



# THE HOT SHEET

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## ANNUAL BOOK SALE NEWS

Book sorting is in full swing. We welcome any and all help on sorting days. Feel free to bring a friends or family members. Jobs include sorting hard backs and paper backs, specials, and people to price books. Sign up sheets are ready for you to pick your times and days to help on sale days. I look forward to seeing you at sorting and sale days. Please call or email questions to me at 817-454-2683 or [kanndolan@gmail.com](mailto:kanndolan@gmail.com).

Remaining sorting days are on Tuesday September 3, 13 (Friday), 17, and 24 and, October 8. Barrels are picked up September 23. Please feel free to pick up books from any barrel that is full and bring to UUVU on Tuesday for sorting. Set up days for the sale are October 9 and 10. Book sale is October 11 and 12. Thank you in advance for all you do to make our sale a success.

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## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

I hope everyone has enjoyed a great summer whether you have been home enjoying Arkansas or traveling and experiencing new places and people.

Welcome to all our returning members - as of now we have **101** paid up members and I have sent information to two prospects.

I hosted a new member coffee in my home in July. We had 5 of our newer members and 5 board members and had a lovely time letting them know more about AAUW and getting to know each other better.

I am looking forward to a great 2013-2014 year with a very successful book sale in October and our Scholarship Luncheon in December just to name a couple of great activities for all of us to participate in.

I anticipate seeing all of you at our meetings and interest groups.

From Sue Luerksen

## GENERAL MEETING NEWS

From Mary Jane Attwood

Our first program and general meeting for the 2013-14 year will be **Wednesday, September 18, 2013** at the Village United Methodist Church on Carmona. (DOWNSTAIRS)

**TIME: 10:00 am to 12:00 noon**

Coffee, tea, muffins, coffee cake, and fruit will be served at 10:00 followed by our speaker Jim Olmedo, a member of the NPCC Foundation Board and employee of Morgan Stanley. He will be informing us about tax advantages to giving and how we can make our gifts grow for scholarships. A general meeting will follow, including information about our interest groups.

Cost is \$5.00 per person whether you eat or not. We are trying a new procedure: Call Mary Jane at 915-0206 to make a **RESERVATION** before the **DEADLINE of SEPTEMBER 13**, then pay at the door with cash or check to AAUW. Payment is expected unless you cancel before the deadline.

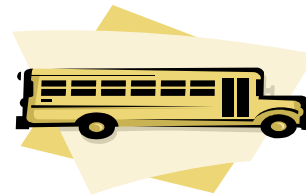


## LOOKING AHEAD

Pam Burns

### September

Sept. 18 Kicking off the New Year  
General Meeting



### October

Oct. 9 Book Sale Table Set Up  
Oct. 10 Book Sale-Work Day  
Oct. 11 Book Sale  
Oct. 12 Book Sale  
Oct. 16 KJ's Grill  
Meeting & Luncheon  
HS Film Festival



### December

Dec. 7 Scholarship Luncheon  
Hot Springs Country Club





## 2013-14 Executive Board

Co-Presidents: Paula Mathews and Susan Brayford

VP Programs: Mary Jane Attwood

VP Membership: Sue Luerssen

Secretary: Becky Elliott

Treasurer: Meg Koziar

Past President: Becky Gifford

**Board Meetings:** November 21, January 16, March 20, 2014.

## 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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And in Addition.....

At the Book Sale in October we plan to have additional features including gift baskets as raffle items. Can you help with this???? Look at your "regift" items or something you might want to donate. Think of a gift basket you might want to put together or perhaps a merchant you know who might be interested in doing so. Put on that creative thinking cap and then call [Mary Jane Attwood \(915-0206\)](tel:915-0206) and she coordinate. Thanks!!!



## Scholarship News

Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 7 and plan to attend AAUW's Annual Scholarship Luncheon at Hot Springs Country Club. Specific details about reservations will be in a later Hot Sheet. For our new members, this is an event you do not want to miss. This is a function where our members get to meet and hear the stories from our scholarship recipients. It is also when we recognize the hard work of our members in making our scholarship program a success.

From Diana Reeves

## CO-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy New Year! Lest you think I've greatly overslept or am getting a big jump on the holiday season, I'm referring to the **new year** ahead for our HS/HSV branch of AAUW.

As new years begin, they allow us to make some changes. This year we are thrilled to launch our new branch website, Facebook page, and Twitter feed. You'll be hearing much more about these social media tools in the coming months. For now, I'm asking that you make only one resolution - to **get accustomed to checking the website for information** about branch activities and actions.

We will continue to produce the Hot Sheet - and a big thanks to Carol Freeland for agreeing to be the editor. However, we will be able to reduce the size and scope of the Hot Sheet by putting the on-going branch information on the webpage - and a big thanks to Ronnie Zuege for creating and maintaining this valuable tool. Because we want to attract new members, we need a presence on social media. Paula Alan also deserves a big thank you for agreeing to take charge of our Facebook and Twitter accounts. Of course, Carol, Ronnie, and Paula **need input from the rest of us** to keep our web presence up-to-date.

So what else is new? This year we have two Presidents and two Book Sale chairs.

Karen Dolan and Mary Kay Benkert have stepped in to manage the branch's biggest fundraiser - a big job with major benefits - especially to our scholarship recipients. E-books have taken their toll on the number of actual books that people donate and buy. Therefore, we are supplementing our book sale fundraising by **selling corporate and individual sponsorships** (a big thanks to Marg Collin and Becky Gifford for heading up this effort) and by organizing raffle sales.

Having co-presidents means that **Paula Mathews** and I are taking responsibility for different areas. As you can see, I will write the Presidents' column for the Hot Sheet. I will also run the general meetings, focus on internal branch projects and programming, and be involved in the book sale activities. Paula will focus more on external matters and will be the main interface to the state and national organizations. In addition, she will run the Board Meetings, be involved with the Scholarship Committee, and assist Meg Koziar with financial issues and funding. Obviously, there will be some overlap and possibly some matters that we have not yet anticipated. But be sure, we are both committed to making sure that the Branch continues to prosper.

We are also making some changes to the format of the general meetings. Lunch will continue to be part of the October meeting that is held in conjunction with the Hot Springs Documentary Film

Festival and the December scholarship luncheon. However, the other general meetings will not include lunch. This is in response to concerns raised by some of the members that the cost of the lunches made them reluctant to attend the meetings. As a result, the other meetings will begin at 10 am for coffee, tea, pastries, and socializing, followed by the talk by our guest speaker and a brief membership meeting. After the meeting, those who want to continue over lunch are free to do so; those who have other commitments are free to leave. We welcome your feedback on these changes.

Finally, we are reducing the number of general meetings this coming year. No meetings are scheduled for November, January, or March. In addition to the meetings listed under "Looking Ahead", here's what's scheduled for 2014.....

*Wednesday, February 19 (program and location TBD)*

*Wednesday, April 16 - election of officers (program and location TBD)*

*Wednesday, May 21 - end of the year social (time and location TBD)*

We look forward to another productive and enjoyable year!

**Susan Brayford**, Co President

## AND FOR YOUR AMUSEMENT

When did AAUW begin?

Where was the **first branch** established?

How **many women** were involved in the very first meeting?

AAUW had a **predecessor** organization. What was it called?

What was the **subject** of the first research project produced by AAUW and what did it **determine**?

Answers to these questions can all be found on the AAUW website.....

### And a closing quote:

" In politics, if you want anything said, ask a man. If you want anything done, ask a woman."

Margaret Thatcher

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