

BRANCHING OUT

MISSION: advancing equality for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research

Learn about the New Leader Council

Please join us for our first meeting of the fall at Grand View University on Wednesday, August 30th at 5:30 pm. We will be hearing about the New Leaders Council, a program to help progressive millennials become more active in community activism and politics. As their website states, "NLC leaders take their activism back into their communities and workplaces to impact progressive change." Kyrstin Shelley, a member of the 2017 class of NLC fellows will discuss the program and encourage younger leaders to join future cohorts. If you are interested in the program, either as a bystander or as a participant, this is the meeting for you. Find out more at <http://www.newleaderscouncil.org/about>



Upcoming Events of Interest

The American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) is holding [Wo]Man Up! A Creative Conference for Women on Saturday, **September 16th**. This all day event starts at 8:30 am at the Olmsted Center at Drake University. Visit their website for ticket information. <https://iowa.aiga.org/event/woman-up-a-creative-conference-for-women/>

On **September 18th**, AAUW and Grand View University will be hosting a group of female leaders from Belarus at the GV Student Center. The women, visiting here through Iowa Resource for International Service (IRIS), will be meeting with many groups focused on social activism for women and girls.

May Meeting Recap

In May we had a guest speaker from Planned Parenthood of the Heartland who talked about the various services provided, current legislative issues, and ways to get involved.



Please join the Friends of the Iowa Commission on the Status of Women in celebrating this year's inductees to the Iowa Women's Hall of Fame. The ceremony is free and open to the public and will be held on Saturday, August 26th. It starts at 9:30 am at the Staplin Performing Arts Center at Valley High School. This year's inductees are Jane Boyd, Senator Joni Ernst, Christine Hensley, and Governor Kim Reynolds. Alicia Parrott Claypool is being awarded the Christine Wilson Medal for Equality and Justice. You can find out more at <https://humanrights.iowa.gov/cas/icsw/events-recognition/iowa-womens-hall-fame>

Membership Renewal Reminder

If you haven't already, please renew your membership for the year. Dues are \$69 total (\$49 national, \$10 state, and \$10 local). Dues for life members are \$20, and honorary life member dues are free. Please use the form below and **make checks payable to AAUW**.

Name _____
Phone _____
Address _____
Email _____
New or Renewal? _____

If new

College/University _____
Year Graduated _____
Major _____
Date of Birth _____

Mail checks made out to AAUW to:

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Online payment by credit card is also an option. Go to <http://aauw.org> and click the Membership button to pay online. This payment covers membership at all three levels through June 20, 2018.

YWRC Volunteer Opportunity

We will once again be providing a meal to the Young Women's Resource Center on Monday, September 11th. If you would like to contribute some food or cash, please contact Amy Getty at agetty@grandview.edu.



In Memoriam

Our Branch was saddened at the passing of Elaine Avgerinos on August 10th. She was an honorary life member of AAUW and active on the Leadership team for many years.

We would also like to remember former member Kay Gramlich who passed away on March 20th.

Upcoming Meeting

Our October meeting will be on Monday the 2nd at 5:30 pm. We will meet at Pagliai's Pizza on Merle Hay Rd to eat, chat, and write postcards to our elected representatives. What shall we write about? We will provide the postcards, stamps and addresses, you provide the issues. We encourage you to come, even if just for a short while. Friends, as always, are welcome.

Grand View C/U Branch Updates

The C/U at Grand View University will be taking part in Welcome Week events again this year. You can keep up to date on their events by liking them on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/GVUAAUW/>

Last year, Grand View's AAUW group collected feminine hygiene products to distribute for free in campus bathrooms. We plan to do the same this fall. If you would like to donate pads or tampons, please contact Amy Getty at agetty@grandview.edu

Save the Date!

Our Holiday Tea is scheduled for Saturday, December 9th from 2-4pm. It will be held at Grand View University. More details to follow!



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Upcoming Dates

Aug. 23, 1-3 pm, Contemporary Literature Book Group. Contact Joanne Page

Aug. 28, 9:30-11 am, International Relations. Contact Joanne Page

Aug. 30, 5:30 pm: September Meeting at Grand View University

Sept. 25, 9:30-11 am, International Relations. Contact Joanne Page

Sept. 27, 1-3 pm, Contemporary Literature Book Group. Contact Joanne Page

Oct. 2, 5:30 pm: October Meeting at Pagliai's Pizza on Merle Hay Rd.

Oct. 23, 9:30-11 am, International Relations. Contact Joanne Page

Oct. 25, 1-3 pm, Contemporary Literature Book Group. Contact Joanne Page

Nov. 6, 5:30 pm: November Meeting at Grand View University

Nov. 15, 1-3 pm, Contemporary Literature Book Group. Contact Joanne Page

Dec. 9, 2-4 pm: Holiday Tea

Dec. 13, 1-3 pm, Contemporary Literature Book Group. Contact Joanne Page

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