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Sharing our stories—in person!

May General Membership Meeting

Date:

Saturday, May 22, 2021

Time:

11:00 a.m. — Lunch, Program, Meeting, in the Park

Program:

What's YOUR Story? Part 2

Where:

Zink Park Shelter, 3216 S. Trenton Ave.

Bring:

Your lunch, your drink (no glass containers), a lawn chair

Want more information?

Contact President Pam McDonald

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Welcome back to in-person meetings! We will gather in the shelter at Zink Park. There are tables and benches available, but in order to observe social spacing, you might bring a lawn chair. Bring a sack lunch and your drink (no glass containers allowed). Other things not allowed: pets—including horses—, fireworks and guns. This should not be a problem for our membership! Wear your mask; the COVID-19 variants are still out there.

Our program will continue with sharing our stories, which began at our April Zoom meeting. There were several who didn't get to participate then. Bring a photo or two of yourself from "a few years back".

We are excited to be able to meet in person. Since we don't meet through the summer, our next meeting will be in September.

Zink **Park** Shelter





President's Corner

So excited for our outdoor May gathering at Zink Park! It's been so long since a personal get together. By this time most of us have been fully vaccinated and members feel we will be safe in the

beautiful outdoors.

What a challenging past year we have had, but we have endured and I'm looking forward to a great summer and planning for interesting fall programs.

See you at the Park!

— Pam McDonald, President, AAUW Tulsa adamsfamily9857@aol.com or 918-636-5131

ERA in the News

Two bills are working their way through Congress, to remove the deadline for the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment.

SJ RES 1 is co-sponsored by Sen. Ben Cardin (D -MD) and Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) as Lead Sponsors. Five additional Senators are sponsors,

HJ RES 17 has Lead Sponsor Rep. Jackie Speier (D-CA), and Lead Co-Sponsor Rep. Tom Reed (R-NY). This bill passed on March 17 with a vote of 222-204. It was sent to the Senate on March 18, 2021.

Contact your U.S. Senator to sign on to SJ Res 1 as a co-sponsor.

You can register for two upcoming events at www.alicepaul.org:

Generation Ratify: Picking Up the Torch Saturday, May 15, 1 pm CDT

Generation Ratify's founder talks about contributions young people can make for ERA.

The 28th Amendment: A Bipartisan Case for the ERA Thursday, May 20 at 5 pm CDT

GOP4ERA founder leads a discussion of promoting bipartisan support for ratification of ERA and removing the timeline.



May 17 is the deadline for online voting in the AAUW National election. In addition to voting on Directors on our National Board, you will also be voting on amendments to our Public Policy Priorities and bylaws.

The most interest is being directed at the proposal to eliminate AAUW's longstanding degree requirement in order to become a member of AAUW.

You can go to www.aauw.org, search for the "aauw election" page for more information.

All voting will take place online until May 17, 2021; mailed-in ballots' deadline was April 30.

Tulsa member "attends" Final Four



Donna Mathews is a lifelong fan of the Tennessee Lady Vols. She couldn't attend the Final Four in San Antonio, so her friend purchased a fan cutout of her so she could "attend"!

—This message has been brought to you in the interest of bringing a little levity to our lives. —The ed.

"Instead of blowing up things for a gender reveal party, the parents-to-be should hand out wallets. If there's a dollar inside, it's a boy; if there's 72 cents, it's a girl".

— Professor Sarah ParcakUniversity of Alabama at Birmingham

TULSA VOICE

Monthly newsletter of American Association of University Women, Tulsa Branch, 5219 S Joplin Ave, Tulsa, OK 74135 Web Site: http://tulsa-ok.aauw.net/ President: Pam McDonald, 918-627-1823

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Interest Groups

AAUW Tulsa Book Group



The reading selection for the Friday, May 28 meeting is The Angle of Repose, by Wallace Stegner. The Pulitzer Prize-winning novel is a story of discovery—personal, historical, and geographical.

From Goodreads: Confined to a wheelchair, retired historian Lyman Ward sets out to write his grandparents' remarkable story, chronicling their days spent carving civilization into the surface of America's western frontier. But his research reveals even more about his own life than he's willing to admit. What emerges is an enthralling portrait of four generations in the life of an American family.

