't prepare a meal for you.

Fall is a great time to invite friends to be your guests at AAUW. It is the best way to increase branch membership. Ask them to check in at the Membership Desk before the morning meeting. Reserve a table for lunch. By joining in fall, new members will be able to enjoy a full year of outstanding programs.

If you would like the Membership Committee to send information to prospective members, submit their names and addresses at the Membership Desk. Working friends may join for evenings only at a reduced price. All new or prospective members need to know that they may come whenever it is convenient or for a program that interests them. Unlike school, we do not take attendance.

Enjoy the 2012-2013 program year at our dynamic Minneapolis Branch.

Lois Petersen, Membership Co-Vice President
Nancy Sjoquist, Membership Co-Vice President
Liz Fleming, Evening Membership Vice President

Courtesy Requests for ALL

To make the AAUW meeting time a good experience for ALL, it is suggested that you:

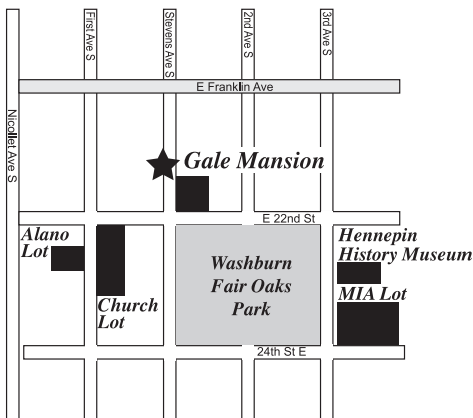
- Check to see that your cell phone and all other electronic devices are turned off.
- Reserve the two front rows in the Presidents' Hall on the west side for those with walkers or wheelchairs.
- Reserve the last rows for hostesses who need to leave early.
- Leave seating open near the aisles and in the back for those who come late.
- Refrain from talking and whispering as soon as a speaker reaches the podium and during the presentation.
- Be sensitive to distractions caused by bags or containers.
- Stand, if you are able, when you ask a question.
- Refrain from unnecessary and lengthy comments.
- If you are unable to hear the speaker, please:
Move closer to the front.
Raise your hand and politely tell the speaker.
- Wear only a moderate amount of fragrance or none at all. Some of our members are very allergic to fragrances.
- Sit at least four rows from the front if you do needlework or puzzles.
- Meet new friends. Refrain from saving seats at luncheon tables.
- Remember that the excellent wait staff personnel appreciate a sincere "*thank you*" when they serve your meal.

Parking Options . . .

A parking pool has been created for AAUW members on Monday mornings. A total of 40 parking spaces are available--20 at Alano and 20 in the church lot kitty-corner from the Gale Mansion. The cost for a reserved spot at either Alano or the church is \$20 per month or \$160 for the year. As a member of the parking pool you are entitled to park at either location. Do not park in those spaces marked *reserved*.

To be part of the parking pool, you must first contact Beth McCabe at 763-544-6473. She will collect the money and issue you a parking pass to be placed on the dashboard of your car on the day of the meeting.

Parking at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts lot on the corner of 3rd Avenue and 22nd Street is **NOT** a free parking lot this year. Free parking **IS** available on Mondays in the small lot of the Hennepin History Museum, 2303 3rd Avenue South.



About Our House . . .

Welcome to the Gale Mansion. We are proud of this historic building, which has been the Minneapolis Branch home since 1947.

All doors are locked for security and energy conservation except on branch meeting days. At other times press the intercom button at the front door and state your name as a member or guest to gain access. AAUW office manager, Carol Jones, is in the office M-Tu-W-Th from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

For meal reservations and cancellations, use the voice mail line, 651-220-4777. Annual meal reservations may also be made at that number.

Please remember that the Gale Mansion is available for weddings, parties, meetings, and other special events. Encourage others to consider this facility for their special event needs.

Scheduling Monday Meetings

Contact Shari Parsons if you would like to schedule a meeting any time on Monday. Requests to reserve a room on any other day of the week should be made through Carol Jones in the office.

Bulletin Deadline

October 5 is the due date for
December, January, February Bulletin items.

Thanks!

Marilyn Oliphant 952-469-4387

mloliphant@charter.net

New Committee Goes Medical . . .

A new medical emergency committee is evaluating the in-house response to members' medical emergencies. Is the medical information we have on file for you current? If not, contact the AAUW office to update your medical record and contact information before the program year starts.

What else is this committee doing? We are:

- evaluating/monitoring our AED (defibrillator) to confirm its readiness and availability,
- identifying CPR-trained members,
- developing a reporting system for emergencies,
- evaluating 911 procedures, and
- developing guidelines for you, if you become the "first responder" or the recipient in need.

You will be hearing more from us as we begin this new program year.

Helen Bowlin and Irene Meinen, Co-Chairs

**Remember to re-register your
annual luncheon reservation!**

Events at Gale Mansion

Schedule the Gale Mansion for your special occasion. Call Bree Meredith at the Gale Catering Office at 612-870-1662, to schedule:

birthday dinners
anniversary parties
rehearsal dinners
bar/bat mitzvah parties

Professional and Casual Business Clothing Drive

October 15, 2012

Here is another opportunity to recycle your gently used clothing. Casual and career clothing and accessories (shoes, purses, belts) will be used to help build a wardrobe for someone entering or re-entering the workforce or returning to school. Both male and female apparel for fall through winter is needed.

On Monday, October 15, representatives of From Me To You will be in front of the Gale Mansion between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. You will be able to drive up and park briefly while volunteers help unload your donations.

Denny Scharlemann and Harriette Krasnoff

Passage Community Fall Shower

October 22, 2012

Passage Community, a Simpson Housing Services transitional housing program for homeless families, needs our help. Their apartment building, located near the Gale Mansion, houses 17 families with children who are 11 years or younger. Families may stay up to two years, and while there, receive help with housing, employment, education, and child care goals.

Items most needed are: paper products, larger sized disposable diapers, cleaning supplies, feminine products, towels, dish soap, and pots and pans (gently used ones are fine). Cash and checks are also welcome. Checks should be made to Passage Community.

A vehicle will be in front of the Gale Mansion on Monday, October 22, to receive your donations between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. Thank you for your generosity!

