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GENERAL MEETING NEWS

Mary Jane Attwood

Our February 15, 2014, scholarship luncheon will serve as our AAUW program and we will not have another general meeting and program until April 16. On that date we will meet at 10:00 am at the Village United Methodist Church on Carmona in the Village. Our speaker will be Melisa Glen. Melisa is founder of Seeds of Hope and will speak to us about human trafficking. More information will follow in later Hot Sheets. **There will NOT be a general meeting in March.** May 21 will be our last meeting, the place and program information will be announced in later Hot Sheets.

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Scholarship Luncheon News

Diana Reeves

Ice the first Saturday in December was not something the Scholarship Committee expected or wanted. However, thanks to Meg Koziar's emails, many phone calls, and HSCC's cooperation, everyone was notified of the cancellation and adjustments have been made. By the way we were expecting 112 members, recipients, and guests.

The Scholarship Luncheon has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 15, 2014. Social time will be from 10:30-11:00. The welcome and program will start at 11:00. This will also serve as an abbreviated regular AAUW meeting.

Because circumstances may have changed, **reservations are required from everyone**. If you have already paid, you can email or call Meg to confirm your reservation. If you were unable to attend in December but wish to attend in February, send your \$16.00 check, payable to AAUW, to Meg Koziar, 13 Magnifico Lane, HSV 71909. As guests may have changed, be sure to give the full name of your guest. **Deadline for ALL reservations is Wednesday, February 5.**

The Scholarship Committee looks forward to honoring our scholarship recipients and recognizing our members who have worked to make the scholarship program successful. We hope to have a good turnout for these special people.



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AAUW SECOND CHANCE BAG SALE.....

Thank you all again for your hard work at our annual October book sale. Now we need **YOUR HELP** again to make the **SECOND CHANCE BAG SALE on January 18** successful.

SUCCESS OPPORTUNITY ONE

WHEN: Friday January 17, 2014

WHERE: Unitarian Universalist Village Church (HSV)

TIME: 2:00 p.m. until we are done (translate-more people=less time; many hands needed) **

MISSION: There will be no collecting and no sorting. But we need to move books from the classrooms to the main room for sale.

** Husbands especially welcome to this opportunity!

SUCCESS OPPORTUNITY TWO

WHEN: Saturday January 18,

WHERE: Same place as above of course ☺

TIME: 10:00 - 2:00 p.m.

MISSION: We will sell books by the bag (1 bag = \$4.00) and expect to sell everything not sold in October.

WHAT: We need volunteer hands to sell, mind, roam, answer questions, etc. etc. etc. ***
*** Bring something to share smorgasbord style at lunch. Sodas will be provided. Salad? Sandwiches? Cookies? Fruit? You get the idea.

PLEASE CALL MARY KAY BENKERT (922-6927) or email her at gjbmkb@att.net and let her know which success opportunity you choose to make the **SECOND CHANCE a SUCCESS!!!!!!!!!!!!**

PS Be sure to email and/or tell all your friends to come and fill a bag on Saturday. Great reading for the chilly days ahead.

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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.

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CO-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Susan Brayford

The holidays are over for a while and the new year is upon us. Most of us tend to think about new beginnings as well as to ponder how to make improvements in our worlds - from our local ones to our shared global ones. As I write this, it occurred to me that what we offer at our local AAUW branch give us many opportunities to learn more about global challenges (think our Great Decisions and Non-Fiction discussion groups) and allow us to get more insight into people and places about whom and which we are not familiar (think our other book discussion groups, our outings, and our participation in community events).

Obviously, learning and insight are necessary tools and are among the many significant benefits of a good education. And of course, helping to provide ourselves and others with ample opportunities for education is the ultimate goal of so many of our activities (think NPCC scholarships).

We here at the HS/HSV branch of AAUW typically take a moment at the beginning of the year to comment on the results of our education mission by acknowledging the scholarship recipients who we had the chance to meet and honor at the December Scholarship Luncheon. Unfortunately, the weather made it impossible to celebrate both the women who received our scholarships and all of us who helped make the event possible. Instead of looking back on the luncheon, we get to look forward to it in February.

Changes like this tend to disrupt our schedules and alter our routines. Some of us relish change; others just try to survive it. But we all know that changes are inevitable. One other change we are contemplating relates to our major fundraising event - the annual book sale. Our events are not as popular or as profitable as they once were - mostly due to the popularity of e-readers and other types of digital technology. People are still contributing to the book sale; they just aren't buying as much, and we have boxes and boxes of books

left over. So another change - instead of trying to rid ourselves of the remains, we are hosting a second chance book sale on Saturday January 18. Let's hope the weather cooperates and we don't need to make another change right away!

All that said, I'll end in a fairly traditional way by extending well wishes for a happy, healthy, and hopeful 2014. See you soon!



Honoring Pam Burns: A Conspiracy

Meg Koziar

Last Spring, the Scholarship Committee decided to recognize Pam Burns by awarding a scholarship for 2013-14 in her honor, using some special donations plus unexpended funds from the previous year. Plans were to announce it at our September meeting, but John asked us to wait until family members could be present. We had great plans for the December Scholarship Luncheon when not only their daughter, Shannon, was

flying in for the occasion, but Pam's sisters, Ann and Peggy, who live in Little Rock, could be there. When the luncheon was canceled, we decided we could keep the secret no longer, so, after conspiring with John to make the arrangements, Pam was told at the Burn's home right after Christmas, with her sisters present and daughter included via Skype.

Pam Burns joined the branch in 2004, and became active in two book groups and the book sale right away. Only a little more than a year later, she agreed to co-chair the 2006 sale, and then served as chair for four years - 2007, 2008, 2011 and 2012. Even in the years when she was not the chair, she was the person who often solved problems and assured the sales would be successful. Pam has done all this work with an exceptional grace and calmness. We honor her for her dedication, leadership, and organization.

The person who received the Pam Burns Scholarship will be introduced at the February 15th luncheon. As Pam is having knee surgery in January, she may not be able to attend. Diana Reeves, Scholarship Chair said, "If I were a CEO of a company, I would want Pam to be a member of my team. The AAUW Scholarship Committee and members are thrilled to honor Pam in this way."

Reproductive Justice Rally

Meg Koziar

The board voted at their November meeting to be a sponsor of the Arkansas Coalition for Reproductive Justice Rally in Little Rock on January 18. Because there was a very short window to send funds for this sponsorship, board members made personal contributions to enable the branch to be a Gold Sponsor.

Though the rally is the same day as our second chance book sale, several members said they would be able to attend. Other sponsors are AAUW Arkansas, and branches in Little Rock, and Fayetteville, and eleven other organizations, such as the Sierra Club, ACLU, and Planned Parenthood

The booksale day doesn't need as many helpers as the set up day will, so if you can attend this rally, please do. Full information is on www.facebook.com/ACforRJ

I've attended the last two years and there were lots of young people, many from Hendricks College, and people from all parts of the state. The speakers were excellent and last year it was even a warmish day. (And I was even interviewed for TV).