

Saturday, January 26, 2019
Cedar Falls Woman's Club



Our theme this year is Leadership and Education

Menu:
Saturday Brunch
Breakfast Casserole Quiche
Fruit Plate Poppy Seed Muffin
Juice, Coffee or Tea \$15



Reservations:

Mary Ellen Beckman
269-1893
AAUW.CFW.RSVP@gmail.com
due by January 18, 2019

**Cedar Falls-Waterloo and Waverly
AAUW Branch Meeting**

AAUW Waverly and Cedar Falls-Waterloo Branches will gather at 10 am on Saturday, January 26, at the Cedar Falls Women's Club, Third and Clay Street. AAUW is the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls.

Co-vice presidents for program:
JoAnn DeVries
joanndv@cfu.net
Sandy Lawry
sandylawry1970@gmail.com



Mission:

To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

Vision: Equity for all.

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.

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Ann Henninger-Trax of Waverly and Pat Higby of Cedar Falls-Waterloo, Program Co-Vice Presidents of the Iowa AAUW, arranged for a special program. Marian Wilson Kimber, Professor of Musicology at the University of Iowa, will describe her rediscovery of "musical readings", pieces by women composers that treat topics such as fashion, romance, and aging with a comedic touch. Professor Kimber will also perform these entertaining works, reciting with the piano accompaniment of Dr. Natalie Landowski who teaches at Grand View University.



Marian Wilson Kimber

Guests are welcome and anyone may attend and enjoy the meal or attend and listen to the program only.

Brunch and Meeting time - 10 am

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Coffee or Tea \$15

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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 before meeting. The brunch will begin at 10:15 am with their program beginning at about 10:40 am.

Fund Raising Report

The White Elephant Silent Auction will take place at the January Brunch. Proceeds will go to the local scholarship fund. The only planned fundraiser left for this year is the Garage Sale in May.

Myrna Sandvik Fund Raising Vice President

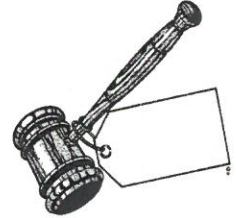
Presidents Report _____

From the Presidents...

Happy New Year everyone!! We hope to see all of you at our first brunch this year. It will be January 26 and will have an exciting program which you will read about in this newsletter.

We have a lot of things going on this year, which we will be telling you about in the future.

Put February 13 down on your calendar, for the AAUW Iowa Lobby Day, at Des Moines. Also, put down April 27, for our AAUW Spring Conference.



Arlene Prather-O'Kane and Kay Thrall

White Elephant Auction Is Scholarship Fundraiser

At the January 26, Saturday Brunch, we will hold the Annual White Elephant Auction. This is the time to donate to AAUW any lightly-used item that you no longer have a use for, but which may be prized by someone else. Duplicate Christmas presents, or decorations you are tired of are good choices for sale contributions.

Please wrap the item (or just put it in a plain bag) so the bidder can't see what it is. Place a hint of what your item is, on a label or tag, on the outside of the package. Obscure is OK, but not an outright lie.

Each package or bag should have a starting bid suggested by the donor. Before and during the meeting, everyone can guess what they **think** they are bidding on and enter their bids on the silent auction forms.

At the end of the meeting, winners can pay for their purchases and see what they bought. There might be a surprise or two from wrong guesses — but that is just part of the fun.

All the proceeds from this auction will be added to the local scholarship funds.

*Myrna Sandvik
Vice President for Fundraising*

SAVE THE DATE

May 17 and 18

Cedar Falls and Waterloo
Plant and
Garage Sale



Membership Report

Our Cedar Falls AAUW branch has
104 members this year.

Five are Life Members. They pay dues for life.

Eight are Honorary Life Members,
which are 50 years and more.

Three are new members this year.

*Linda Morgan and Gayle Wood
Co-Vice Presidents for Membership*

**Community Action
Projects**
Are you involved?

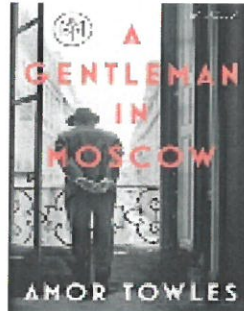


Community Action

Cedar Valley Discuss & Discover Diversity Reading & Sharing

A GENTLEMAN IN MOSCOW Amor Towles

Monday, January 14, second
Monday of the month, Cedar
Valley Discover Diversity will
discuss Amor Towles' novel
A GENTLEMAN IN MOSCOW.



