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AAUW Celebrates Tulsa Pride Weekend October 11-13

General Membership Meeting

Date:

Saturday, October 12, 2024

Time:

11:00 a.m.

Place:

Herman & Kate Kaiser Library

5202 S. Hudson Ave.

Program: She/He/They: Navigating Gender Identity

Speaker:

Toby Jenkins

Retired CEO, Tulsa Equality Center

Lunch:

12:45 p.m.

Fajitas Grill 2, 6219 E. 61st St.

RSVP:

President Pam McDonald,

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July 1, 2022, Toby Jenkins stepped down as the CEO/Executive Director of Oklahomans for Equality and the Dennis R. Neill Equality Center in Tulsa. Toby served at the Equality Center for 25 years, beginning as a volunteer, and ending the last 15 years as CEO/Executive Director.

Toby has been a tireless and passionate protector of the rights of LGBTQIA+ in Oklahoma, and has for decades been a local, statewide, and national leader in these issues.. He has been helping build an inclusive community that gets better every year. "Tulsa has improved. Oklahoma has not, but Tulsa has," said Jenkins.

Pride Weekend in Tulsa begins on Friday, October 11, with an evening at Guthrie Green with live entertainment at Pride in the Park. Saturday morning, October 12, will see the Rainbow Run 1-mile Fun Run and 5K runs. Afterward, the Tulsa Pride Festival kicks off with 2 days of entertainment from local and national acts.

The 25th annual Pride Parade starts at 4 p.m. on Sunday, October 13, forming at Boston Avenue United Methodist Church.

Join us this Saturday for a conversation with Toby Jenkins!





President's Corner

Well, we have had a rough start to our fiscal year of meetings. The passing of Fred Hampton and Dr. Vondale Graham, husbands

of members Gwen and Jan, has saddened our hearts. But I know the rest of us can wrap ourselves around them with love and support for their families!

We are looking forward to our October meeting this Saturday and our new vision for the fall fundraiser. I think it will be a lot of fun!

Remember to educate yourselves and prepare for the November 5th General Election! **VOTING MATTERS!!**

—Pam McDonald,
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Branch Briefs

Program Schedule

Oct. 12	Gender Equality
Nov. 1	Fall Fundraiser
Dec. TBD	Holiday Tea
Jan. 11, 2025	Title IX

Feb. 8 Black History Month March 8 Early Women Leaders

In Tulsa

April 12 Volunteers of America May 10 Celebrate the Year

Open Membership Loses Again

The 2024 AAUW election once again failed to approve the initiative to open AAUW's membership. Stay tuned; it will surely come up again at our next AAUW national election.

Did you know....

17 1/2-year-olds can pre-register to vote. Then they will already be registered at the time of the first election after they turn 18.

SAVE THE DATE!

CHILI, CORNBREAD & BINGO FALL FUNDRAISER

Friday, November 1 6:00—8:00 p.m.

At St. Qunstan's Episcopal Church
CFC Room
5635 E. 71st St.

Tickets: \$25.00

Silent Auction for Wine Basket

Benefiting SAGE STEAM Camp for Girls and Phoenix Rising Alternative School

RSUP to:

Pam McDonald (918) 636-5131 or AdamsFamily9857@aol.com by October 25

NOTE: This fundraiser replaces our November General Membership Meeting.



"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, Nothing is going to get better. It's not."

—Qr. Guess

Ed. Note: This quote seems so perfect for the election season that I had to use it again!

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/

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Interest Groups

AAUW TULSA BOOK GROUP



AAUW Tulsa Book Group will meet on Friday, October 25 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. The book to be discussed is <u>The Women</u> by Kristin Hannah.

For November 29 we are reading While Justice Sleeps by Stacey Abrams.

Please contact Rose at (918) 688-7128 if you would like to participate.

Rose Unterschuetz

Mystery Book Group

Mystery book club will meet Thursday, October 17 at 11:30 A.M., at Barnes and Noble, 5231 E. 41st St. This month is free read—read any mystery.



We will head out to lunch afterwards.

Questions?

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



GOURMET GROUP

If you are interested in joining our dinners, please call:

Kay Witt, at 918-633-5217.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

HAPPY FALL to Tulsa Branch members! Fall is a great time to invite others to visit and join AAUW Tulsa.

YOU MAY KNOW others who want to join in being advocates for equity in making a positive difference. Please extend an invitation to them. Remember, the branch will cover the luncheon cost for your guest on their first visit.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW if I can help by providing additional information about joining AAUW. BECAUSE EQUITY IS STILL AN ISSUE!

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Our Branch Family

GET WELL WISHES to **Donna Mathews** as she recovers from knee surgery.

GET WELL WISHES to **Vicky Escoe** as she recovers from hip surgery.

GET WELL WISHES to **Rose Unterschuetz** as she recovers from the lingering effects of COVID-19.

GET WELL WISHES to **Joyce Varner** as she recovers from knee replacement surgery.

OUR SYMPATHY to **Jan Graham** on the death of her husband, **Dr. Vondale Graham**.

OUR SYMPATHY to **Gwen Hampton** on the death of her husband **Fred Hampton**.

OUR SYMPATHY to **Vicky Escoe** on the death of her brother.





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—<u>aauw-ok</u>.aauw.net National AAUW—www.aauw.org

State Facebook—www.facebook.com/AAUWOklahoma

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."

Snack List for Phoenix Rising Alternative School

Tulsa Branch of AAUW is continuing our support of Phoenix Rising Alternative School. In addition to benefiting them with our Fall Fundraiser, we will be supplying the school with snacks for the students. Please bring any of the following snacks to our October meeting:

Nutri Grain Bars

Cheez-it

Hostess Donuts & Danish

Cheese & Crackers—Dip Snacks

Planters Variety Peanuts Capri Sun Variety Pack

Hostess Cupcake variety pack

Pop Tarts Variety Pack

Variety box of chips, flaming hot

Pringles variety snack pack

Smucker Uncrushable sandwiches

Beef jerky/Slim Jims

Oh-Snap pickles

Fruit cups

Fruit snacks

Nabisco Classic mix cookie & cracker Variety Pack

Free Webinars: AAUW's Women's Economic Empowerment Initiative

Averting Financial Fraud and Scams Fundamentals of Saving for Retirement

October 29, 2-3 p.m., Central Time December 5, 12-1 p.m., Central Time

Also, There is More to Money than Spending

This was on October 2, but is archived, so you can still

see this webinar.

Go to www.aauw.org to register for these webinars, and to access the archived webinars.

October, 2024 Calendar



October 12 General Membership Meeting . See Page 1.

October 12 Pride Parade in Tulsa 4 p.m.

October 14 AAUW/OK Zoom Book Group 7 p.m., Finding Dorothy by Elizabeth Lettes

October 17 Mystery Book Group See Page 3.

October 20 Deadline for November TULSA VOICE.

October 25 Tulsa Branch Book Group See Page 3.

October 29 Webinar: Averting Financial Fraud and Scams

Looking Ahead...

November 1 Fall Fundraiser See Page 2.

November 15 Deadline for 2025-26 Fellowships and Grant applications to national AAUW.

November 20 Native American Women's Equal Pay Day

Webinar: Fundamentals of Saving for Retirement