

Monday, September 24, 2018
Cedar Falls Woman's Club

Menu:

Vegetarian Lasagna
Bread sticks, Mixed green salad,
Lemon bar
Coffee or Tea \$15



Reservations:

Mary Ellen Beckman
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due by
September 19, 2018



Mission:

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

Vision:

AAUW Cedar Falls-Waterloo 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-Waterloo 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:

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Our theme this year is
Leadership and Education

Gather 5:00 pm
Program 5:30 pm
Dinner 6:15 pm

**Try Pie: Empowering Young Women
Through Meaningful Work**

Speaker is Sarah Helleso and one or two students

Try Pie is a social enterprise within Link Christian Community Development that empowers a diverse group of teen girls in life and leadership skills through meaningful work by making and selling pie. Students earn money, acquire job and life skills, and practice giving to their community and saving for their futures.

Try Pie exemplifies innovation in its creative approach to formation with teenagers. It also operates as a new economic model for community development that has the potential for scalability. Try Pie cultivates a foundation of financial competency, personal responsibility, community engagement and stewardship of the delicious abundance of God's creation. The teens develop confidence in their leadership, learning they have something to offer as individuals and in collaboration with others.

Empowering a diverse group of teen girls in life and leadership skills through meaningful work.

Co-vice presidents for program:

JoAnn DeVries joanndv@cfu.net

Sandy Lawry sandylawry1970@gmail.com

The September meeting dinner is: Vegetarian Lasagna, Bread Sticks, Mixed Green Salad, Lemon Bar Coffee or Tea \$15

Reservations for this event are due noon Wednesday, September 19, and should be made at AAUW.CFW.RSVP@gmail.com

or call Mary Ellen Beckman 269-1893.

>> Cost this year is \$15. Women's Club must begin charging the 7% tax & must be made at the club by Wednesday night before the Monday meeting.

AAUW Strategic Plan

If you would like to see the entire report on the AAUW website about the Strategic Plan adopted in June 2018, click on this link [Beyond Aspiration: Advancing Equity for Women and Girls](#). If the link does not work, go to <https://www.aauw.org/who-we-are/strategic-plan/> You may download the entire report or read it online.

Mark your calendars

Our branch will host *We Need to Talk: How Black and White Women Receive and Perceive Each Other*, a discussion featuring presenters Carletta Knox-Seymour from Cedar Rapids and Dev Kiedaisch from Keokuk. It's scheduled for 10:30 - noon at the Waterloo Public Library on Saturday, October 20 and is open to the public. This is part of our outreach effort in the Cedar Valley.

Maureen White

Presidents Report



President
Pat Higby



front row

Sandy Lawry, Co-Vice President for Program; Maureen White, Communications Director and Public Policy; Linda Morgan, Co-Vice President for Membership; Myrna Sandvik, Vice-President for Fundraising.

back row

Kay Thrall and Arlene Prather-O-Kane, Co-Presidents Elect; JoAnn DeVries, Co-Vice President for Program; Nancy Hasenwinkel, Secretary; Sheryl Bewyer, Newsletter Editor; Jodi Bergmann, Treasurer. Gayle Wood Co-Vice President for Membership was not at the meeting.

The 2018 Spring Garage Sale earned more than \$1,600 toward our local scholarship funds. There were many attractive items donated for sale, many willing helpers, and a large number of customers looking for bargains. Altogether, a worthwhile event!

The fundraising committee thanks all the generous AAUW members who gave their time or contributed items to make our sale the success it was!

The 2019 Garage and Plant Sale will be held on May 17th and 18th at Sandy Lawry's garage, 3819 South Main St., Cedar Falls. Please mark the date, and begin now to save the "items you no longer need, but which may be useful to someone else."

2018 Spring Garage Sale



Each of these bags holds 25 pair of shoes to be sold by the pound for our scholarship funds. From this 16-bag start, hardworking AAUW members collected 86 bags of shoes to net a total of \$552.40, when they were sold.

CF-W AAUW Shoe Drive Is Successful Scholarship Fundraising Project

The shoe drive was a worthwhile project because:

- > it made a significant amount of money to fund our local transitional and textbook scholarships;
- > it provided a way for small-business owners (many of whom are women) in third-world countries with a possible way to support their families;
- > it kept many pairs of old, slow-to-decay shoes out of our local landfill;
- > it provided a positive way to recycle clutter from our own closets.

A big HIGH FIVE
to all who helped with this significant fundraiser.