Jennifer Johnson

House Management Committee . . .

Having celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Gale Mansion in 2012, we look forward to preserving its style and historical significance for generations to come.

The committee has completed a fire/life safety update in keeping with the integrity of the house as much as possible. You will notice that several new doors, panic hardware on all exit doors, new exit signage, new smoke detectors, and strobe alarms have been installed to make exiting the building in an emergency easier for members and clients. Take time to notice the closest exit door as you move from room to room.

This committee is open to hearing your ideas about how to enhance the house or correct its flaws. In reality, every member of the branch is part of the house committee and can help maintain our beautiful mansion!

Sheila Lind, House Management Chair

The President's Table . . .

These suggestions will make your meal at the President's Table more enjoyable.

- Call the office with your reservation by the prior Thursday at 1:00 p.m.
- Make your lunch payment to the Guest Hostess before the 9:30 a.m. program.
- Leave the Presidents' Hall when the president invites you at the end of the announcement period.
- Find your seat at the table which will be marked with your place card.

Susie Erickson

Monday Literature . . .

- September 24 ***Major Pettigrew's Last Stand***
Helen Simonson
- October 22 ***Caleb's Crossing***
Geraldine Brooks
- November 26 ***The Madonnas of Leningrad***
Debra Dean
- January 28 ***The Hungry Tide***
Amitav Ghosh
- February 25 ***State of Wonder***
Ann Patchett
- March 25 ***Weight of Silence***
Heather Gudenkauf
- April 22 ***Corelli's Mandolin***
Louis de Bernieres

The Book Discussion group meets the fourth Monday from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Books for October through April will be on sale at AAUW meetings in September.

Tuesday Evening Literature . . .

- November 13 ***The Glassblower of Murano***
Marina Fiorato
- December 11 ***Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet***
Jamie Ford
- January 22 ***State of Wonder***
Ann Patchett
- February 12 ***The Paris Wife***
Paula McLain
- March 12 ***March***
Geraldine Brooks
- April 9 ***Lots of Candles, Plenty of Cake***
Anna Quindlen

The Evening Book Discussion group meets from 5:15 - 6:00 p.m.

Guest Policy . . .

Prospective members and guests may attend up to three day or evening meetings each program year.

Reservations: When making a meal reservation for a guest, state your membership status and that of your guest.

Register: Prospective members and guests must register when they enter the building. Register at the Membership Table in the lower level by the Presidents' Hall doors. Guests will receive name tags and be recognized during the meeting.

Table Reservations: To reserve a noon luncheon table with your guest, reservations must be made in person on Monday morning at the Arrangements Table on first floor.

New Look for AAUWMPLS Website

Soon our website will look like other AAUW websites. You will still be able to access it at www.aauwmpls.org.

Many thanks to our member Sarah Springer for accepting responsibilities as the new Web and Social Media Manager. She will update the website in an artful and timely manner and manage the branch's presence on Facebook, Twitter, Google+, and LinkedIn.

If you have information to be distributed via these forums, please email Sarah at smspringer@gmail.com.

Be sure to put "AAUW Web Request" in the subject line of your email to Sarah.

Esther Fabes, Marketing Chair

Holiday Lights Luncheon

Monday, December 10, 2012

Social Time: 10:15 a.m.

Program: 11:00 a.m.

“I Could Write a Book”

Vern Sutton

with guitar and piano

Wine Bar: 12:00 noon

Luncheon: 12:15 p.m.

Event Cost: \$20 per person--checks please

GUESTS ARE WELCOME

Reservations open from Monday, November 12
until December 3 or full

Debbie Blake, Chair

(Sign up at the Gale on Mondays or mail to the address below.)

Reserve _____place(s) @ \$20.00 each. Total_____

Name_____

Phone_____

Guests_____

Mail to: Lynnae LeBarron
2101 West County Road B
Roseville, MN 55113

Nominating Committee

In accordance with AAUW Bylaws, the branch needs to elect new officers for 2013 - 2015 to the following positions:

Elected for two year terms:

- Development Vice President
- Membership Vice President
- Evening Membership Vice President
- Marketing Vice President
- Treasurer

Elected for one year; may be reelected once:

- Director at Large, Day
- Director at Large, Evening

The Nominating Committee welcomes suggestions for each office from the membership. You may volunteer your own name for consideration. As the committee meets weekly in the fall, the contenders will be narrowed to a final slate which will then be presented in February and voted upon by the entire membership in March.

Since there are many talented women in our branch who might serve with distinction, we look forward to another year of outstanding leadership. Please consult the Directory for the responsibilities which are assigned to each position. To make your recommendations, contact any one of the following members of the Nominating Committee:

Day Members

- Carrie D'Andrea, Chair, 952-835-5890
- Diane Anderson, 952-942-7092
- Susie Erickson, 612-866-5720
- Doris Grimes, 952-925-3377
- Ellen Hughes, 763-374-9191
- Barb Moe, 763-546-0766

Nancy Sjoquist, 612-825-3576
Ann Vanvick, 763-443-2656

Evening Members

Mary Beaumont, Chair, 612-341-2054
Ruth Aaskov, 612-729-1904
Kathy Worden, 763-522-1058

Thank you for your participation in this important step in helping to maintain the excellence of our branch.

Carrie D'Andrea and Mary Beaumont, Chairs

Tuesday Afternoon Movie Discussions

Leader: Mariel Wolter

The Movie Discussion group meets at 4:30 p.m. in the Founders Room on the dates listed below.

Participants watch movies on their own before arriving for the small group discussion which will be facilitated by leaders. We encourage members and their guests to participate. Consider reserving a Gale Mansion dinner with your friends and colleagues after the movie discussion. This event precedes the Tuesday evening meetings.

Movies chosen are:

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| October 9 | <i>Girl in the Cafe</i> |
| October 23 | <i>Rendition</i> |
| March 26 | <i>Walk on Water</i> |
| April 23 | <i>In the Heat of the Night</i> |

Interest Groups . . .

4th Mondays at 9:30 a.m.

Special interest groups meet the fourth Monday of each month at 9:30 a.m. Great Decisions and Travel will alternate monthly. Below is the list of interest groups, locations, and leaders.

