



AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research.



The remarkable AAUW of Marquette put on *The Remarkable Susan*

a play in one act at the Clubhouse on February 20. AAUW of Marquette Board Member **Meg Goodrich** directed an amazing event that brought 50 people together for an informative, fun evening. Following the performance, Meg and Ruth Ziel, who played Susan B. Anthony, each received beautiful bouquets of flowers.

One highlight occurred when former Judge Pat Micklow, playing the part of the Court Clerk, banged her gavel and authoritatively gave her line as the Clerk, "The court is in session. All rise." Quite unexpectedly, most of the audience hearing that firm instruction, joined in with the cast and stood. A second highlight was seeing longtime AAUW members in attendance whom we had not seen in a while--Miriam Hilton and Mary Buckman. Overall, the event was exciting and informative.

Prior to the play, in a warm-up trivia game led by Les Bek, attendees enjoyed learning about Susan B. Anthony. The night of the play brought in scholarship donations and one new member. Les Bek, Kathy Davis, and Carol Cappuccio provided delicious appetizers and treats, and Bill Davis brought wine to toast the director and cast.

Judith Puncochar, Board President

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, March 12, 7:00 pm

Promoting Literacy

We have another exciting event planned for 7:00pm on Thursday, March 12 at the Clubhouse. Join us for a critical program on literacy facilitated by AAUW member, Dr. Kristen White.

Kristen will discuss the Marquette-Alger Regional Educational Service Agency's literacy efforts. Volunteers and staff from Peter White Library, social welfare groups, and childcare centers have been invited to attend.

Come and learn what you can do to promote literacy. You can also read more about Dr. White's impressive accomplishments in the article Promoting Literacy, on page 3 of this newsletter.



Northern
Michigan
University
Scholarship!

Current scholarship recipient **Amanda Hudson** says her decision to return to school at NMU was not an easy one. "But I know that it was the right decision for myself and my family. I want to show my daughters that they can do anything they set their mind to, and I also want to better myself in order to provide for them."

Consider a contribution: AAUW NMU Scholarship Fund, c/o Ruth Ziel 734 Lakewood Lane, Marquette, MI 49855

Thank you for your
support!



AAUW Educational Funding and Awards

AAUW is one of the world's largest sources of funding for graduate women by providing millions of dollars for fellowships and grants to advance educational and professional opportunities for women in the United States and around the globe. AAUW provided \$4.3 million in funding for fellowships and grants to 270 outstanding women and nonprofit organizations in the 2019–20 academic year.

Fellowship and grant recipients perform research in a wide range of disciplines, and they work to improve their schools and communities. Their collective intellect, dedication, imagination, and effort are tomorrow's promise to improve the quality of life for all and tackle the educational and social barriers facing women worldwide. AAUW seeks a diverse applicant pool.

Please encourage our Upper Peninsula women to [apply](#) for career development grants, community action grants and American or International fellowships.

Judith Puncchar, Board President

Equal Pay Day

AAUW-NMU and Women for Women will co-sponsor a **Wage Gap Bake Sale on Tuesday, March 31**, which is Equal Pay Day. The bake sale will be held in Jamrich Hall by Starbucks from 11am-3pm. Please stop by Jamrich Hall and support the Wage Gap Bake Sale. In addition, we are exploring a possibility of scheduling two **StartSmart** trainings for wage negotiations this semester, including one training on Equal Pay Day itself. We will send an email confirmation with an update regarding StartSmart trainings.

Calling on you to channel your "Inner Marilyn"

Weeks ago, the Book Sale team started behind the scenes to get ready for April Book Sale by organizing for the sale and calling on our generous community for their donations of gently read books, audio CDs, DVDs as well as games and puzzles for the 2020 AAUW Marquette Branch Spring Book Sale.

Now it is the time I ask you to channel your inner Marilyn Klahn by lending your valuable time and tireless hands to help make the Book Sale a fun and memorable event.

