

**Monday, February 23, 2008****Cedar Falls Woman's Club  
Third and Clay Streets****Gather 5:00 p.m.****AAUW Program 5:30 p.m.****Dinner and Business Meeting 6:15 p.m.*****The Glass Slipper Myth:  
Cedar Valley Women Address Gender Equity*****Equity Issues in Medicine****Dr. Sharon Duclos, Co-Medical Director  
Peoples Community Health Clinic, Inc.****Gender Equity  
Still an Issue****Mission:**

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

**Vision:**

AAUW, Cedar Falls Branch, will be recognized in the community as an advocate for women and girls.

**Diversity Statement:**

In principle and in practice, the AAUW, Cedar Falls Branch, values and seeks diversity. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.

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What is a community health center? There are 1,100 of them in the U.S., 13 in Iowa, including Peoples Community Health Clinic in Waterloo. They grew out of the war on poverty and the civil rights movement. Their purpose was to provide medical care to the under-served and promote community empowerment. Funding was approved by Congress in 1965 to establish two demonstration projects, one in Boston, which opened in 1965, and one in Mound Bayou, Mississippi, which opened in 1967.

A health center was required to have a governing board, a majority of whose members are patients of the health center. Its success was measured by its patients' health, and also by the health of the community it served. Not something a traditional medical practice is required to report on. It had to be located in an area, or treat a population, officially designated as under-served; to have nonprofit, public, or tax exempt status; to provide comprehensive primary care; to disregard patients' ability to pay; and to offer a sliding scale of fees. Senate findings, in 2008, state that community health centers "have compiled a remarkable record of achievement in providing care of superior quality, with exceptional cost-effectiveness and efficiency, saving billions of dollars for both taxpayers and private payers."

As medical director and practitioner at a community health center, Sharon Duclos is directly involved in promoting equity. She is a board-certified family practice physician, and has said she's where she is today because of Title IX. She received her medical degree from Texas Tech. University, and did her internship and residency at Lynchburg Family Practice Residency Program, which is affiliated with the University of Virginia, and claims the distinction of the busiest emergency department in the Commonwealth. Dr. Sharon Duclos is also team physician to the UNI women's basketball team. Join us for an informed, experienced view of equity issues in medicine.

**Reservations:**

Marcia Street 277-1780

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**Wednesday, February 18, 8 pm****\$11** State your menu choice**Menu:** Roast Beef

with Cucumber Sauce Peas

Cran-raspberry Sherbet Mold

Peanut Butter Cheesecake

or Chef Salad, regular / vegetarian

**Catch up with Greg Mortenson** at Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center on the University of Northern Iowa campus in Cedar Falls. Mortenson, author of *Three Cups of Tea*, 2008 Wartburg Graven Award honoree and previous Wartburg convocation speaker, will speak at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 12, where he will present two new books: *Three Cups of Tea-Young Readers Edition*, and *Listen to the Wind*, a children's book. The event is free and open to the community. For books and more information, contact Patty Achey-Cutts at University Book & Supply, 266-7581, or go to [www.uni.edu/mortenson](http://www.uni.edu/mortenson).

## From your co-presidents ~

Buying and Selling Books      Tight Money and Ways for AAUW Members to Save Money  
**AAUW Partnership with Barnes & Nobles, Discounts from University Book & Supply**

Beginning immediately, AAUW has a new partnership with Barnes & Noble's online sales site, **BN.com**. Customized for AAUW members, the **www.bn.com/aauw** website is our own AAUW bookstore. AAUW members automatically receive a 5 percent discount on purchases (10 percent periodically)—and that's on top of other available discounts that apply to the purchase.

In addition, University Book & Supply in Cedar Falls offers an AAUW CV3D book discount. Register as a Cedar Valley Discover Diversity Discuss member, then when you go to the counter to pay for your discussion book, you will receive a 15 percent discount on that title. Our Cedar Falls branch of AAUW keeps University Book & Supply informed the CV3D monthly titles immediately after the selections are made each spring. Call 266-7581 or Email: [Bookstore@panthersupply.com](mailto:Bookstore@panthersupply.com).

The CV3D branch selections for next year will be made in May 2009. Have some favorite titles? Let me know and we'll put them on the "Selections List" from which the 2009-2010 CV3D books will be chosen.

*Dr. Judy Beckman*



### Report From the Board of Directors

The Board met on February 2, 2009. Co-President Judy Beckman expressed her thanks to all AAUW members who helped with the January 10 State Board Meeting.