- **Book Discussion** Heritage Room
Leader: Kathryn Bean

The list of books selected for this year is found on page 11 of this Bulletin. Discussion of the book is facilitated by a branch member.

- **Handwork/Crafts** Dining Room
Leader: Carrie D'Andrea

Each month different arts and crafts will be featured. See each 4th Monday daily schedule for details.

- **Great Decisions** Presidents' Hall
Leader: Barb Taft

Great Decisions investigates topics of political interest. Background and analysis of issues are provided in a 25-minute DVD program which is distributed by the Foreign Policy Association, a 90-year-old organization committed to the importance of education in a democracy. This will be followed by a half-hour discussion.

October 22

Topic: **After the Arab Spring**

Leader: Barb Taft

- **Circle of Simplicity** Founders Room
Facilitator: Jeanne Bearmon

As participants explore memories of past experiences that have shaped the present, the story of one's life unfolds to

become better understood. Revisiting the story often encourages choices which empower and add meaning and mastery.

- **Tai Chi** Former Nursery Area
Leaders: Karen Ringsrud and Carol Saarela

Colin Snow from Natural Step Tai Chi, will offer a six-session course in Tai Chi. The course will teach “The Foundation of Tai Chi Movement Form (FTCM)” which will introduce health benefits of Tai Chi and empower you to practice on your own. FTCM is an easy to learn sequence of Tai Chi postures to promote flexibility, raise energy levels, decrease stress, and heal many common complaints.

Participation will be limited to 15 people. Priority will be given to those who previously indicated their interest. There will be an introductory session on September 24, at no charge. At this time, participants will need to commit, register, and pay \$30 for the subsequent six sessions.

- **Travel** Presidents’ Hall
Leader: Janet McLandsborough

September 24:

Topic: **Cuba**

Presenter: Judy Custer

November 26:

Topic: **See Europe by Foot**

Presenter: Leslie Swenson

- **Writers’ Workshop** Library
Leader: Susan Peterson

Engage in the craft of writing: story, family history, and poetry. Participate in short, interesting group writing experiences, and share on-going work with great listeners.

Opening Day, Monday, September 17, 2012

AAUW Minneapolis Equity and Action

9:00 – 9:45

Dining Room

Welcome Back Coffee and Tea Time

Welcome to another year of ongoing learning, friendship, and action to support our mission of achieving equity for women and girls. Join your friends and make new ones as we begin our year with coffee, tea, and treats. Special thanks go to Barb Bollag and the Morning Coffee Committee!

9:45 – 10:30

Presidents' Hall

Preview of 2012 and 2013 Programs

Program Vice President Shari Parsons will introduce the Program Topic and Focus Day Chairs who will spark our interest in upcoming speakers and special programs.

10:45-11:45

Presidents' Hall

Perspectives on an Engine for the Common Good: The University of Minnesota

Speaker: Dr. Eric Kaler, President, University of Minnesota

President Kaler will discuss the University's teaching, research, and public engagement mission. He will talk about the University's commitment to equity and diversity, his initiative to close Minnesota's achievement gap, and the importance of access to excellent higher education for all qualified Minnesota students.

Ginny Craig

11:45-12:00

Presidents' Hall

**Recognition of Former Presidents
President's Summer Recap**

12:00 - 1:15

LUNCHEON

Luncheon Hostess: Georgia Wiebe

Guest Hostess: Aleda Muller

1:15 – 2:15

Presidents' Hall

Title IX is 40 Years Old!

Speaker: Mary Jo Kane, Professor, School of Kinesiology and Director of the Tucker Center for Research on Girls and Women in Sport, College of Education and Human Development, University of Minnesota

Title IX has made a significant difference in women's participation in sports, as well as other activities once considered off-limits for girls and women. We will learn about its history, impact, and issues from Professor Kane, a national expert on the subject.

Shari Parsons

**No Contemporary Arts Forum (CAF)
at Walker Art Center**

The Walker Art Center has announced that the Contemporary Arts Forum, CAF, is permanently discontinued.

Jean Heidenreich

Monday, September 24, 2012

9:30 - 10:30 **MONDAY INTEREST GROUPS**

Please see the Bulletin page 16

BOOK DISCUSSION

Heritage Room

Major Pettigrew's Last Stand by Helen Simonson

Leaders: Mary Moriarty and Carmen Coleman

"Travel to Edgecombe St. Mary, a small English village where the retired Major Ernest Pettigrew leads a quiet life valuing the proper things that Englishmen have lived by for generations: honor, duty, decorum, and a properly brewed cup of tea. A death sparks a conflict over a family heirloom. An unexpected friendship begins with Mrs. Jasmina Ali, the Pakistani shopkeeper from the village. They are drawn together by their shared love of literature and mature love develops. But, the village labels her as an outsider. Can their relationship survive the risks of pursuing happiness in the face of culture and tradition?"

HANDWORK/CRAFTS

Dining Room

Presenter: Sharon Bigot

Sharon will demonstrate lacemaking. If you are a lacemaker, bring what you are working on.

TRAVEL

Presidents' Hall

Topic: **Cuba**

Speaker: Judy Custer

Cuba, our neighbor to the south, is an island of cultural mysteries. See and hear about the Cuba of 2012 and how it has and has not changed over the years.

10:45 - 11:45

EDUCATION

Presidents' Hall

Hennepin County Library Leading Into the Future

Speaker: Lois Langer Thompson, Director, Hennepin
County Library System

The public library takes an active role in educating Americans throughout their lifetimes. Thompson will tell us how the Hennepin County Library System aligns 21st century library standards by promoting lifelong learning, reference resources, new and emerging services, and a system wide commitment to diversity, outreach, and partnerships.

Jo Butte

11:45 - Noon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

12:00 - 1:15

LUNCHEON

Luncheon Hostess: Elaine Braun

Guest Hostess: Marlene Teien

Holiday Lights

Porch

House Management

Association Room

International Guest

Heritage Room

1:15 - 2:15

HEALTH

Presidents' Hall

Skin Tips for Women

Speaker: Dr. Julie Schultz, Board-Certified Dermatologist

Dr. Schultz specializes in all disorders of the skin including skin cancer, acne, psoriasis, and hair and nail disorders. What should we be doing to promote healthy skin? She will tell us what women can do to keep their skin looking its best.