As you already know, book sale proceeds not only fund valued scholarships but also continue to provide the opportunity for us to gather together and stay connected as friends. The sorting kickoff will begin with a tempting potluck on April 20th and will continue with daily book sorting from 9 am to 5pm through April 22 (and I promise to bring the Bollywood Disco CDs back for your enjoyment!)



As this is an AAUW group project, your valuable time spent prepping for the sale and especially during sale hours on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and of course for clean up after the sale (*see letter from Bay Cliff on page 8 of this newsletter*) on Saturday is appreciated and absolutely vital to the success of this sale. I know many of you previously offered your talents and your precious time and I trust you will again do so. Please sign up at the regular March meeting or send me an email at AAUWMqt.BookSale@gmail.com to let me know when you are able to volunteer or simply drop in during sorting or sale hours.

In addition to joining the volunteer brigade, I hope you will continue to help promote the sale by utilizing your social medial accounts via Twitter, Instagram or simply sharing the poster on your personal page with your Facebook "family."

Finally, I ask you to help continue this time-honored AAUW tradition for our scholarship program and in memory of the much beloved



Marilyn Klahn. Please share your time and talents by spreading the word about the sale and by sparing some time to have some fun and to help make this a record sale in 2020.

Be well and see you at the potluck in April.

*Renee Leow, Book Sale Coordinator
(and in memory of the gorgeous, wonderful and
legendary Marilyn Klahn)*

Promoting Literacy in the U.P.

Early childhood literacy expert, Dr. Kristen White, will facilitate our AAUW program on Thursday, March 12. Dr. White received her doctorate from



Michigan State in 2018, and currently she is an NMU Assistant Professor in the School of Education. Kristen researches how to support effective literacy efforts in our schools and community. She is an advocate for culturally responsive

practices and a champion of early childhood literacy. Join us and learn how easily you can promote children's literacy in our community. Enjoy Kristen's infectious enthusiasm for literacy. She has free literacy resources to share for non-readers and skilled readers.

Nominations Needed

The AAUW of Marquette Board has open positions for next year. We are starting our searches and we request your help. We need clues on availability and willingness of members to serve. Please give us your ideas.

We have a good camaraderie at our board meetings and we strive to make a positive difference in the lives of women and girls. The Nominating Committee for next year's officers includes Meg Goodrich (meg.goodrich2@gmail.com), Margie West (margiewest4@gmail.com), and Les Bek (ljbek@chartermi.net) who will seek replacements for the following positions:

- Program Committee – (2)
- Membership co-chairs – (2)
- Corresponding Secretary – (1)

The board also seeks replacements for the following board-appointed positions:

- Finance Committee (2) -Review our financial records and set a budget for Fiscal Year 20-21 – requested by Ruth at the January 30 meeting
- Liaison to AAUW-NMU – (1)
- Clubhouse Liaison (2) – Current Clubhouse Liaison Margie West will become Clubhouse Recording Secretary

Please suggest possible nominees including yourself. Now is the time to get involved. Please call, text, or email a member of the nominating committee or President, Judy Puncochar (jpuncoch@nmu.edu).

Thank you.

AAUW of Marquette Board Workday

Your AAUW board members have been working hard. We plan to extend our work to a Saturday workday on March 21 with an agenda of four topics:

- (1) Update the scholarship guidelines;
- (2) Discuss next steps in enhanced STEM education for girls;
- (3) Review our new mandated AAUW Bylaws and discuss an indemnification policy clause for our bylaws; and
- (4) Review the Clubhouse Problem Solving Workshop outcomes and determine next steps.

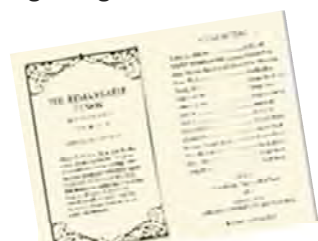
The Remarkable Susan

YOU did it! On February 20th, with a cast of thousands from our membership, I was worried about anyone still being in the audience--yet we had a very full house thanks to so many members attending and bringing guests.

