

March, 2017

MEETINGS

Please join us for these events; guests and friends are always welcome!

March 21, Tuesday Board Meeting

Hostess: Elaine Herring; 8 Nora Ct. 76013 Phone: 817-860-3050. Named Gift Honoree & Woman of the Year nominations will be presented.

March 28, Tuesday, Branch Meeting

NOTE: Different Date & Location

WOMEN'S & GENDER STUDIES PROGRAM

UTA Library, 6th floor parlor @ 7:00PM

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Gigi Durham, Professor School of Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Iowa

"The Girl on the Bus: Why the New Delhi Rape Matters for Transnational Feminist Activism."

Parking is \$3.25 per hr. at Maverick Parking Garage, 708 S. West Street. Metered slots are also available on streets nearby. Call Sheri to Carpool **817-451-8586** Use this link: http://www.uta.edu/maps/?building=LIBR

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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

We had 16 members and guests attend our Wine Tasting Event at Total Wine and More on Monday for our Branch Meeting. Tom was our educational director and gave us information on types of wines and the regions where the grapes are grown. We experienced wines from Australia, Chile, Argentina, New Zealand, and Uruguay. We then received a 10% discount from the store if we wanted to purchase any of our selections.

We are swiftly coming to the end of our AAUW year which goes from June to June of the following year. That means nominations for officers, Named Gift Honorees and Woman of the Year. A RIF meeting is also being planned to decide how we will continue with this volunteer operation. We hope you will be involved with helping us make these decisions and lend your expertise to our branch! New programs will be discussed at our May Board meeting and we would like lots of input. Come to the meeting or send us an email.

Join us in March for our visit to UTA for Women's History Month. Call Sheri Quick at 817-451-8586 if you would like to carpool. See more information about this and other opportunities as you continue to read E-Links.

Hope to see you soon, Mary Ann and <mark>Sheri</mark>

MEMBER UPDATES

For Yearbook changes or corrections please call Elaine Herring at 817-860-3050 or email: elaineherring@att.net

Changed email address? Phone number? Moved? Let Elaine Herring know the changes.



Happy March Birthdays to:

Barbara Lucas Susan Miller Marye Drexler March 4 March 10 March 30

Left off Feb. List: Margaret McClure Feb. 14; Happy Belated Birthday!

If your birthday month/day is not listed in the Yearbook please let Sheri or Mary Ann know

ARLINGTON EVENTS OF INTEREST

Save the Date:

March 25 "Building a Dream Gala" features Arlington's own Sandra Brown at the Arlington Museum of Art. Proceeds will benefit the new George W. Hawkes Downtown Library.

Tickets, at \$100 per person, will be available on February 11. Margaret McClure has more details.



SUNDAY AFTERNOON SHORT STORIES GROUP

We welcome new members March 19 from 2:30-4:00 PM at 2307 Chimney Hill Court, Arlington 76012. Jane Freidlin, Hostess; 817-925-7716 or Jkoven7655@sbcglobal.net All members are warmly welcomed.

LITERATURE GROUP 1

Meeting: First Monday of month @ 7 PM March 6: Hostess: Sheri Quick *Clementine: the life of Mrs. Winston Churchill* bu Sonia Purnell Reviewer: Twila Miranda

LITERATURE GROUP 2

Gyde Martin; 817-861-8977; <u>gmartin@uta.edu</u> Recruiting new members! **March: 13:** Hostess: Kay Hawkins Magda Szabo *"The Door".* Discussion Leader: Lorraine Levine

WOMEN'S BIOGRAPHIES STUDY GROUP

Sara Troutman; 817-572-1988; <u>sarat@swbell.net</u> Meeting: Third Thursday of month, at 12:30 for lunch @ Jay Jay's Café, 4401 Little Road, Arlington; Subject review follows. Participants do not read the same book, but share their study of the Subject from varied resources. All welcome. **March16:** Discussion Leader: Evelyn Bowen Subject: Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Supreme Court Justice.

DAYTIMERS GROUP

Please let Lorraine Levine at <u>lorrainelevine@hotmail.com</u> or Barbara Price (<u>bap2109@att.net</u>) know if you are interested in attending the event:

On **March 17**, Friday, at 11:00 am, we will tour the Fielder House Museum, 1616 West Abram St., which will feature a display concerning Arlington's History of Sports, such as horse racing, etc., but not the modern-day Rangers or Cowboys. The museum will arrange for a docent.