Judy Cronen

Monday, October 1, 2012

9:30 - 10:30 PEOPLE OF MINNESOTA Presidents' Hall

Changing Demographics

Speaker: Andi Egbert, Research Analyst Specialist,
Minnesota State Demographic Center,
Department of Administration.

Who are the people of Minnesota today? Changes in age, distribution, economic status, immigration, and racial composition have affected our labor force, educational system, and diversity. Egbert will speak about the shifts in population based on current data and describe what our state's future will look like.

Lynne Benz

10:45 - 11:45 THE ARTS Presidents' Hall

**The Arts, Culture, and Creative Economy
Department of Minneapolis**

Speaker: Gulgun Kayim, Director of Arts, Culture, and
Creative Economy, City of Minneapolis

To kick off the arts programming for this year, we begin with the city of Minneapolis and its decision to hire Gulgun Kayim. With no staff and no budget, Kayim's job is to advocate for the arts and to highlight its positive economic impact on the city. Minneapolis has a flourishing arts community; what more needs to be done?

Sharon Bigot

11:45 - Noon ANNOUNCEMENTS

12:00 - 1:15 LUNCHEON

Luncheon Hostess: Mary Ann Christenson

Guest Hostess: Virginia Hansing

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| Public Policy | Fellowships Room |

1:15 - 2:15 PUBLIC POLICY Presidents' Hall

Preview of the Upcoming Election

Speaker: Dr. Kathryn Pearson, Associate Professor of
Political Science at the University of Minnesota
[www.polisci.umn.edu/people/profile.php?](http://www.polisci.umn.edu/people/profile.php?UID=kpearson)
[UID=kpearson](http://www.polisci.umn.edu/people/profile.php?UID=kpearson)

Looking ahead to the elections and based on the campaigns to date, Pearson will preview factors affecting the upcoming elections. She will provide a context for the various forces in the current political and economic environments that may affect the election as well as speculation about what the next five weeks might bring.

Judy Spencer

Use the AAUW Email

Did you know that the Minneapolis Branch has an email address? Messages come into the computer of the office manager, Carol Jones, at the Gale Mansion.

aauwmpls@qwest.net

Monday, October 8, 2012

9:30 - 10:30 JUSTICE FOR ALL Presidents' Hall

Crime, Punishment, and Justice

Speaker: Dr. Peter Parilla, Professor of Sociology and
Criminal Justice, University of St. Thomas

The American criminal justice system administers punishment to millions of criminal offenders each year. The stakes in doing so are enormous for both the offender and society at large. Parilla will address this issue and whether sentences are proportional to the crime and administered equally.

Joyce Luckfield

10:45 - 11:45 Presidents' Hall
SOCIAL/CULTURAL CHANGE

Pop Culture and Youth

Speaker: Dr. Stephen West, Executive Director of
Educational Services, Eden Prairie Schools

West will help us understand the influence of popular culture and media on today's youth who are bombarded with technology and media of all types. While trying to make the most of these innovations, how are our children and grandchildren coping with exposure to extreme violence and coarse language?

Jan McLandsborough

11:45 - 12:15 BUSINESS MEETING

12:15 - 1:15 LUNCHEON

Luncheon Hostess: Beth McCabe

Guest Hostess: Karen Landro

Marionettes

Minneapolis Room

Nominating Committee

Porch

Program Committee

Association Room

1:15 - 2:15

Presidents' Hall

POLITICAL WORLD LANDSCAPE

Israel in the 2012 Elections

Speakers: Ron Garber, Co-Chair of J Street Minnesota

Maggie Thurer, J Street Minnesota Steering
Committee member

[J Street.com](http://JStreet.com) and Futureofisrael.com

Our speakers will discuss their work for J Street, the political home for pro-Israel, pro-peace Americans fighting for the future of Israel as the democratic homeland of the Jewish people. J Street believes that Israel's Jewish and democratic character depends on a two-state solution resulting in a Palestinian state living alongside Israel in peace and security. They will explain the need for expanding the conversation about what it means to be Pro-Israel in the American Jewish community.

Catharine Abbott

Membership Reminder . . .

There is a pictorial album of our members' photos in the library. If we don't have your photo, please bring one to the Membership Desk or give it to Jan Paulsen. Please put your name on the back. Any member may look through the album. It is kept on a shelf to the left of the mystery collection. Thank you.

*Leadership Message
From the President and
Evening Vice President . . .*

Welcome Back!

The summer has flown by, but since the Annual Meeting last spring, many of our members have been very busy on our behalf. Programs have been planned, focus days developed, special interests stoked, and arrangements made to ensure that our members have a year full of stimulating encounters that will provide for lively conversations at our day and evening programs.

These programs are the heart of our Branch's ongoing growth and success. They could not happen without the dedicated participation and persistence of committee members. This year, look for new topics like "Women Rock" and "People of Minnesota." The Evening Program will launch with a Wildlife Science Center presentation on wolves.

A new committee this year is the Community Outreach Committee, which will be charged with finding successful ways to work within the community, extending and living out our mission of equity for women and girls. This committee will be looking for ideas from all of us. This year the Scholarship Fund Board is investing in two new scholars and has a strong start on its endowment fund, another way we act on our mission.

2012-13 will not be without challenges. The Capital Campaign is complete and funds have been raised for unexpected fire/life safety improvements with unprecedented generosity of our members. While we have

many successful programs and we are very proud of what has been accomplished in terms of our AAUW home, finances are not as healthy as we would like. Our AAUW branch had a net loss last year of approximately \$95,000. Much of the shortfall was from the unexpected requirements for fire and life safety improvements to our building.

Also, the catering business was hampered by the lingering effects of the recession and increased competition. We have made significant cuts to our budget this year. For example, our evening offerings have been reduced from 15 to 11 meetings this year. Changes to the catering business are improving its performance. We have hired a new and experienced catering manager, in whom we have much confidence. A successful business helps us maintain our house and programs. Building the business will take time, energy, and the support of members, so please keep the Gale in mind for your events.

Fun and fundraising go hand-in-hand in November with “Evening at the Gale: *Bella Notte*,” featuring a lovely, Italian-themed dinner and always-creative auction opportunities.