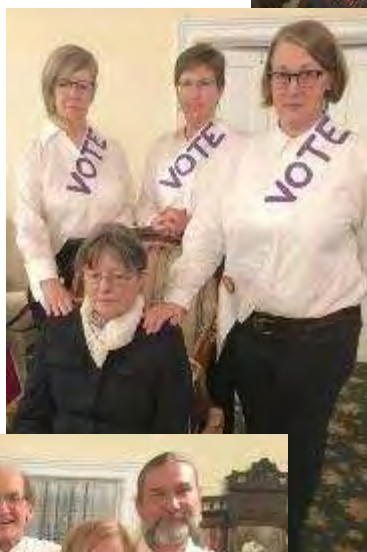
It was a fabulous evening, and I can't thank the cast enough for their enthusiasm, cooperation, suggestions, and dedication to our vision. They all took time from their busy schedules to help celebrate an important woman in our history. The timeliness, and timelessness of the message was clear. Heartfelt thank-yous to you all, with special thanks to: rising star, Ruth Ziel; Les Bek for the fun and informative warm-up quiz, Jackie Stark for getting the word out to the public, Bill Davis for the afterglow refreshments, and Kathy Davis for pitching in on the hostess committee and working so hard on the clean up detail and Marge Forslin for creating a snazzy program for us, **but one of my favorite parts of the evening? When the audience responded to "All Rise"!!**

Regards,

Meg Goodrich, Director, The Remarkable Susan



See full-size program on last page of newsletter.



Public Policy News

AAUW announced its ambitious gender policy agenda outlining goals to improve gender equality in education and the workplace. When talking to or listening to candidates, keep these issues in mind.

Economic Security

1. Ensure Equal Pay for Equal Work
2. Implement Paid Leave and Paid Sick days
3. Stop Harassment in the Workplace
4. Raise the Minimum Wage and Eliminate the Tipped Minimum Wage
5. Close the Retirement Gap
6. Protect Pregnant Workers

Education

1. Defend and Strengthen Title IX
2. Reduce Student Debt
3. Expand opportunities for Women and Girls in STEM

Foundation Rights

1. Expand and Protect the Right to Vote
2. Ensure Access to High Quality Healthcare
3. Ratify the Equal Rights Amendment

The Michigan AAUW Executive Board endorsed Fair and Equal Michigan, the proposed voter-initiated law to add LGBT protection and a definition of religion to Michigan's civil rights law. National AAUW also approved this endorsement. The proposed law would define sex as including gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. The definition of religion includes religious beliefs of an individual. There will be a petition available at our March meeting for you to sign; Fair and Equal Michigan has until Mar 27 to compile 340,047 Michigan voters' signatures.

The Bureau of Elections and the Board of State Canvassers determines if enough signatures are valid. The Michigan Legislature has 40 days to adopt the proposed amendment to the act without changes. I find this funny because the Michigan Legislature has failed to act on this issue for 37 years. If the legislature does not act or rejects the proposal, it is submitted to Michigan voters for approval November 3, 2020. Or the legislature can propose its alternative to the voters. Major employers and AFL-CIO endorse this. Recent polling by the non-partisan Glengariff group showed 77% of voters support this measure. AAUW hopes members will be inspired to help with petition

signature gathering and information to pass the measure.

Sara Cambensy is one of the co-sponsors of HB5272. This bill would expand the number of individuals allowed to carry a weapon in a no-carry zone to include people who petitioned for a personal protection order (PPO). Currently, if a person holds a Concealed Pistol License, he or she cannot carry the pistol concealed in places such as a day care center, a church or a bar. These are no-carry zones or weapon free zones. The copy of the PPO would serve as proof of qualifying for the exemption. I understand that this is an effort to protect survivors of domestic violence. However, something that would do more to protect domestic violence survivors and the general public would be passage of red flag laws. It would help if those convicted of domestic violence or against whom a personal protective order was issued were not given access to guns. HB 5272 is on a fast track and Representative Robert Wittenberg's red flag law requiring firearm background checks, HB 5275, probably will not see the light of day in the present legislature.