- > Dates to remember: April 17-18, State AAUW of Iowa Spring Conference at Wartburg.
- > Contributions are needed for the AAUW Iowa Go Green Auction on Saturday, April 18.
- > June 26-28, AAUW Association Convention, St. Louis, MO.
- > Dr. Sharon E. Duclos, Co-medical Director, Peoples Community Health Clinic, will speak at the February 23 dinner meeting.
- > The Art Auction items may be viewed on the AAUW Web site.
- > The AAUW Garage Sale will be held May 2 at the home of Allaire George.
- > Members are encouraged to write to Senator Charles Grassley asking for his support of the Paycheck Fairness Act.
- > CV3D will meet February 9 at the UNI Museum. Dorothy Zelle, MSW, Lutheran Social Services will be the featured speaker. The book for this meeting is *The Girls Who Went Away*.
- > Members are asked to bring pajamas to the February 23 dinner meeting for Friends of the Family Shelter.
- > March 5 is National Woman's Day. The movie, "Powerful Noise" will be shown at the Cedar Falls Movie Theatre at 7pm, followed by a round table discussion.

*Mary Franke, Secretary*

### Looking back to our beginnings!

April 2, 1925

Dues were \$2 and there were 32 member names on that year's charter membership list.

There were only 4 meetings a year those first years. Most members were affiliated with the college in some way.

Winifred Hart was not a charter member but she is listed as the State President in 1938. Evelyn Wood always said Winifred was Mrs. AAUW, just like we said Evelyn Wood was the same for us. In all news articles members are only listed as Mrs. W. L. Wallace etc. Given names were not used in the news media until the 70's.

A UNI history major is looking through our historical materials at the CF Historical Center and indexing names from news articles and other materials housed in the center.

*Ardelle Brown, Historian*

### Educational Foundation

**Hear Yea, Hear Yea! The time for the EF-LAF Silent Auction is now!**

We have received many beautifully crafted items for your consideration. Join the fun and let's raise the bar on fundraising this year for EF and LAF.

**Bidding starts March 1.** All items may be viewed on the AAUW web site for those who have computers. Others will receive descriptions and pictures through US mail.

**E-mail bids to [allaireg7@mchsi.com](mailto:allaireg7@mchsi.com) or by phone 233-5320 before March 20. Final bids will be taken by 5:30 pm at the March 24th dinner meeting.**

All items for the auction must be to Allaire George by February 15, 448 Loma Street, Waterloo. Barb Cardamon, 233-2848 can pick up donations.

In other news we will be holding a plant and rummage sale on May 2. Start your spring housecleaning and set aside your no longer wanted but gently used goods. No clothing, please. More details next month.

*Barbara Cardamon, co-chair EF, 233-2848, [cardmore@aol.com](mailto:cardmore@aol.com)*

# Community Action

AAUW  
at Work  
for You



## Cedar Valley

### Discuss & Discover Diversity

#### Reading & Sharing

Monday February 9, 2009

The Cedar Valley Discuss & Discover Diversity group discussion on February 9 is *The Girls Who Went Away: The Hidden History of Women Who Surrendered Children for Adoption in the Decades before Roe v. Wade* by Ann Fessler. She presents a balance between first-person narrations from women who gave up children and from adopted children in the decades before Roe v. Wade. Fessler reveals the psychological pain for mothers and children and the effects on the rest of their lives.

Cedar Valley residents are welcomed. Come to the UNI Museum, on Hudson Road, from 4:30-5:30 p.m. The discussion is sponsored by AAUW Cedar Falls Branch, The UNI Museums, and the Cedar Falls and Waterloo Public Libraries. Participants need not have read the book to attend. Museum is handicap accessible.

For information: [drjudy.beckman@cfu.net](mailto:drjudy.beckman@cfu.net) or 319-268-0544

AAUW has long been a leader in the pay equity fight. The campaign, "Keep the Change Until Women Have Real Change", is proving to be successful. On January 9 the House approved both the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act and the Pay-check Fairness Act. Congressman Bruce Braley voted yes.

On January 15, the Senate took a first step to move forward on the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act with a positive, bipartisan test vote of 72-23. AAUW urges the passage of both acts as a package as part of the first set of bills the new president signs into law. Both Iowa Senators voted "Yes" for this test vote.

Lilly Ledbetter was a special guest on the inaugural train that carried President Obama and Vice President Biden to Washington, DC for the inauguration.

*Dee Lynch*

## 2009 AAUW National Convention June 26-28, 2009 St. Louis



Lilly Ledbetter, the face of pay equity and the namesake of the recently enacted Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, is coming to St. Louis. Are you?



## Political Action - Public Policy Time for you to become involved!

AAUW is a co-sponsor of the Legislative Public Forum, which is held several times during the course of the Legislative session. It is open to the public. The Forum is an opportunity to hear updates from local Legislators regarding issues, committee work, legislation, etc. and for those attending to express their views or to ask questions. Legislators are generally available before or after the Forum to talk with individuals.

If you are unable to attend, check the CFU schedule channel 14 for broadcast times since each Forum is broadcast on the CFU local programming channel.

All Legislative Public Forums are held at AEA 267--Seminar A,B,C. AEA 267 is at 3712 Cedar Heights Drive Cedar Falls

- >>Friday, February 6, 2009--4:30 p.m.
- >Saturday, February 21, 2009--10.00 a.m.
- >>Friday, March 6, 2009--4:30 p.m.
- >Saturday, March 21, 2009--10:00 a.m.

