



Milwaukee (WI) Branch
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MILWAUKEE BRANCH NEWSLETTER

Summer Edition, 2016

Saturday,
August 6,

2016

*NOT OUR
FOUNDING
MOTHERS'
CUP OF TEA
Salsa Fusion*

We are honoring
members who have
served AAUW for 40,
30, 25, 10, & 5 years.

We are recognizing
members who joined
in the 2015-16 year.

SOCIAL: 11 A.M.

PROGRAM: 12 NOON

TEA PARTY 1 P.M.
Salsa Dance Lessons

\$10 for the event.

President's UPDATE

Hello everyone,

The summer is really flying by already and the Board has had a VERY busy summer already.

Here are the highlights of what we have been working on this summer so far! I hope this communication finds you enjoying the fun and sun that is uniquely summer and hope to see you soon!

- Of our 85 members, we had a total of 65 members submit their renewals in time for the June 30th deadline. If for any reason you forgot to submit your dues, you may still do so! Please contact the office or feel free to submit your dues online at the national link, aauw.org.
- I want to give a special **shout out to Jose Pequeno** for getting the shelving unit installed in the office. This now completes the majority of the reorganization that we initiated to get the office and the suite more user-friendly for our membership. The shelving unit on the wall is stocked by Kathe with materials that all members can access and also membership materials for the membership committee.
- The membership team, in collaboration with Kathe Bogdan, is doing a **BANG UP JOB** working on the **Not Our Founding Mothers' Cup of Tea event** (now affectionately known as NYM) scheduled for Saturday, August 6th at the ICC. Please plan to join us as they have put a lot of work and effort into the planning and it promises to be a **GREAT** time for everyone. In addition, they are planning some nice membership recognition so I know they will appreciate a big turnout.
- The summer seems to be flying by already! I have received almost 40 responses to the membership survey, and I'll gladly accept any others that still need to be sent. I am looking forward to sharing the results of the survey, and to having more in-depth discussion during our Annual meeting Saturday, September 10.
- The Board is planning to meet in August, to prepare for the Annual Meeting. Please let us know if there are events or issues that you'd like to discuss! You may contact any of the Board members with your comments.

Until August 6, stay cool and please

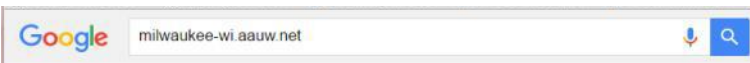
Be kind to one another!

*Michelle
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NOTE this internet address: milwaukee-wi.aauw.net

Just type the address in your browser's search...



and, *whollah!* Up pops our Milwaukee Branch website!

Our Milwaukee Branch's website, although not *completely* finished —*actually websites never really are*— has some interesting items that you can tap into, starting at the HOME page. Some items are shown here.

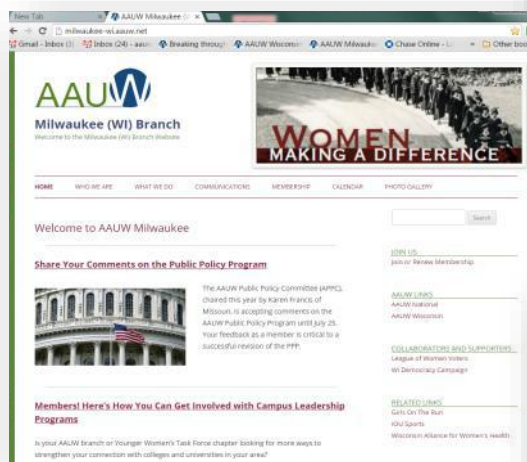
As more and more articles, videos and graphics are gleaned from our members, our state, and from national, you will see an ever-increasing amount of pertinent information.

Have An Idea?

As this is our branch's website, we can include many things of interest to us. We need only submit an idea, a photo or an article to our branch office by phone, email, or in person, and we can work it up and send to "Site-Resources", AAUW's web provider, and tell them where we want it placed. Experts there do the work for us.

Welcome Contributions

Mary Fiedler is working on writing a piece for the History page, nestled under WHO WE ARE, and Jerrienne Hayslett is preparing something for the Scholarship page, under WHAT WE DO.

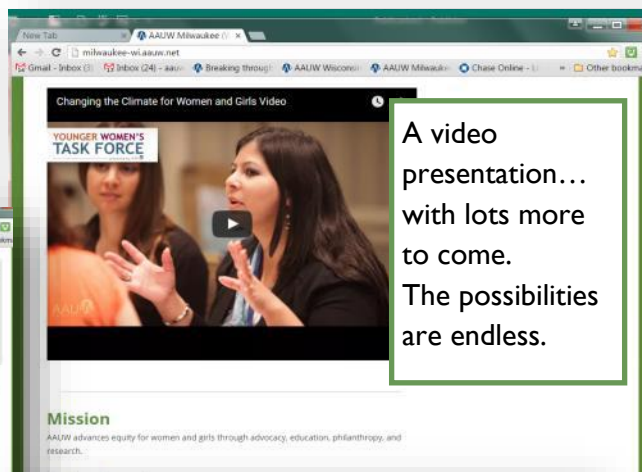


Get Online

You are encouraged to take an exploratory tour through the site, and perhaps some ideas will bubble to the surface.