I look forward to seeing you at our March 12 AAUW meeting on literacy.

Karlyn Rapport, Public Policy Representative

AAUW-Michigan Annual Convention 2020

AAUW-Michigan invites all AAUWMI members to attend the [Spring Convention and Annual Meeting 2020](#) in Midland. This year marks the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment. The convention is an opportunity to look at the leaders who came before us, the women who are working on equality today, and how AAUW can help shape the leaders of tomorrow. Highlights include a Friday, May 15, optional canopy walk at Dow Gardens and an optional reception, "Wonder Women: Then and Now," featuring Dr. Tracy Busch of Ferris State University's Museum of Sexist Objects. The AAUWMI Spring Convention and Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, May 16, at the [H Hotel - a DOLCE Conference Hotel](#). See the [event website](#) for more details. Please write to Judy Puncocar at jpuncocoh@nmu.edu if you plan to attend.

Thank you!

FROM THE ARCHIVES

A feature column highlighting a bit of our AAUW history from our records held by the Central Upper Peninsula and Northern Michigan University Archives. What archives treasures would you like to see featured in the newsletter? Contact Emily Tinder (etinder@nmu.edu) to share your ideas!

AAUW members in Marquette have a long-standing history of performance, and a good portion of it has been preserved in the AAUW of Marquette records, kept at the NMU Archives. Members are aware of the recent production of *The Remarkable Susan*, but other performances span back well into the 1960s and '50s. They often included the work of both members and local community members and seemed to always be casted entirely of women. Seeing the photos really brings the plays to life and reading announcements and reviews from the accompanying newspaper clippings makes the experience even more fun.

Puss In Boots, performed in 1956, was the oldest set of photos in the scrapbooks. Members can be seen in costume, both as a group and in individual scenes from the performance. The fuzzy cat costume really speaks to me!

Hansel and Gretel, performed in March of 1958, has one of the larger sets of photographs and newspaper articles. It seemed to have been quite a large production, with 13 fully costumed actresses and costume, tickets, and scenery "chairmen" for the production.

In the photos, Hansel and Gretel, plus "Witch Wicked," are admiring their gingerbread house. Other scenes show each cast member in their costumes, and some group shots of the play are included as well.

The first set of color photographs comes with the production of ***Snow White in 1971***. In this activity, marionettes instead of human actors were used (except, of course, for Marion Sonderegger, dressed as a fairy godmother.) The pictures show behind the scenes as well as the puppets and sets themselves, all handmade and very detailed! I enjoyed these photos the most as you can really see the whole scope of the production rather than just staged shots.

Surely these community events were a fun and entertaining way to keep everyone engaged with AAUW. Bravo to all the women who helped in any of them, past or present! To see these or to see any other records from collection MSS-163, stop by the Archives in 126 Harden Hall on the NMU Campus or send an inquiry email to archives@nmu.edu.

*Emily Tinder, Senior Student Assistant,
Central U.P. and NMU Archives & new member of AAUW-NMU*