Additional Forums may be scheduled.

Maureen White, Public Policy/Voter Education, 266-9901 or [mwhite@cfu.net](mailto:mwhite@cfu.net).

## **(LAF) Legal Advocacy**

### **AAUW Invited to the White House!**

AAUW Executive Director Linda D. Hallman was invited to the White House as guest and witness when President Obama signed the first piece of legislation to ever cross his desk, the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act. Ledbetter was filled with emotion as she and Hallman witnessed together the pen stroke that will protect those who are discriminated against from the gross injustice she suffered. While savoring this victory, this law only gets us back where we were before the Supreme Court decision eighteen months ago. It is, however, a gratifying down payment toward real progress on pay equity. The Paycheck Fairness Act is essential to our fight for fair pay. Hallman recently spoke at a Senate Democratic Policy Committee meeting, where Democratic Senators learned why the Paycheck Fairness Act is so important. She also offered AAUW's appreciation for the Senate's plans to take up the bill this spring. AAUW will once again be leading women's groups and civil rights organizations in the fight to pass this pay equity legislation in the Senate.

*jane.close@uni.edu, LAF Director*



### **The Pajama Party continues next month!**

## **The Power of a Penny**

Pennies collected in January for Greg Mortenson project: \$117.50! Bring more in February to fill the pitcher to the brim.



**Books! Books!**  
Books are for sale  
at each dinner  
meeting for \$1.

**Cedar Falls AAUW Newsletter**  
Sheryl Bewyer, editor

[sbewyer@cfu.net](mailto:sbewyer@cfu.net)

## **Interest and Study Groups Opportunities to Participate**

### **International Studies**

The International Studies group will also meet on Monday, February 16th, at the Cedar Falls Library. The time is 1:15 pm, with the topic being **Iraq**.

Looking ahead, the March 16 meeting will be at University Book and Supply, with the topic of **US Defense Policy**.

*Kathy Agness*

### **Women in Motion WIM**

Demand for emergency assistance at food pantries, soup kitchens and other feeding programs is at an all-time high as the nation struggles through tough economic times. In response to these needs, we spent an evening working at the Northeast Iowa Food Bank. We also collected donations of food and cash (\$75) at the January 26 monthly dinner meeting. Thank you to all for your generous donations.

On March 5, International Women's Day, we will meet for dinner prior to viewing the premiere of "A Powerful Noise," an acclaimed documentary that follows the lives of three extraordinary women from other parts of the world.

If you are interested in joining WIM activities, please let me know.

*Jane Close, WIM Facilitator, jane.close@uni.edu*

### **Literature Interest Group**

*Jean Kelly 266-0809 jeankelly@cfu.net*



### **Telling Our Stories**

Our writing group will not meet in February. The next meeting will be March 2.

*Gloria Tollefson, Chair gtollefson@mchsi.com*

### **Bridge Groups**

#### **Third Wednesday Bridge**

Bonanza 11:30 am

• February 18 Gladys Wagner

#### **Fourth Tuesday Bridge**

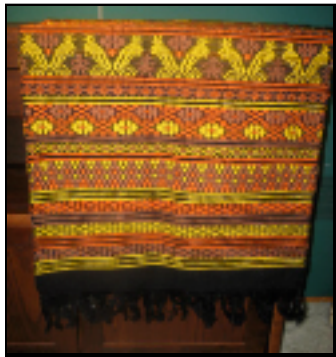
• February 23 Esther Kieffer



*Dargy Baxter, Facilitator, 266-2890 (home), 319-230-3781 (cell), dargybaxter@mchsi.com*

# Art Auction

March 2009



Woven orange, gold, brown and black table runner with fringe, 17" x 44" Minimum \$25.00



Woven chenille rug, 26" x 41" cream with light yellow; washable. Minimum \$15.00



Hand crafted and painted gourd bowl with leaves, approximately 8" diameter. Minimum \$20.00



"Symbols of the Warrior", dusty rose scarf, 9" x 54" - Minimum \$10.00



Hand crocheted, lavender fancy apron - Minimum \$15.00



Three piece 1940's buffet glassware set with oblong bowl, approximately 8" x 13" and two candleholders. Minimum \$30.00



Hand constructed blue striped bag with inside pockets, approximately 18 x 20" + handle Minimum- \$45.00



"Sweet Memories", 6.5" Waterford lead crystal vase Minimum bid \$15.00

Macrame wall hanging, 7" x 46" - Minimum \$10.00



Acrylic painted chair for use indoors or in a sheltered outside area - Minimum \$35.00



"Dick and Jane" clothespin bag - Minimum \$15.00



"Amaroq"  
First in a series of ten hand-colored photo reproductions from an original 5" x 7" scratchboard drawing. Presented in an 8 1/2" x 11" brushed silver frame. Minimum - \$30.00