Around noon, we'll eat at the Mellow Mushroom, 200 North Center St., which is near the new downtown library construction site. As we get closer to the date, please respond to Margaret McClure for lunch numbers: 817-275-6594.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Volunteers for the Nominating Committee please call Sheri Quick.

Offices to be filled for 2017-2018 are: President, Treasurer and Nominating Chair for 2018-2019.

A little birdy says there are volunteers for President & Treasurer.

TEXAS STATE CONVENTION

2018 state conference will be in Houston, April 20-22, 2018.

If you have ideas for programs please let Sheri or Mary Ann know before or at our March 21 Board Meeting.

The planning committee intends to follow the usual format of Friday evening, all day Saturday, and Sunday morning for the convention. They would like to get some input from the branch members about how to meet their needs with the programming.

Please give us your input on the following:

- What two leadership training topics would help your branch the most?
- What presentation topics would motivate your members to attend the convention in Houston?
- Have you heard a presentation or speaker that you would like to recommend we invite for a presentation at convention?
- If so, please describe and include the contact information.

Let us know what might retain current members & get new members!

TEXAS STATE NEWS

Funds still needed to complete the Ann Richards Fund. You may donate online.

State Dues will rise to \$13 in 2017-2018 renewals

Named Gift Honorees

Past Named Gift Honorees are invited to help name our Gift Honoree(s) for this calendar year in March.

Our branch contributes to the AAUW Educational Foundation in honor of members for recognition of significant service to our branch.

We will make that decision from the nominees at our March 21 Board Meeting at the home of Elaine Herring.

Sheri Quick as Educational Foundation Chair will receive nominations through email or you can attend the Board Meeting to nominate. Past winners are listed in our yearbook, pages 26-27.

Please include a short description of the nominee's qualifications with your email or in your presentation to the board. Find out who is chosen at the May 20 luncheon.

Any questions? call or email Sheri Quick: sheriq@aol.com or 817-451-8586



ARLINGTON BRANCH OUTSTANDING WOMAN AWARD



It's time for Branch Members to submit their recommendations for our annual "Outstanding Women Award". Only Branch Members may submit nominations although the nominee does not have to be AAUW members.

The Award, will be presented at our Annual Awards Luncheon on May 20, is given to: "a woman of statue residing in Arlington who exemplifies the AAUW mission to 'promote equality for women, education and self-development over the lifespan, and positive societal change'."

HURRY MARCH 20 DEADLINE IS NEAR!!!

Submit a **written resume** of your nominee along with your reasons for making the recommendation to Diana Smith, AAUW Public Policy/Action Chair, either by email: <u>dianams11@sbcglobal.net</u> or by mail (Diana Smith 2720 Citadel Dr, 76012). Call me at (817)274-2285 for information.

As a guide for submission, refer to the procedures on pages 30-31 of our 2016 – 2017 Yearbook.

Submitted By Diana M. Smith, Public Policy Chair

AAUW Title IX Public Action

Diana M. Smith, Public Policy Chair

You can help strengthen Title IX by meeting with local school officials!

AAUW has a critical update to the <u>Title IX</u> <u>coordinator locator tool</u>. On the AAUW website, **you can now find every college and university Title IX coordinator organized by state.** This update makes it even easier for you to find Title IX coordinators at your nearest K-12 schools, colleges, and universities in just a few clicks.

Our Title IX contact: AISD Title IX Coordinator: Michael Hill (682)867-6340, email: <u>mhill4@aisd.net</u> Contact Diana M. Smith, Public Policy Chair if you want to work on this project. By email: <u>dianams11@sbcglobal.net</u> or by mail Diana Smith 2720 Citadel Dr, 76012. Call her at (817)274-2285 for information

AAUW advocates have met with over 700 Title IX coordinators at K-12 schools in 29 states. Each of these meetings represents a step forward in our mission to ensure that our schools are free from sex discrimination. We want you to be a part of this one-of-a-kind project!

Why does this project matter?

The U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) found that some of the most egregious and harmful <u>Title IX violations</u> occur when schools fail to have a Title IX coordinator or when a Title IX coordinator does not have the training or authority to oversee compliance with Title IX. Putting this resource guide in the hands of as many Title IX coordinators as possible can help them better understand and perform their important job of ensuring that schools are free from sex discrimination.

You don't have to be a legislator to strengthen Title IX. Help us <u>fill our map</u> with even more deliveries nationwide. Your local participation in this important project can help ensure that our schools are free from sex discrimination.