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Puss in Boots 1956



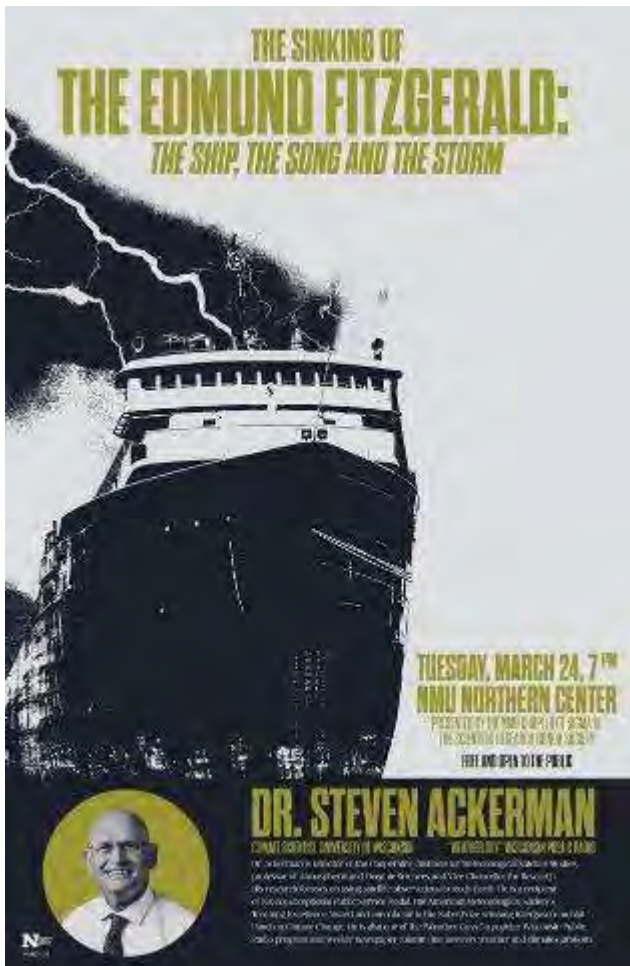
Kathy Davis to be Recognized



AAUW's Kathy Davis will be recognized for her 2019 *Sigma Xi* Science Teaching Award at the *Sigma Xi* Distinguished Lecture, "*The Sinking of the Edmund Fitzgerald: The Ship, the Song, and the Storm*," at

7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24, in the NMU Northern Center.

The event includes a scene from distinguished NMU playwright Shelley Russell's *Holdin' Our Own: The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald*. Award-winning song leader and educator Jason McInnes will lead a [singalong](#). Bring your friends and families to enjoy a dynamic evening that is free and open to the public.



After the Book Sale closes to the public, thanks to Judy Warner and others, the books keep moving on.....



May 22, 2019

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Dear Judy and Friends,

Greetings from Bay Cliff Health Camp!

I am writing to thank you for the recent donation of 9 boxes of books from the Marquette branch of the AAUW. We are grateful for any and all donations to our program, and your generosity enables us to direct more of our funds to therapy and activities for the children and adults we serve.

As you know, our priority program is a seven-week residential children's therapy program where we have as many as 160 children here every summer.

We also have a week-long summer program for adults with disabilities, as well as many other shorter programs throughout the year.

Through your kindness, we are so happy to have you be a part of our Bay Cliff family. Welcome! We are glad to have you. Thank you, again, for thinking of us at Bay Cliff.

With gratitude from Bay Cliff,

Clare Lutgen

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Executive Director

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A Place Apart... Where Dreams Come True!

THE REMARKABLE

SUSAN

PLAY IN ONE ACT BY

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Susan B. Anthony is on trial for the crime of casting a ballot. Tempers flare and animosities run high when the fiery defendant of women's rights challenges the courts of New York. Her detractors, calling her everything from an old maid to a publicity seeker, are determined to see her convicted. Susan, however, is not easily discouraged....

CHARACTERS

Susan B. Anthony	Ruth Ziel
Crowley, District Attorney	Charlie West
Henry Selden, Susan's Lawyer	Peter Goodrich
Court Clerk	Pat Micklow
Young Girl	Samantha Wright
Woman #1 foe	Margie West
Woman #2 foe	Judy Puncocochar
Man #1	John Leow
Man #2	Bill Davis
Postmistress	Carolyn Myers
Journalist	Jackie Stark
Guelma, Susan's sister	Susan Shaver
Hannah, sister	Leslie Warren
Mary, sister	Renee Leow
Judge Hunt	Judd Spray

PLACE

A courtroom. Upstate New York.

TIME

June 17, 1873

Although the "feeling" of the play is timeless.

Director: Meg Goodrich