Community Action

Cedar Valley Discuss & Discover Diversity Reading & Sharing

Monday, September 10, from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Cedar Valley Discuss, Discover Diversity will discuss *At the Dark End of the Street*, by Danielle McGuire.

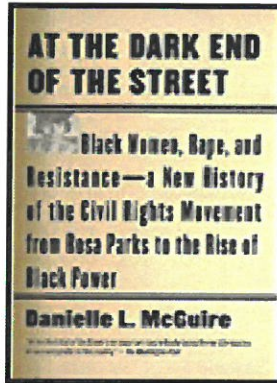
Her groundbreaking narrative shows readers a new look at a significant beginning of the civil rights movement. And, this never-before-told history shows a much more complex Rosa Parks.

Rosa Parks is often thought of as an elderly lady with tired feet who refuses to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Alabama, bus. She is not seen as one of two historical figures whose plan for a one-day refusal to ride the buses ignites the 381-day Montgomery, Alabama 1955 bus boycott.

At the Dark End of the Street is an eye-opening account describing the degradation, humiliation, and rape of black women that occurs from the beginning of slavery. It discloses a Rosa Parks who is one of the most radical racial activists in Alabama. She is one of thousands of black women whose courage, if noted by textbooks at all, is often a mere historical footnote.

Maureen White will host the presentation and discussion at the Cedar Falls Public Library in the Hardman Room located on the second floor. All Cedar Valley residents are invited to participate in this historical eye opening discussion. For additional information contact Mary Dove or Dr. Judy Beckman at 319-939-4075 or email drjudy.beckman@cfu.net

Cedar Falls American Association of University, sponsor of CV3D, values and seeks a diverse membership. They advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.



Promoting Global Awareness Great Decisions Study Groups



International Studies

International study groups to discuss US Global Engagement and Our Military Both Great Decisions groups will resume after summer recess with a discussion on, "How should the United States redefine its national security needs, its military role and missions in this changing world?" The global balance is rapidly changing and how our military strength, assistance to other countries, leadership and diplomacy, or limiting our military should change. It will be discussed after viewing a DVD which presents four different views on this topic. Join us as we discuss *TODAY'S MOST CRITICAL ISSUES!*

As members, you have two opportunities -

> Monday, September 17 at 1:15 pm in the library at the First Presbyterian Church at 9th and Main, Cedar Falls.

> Tuesday, September 18 at 7 pm in the small conference room at the Cedar Falls Public Library.

Gloria Tollefson 266-4075 gtollefson@cfu.net

Kay Thrall 266-6190 keds@cfu.net

Gloria Tollefson, project chair

From Kick-off Tuesday, August 28



From left to right... Louise Conklin and Marge Herrick and seated is Gayle Wood, Co-Vice-President of Membership

Intersectionality – what is that? Intersectionality is a term frequently found now in literature or heard in discussions related to feminism, diversity, and inclusion. You'll see it in the new AAUW Values.

This excerpt from "Three Musts for Intersectional Feminism" (aauw.org) explains. "Kimberlé Crenshaw didn't invent the concept, but she did coin the term to acknowledge multiple overlapping social identities and related systems of oppression. As women, we are oppressed by the patriarchal societal culture, but there is still a difference in how and to what extent we experience oppression based on our race, ethnicity, ability, appearance, culture, economic status, gender expression, sexual orientation, and more.

Three ways to ensure intersectionality: 1. Confront your privilege 2. Respect bodily autonomy 3. Lift each other up.

When you host AAUW events and meetings, take a moment to reflect on who is not there and why they are absent. It is not enough to include a space for everyone at the table; you also have to invite them to the table and welcome them when they get there. And while adopting these practices can be challenging, being intentional about intersectionality is required to fully achieve unity and equity."

Maureen White

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~ AAUW Scholarship ~

Nouran Othman receives scholarship certificate from Karen Agee, Chair of AAUW Transition Scholarship Committee

Nouran Othman is the recipient of the 2018 Transition Scholarship to the University of Northern Iowa. The \$1,000 scholarship is sponsored by the Cedar Falls - Waterloo branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW), whose mission is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

Ms. Othman has studied in UNI's CIEP program and has an outstanding academic record at Hawkeye Community College (HCC). At the University of Northern Iowa (UNI) she plans to major in accounting and public administration.

Transition Scholarships are awarded in the spring to female students age 23+ currently attending HCC who will enroll in at least six credit hours at UNI in the fall.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on at least 30 transferrable credit hours from HCC.

AAUW Cedar Falls Fund Raising

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Calling All AAUW Artists!