We are honored to lead AAUW Minneapolis for the next two years. We invite you to fully participate in the life of the Branch by taking advantage of both day and evening programs, joining a committee, welcoming a new member, supporting outreach projects--whatever says “AAUW” to you. Keep your ideas coming and maintain your boundless enthusiasm for our mission on behalf of women and girls. We are excited about working with all of you.

Ginny Craig, President

Jan Paulsen, Evening Vice President

AAUW Funds

Your Contributions in Action

Five different funds are under the AAUW Funds' umbrella. All promote equity for women and girls. They are:

- the Legal Advocacy Fund for Protection,
- the Educational Opportunities Fund for Education,
- the Public Policy Fund for Advocacy,
- the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund for Research, and
- the Leadership Programs Fund for Leadership.

Minneapolis Branch members have been very generous. As announced at the Minnesota State AAUW Convention, we placed second in total giving. Last year \$8,936.50 was donated to these important funds. Your gifts to AAUW Funds are tax deductible and very much appreciated.

Janice Paulsen, Chair, AAUW Funds

Evening Membership Dues

Dues are significantly reduced for **evening only** members. Annual dues are \$150. Fall meeting dates are October 9, October 23, and November 13. Enjoy a fine dinner prepared by Chef Kevin Nichols, hear a wonderful program, and participate in book and movie discussions. The full bar is open in the Minnesota Room. Parking is much easier, and a security officer will meet you as well as walk you to your car. If you know a potential new member who is not able to attend daytime meetings, consider referring them for evening only membership. See Evening Membership Vice President Liz Fleming for more details.

Tuesday, October 9, 2012

Opening Evening Meeting

4:30 MOVIE DISCUSSION Founders Room

Girl in the Cafe

Leaders: Ann Vanvick and Ruth Agar

A shy, jilted young woman meets a brilliant, but introverted, economist in a busy café. This unlikely couple personally hit it off, and she joins him as he heads for a G8 Economic Summit in Iceland. When her down-to-earth personal convictions become known at the Summit, her passionate feminism brings an abrupt awakening to the politicians and intellectuals who make world economic policy.

5:00 SOCIAL

6:00 DINNER

7:00 PROGRAM Heritage Alcove

Wolves and Wild Lands on a Modern Landscape

Speaker: Peggy Callahan, Wildlife Science Center Creator

Callahan will speak on wolves, ecology, and politics in the Upper Midwest. She earned her degree in biology from Carleton College and began working for the Wolf Project in August 1985. When federal funding for the Wolf Project ceased in 1991, Callahan created the Wildlife Science Center to keep the facility open. After three years of intensive building and program planning, the center opened its door to the public as a nonprofit education center and research facility.

Pris Sixel

Monday, October 15, 2012

8:30 - 9:30 COLLECTION OF PROFESSIONAL AND
CASUAL BUSINESS CLOTHING

A truck will be parked in front of the Gale Mansion to receive your donations.

9:30 - 10:30 EDUCATION Presidents' Hall

Autism Spectrum Disorders: How They Impact Your Life

Speaker: Kathryn Patton, Program Manager, ASD Support Services, St. David's Center for Child and Family Development

When facing the puzzling and difficult dilemma of coping with children with autism spectrum disorders, what are families, schools, and communities to do? Our speaker, who has worked in the field of educating students and family members facing these problems, will describe some of the latest research and methods of treatment which help these children achieve their full potential.

Barbara Eiger

10:45 - 11:45 WOMEN ROCK Presidents' Hall

Empowering Self and Others

Speaker: Atina Diffley, Author, Organic Farming Consultant

Diffley's experience as a vegetable farmer, an advocate for organic agriculture, and successful litigant against Koch

Industries' attempt to run an oil pipeline across the Diffeys' Gardens of Eagan gives her a unique approach to empowerment. Her memoir, *Turn Here Sweet Corn*, published this spring, has been called a farm journal, love story, and legal thriller.

Ann Burckhardt

11:45 - Noon ANNOUNCEMENTS

12:00 - 1:15 LUNCHEON

Luncheon Hostess: Georgia Wiebe

Guest Hostess: Aleda Muller

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Technology

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1:15 - 2:15

ARTS

Presidents' Hall

Let Me Be Frank

Speaker: Wendy Knox, Artistic Director, Frank Theatre
www.franktheatre.org

Frank Theatre is a professional theatre company committed to producing unique work that stretches the skills of artists who create the work while challenging the everyday perceptions of the audience through the exploration of ideas and issues of social, political, and/or cultural concern. Knox has directed over 45 productions since founding the theatre in 1989. She will talk about creating the company, selecting the plays, and other stories involving the theater.

Marty Sedoff

Monday, October 22, 2012

8:30 - 9:30 **PASSAGE FALL SHOWER TODAY**

Vehicles will be parked in front of the Gale Mansion to receive your donations of cash, diapers, paper goods, household items, and cleaning supplies.

9:30 - 10:30 **MONDAY INTEREST GROUPS**

Please see Bulletin page 16

BOOK DISCUSSION Heritage Room

Caleb's Crossing by Geraldine Brooks

Discussion Leader: Jan McLandsborough

Pulitzer Prize winning author Geraldine Brooks' novel is loosely based on the life of Caleb Cheeshanteaumaulk, the first Native American to graduate from Harvard College. Join our discussion of interesting characters and the challenges they face as they attempt to bridge cultural and societal gaps.

HANDWORK/ CRAFTS Dining Room

Calling all knitters! Bring your needles and yarns to work on a project or share a technique or pattern. "Show and tell" will be welcome.

GREAT DECISIONS Presidents' Hall

Leader: Barb Taft

Topic: **After the Arab Spring**

How will uprisings in the Middle East and North Africa impact American objectives in the region?

10:45 - 11:45 **HEALTH** Presidents' Hall

How Good Is Your Memory?

Speaker: Dr. Frederick B. Lee, Consultant, Entrepreneur,
Founder and President, Brain Train

You'll be surprised by the simple techniques you can use to memorize things you want to remember. With Lee's interactive speech presentation, you'll understand how the synapses in your brain are working and why you sometimes forget things. When you do a little for your memory, you'll be amazed at what your memory can do for you.

