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Happy St. Patrick's

We celebrate Women's History Month! And International Women's Day!

General Membership Meeting

Date: Saturday, March 8, 2025

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Place: Tulsa Historical Society & Museum

2445 S. Peoria

Program: A "LEADING LADY" IN TULSA:

JANE HEARD CLINTON

Speaker: Mary Vogt

Lunch: 12:30 p.m., Olive Garden

2033 S. Urtica Ave.

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Our speaker this month is Mary Vogt, an active volunteer at the Tulsa Historical Society & Museum.

Established in 1963, the Tulsa Historical Society & Museum holds an extensive collection of our city's rich past. In 1997, THSM moved from its headquarters in the Thomas Gilcrease House, to the historic Sam Travis Mansion on Peoria, just south of the Tulsa Garden Center.

We are looking forward to hearing about a woman who was a mover and shaker in Tulsa's history!

Remember to bring snacks for the students at Phoenix Rising Alternative School to this meeting.



President's Corner

As I'm writing this column, we are in a frozen period inside our homes and limited in getting around. Not surprising, I am ready for

spring temperatures. It has been a tough time for our branch, losing two valued members within a short time, **JoAnne Bottomley** and **Judy Anderson.**

Our branch has valued helping our local community in educational needs with continued support for Phoenix Rising Alternative School and Reading Partners. And this summer we will support the STEAM Camp in Weatherford at SWOSU. Please continue to give to the branch and attend our monthly meetings!

I'm so grateful for our loyal members who continue to give and encourage us to remain steadfast in our mission to help women and girls to succeed.

Hope to see you all at our upcoming meetings!

—Pam McDonald,
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OUR SYMPATHY to Ed Anderson on the death of his wife Judy last month.

OUR SYMPATHY to **Pat Snodgrass** on the death of her husband.



The African American Resource Center in Rudisill Regional Library.

Tulsa Branch visited the Resource Center during Black History Month. The extensive collection includes reference books which must be used on the premises, and a growing collection of genealogy materials, in collaboration with the Genealogy Center at Hardesty Regional Library.



Tulsa Branch AAUW at the African American Resource Center in Rudisill Regional Library. A new Rudisill Library is being built; the target date to be open is the summer of 2026.

Pictured L. to R: Gwen Hampton, Vicky Escoe, Donna Mathews, President Pam McDonald, Gisele McDaniel, Linda Brooks, Amy Stephens, and AARC Coordinator Larissa McNeil. Seated: Joyce Varner.

Interest Groups

AAUW Tulsa Zoom Book Group



AAUW Tulsa Zoom Book Group will meet on Friday, March 28 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. The book to be discussed is <u>The Edge</u> by David Baldacci.

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

Rose Unterschuetz

Mystery Book Group

Mystery book club will meet Thursday, March 20 at 11:30 A.M., at Barnes and Noble, 5231 E. 41st St.

This month is free read—read any mystery, and come prepared to share your thoughts and opinions.

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:

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TULSA VOICE

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MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

When there are so many things changing every day In our country, it seems a good time to review AAUW policy. This is where we stand:

"AAUW's policy work connects and rallies advocates at the local, state, national, and global levels to empower women and girls. We use lobbying and grassroots efforts to push forward policies that break through educational and economic barriers for women."

Now more than ever we must support AAUW in protecting the rights of women and girls. Please invite other women to join us.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2025

Branch Briefs

Program Schedule

March 8 Early Women Leaders In Tulsa
April 12 Women Empowered
May 10 Celebrate the Year with AAUW/

OK President Lisa Appeddu

Reading Partners Donation

Tulsa Branch in February voted to spend up to \$100 for the purchase of books on the Amazon Wish List for Reading Partners, Tulsa. We were able to get 15 books for the group, for a total of \$99.40. The books will most likely be used as rewards for the students being tutored; as they progress, from time to time they are given books to keep.



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—aauw-ok.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."

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AAUW of Oklahoma Observes Women's History Month via Zoom!

Please save the dates below for virtual sessions using this Zoom link:

Monday, Mar. 10, 12:10-12:50 P.M.— Dr. Sunu Kodumthara, Professor of History in the Dept. of Social Sciences from Southwestern Oklahoma State University will share her experience on the status of women's health, education, equity, and other issues in Oklahoma and in the U.S.

Monday, Mar. 17, 7—8 P.M.— Dr. Jeannette Loutsch, Professor of Biology at the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma, will lead a "book club" discussion on <u>Finding Dorothy</u> by Elizabeth Letts. The book explores (from Maud's perspective) the lives of Frank and Maud Baum, creators of "The Wizard of Oz". Even if you do not read the story, please join!

Thursday, Mar. 27, 12:10-12:50 P.M.— Jennifer Harrod, Breast Nurse Navigator for Project 31, will share how this Oklahoma-based non-profit organization can help people and their families who are experiencing breast cancer.

While no registration is required, donations to AAUW/Oklahoma to support future activities, or to the AAUW Greatest Needs Fund are appreciated.

AAUW NOTES

OPPOSE McMahon Confirmation

AAUW strongly opposes the nomination of Linda McMahon to be Secretary of the U.S. Dept. of Education. Her history of supporting vouchers, diverting resources away from Pell Grants, and opposing LGBTQ+ rights endangers vital civil rights protections for students.

Act now and tell your Senators to vote NO!

WEBINAR: WHAT EVERY WOMAN SHOULD KNOW ABOUT SOCIAL SECURITY

Curious about the future of Social Security?

On **March 25th** at 1:00 p.m. ET, join Trisha Mentzer from the SSA as she breaks down essential benefits and programs for women, helping you to make informed decisions. Register at aauw.org.

Oppose the SAVE Act

The U.S. House of Representatives could vote this month on the Safeguarding American Voter Eligibility (SAVE) Act, an unnecessary bill that could allow for discriminatory practices and voter disenfranchisement. Write to your representative now and urge them to oppose the SAVE Act.

March 2025 Calendar



March 8 General Membership Meeting . See P.1.

March 8 International Women's Day

March 10-12 <u>UN Commission of the Status of Women</u> and NGO CSW69 Forum

March 11 AAUW Work Smart: Know Your Value and Get Paid

March 19 AAUW Start Smart

March 19 NCO CSW69 Parallel Event, Innovation &

Advancement: The Power of Women in STEM

March 20 Mystery Book Group See Page 3.

March 20 Deadline for April TULSA VOICE.

March 28 Tulsa Branch Zoom Book Group See P. 3.

Looking Ahead...

April 12 General Membership Meeting .