



**Mission:** AAUW advances gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

**Vision:** Equity for all.

**Diversity Statement:** AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in the organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.

## HISTORY

The AAUW Waterloo branch was established in 1921 and the Cedar Falls branch chartered in 1925. In 2017 the two became one branch, advocating together for women and girls in the Cedar Valley.



## COMMUNITY ACTION

- *Scholarships* for women at local higher-education institutions
- *Cedar Valley Discuss & Discover Diversity* monthly book discussions
- *Promoting Global Awareness/Great Decisions* discussions of important current issues
- *Gotcha Covered. Period.* menstrual supplies to local public schools



## COSPONSORED PROGRAMS

- Cedar Valley SWE Girls Conference at the University of Northern Iowa STEM Outreach for girls in grades 5-8
- Legislative Public Forums and Candidate Forums
- Cedar Valley United Nations Association

## ASK ABOUT OUR INTEREST GROUPS

- ❖ Bridge for Education
- ❖ Fourth Fridays With Friends
- ❖ Literature Discussion Group
- ❖ Women in Motion

## ENTHUSIASTICALLY FUNDING ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS

- ✓ Member scholarship pledges
- ✓ Donations to Stuff Etc. in Waterloo—account #12171
- ✓ Bridge for Scholarships
- ✓ Locally famous garden sales!



## MEMBERSHIP

Membership Vice Presidents Amy Hoyer and Dee Brandsburg invite you to join the Cedar Falls-Waterloo branch!

[cedarfalls-ia.aauw.net/membership/](http://cedarfalls-ia.aauw.net/membership/)

## 2025-2026 MEETINGS

- Monday dinner meetings gather at 5:00 at the Diamond Event Center South, 5307 Caraway Lane, Cedar Falls, Program at 5:30, Dinner at 6:15
- *Saturday brunches gather at the Waterloo YWCA at 10:00 AM, Brunch at 10:15, Program at 10:45*
- For dinner or brunch, make meal reservations before deadline!

September 22, 2025

Monday evening, Diamond Event Center

### **Speaking Truth to Disinformation**

Chris Martin, Professor of Digital Journalism  
University of Northern Iowa

October 27, 2025

Monday evening, Diamond Event Center

### **Difficult Conversations: Tips to Be Bold**

Susan Langan, Director of Diversity,  
AAUW Cedar Falls-Waterloo Branch

November 24, 2025

Monday evening, Diamond Event Center

### **Building Futures With Women**

Dusky Steele, Development Director,  
House of Hope

January 24, 2026

Saturday brunch, Waterloo YWCA

### **Providing Supplemental Education and Supportive Services to Migratory Children**

Stephanie Leon-Quetzecua, Iowa Migratory Education Program, Identification Specialist

February 28, 2026

Saturday brunch, Waterloo YWCA

### **Title IX and Civil Rights at UNI**

Leah Gutknecht, Title IX Officer and Assistant to the President for Civil Rights Compliance, University of Northern Iowa

March 21, 2026

Saturday brunch, Wartburg College, hosted by  
Waverly Branch AAUW

### **Surviving the Bosnia War as a Child**

Anesa Kajtazovic

April 27, 2026

Monday evening, Diamond Event Center

### **Annual Awards Banquet**

Recognitions, awards, and election of officers



Program VPs Mary and Ardelle with TC



2025-2026



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online course at [salary.aauw.org](https://salary.aauw.org)