The discussion will begin be held in the Cedar Falls
Public Library's large discussion room 4:30 - 6 pm.

Count Alexander Roscov, aristocrat who has enjoyed
the luxuries of life, until at the end of the Russian
Revolution with other aristocrats, will be killed or
imprisoned. Unlike most others, Roscov is spared
Siberia and worse because of a revolutionary poem he
supposedly wrote that predated the Russian Revolution.
This leniency gains him life but vacates him from his
suite in the most luxurious hotel, the Metropol, and will
move him to a tiny servant's room too small for even a
few of his beautiful furnishing, as well as sharing a
bathroom with the six other similar tenants. Roscov
will spend the rest of his life under this hotel arrest.
Should he attempt escape, he is to be killed.

Readers accompany Roscov's thirty-two years of
captivity through which he must practice mastering his
circumstances or be mastered by them. Readers wonder
what keeps him from committing suicide, even in the
face of his becoming a mere waiter in Russia's most
famous restaurant in this world of Soviet supremacy and
class obsolescence. Is it possible for Roscov to ever
escape his class diminution and see the outside world
beyond the mere window views? Join Mary Dove's
expertise in examining a life that may lead to
personally unraveling in imprisonment and produce
fatal blows leading to despondency and death.

CV3D is one of American Association of University
Women's Community Action Projects, supporting the
organization's mission and values. All Cedar Valley
residents are invited and welcomed at the Cedar Falls
Public Library from 4:30 - 6 pm, on Monday, January
14, whether or not they have read the book.

For further information contact Dr. Judy Beckman at
drjudybeckman@cfu.net.

Promoting Global Awareness



Study Groups Great Decisions International Studies

We are beginning 2019 Great Decisions study topics.
> Monday afternoon, January 21 at 1:15 pm in the
First Presbyterian Church library and
> Tuesday evening, January 22 at 7 pm in the
conference room at the Cedar Falls Public Library.
>>> The January topic will be "Refugees and Global
Migration". The topic is very relevant. After watch-
ing the 30 min. DVD, we will discuss laws and pol-
icies assisting and protecting refugees and migrants.

No countries have open borders, so ...

1. Who determines if someone is a refugee or
migrant?
2. How do other countries react to migration?
3. How effective are international laws, policies
and organizations?

Our new books are in the mail and will arrive soon.
Five 2019 study books are still available. Come and
bring an interested person to either discussion. This
is a good time to join us.

Gloria Tollefson 266-4075 gtollefson@cfu.net

Kay Thrall 266-6190 keds@cfu.net

Women in Motion WIM

A large, boisterous, and talkative WIM group met
for happy hour in November to plan events for
December and January. In December we went to hear
AAUW member Anna Mae Schnucker perform in a
Four Hands on Piano Concert in Parkersburg. Later
in the month we had lunch at the Diamond Center
with a number of AAUW members who live in the
Western Home Communities. Our upcoming
activities include:

January 10, Thursday - 11:30 Serve lunch at the
Salvation Army in Waterloo. Contact Bonnie Smith
at smith.bonnie@cfu.net. We may need to schedule
an additional date if there's a lot of interest.

January 16 Wednesday - 5:30 Happy Hour at Old
Chicago to plan events for February and March. All
members are welcome to join us.

January 31 Thursday - 7:00 View the Ruth Bader
Ginsburg DVD On the Basis of Sex in a private
home. If you'd like to join us for the DVD, please
email Jane Close at closej@Q.com so that we can let
our host know how many people to expect.

WIM plans one-time events that are service-
oriented, educational and/or social activities. All
members are welcome to participate in events that
fit their time, talent and interests.

Jane Close and Bonnie Smith Co-chairs

Community Action Projects Co-Sponsored Programs and Contacts

Annual Scholarship

Garage Sale Reminder

Please remember our Annual Garage Sale when you find room to store all your Christmas decorations, and make space for new items acquired in 2018. We can probably use all, or part of, the things you must pitch to get more space.

This year's garage sale will be on May 17th and 18th at Sandy Lawry's garage. We can sell almost any useful items you no longer need, except used clothing and old TV sets.

