



# THE HOT SHEET

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## GENERAL MEETINGS

The Hot Springs/Hot Springs Village chapter of the American Association of University Women will have its general meeting and social at the Hot Springs Village Townhouse Association conference room - located at # 1 Perralena Lane - on **Wednesday, May 21, 2014 from 2 pm to 4 pm.** Hot Springs resident Charlotte Akelaitis will speak to us about her professional basketball career during the 1950's with the All American Red Heads. Village Yogurt, cookies, and beverages



will be served.

**Reservations are required and payment of \$5.00 can be mailed to Meg Koziar or paid on the day of the meeting.** You must make your reservation by calling Mary Jane Attwood (915-0206 or 352-4757) by Monday,

May 19 so that she can tell Village Yogurt the correct number of yogurt servings to prepare for the event.



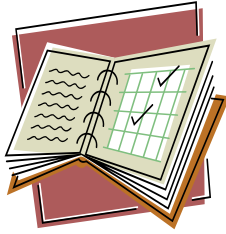
## BOOK SALE INFORMATION

**Nothings for sale....yet. But book collecting and sorting are in full swing. Join us Tuesday May 6<sup>th</sup> for sorting at Unitarian-Universalist Church at 8:30am if you can help.**

## Diversity Statement

In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in the organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, or disability.

## SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON



Mark your calendars for **Saturday, November 15** to attend the annual AAUW Scholarship Luncheon at Hot Springs Country Club. This will be your opportunity to meet, visit, and hear from the scholarship recipients that the Scholarship Committee is currently interviewing.

We have changed the date in an attempt to avoid weather issues and busy December schedules. Also, many of our members leave for warmer climates either just before or after the Christmas holidays. We hope this date will enable more of our members to participate. Spouses and guests are welcome to attend as well.

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## PRESIDENTS' LETTERS



Hard to believe, but it's getting close to the end of the AAUW calendar year. We have our end-of-the-year social on May 21 and won't have another general meeting until September. But that doesn't mean we don't have opportunities to see each other. Book sorting and most book discussion groups don't take the summer off. In fact, summer is our prime book sorting time - every Tuesday morning at 8:30 beginning in July. As most of you know, we have jobs for just about anyone!

But it is the time of year when some of our officers end their terms. My co-President and I are stepping aside and Pam Burns will start her term as President in July. A thanks to both Pat Mershon and Becky Elliott for serving as Secretary and to Mary Jane Attwood for doing an outstanding job as V.P. for Programs for the last two years. For the next two years,

Diane Bielanski is in-coming Secretary, and Rita Davis and Marge Collin will share the Programs position. Sue Luerssen stepped in to complete the term of Membership Chair and served one year of a new term. But she has agreed to serve as Scholarship Chair, and Becky Elliot will complete her term as Membership Chair. A huge thank-you to Diana Reeves, who did an outstanding job as Scholarship Chair.

Meg Koziar will continue her job as Branch Treasurer and we thank her for her diligence this year and are glad that she will continue to manage our finances. I'm in that weird position of ending my present term as co-President and beginning my new term as President Elect. So for me, this is both a good-bye and a hello!

This is the first year we've tried a co-Presidency and, from my perspective, it worked well. Paula Mathews, my co-President, has worked diligently behind-the-scenes to keep the Branch running smoothly. While I

agreed to conduct the general meetings (and write these Hot Sheet remarks), Paula did the heavy lifting by conducting the Board meetings and taking care of most of the activity beyond the local Branch. So, when you see Paula, be sure to thank her for helping me learn the ropes. So hopefully, when I "fly solo" as President in 2015-2016, I'll be better able to accomplish the task.

Here's the take-away message: even if you are new to the organization, PLEASE do not hesitate to step up to leadership positions. Trust me, there are SO many members who are willing - and able - to lend advice and to insure that the job (whatever is it) gets done. We have a wonderful Branch with many talented women, so we need different people to serve as branch leaders. The Nominations Committee is always looking for a few good women!

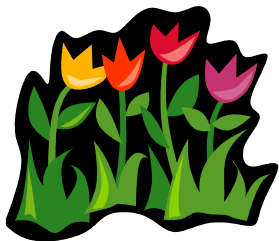
Susan Brayford

And as co-President, I want to thank Susan for her leadership. This partnership was a

wonderful experience, especially having a partner like Susan. I also want to thank all those she mentioned, and to all of you for your support and patience with us as we tried some new meeting structures this year. As we look to the future, I am sure we will continue to see changes to our group, yet I know our commitment to education and greater opportunities for women will not wane.

Looking forward to celebrating the 20<sup>th</sup> year of our book sale and to all that follows.

Paula Mathews



## AAUW STATE CONVENTION

Five of our branch members attended the AR/OK AAUW Convention April 4-6 in Bentonville, Arkansas. "Rosie the Riveter" was the theme of the convention and many delegates participated in the

"Inspiring Women" guided tour at Crystal Bridges Museum.

On Saturday, delegates met at Northwest Arkansas Community College where they heard presentations by local and national speakers. Dr. Becky Paneitz, President Emeritus of NWACC, spoke about Women in the Community College, who are the majority of the students at these institutions ; Lisa Maatz, National AAUW Vice-President of Government Affairs, presented facts about the gender pay gap and informed us of upcoming events regarding the Paycheck Fairness Act; representatives of the Girls of Promise program in Arkansas and the Tech Trek camp in Oklahoma highlighted their accomplishments and their plans for this year. Both of these programs offer eighth grade girls the opportunity to meet other talented girls interested in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.

The keynote speaker at the Saturday banquet was Patricia

Fae Ho, National AAUW President. Our own Nancy Hendricks entertained everyone at the banquet with her **Hattie Caraway** personae. Members from our branch attending were Pam Burns, Rita Davis, Meg Koziar, Cynthia Saalfeld, and Terry Smith.

### **Pam Burns**



**Terry Smith/Rita Davis/Patricia Fae Ho/Pam Burns/Meg Koziar/ Cynthia Saalfeld**



**Dr. Nancy Hendricks as Hattie Caraway**

## **Membership Renewal Time**



Our Membership year is July 1- June 30, so to stay a member of this terrific branch, your dues are due! Please send your 2014-15 dues payment to Meg Koziar, 13 Magnifico Lane, HSV 71909, before June 10. Or...have your check ready for Meg at the May Social. Dues are **\$64**, except for those who paid AAUW's life membership...those dues are only \$15 for state and branch dues. Please do our Treasurer a great favor...be timely! it's a lot of extra work if dues are paid late. Thanks to those who have already paid following Meg's announcement at the April meeting. All dues received will be acknowledged by email.

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