Phyllis Galbraith

11:45 - Noon ANNOUNCEMENTS

12:00 - 1:15 LUNCHEON

Luncheon Hostess: Elaine Braun

Guest Hostess: Marlene Teien

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1:15 - 2:15 PEOPLE OF MINNESOTA Presidents' Hall

A "Changing Lives" Journey

Speaker: Yusuf Abdi, Program Supervisor in Refugee Services, Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota
www.lssmn.org

Somali-born Yusuf Abdi will share his unique story of growing up in Pelican Rapids. He will discuss the many facets of Somali culture, Islamic beliefs and practices, and current issues in the community.

Mary Lee Johnson

Public Policy Invitation . . .

Join the Public Policy Committee for lunch in the Fellowships Room on the first Monday of the month. We often have speakers on timely subjects; other times we plan how to be effective, active citizens. We always have a lively discussion. Watch for announcements on the easel outside the Presidents' Hall where you can also sign up to reserve a place for lunch with us.

What are you waiting for? Come in and look us over

The AAUW library has a great selection of books--best sellers and golden oldies--a pleasant room, and knowledgeable volunteers waiting to help you. Books are available for two weeks, and there are **no fines!** DVDs are available to support monthly film discussions.

The library sells used books. We welcome your donations of slightly used books any Monday. Hardbacks are \$1.00 and paperbacks are 50 cents. All proceeds are used to buy bestsellers for our library.

The library is open from 8:45-9:30 a.m., 10:30-10:45 a.m., and 12:45-1:15 p.m. every Monday.

We look forward to seeing you.

Judy Vermeland-Wendt, Chair, Library Committee

Tuesday, October 23, 2012

4:30 MOVIE DISCUSSION Founders Room

Rendition

Leaders: Karen Ringsrud and Kay Kessel

Suspected of being a terrorist, Egyptian-born Anwar El-Ibrahim "vanishes" from an international flight and is taken to a secret prison. His wife, Isabella (Reese Witherspoon), desperately tries to uncover his whereabouts and looks for answers. An American CIA analyst (Jake Gyllenhaal) investigates this case. Meryl Streep and Alan Arkin also star in this film which explores modern interrogation practices.

5:00 SOCIAL

5:15 BUSINESS MEETING Heritage Alcove

6:00 DINNER

7:00 PROGRAM Heritage Alcove

How Aging Boomers Will Change the Way We Think About Work and the Good Life

Speaker: Chris Farrell, Economics editor of *Marketplace Money* produced by American Public Media, Chief Economics Correspondent for American Radio Works, Contributing Economics Editor at *Business Week* magazine

If you listen to public radio, you may be familiar with Chris Farrell and will be eager to hear about the financial power of the "boomer." We will investigate the "good life." Is it different for each of us? Is it related to what we do and how we do it, where we live, how we move about?

Mary Beaumont

Monday, October 29, 2012

Focus Day

Design and Architecture

Design, centered on the way we interact with our environments, is more than beauty--it has the potential to improve our individual lives and our communities.

9:30

Presidents' Hall

**Learning to See:
Design and Design Thinking**

Speaker: Brad Hokanson, Associate Dean, Research and Outreach, College of Design and Professor of Graphic Design, University of Minnesota
www.design.umn.edu

The first skill of the designer is the ability to see, not merely in the visual sense, but rather in the perceptive sense. Designers seek to see the true essence of a problem, and subsequently they seek to visualize possible solutions and to see the future. This presentation will address the broader area of design thinking and center on "learning to see," the core of education of all designers. The presentation will present a broad view of design and design thinking, building a foundation for a broader understanding of the field.

Karen Rowley

10:45 – 11:45

Presidents' Hall

Design for Public Spaces

Speaker: Thomas Oslund, Principal, Landscape Architect, Oslund Associates

Oslund is one of the leading landscape designers in the country. His elegant and powerful designs of Gold Medal Park, the Target Plaza at Target Field, and the I-35 Bridge and Memorial are well known to Minnesotans. Each public space demonstrates his concern for functional, practical, and aesthetic elements that lift the spirit.

Shirley S. Olson

11:45 - Noon ANNOUNCEMENTS

12:00 - 1:15 LUNCHEON

Luncheon Hostess: Beth McCabe

Guest Hostess: Karen Landro

Nominating Committee

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1:15 – 2:15

Presidents' Hall

**Architectural Performance
Through Multiple Measures of Design Success**

Speaker: Julie Snow, FAIA, Julie Snow Architects, Inc.
www.juliesnowarchitects.com, JSA on Facebook

Architecture is evolving beyond ideological debates into a moment of great freedom and exploration. We regularly engage issues such as architectural use and function, spaces that enhance social interaction, energy and sustainable design performance, durability and robust construction, and architecture performance with its physical, social and cultural context. Snow will present work demonstrating architectural performance through multiple measures of design success.

Mary DeBruin

Monday, November 5, 2012

9:30 - 10:30

Presidents' Hall

POLITICAL WORLD LANDSCAPE

**Iran's Nuclear Program:
Power for a City or its Destruction?**

Speaker: Rolf Westgard, Professional Member of the Geological Society of America and the American Nuclear Society

Westgard will update us on the status of Iran's nuclear program, a topic that is often in the news. He will also discuss the Megatons to Megawatts program under which uranium from Russia's dismantled nuclear weapons enrich half of the fuel used by our 104 United States nuclear power plants.

Elaine Kirk

10:45 - 11:45

JUSTICE FOR ALL

Presidents' Hall

ISAIAH: Faith Groups Seek Justice

Speakers: Doran Schrantz, Executive Director, ISAIAH
Phyllis Hill, Lead Organizer, ISAIAH
www.gamaliel.org/isaiah

Ecumenical, multi-racial, nonpartisan and congregation-based, the ISAIAH organization works with faith groups in the Twin Cities and St. Cloud area. It describes itself as a vehicle for congregations, clergy, and people of faith to act collectively and powerfully, advancing social, economic, and racial justice in Minnesota. The speakers will describe how ISAIAH members--90 congregations representing 175,000 individuals--become involved in faith-based actions using the democratic process.