If you make or do anything loosely considered *ART*, we need you. We hope you can be generous with your talents and contribute an item to the AAUW Artists' Auction to be held at the November general meeting.

If you draw, paint, sew, quilt, write, scrapbook, craft, weave, embroidery, knit, crochet, tie-dye, arrange flowers, origami, sculpt, bead, macramé, quill, batik, knit, paper mache, make jewelry, or work (or play?) in any other artistic field you have a passion for, please help us.

We will hold a silent auction at the October 22 General Meeting. We will use items contributed by our creative AAUW members to raise money for our local scholarship funds.

We have published this announcement early to give you time to think about an item you may have on hand, and/or to give you time to produce an original item you could contribute to this event. Please consider this opportunity to use your talents for an excellent cause.

There will be more details in the October newsletter. Questions? Contact Myrna Sandvik, 319-230-9539 or sandvikmj@iowatelecom.net

AAUW Mission update

Maureen White – Leadership Development

You will notice new wording in the AAUW Mission, Vision and Values when you receive your AAUW Cedar Falls - Waterloo 2018-19 Yearbook. The revisions were adopted by the AAUW Board of Directors this June as part of a new Strategic Plan.

The Mission no longer contains the word philanthropy. In response to a question about the change, Sue Barley, AAUW Board member responded, "Philanthropy became a point of confusion in our mission statement. Outsiders didn't understand why they should financially support us if we would just give the money away. Branches and members thought it meant we should donate money to any cause, especially on the local level. AAUW should be the "cause" to be supported by all members and branches, plus other supporters."

Further, her response stated, "However, one noun – philanthropy – has been removed from the mission statement. Why? While we remain committed as AAUW members to support our mission through our endowed and annual fellowships and grants, others outside see "philanthropy" and assume we are an operating foundation. Meaning, we don't seek or need contributions or donations for our work. The intention of our philanthropy is to continue to help women and girls with their education, whether through branch scholarships, graduate fellowships or grants. The noun "education" encompasses this intent without confusing outside potential members or donors. But, our commitment to supporting women and girls continues in perpetuity."

There is no basic major change in giving practices within the organization. AAUW affiliates like ours can continue to provide local scholarships or other forms of philanthropy. The Legacy Circle planned giving at the national level continues as before.

Community Action Projects
Are you involved?

International Friendship Program

Pramod Sarin - Bonnie Smith

Membership

Linda Morgan & Gayle Wood
Co-Vice Presidents Membership

Bundles of Joy Community Action

Jane Çlose & Diane Davison

**Interest and Study Groups
as well as
Community Action Projects
and Opportunities to Participate**

Save the Date !
**Justice: A New Narrative
Restoring Wholeness to the Individual, the
Family and the Community**

Iowa Justice Action Network Fall Conference

Tuesday, October 9, 2018 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Waterloo Center For the Arts Waterloo, Iowa

**Keynote Speaker
Jeanne Bishop**
*Author of Change of Heart Justice, Mercy and
Making Peace With My Sister's Killer*

For more information contact allen.hays@uni.edu



Love and Hugs

Nancy Lemons, 89 died on June 30. The services were to be perhaps August 30.

She had been a member since 1952.

For more info... go to Richardson Funeral services information.



Cedar Valley UNA Maureen White

Fourth Fridays with Friends

Members meet at the College Square HyVee Coffee area at 10:30 am for relaxed but lively conversations.

Come join in the conversation before you get your groceries or a second cup of coffee with a group of AAUW friends. Join us on Friday, September 28.

Ardelle Brown

**Literature
Group**

The Literature Group meets the second Monday of the month, in our members homes.

Our AAUW Literature group will meet Monday afternoon, September 10, at 1:15 pm at the home of Orean Yahnke, 217 Damascus Drive in Cedar Falls (west on 4th St., turn right on Damascus Dr.).

Gloria Tollefson will present the book *Orphan Train*, by Christina Baker Kline, along with Santha Kerns who will share the real life story of her mother, who came to Iowa on the orphan train.

It is very important that you *RSVP* Orean, at 277-1079, as soon as possible.



New members are always welcome. If you would like to visit or receive a schedule,

call Joan at 266-8575.

Bridge For Education



September 19 and 25 are the days...

Playing begins at Willowwood / Western Home Communities dining room. 12:30 pm
1100 Grove Street CF

If you have not played before,
Call Ardelle or Claudia for more information
266-6882

Ardelle Brown and Claudia Kaestner, contacts

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