This will be a Zoom meeting at 7:00 p.m.; I will send the zoom details closer to that date.

I hope everyone is well and enjoying the Spring weather. Please email Rose Unterschuetz at tulsarose@sbcglobal.net for more information and to be added to the group email list.

Rose Unterschuetz, phone/text 918-688-7128

Mystery Book Group

Mystery book club will meet **IN PERSON! Wednesday, May 19**, at 11:00 A.M. This is a "Free Read" month; read any mystery.

We are meeting at **Casa Del Tequila, 6000 S. Lewis**, in London South (in Cardigan's old place). Please send me an email and your name to join us.

Questions?
Call Linda Brooks, 918-260-3263, or Ishbrooks@yahoo.com

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MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

I always look at AAUW.org when I need to remind myself why I joined and support AAUW. Today the *About AAUW* section caught my eye with this sentence:

We are tenacious and trailblazing — advocating for women and girls since 1881 and into the future!

That says it all!

It is now time to renew your annual membership which expires 06/30/21. Current members are able to sign in to the website, access the membership Services Database, and renew using a credit card.

National Dues are \$62, State Dues are \$10, and Tulsa Branch Dues are \$14 for a total of \$86. You may also renew by mailing a check for \$86 made payable to AAUW Tulsa. Please address it to:

Gabrille Jones, Treasurer 1115 E. 36th St. Tulsa, OK 74105

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"A nation that destroys its soils destroys itself.

Forests are the lungs of our land,
purifying the air and
giving fresh strength to our people."

—Franklin D. Roosevelt

Our Branch Family

OUR SYMPATHY to **the family of Shirley Hays**. A former AAUW Tulsa branch treasurer, Shirley died March 28, 2021, at the age of 83. Members may recall the annual fundraisers we had at the Church of the Madelene, arranged by Shirley who was a member there.

A Memorial Mass will be held Tuesday, May 25, 10 a.m., at The Church of the Madelene, 3188 E. 22nd St. Arrangements are with the Fitzgerald Southwood Colonial Funeral Service.



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

AAUW, founded in 1881, is open to all graduates who hold the associate's, baccalaureate or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. 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.

Websites: Tulsa Branch—http://Tulsa-ok.aauw.net/

Oklahoma AAUW—www.aauwoklahoma.org National AAUW—www.aauw.org

Our Value Promise:

"As a member of AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance."

"The Future of Tulsa's Past: The Centennial of the Tulsa Race Massacre and Beyond"

May 26—May 29, 2021 Tulsa, Oklahoma

Register while space is still available at the 2021 John Hope Franklin Reconciliation in America National Symposium. Here are some of the speakers this year:

Ed Dwight — American Sculptor & Historian Isabel Wilkerson-Pulitzer Prize Journalist

Dr. Daina Ramey Berry—Educator & Activist

Dr. Cornell West—Philosopher & Activist

Dr. Scott Ellsworth—Historian & Journalist

Dr. Turkiya Lowe—National Park Service's Chief Historian & Deputy Federal Preservation Officer

Eli Saslow-Pulitzer Prize Journalist

Samuel Sinyangwe—Policy Analyst & Data Scientist

YIVO Institute for Jewish Research

Due to constraints of COVID-19, you will have the option of attending this year's event virtually or in-person with limited seating capacity. .

To learn more or to register, go to www.jhfcenter.org, or contact Jean Neal, jneal@jhfcenter.org, or 918-295-5009.



May, 2021 Calendar

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May 17 Voting closes on AAUW Bylaws and Public Policy Changes, See P. 2.

May 19 Mystery Book Group See Page 3.

May 20 ERA event sponsored by Alice Paul Institute How to gain bipartisan support for ERA. See Page 2.

May 20 Deadline for June-August TULSA VOICE.

May 22 General Membership Meeting 11:00 a.m. See P. 1.

May 25-26 NCCWSL 2021 Virtual leadership training for college women student leaders.

May 26-29 Centennial of the Tulsa Race Massacre and Beyond See above.

May 28 Tulsa Branch Book Group See Page 3.

Looking Ahead . . .

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