Geri Burns and Kay Kessel

11:45 - Noon ANNOUNCEMENTS

12:00 - 1:15 LUNCHEON

Luncheon Hostess: Mary Ann Christenson

Guest Hostess: Virginia Hansing

New Members Association Room

Nominating Committee Porch

Public Policy Fellowships Room

1:15 - 2:15 EDUCATION Presidents' Hall

What is MNSCU?

Speaker: Dr. Lois Bollman, Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs at Minneapolis Community and Technical College

www.mnscu.edu

Bollman will help us understand MNSCU (Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system), its mission and work. She has a broad range of experience working in the system, which is the largest single provider of higher education in the state of Minnesota. It serves over 381,000 students in credit and non-credit courses each year. We will learn about issues, past and present, and new developments.

Mary Indelicato

Continuing Education Units (CEUs)

A system for providing documentation for CEUs is in place.

You will find a copy of the form needed to request CEUs for your licensing and educational needs on the AAUW Minneapolis website, aauwmpls.org. In addition, signed copies of these forms on AAUW letterhead stationery are available for you in the AAUW office. You are responsible for completing details and sending them to the correct institution.

Shari Parsons, Program Vice President

Monday, November 12, 2012

9:30 - 10:30

THE ARTS

Presidents' Hall

A Look at Lost Architectural Beauties

Speaker: Larry Millett, Author
www.larrymillett.com/books

Millett will present a slide lecture on the vanished mansions of downtown Minneapolis and Lowry Hill, including such notable properties as the Thomas Lowry-Thomas Walker estate and the many fine homes that once overlooked Loring Park. The presentation will be based on Millett's most recent book: *Once There Were Castles: Lost Mansions and Estates in the Twin Cities*.

Marge Goldberg

10:45 - 11:45

PUBLIC POLICY

Presidents' Hall

Election 2012: The Political-Media Industrial Complex

Speaker: John Rash, Columnist and Editorial Writer,
Minneapolis Star Tribune

With results of last week's elections on our minds, our speaker will help us sort out the various factors that influenced the results, with special emphasis on media dynamics. He may speculate on what we might expect and suggest developing issues that should be closely followed.

Karen Rowley

12:15 - 1:15

LUNCHEON

Luncheon Hostess: Beth McCabe
Guest Hostess: Karen Landro

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1:15 - 2:15 SOCIAL CULTURAL ISSUES

Presidents' Hall

Sisterhood of War: Minnesota Women in Vietnam

Speaker: Kim Heikkila, Historian and Adjunct Instructor,
History Department, St. Catherine University

Heikkila interviewed 15 Minnesota nurses who served in Vietnam about their experiences in the war zone, their postwar struggles with PTSD, and their campaign to build the Vietnam Women's Memorial. She will share compelling stories as she discusses the research that led to publication of *Sisterhood of War*.

Bette Stacy

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You are invited . . .

Members of AAUW's energetic marionette outreach program are eager for the unique opportunity to enrich the lives of children in preschool through the early primary grades. Marionette entertainers feel honored to maintain this wonderful tradition and performance art that has been an important part of AAUW for over 40 years. We welcome dedicated participants at all skill levels. If you would like to learn more about performing this year's play with this group, please contact Harriette Krasnoff at 763-420-7976.

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Scholarships Aid Six College Women

The 2012 scholarship winners, Thuy An Tran and Sade Odumuye, are eagerly beginning their studies this fall at the University of Minnesota and Washington University. We currently support four additional scholars: Kia Her at St. Benedict, Chavonn Williams at Carleton, Sha’Kilia Lungelou at Howard, and Amaris Vangen-Adams at the University of Wisconsin, Madison. AAUW scholarships provide assistance to these six young women so that they may concentrate more on their studies and have opportunities to participate in campus life.

The AAUW Minneapolis Branch scholarships are effective local community outreach to young women graduates of Minneapolis Public High Schools and foster the AAUW mission of equity and education. Each scholar receives \$3,000 per year for a total of \$12,000 per winner over the four years. It is only through the generous contributions of AAUW members, that we are able to assist these deserving young women. Thank you for your past contributions; we hope that we can count on your continued support and generosity. As you plan your year-end charitable giving, please consider giving to the Scholarship Fund. Your gifts may be designated to the Scholarship Endowment Fund or to the annual Scholarship Fund. All donations are tax-deductible.

Diane Boruff, President of the Scholarship Fund

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Tuesday, November 13, 2012

5:00 SOCIAL

5:15 LITERATURE—BOOK DISCUSSION
Heritage Alcove

***The Glassblower of Murano* by Marina Fiorato**

Discussion Leader: Cathy Hovancsak

In 1681, glassblowing is the lifeblood of the Venetian Republic, and mirrors are more precious than gold. Jealously guarded, the glassblowers of Murano are virtually imprisoned on their island in the lagoon. But, the great Corradino Manin sells his methods and his soul to Louis XIV of France to protect his secret daughter. In the present, his descendant, Leonara Manin, leaves London for a new life as a glassblower in Venice--only to find her fate linked with her ancestor's dangerous secrets. The intrigue is in two different time frames, and for anyone who has traveled to Italy, it will be a reminiscence of the area that is Venice and Murano.

6:00 DINNER

7:00 PROGRAM Heritage Alcove

Constructing the Female Athlete: Political Meanings of Sex and Gender in Title IX

Speaker: Elisabeth “Libby” Sharrow, AAUW American Fellow, University of Minnesota

Sharrow’s current research project is “Producing Athletes, Defining Citizens,” in which she considers the role of public policy in defining gender, sex, and sexuality in United States politics. Her interest in this subject grew out of her personal experiences as a coach and member of the rowing team and her involvement with the University’s compliance initiative.

Ruth Aaskov

Monday, November 19, 2012

9:30 - 10:30

HEALTH

Presidents' Hall

NetWorks Links Parents, Families, and Communities to Prevent Obesity among Children

Speaker: Simone E. French, PhD, Professor, Division of Epidemiology and Community Health, School of Public Health, University of Minnesota

What are the most important influences on children's eating and physical activity? What types of childhood obesity prevention interventions focus on these influences? French's discussion of the *NetWorks* obesity prevention project will address these questions. Her presentation will include a description of the target population; the influences on children; the intervention components and behavioral targets identified for the project; and a description of the lessons learned from a pilot trial.