There will be more specific information later, but for now just keep our sale in mind before you throw these items away or donate them elsewhere.

We need to have a good sale because it is the major funding source for the scholarships we give away every year to local students.

Myrna Sandvik Fundraising VP

AAUW Iowa State Spring Conference April 27, 2019 DMACC Newton Campus



AAUW

Iowa Lobby Day

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, February 13, for the annual AAUW Iowa Lobby Day. Join fellow AAUW members from around the state in learning about issues and meeting with legislators. We'll meet at 9:30 am at the Capitol, and end around 1:30. We've had a great turnout of members from our branch the last couple of years, so let's do that again in 2019!

Maureen White, public policy director

AAUW Cedar Falls Fund Raising

Questions? Contact Myrna Sandvik,
319-230-9539 or sandvikmj@iowatelecom.net

Community Action Projects Are you involved?

Update - - Fall Clothing Drive -

Thank you to all who helped to make our fall Women's Center for Change clothing drive so successful. After 9 days of display, we finished up on November 8, 2018. There were over 20 individuals who contributed to the effort, including AAUW members, as well as many family and friends.

We especially want to thank Jane Close, Pat Higby, Betsy Brandt, Linda Morgan, Arlene Prather-O'Kane, Jane Nelson and Bonnie Smith. These women helped to pick up clothing, set up, straighten the clothes and clean up after the drive. The extras were taken to Goodwill and the House of Hope. The volunteers contributed many hours and Pat even bought a new clothes rack, which we can use in the future.

We can start thinking about the Spring 2019 drive now. This time we will collect house wares and linens, as well, since all of the women need to set up their own home after they leave the center. The director maintains a storage shed for useful items. More information will be coming this spring. In the meantime, thank you again.

Bonnie Smith 266-2526 Jane Nelson and Sherrie Dreyer

Public Policy and Communications

The Iowa legislature convenes on Monday, January 14. As in past years, AAUW Cedar Falls - Waterloo is one of over 20 organizations that sponsor the Legislative Public Forums held during the session. All legislators in Cedar Falls, Waterloo and surrounding areas are invited to participate.

The dates for the
2019 Legislative Public Forum are:

Friday, January 25, 4:30 - 6:30 pm
Friday, February 22, 4:30 - 6:30 pm
Saturday, March 9, 10 - noon
Friday, March 29, 4:30 - 6:30 pm
Friday, April 12, 4:30 - 6:30 pm

All will be held at Central Middle School,
1350 Katoski Dr., Waterloo.

Maureen White, public policy director

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

Reaching Out with Books

Reaching Out with Books is in need of book and magazine donations. Reading materials for women can be dropped off in the box, on the porch at 510 Tremont Street. You can also call me at 404 - 1319 to arrange a pick up. Books go to the Women's Center for Change and House of Hope. Thank you.

Amy Hoyer



Nouran Othman
Receives
AAUW Scholarship

Nouran Othman was the recipient of the Transition Scholarship, to the University of Northern Iowa in May 2018. Because of financial difficulty, Nouran continued her studies at Hawkeye Community College through the fall semester.

The Board has authorized that she receive the full \$1,000 scholarship this (spring 2019) semester as she begins study at UNI, where 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.

Transition Scholarship Committee Members:
Gloria Tollefson Mary Fogarty
JoAnn DeVries Karen Agee



Cedar Valley UNA
Maureen White

Books & More for Newborns *Jane Close*

Fourth Fridays with Friends

Just a little conversation with Friends on Friday, January 25th, at 10:30 am, at College Square Hy-Vee. We'll be sitting around one of the round tables near the coffee machine.

Come and join in the conversation with a group of AAUW friends before you get your groceries or a second cup to coffee. Join us on Friday, October 26.



Ardelle Brown

Literature Group

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

Our AAUW Literature group meets Monday afternoon, January 14, at 1:15 pm. Kay Thrall is the host at Prairie Wind.

Linda Morgan will give review of *Secret Keeper*, by Kate Morton.

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

call *Joan Bunkofske*
at 266-8575.



Bridge For Education

Wednesday, January 16 and Tuesday, January 22

Playing begins at 12:30 pm in dining room
Willowwood / Western Home Communities
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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