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WELCOME from the President

Welcome to our 2016-2017 Marquette Branch year of programs and fellowship! Our program committee has done a stellar job of providing this balance, and advancing our national mission of “equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.” Please read the next article for the scoop on our September Salad Supper on Thursday, September 8. There is still time for you to invite a friend or two; just let Kathy Davis know. Remember, we will also receive our Membership Booklets at this meeting, expertly compiled by Karen Rudisill.

I also call your attention to our Branch website, <http://marquette-mi.aauw.net>. Essentially, it is a dynamic version of our printed booklet, updated as changes occur during the year. It includes copies of the year’s newsletters and pages ABOUT US, BOOK GROUP, CALENDAR, FUNDRAISERS, NEWSLETTERS, and SCHOLARSHIPS. The site’s model was researched by Mary Snitgen and Marge Forslin, and is maintained by Marge.

Congratulations to member Judy Puncchar for taking on the position of NMU College Representative. Judy is taking the baton from Krista Clumpner who dedicated many, many years to chairing this position, which involves soliciting department nominations for our Outstanding Senior Award. Heartfelt thank you, Krista, from all of us.

Finally, on Saturday, September 17, the Escanaba branch is hosting two Michigan AAUW experts on policy and voting guidelines. Please see article below. June Davis will drive; I may go, as well. Karlyn says the speakers are outstanding, so we’d love other members to join us for the luncheon. Please contact me at 226-8920 if you would like to ride with us.

I look forward to an inspiring year.

*Regards,
Meg Goodrich*



Next Meeting - September 8 SALAD SUPPER & COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

The traditional salad supper for members and guests will be held at **5:30 PM** at the Federated Women’s Club house at 104 W. Ridge in Marquette.

This year it will be followed by a Community Conversation “Restoring Trust in State Government” across the street at Peter White Public Library’s Community Room at **7:00 PM**

The Marquette Branch of American Association of University Women (AAUW) and Peter White Public Library are cohosting this Community Conversation in partnership with the Center for Michigan. This program at PWPL’s community room is open to the public.

During this event, participants will be asked about barriers to trusting state government. What would it take to improve trust? Topics will include government services, management of the public purse and oversight of Michigan’s political system. This is not intended to be a gripe session, but a constructive dialogue. The Center for Michigan will facilitate the discussion and will take the issues and solutions discussed to state leaders. This Marquette conversation is one of 150 dialogues taking place all over the state.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION

To take part in this community conversation AAUW and Peter White Public Library ask you to register online at <http://bit.ly/2a8LMZu> or contact Karlyn Rapport at krappor@chartemi.net or Andrea

Ingmire at aing@pwpl.info. For more information on the Community Conversation call 734-769-9625 or visit thecenterformichigan.net.

SALAD SUPPER

For the salad supper, AAUW members are asked to **bring a salad or cookies/bars** for dessert. Please **do not bring pies or cakes** (so we don't need forks and small plates). **However, please bring friends with you so they can learn about AAUW.**

Contact Kathy Davis if you are bringing a guest to the salad supper, 906-228-4197 or kdavismqt@aol.com

Contact Karlyn Rapport about the community Conversation, 906 226-9060 or krapport@chartemi.net

YOUNKERS COMMUNITY DAYS COUPON BOOK SALES

Elizabeth Miller and Susan Uballe are ready with Coupon Booklets for the Younkers Community Days. This has become a winning fundraiser for us. We will have them available at the September Salad Supper and the October meeting. Thank you for your support in previous years. This year we hope to top our first year record of about \$1300 and make \$2000 for scholarships. If each member takes two extra booklets to sell to a friend or neighbor, we can easily make that goal.

Here's a reminder about how this fundraiser works: Younkers provides us with coupon books that can be used for discounts on merchandise from Wednesday, November 11 through Saturday, November 14. We sell the booklets for \$5.00 and KEEP ALL THE MONEY! How easy is that?

Each booklet contains one \$10.00 off coupon good on almost any merchandise item of \$10 or more, a 25% off shopping pass, a 30% off early bird coupon, plus great bonus offers – available on Community Days only. You get your money back with a single purchase. We suggest that each member purchase 5 booklets if possible. You may then sell them to friends and family members or give them away as gifts to your hairdresser, massage therapist, child's teacher or next door neighbor.

PLEASE BE PREPARED TO PURCHASE BOOKLETS AT THE SALAD SUPPER, OR THE OCTOBER MEETING. Susan and Elizabeth will accept cash or checks made out to AAUW Marquette Branch. Don't worry if you

can't make a meeting - they deliver. Call or e-mail either Susan or Elizabeth and they will see that you get the booklets you need.

AAUW loves to give scholarship money, but we can't give it if we don't have it. This fundraiser is an easy way to get cash in the coffers.

Elizabeth Miller and Susan Uballe

Michigan AAUW experts on POLICY AND VOTING GUIDELINES Escanaba—Saturday, September 17

The Escanaba Area Branch has invited Marquette and Iron Mountain-Kingsford members to join them at a meeting with **Amanda Phillips (Michigan AAUW Public Policy Chair)** and **Mary Pollack (Michigan AAUW lobbyist in Lansing)** Saturday, September 17 beginning at 11 a.m. at Hereford and Hops restaurant, 624 Ludington Street, Escanaba.

The afternoon will feature a 2-hour presentation on policy and voting guidelines, lunch off the menu (your only cost) and some great conversation!

Restaurant seating is limited, so please email reservations **no later than September 11** to Kathleen Bennett, Program VP, Escanaba Area Branch kbennett3415@charter.net, or phone 906-786-3415.

AS ALWAYS...

**Please save your Econo slips and
bring them to the next meeting you attend.**

Econo makes donation to AAUW



Zach Quinell, store manager at Tadych's Econofoods of Marquette, presents a check for \$564.52 to the American Association of University Women. Pictured are Meredith Kulisheck, June Davis and Judy Warner.