Karen Wilkinson

10:45 - 11:45 PEOPLE OF MINNESOTA Presidents' Hall

The Push and Pull of Minnesota's Immigrant Experience

Speaker: Dr. Annette Atkins, Professor of History and Flynn Professor in the Humanities at Saint John's University and the College of Saint Benedict
www.csbsju.edu/history/faculty/annette-atkins.htm

Immigrants in Minnesota's past and present come in all colors and languages with different backgrounds, motives, and goals. Atkins will invite us to become aware of that diversity, to understand immigrants' varied contributions to

the state, and to explore some of the tensions that have complicated immigrants' experiences.

Martha Wilson

11:45 - 12:15 BUSINESS MEETING
12:15 - 1:15 LUNCHEON

Luncheon Hostess: Georgia Wiebe
Guest Hostess: Aleda Muller

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1:15 - 2:15 SPECIAL PROGRAM Presidents' Hall

Book Suggestions for Holiday Giving

Speaker: Debbie Cohn, Sales Manager at The Bookcase,
Wayzata, Minnesota
www.bookcaseofwayzata.com

Cohn and one of her colleagues will offer suggestions of new book titles for adults and children available for holiday giving. They will bring books for purchase. Proceeds from their generous 20% discount will go toward our branch.

Carrie D'Andrea

BAD WEATHER CLOSING OF AAUW

Check your email or call 612-870-1661
for a recorded message.

Monday, November 26, 2012

9:30 - 10:30 **MONDAY INTEREST GROUPS**

Please see Bulletin page 16

BOOK DISCUSSION Heritage Room

The Madonnas of Leningrad by Debra Dean

Discussion Leader: Mollie Keys

This is the story of an elderly Russian woman now living in America. She recounts the memories of her youth in Leningrad as a tour guide at the Hermitage. During the siege of the city at the time of the German invasion, many worked to protect the masterpieces in this great museum.

AAUW member Ginny Wheeler will lead a tour at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts to view works that relate to the November book selection, *Madonnas of Leningrad*, on Wednesday, November 28, at 2:00 p.m. Please meet at the Information Desk. Questions: contact Ginny Wheeler at 612-242-1327.

HANDWORK/CRAFTS Dining Room

Presenter: Carrie D'Andrea

Carrie will have an "Anatomy of a Quilt" demonstration plus a few sneaky tricks. Bring what you are working on as we love show and tell.

TRAVEL Presidents' Hall

Topic: **See Europe by Foot**

Speaker: Leslie Swenson

Leslie will share her adventures hiking in England, Scotland, and Mont Blanc, crossing from France into Italy. Put on your walking shoes and join us to see Europe by foot.

10:45 - 11:45 **POLITICAL WORLD LANDSCAPE**

Presidents' Hall

Islam Hot Topics

Speaker: The Reverend Douglas Cox, Mt. Calvary
Lutheran Church, Excelsior, Minnesota
www.mountcalvary.org

We can all use some guidance on the confusing topics of Sharia law and jihad. Should we be concerned about what these topics mean for us and for America? Our speaker has degrees in both Islamic studies and divinity. Pastor Cox has lived and worked among Muslims in Egypt, Tunisia, France, Madagascar, and the United States. He often speaks with interfaith groups and brings a wealth of information and a vision for de-radicalizing relationships with our Muslim neighbors.

Barb Link

11:45 - Noon ANNOUNCEMENTS

12:00 - 1:15 LUNCHEON

Luncheon Hostess: Elaine Braun

Guest Hostess: Marlene Teien

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JUSTICE

Presidents' Hall

Access to Justice

Speakers: Kassius Benson, Criminal Defense Lawyer
Kaarin Nelson, Criminal Defense Lawyer
www.kassiusbensonlaw.com

Access to justice, the foundation of our legal system, is a fragile principle. Learn about current problems and evolving trends in the criminal justice system from two criminal defense lawyers who face these challenges with their clients and in court every day. The unreliability of eyewitness testimony, the role of money in accessing justice, and the overuse of the felony conviction will be addressed.

Tamra Nelson

Meal Reservations and Cancellations:

Call: 651-220-4777

Reservations: Call 651-220-4777 to reserve lunch or dinner before these deadlines:

- **Monday luncheon:** before 1:00 p.m. Thursday
- **Tuesday dinner:** before 1:00 p.m. Thursday

Check the small bulletin board in the coat room to confirm your Monday reservation.

Meal costs:

- **Monday luncheon:** \$16 • Late reservations: \$18
- **Tuesday dinner:** \$25 • Late reservations: \$27

Evening social time:

Wine: \$6 per glass

Non-alcoholic beverages: \$2 per glass

Cancellations:

- **Before Thursday at 3:00 p.m.:** call 651-220-4777
- **After Thursday at 3:00 p.m.:** call 612-870-1661 at the AAUW Office, and leave a voice message to cancel. *If you fail to cancel your lunch reservation, it is your responsibility to pay for that lunch by bringing a check to the office or by adding the additional amount to your next lunch fee.* You will not receive a bill from the office.

Table reservations: Lunch tables for Monday may be reserved only if you have guests. Table reservations may **not** be made by phone. Meet with the guest hostess at the Arrangements Table in the first floor hallway before 9:30 a.m. on the Monday of your reservation.

Annual reservations: Place your name on the annual reservation list by calling the reservation line at 651-220-4777. Remember to **cancel** when you cannot be present.

Meal information: Because we believe our excellent catering staff can accommodate all meal needs, it will not be possible for members to bring their own meals to the house. Our ability to provide healthy meals to a large number of people in a short time at a reasonable cost depends largely on volume. If you require a special diet, indicate that request when calling for a meal reservation. Our staff prepares low-fat, low-sodium meals without MSG. If you have made a reservation for a special meal, that will be your meal. **Please do not switch meals.**

Alternative meals: Please request a form for alternative meals from the catering office at 612-870-1662. If you have medical restrictions, provide a current statement from your health care provider outlining the restrictions. Detail restrictions if your diet is restricted for religious or ethical reasons. Please help the staff by providing suggestions of food items which will work for you.

On the day of the meal, pick up a **special diet card** at the Hostess Table on the first floor. Display this card at your table, and alert the server as to your meal request.

A vegetarian meal is the only available alternative meal on Tuesday evenings.

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