# AAUW

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Monday, February 28, 2011 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.

Celebrating Our 85 Years of Empowering Women

### Mission:

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

#### Vision:

AAUW Cedar Falls Branch will be recognized as a leader in the community in advocating 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.

### **Board of Directors:**

**Co-Presidents** Maureen White, Mary Dove **Presidents Elect** Linda Morgan, Ardelle Brown Past President Judy Beckman Vice Presidents for Program Gloria Tollefson Marcia Street Vice President for Membership Delores Lynch Co-Vice Presidents for Fundraising Jean Kelly, Bonnie Smith Secretary Dargy Baxter Treasurer Nancy Henderson Public Policy Joan Kurt Legal Advocacy Fund Jane Close

# Empowering Women Through Rotary International and Other Non-profits in Nicaragua

Rotary International, along with Hope and Relief International and other nonprofit organizations, offers a hand up, not a hand out through education to Nicaraguan children. Patty Achey Cutts will share her experiences in Chinandega, the Children of the Dump, and Refugio Belen, as well as telling how the efforts of many are moving these communities out of extreme poverty and helping young women through education.



Patty, along with her husband Ken, and fellow Rotarians have made three mission trips to Nicaragua in an effort to bring children and families out of extreme poverty to a poverty level.

Come and learn how education can make a difference.

Menu: Chicken Florentine Garlic Cheesy Mashed Potatoes Ambrosia Salad Green Beans Almondine Carrot Cake or Chef Salad, regular or vegetarian Allaire George 233-5320 allaireg7@mchsi.com 8 pm Thursday, February 24, \$11 State your menu choice \*\*\* You MUST call or email Allaire if you plan to eat \*\*\*

**Reservations:** 

If you have made a reservation and find you can not attend, please find someone to take your place or you will be responsible for paying for your meal.

# **Community Action**

# Cedar Valley Discuss & Discover Diversity Reading & Sharing

Monday, February 14 and March 14 are two special CV3D events. In February, Pat Higby will be discussion leader for the award winning book: *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* by Kampwamba and Mealer. This CV3D meeting will be held in the UNI Museum from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Remember the UNI Museum is handicap accessible.

Monday, March 14, author Kent Nerburn will speak on his book *Neither Wolf Nor Dog*. He will present twice: from 4:30-5:30 at the Cedar Falls Public Library and again at the library from 7-8 p.m.

Nerburn is a prize-winning author, artist whose work is shown in the Hiroshima Peace Museum, and theologian. University Book & Supply has copies of *Neither Wolf Nor Dog* for sale. Nerburn will be autographing books after his presentation. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Judy Beckman and Mary Dove

# Membership Orientation Gathering

The Membership Committee held a brunch and orientation for new members on Saturday, January 22, 2001. The event was held at the home of Dee Lynch and the food was furnished by Dee Lynch, Marcia Street, Dr. Judy Beckman, Mimi Zischke and Anne Schuessler (who also served as assistant hostess).

Present were new members: Susan Kimball, Darline Balm-Demmel, Pauline Harding, Elaine Bruns and Joan Bunkofsky. Also attending were Co-Presidents Maureen White and Mary Dove, Mimi Zischke, Marcia Street, Anne Schuessler. Following brunch the members gathered to view a DVD about the mission and vision of AAUW and to discuss the interest/study groups and community projects. Several members were unable to attend for personal reasons. In addition to learning more about AAUW, the oppor-

# From your co-presidents ~

## **Recognition Nominations Sought**

The Board of Directors has decided to continue the Named Grant recognition for outstanding contributions to our Branch. The names of past recipients are printed in the back of the Yearbook. This year, the certificate will be presented to the honoree at the April annual meeting and our branch will contribute \$500 to AAUW to be equally distributed among the five major AAUW fund areas.

Any member of the branch has the opportunity to submit the name of a member for this recognition. You may wish to consider a member who has made a significant financial contribution, served as a dedicated officer, or has simply been a staunch supporter of AAUW. When submitting a nomination, please supply the name and reason(s) for the nomination.

Send your nomination via email or US mail by February 28 to Ardelle Brown or Linda Morgan. The Board will select the honoree at the March Board of Directors meeting.

Co-presidents Maureen White and Mary Dove

## Promoting Global Awareness Community Project

Our Great Decisions discussion group will meet Tuesday evening, February 22 from 7- 8:30 pm. at the CF Public Library.

We will view a 30 minute video on topic 5, "The Global Financial Crisis and It's Effects". Discussion will focus on how financial markets, governments and institutions continue to react to the fallout from the Great Recession. What might the future hold?

Last month there were 16 of us and we really had an interesting discussion on "Today's China". Join us and bring a friend. This group is open to the community.

Gloria Tollefson and Marcia Street, Co-Facilitators

tunity to become more acquainted with one another was appreciated by all who attended.



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

## **International Studies**

# **International Studies Interest Group to Meet**

Our discussion group will meet at the CF Public Library at 1:15 pm on Monday, February 21. Lois Crowley and Dargy Baxter are co-hostesses. Liz Poole will lead the discussion on "The Global Financial Crisis and It's Effects". All AAUW members are invited to join our group. Lois Crowley, Group Facilitator

# Literature Interest Group

The "Lit" book group will meet at 1:15 pm at the home of Liz Poole on Monday, February 14.

Dee Lynch will share a book she has recently read. Call Liz if you would like to join us.

Jean Kelly, Facilitator

## **Public Policy/Voter Education**

Legislative forums are to be held at AEA 267, rooms ABC, on the following dates on the following topics before the legislature.

Friday, February 18 Saturday, March 5 Friday, March 18

Health **Criminal Justice Civil Rights** 

Friday forums are 4:30 - 6 pm Saturday forums are 10 - Noon

Plan to attend all, or those of particular interest. Joan Kurt Public Policy/Voter Ed

# **Books** for **Incarcerated Women**



**Educational Opportunities** and Legal Advocacy Fund

**Cedar Falls AAUW Newsletter** Sheryl Bewyer, editor sbewyer@cfu.net 266-6614



# **Report From** the Board of Directors Dates to remember:

Saturday February 12, 2011, News Talk, Chris Larimer, UB&S, Gender Balance, 10:30-11:30 am.

Monday February 14, 2011, CV3D, The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind, UNI Museum, 4:30-5:30 pm.

Wednesday February 16, 2001, AAUW Wednesday Bridge for EF, Hostess Ardelle Brown.

Friday February 18, 2011, Legislative Public Forum, AEA 267, 4:30 pm.

Thursday February 22, 2011, AAUW Thursday Bridge for EF, Hostess Dargy Baxter.

Saturday February 26, 2011, Iron Jawed Angels, Iowa Veterans Museum/Grout Museum, 1-3:30 pm Dargy Baxter, Secretary

# **International Friendship Program**

**Iowa Radio Reading Information Service** 



**Scholarship Committee** 



# **Bridge For Educational** Foundation

Third Wednesday Bridge will be

February 16, 2011 March 16, 2011

Ardelle Brown-hostess Patti Hucka-hostess

## Fourth Tuesday Bridge will be

February 22, 2011 not assigned March 22, 2011 Esther Kieffer-hostess

To be included on the calling lists for either or both of these groups contact Dargy Baxter:

E-mail dargybaxter@mchsi.com or call 266 - 2890.