Presently, everything goes through the branch office. However, we will eventually have the ability to train specific members on the website management program, and they will then have the ability to post directly to the site.

That's why we need more people to help. If you are interested please call or email the office and we can discuss how you would like to help.



The American Association of University Women empowers women and girls through philanthropy, advocacy, research and education. The nonpartisan, nonprofit organization has



Milwaukee Branch is proud of this heritage, and that of our Branch, established in 1894. Since its founding in 1881 AAUW members have examined and taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day — educational, social, economic, and political. Our commitment to the mission is reflected in all aspects of our endeavors within the Milwaukee Branch.

Bottom line: It is our website. It is what tells our members and anyone who visits the site who we are, what we do, and what's important to us.



This image appears on every page

From Kathe Bogdan, Milwaukee Branch Public Relations



Benita Clark



Membership Matters



Graciela Pequeno

OUR STRENGTH IS GROUNDED ON OUR LEADERSHIP

Leadership in our Branch depends on the strength of our membership.



As a member of the Milwaukee Branch,

1. You have the added benefit of direct engagement in community projects which serve women and education.
2. You have the opportunity and privilege of making personal connections with other members who have similar interests as yours.
3. You will find that as an AAUW member, when you reach out to each other, the connections you make will often result in meaningful lifelong relationships.
4. You will find that in this life there's nothing like making new friends or intermingling with old friends.

AUGUST 6—MEMBER RECOGNITION DAY—

It is still not too late to make a reservation for this unique summer event!!

If you have NOT responded to your invitation to our much publicized "NOT OUR FOUNDING MOTHERS' CUP OF TEA," please take this minute to respond right now!

This year the Membership Committee (with the blessing of our Board of Directors) will be establishing a new tradition from this year on of welcoming not only our "newest" members, including our student affiliates, but **also honoring our "tried and true" LEGACY members who have been an active part of our Branch for a long time.** On this day special recognition will be given to those members who have been on our rosters for five years or more. This day, properly called Member Recognition Day, the committee we will be honoring **all of our members** by going back in five year intervals--**5, 10, 15, 25, 30, and 40 years** .

Membership recognition, of course, is based on the member's involvement and participation in our Branch. Here are the names of our special honorees. *(The names of our newest members have been previously introduced and published.)*

LEGACY MEMBERS TO BE RECOGNIZED	<u>40 years</u>	<u>25 years</u>	<u>5 years</u>
	Alpha Wetenkamp	Kathleen Bogdan	Lyn Ann Hildenbrand
		Anne Lehman	Linda Jenzake
		Judith Risser	Isabell Mueller
	<u>30 years</u>		Maureen Pylman
	Margaret Courtright	<u>10 years</u>	
	Genevieve Prince	Mary Fiedler	
		Jerrienne Hayslett	
		Barb Streiff	

Come and share in this day of joy and fellowship as we celebrate both our faithful Legacy Members and members new to our Branch.

Come and enjoy great food and Salsa Dancing combined with the "musical click" of our own Salsa Master Teacher **Yuliana Manriquez** and the "Love of Her Life—Carlos".

Submitted By Catherine Tully
Chair of Milwaukee Branch Public Policy

VOTER REGISTRATION

All members that are Special Registration Deputies (SRDs) can start registering voters after the August election in preparation for November. Unfortunately many eligible voters (those who do not vote in primaries) have not yet registered or voted under the photo ID law.

I hope to have a large AAUW presence for voter registration at UWM when school begins in September.

We also will need help from those not SRDs to attract folks to register and hand out info about Voter ID. Please email me if you would like to become an SRD and I can provide details. If you are interested in participating, please email or call (414) 426 – 4885 with dates in early September that will NOT work for you. I will aim for times most of us can be there.

Let's help everyone's vote to be heard!

DATES to remember

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6
“Not Our Founding Mothers’ Cup of Tea.” See details on front page in Michelle’s Update, and on page 3 under Membership Matters.

Saturday, September 10
The second Saturday in September (avoiding the Labor Day Holiday) will be the **Annual Meeting. Please put this date on your calendar.** More details in September newsletter.

...and then—just 3 weeks later.....

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1
is a **Membership Drive** which will include a very personal and unique fashion show. Watch for exciting details in future newsletters.

Future Meeting Dates

- ◆ Saturday, September 10
- ◆ Saturday, October 1
- ◆ Saturday, November 5
- ◆ Saturday, December 3
- ◆ Saturday, January 7, 2017
- ◆ Saturday, February 4
- ◆ Saturday, March 4
- ◆ Saturday, April 1
- ◆ Saturday, May 6

Program information will be in September edition of the newsletter.



Book Club

Milwaukee Branch Book Club Meeting at Boswell Books



4th Tuesday of the Month

September through May

1 p.m.

**In Suite 202
Astor Hotel**

**Beginning
September 27**

What has now become a yearly tradition, the Milwaukee Branch Book Club met in June with Boswell's proprietor, Daniel Goldin. Each year, Daniel presents a lively synopsis and assessment of approximately twenty-five recently published books. As always, his knowledge of the book world, publishers and authors impressed and motivated the group. Book club members will take his recommendations into account on September 27, when they select the books they want to read and discuss this year. The book club meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the AAUW Suite 202. *New members are always welcome and encouraged to come!*

Submitted by Mary Fiedler
Coordinator, Milwaukee Branch Book Club