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AAUW - Women in Leadership General Membership Meeting

Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Villa Ravenna
6526 E. 51st St., in the Farm Shopping Center

Program: WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP

Speaker: Lisa Appeddu
President, AAUW-OK

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Lisa Appeddu, Ph.D.
President AAUW-OK

We welcome our State President Lisa Appeddu to Tulsa Branch! In addition to serving as our president, Lisa has been Camp Director of the STEAM Camp for 8th grade girls, at Southwestern Oklahoma University (SWOSU) in Weatherford since its inception in 2012. Tulsa Branch supports this camp financially, ever since we ceased holding our own STEM camp, Tech Trek, at TU.

Lisa is an Associate Professor of Physiology at SWOSU; she holds a Ph.D. from New Mexico State University with a major in Animal Science: Nutrition, a minor in Physiology, with an emphasis on biochemistry. Her M.S. is from the University of Kentucky in Animal Science, majoring in Nutrition, and her B.S., also from the University of Kentucky, is in Agriculture: Animal Production.

Appeddu has been involved in research on several projects over the years; she has also authored grants for SWOSU and for Sage STEAM Camp.

Join us to hear Dr. Appeddu on May 10! We will also review the past year of Tulsa Branch AAUW.

NOTE: This will be our last meeting until September, 2025. We hope to see you!

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



President's Corner

Can you believe it's May already! How has our AAUW fiscal year flown by so fast?

We are so fortunate to have our state president, Lisa Appeddu, speaking to our members and guests at the wonderful Villa Ravenna restaurant! What a special event it will be.

We will continue to have community activities thru the summer months, We will keep everyone informed. I urge all to continue social awareness of current events.

"We realize the importance of our voices only when we are silenced."

—Malala Yousafzai

—Pam McDonald,
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AAUW NOTES

AAUW Elections Close May 13

Voting is ongoing. Members will receive an electronic ballot from vote@simplyvoting.com, AAUW's third-party voting service. [Add this email address to your safe sender list](#) to ensure your ballot reaches you. Members without an email address on file will receive a paper ballot. **Voting closes on May 13, 5 p.m., ET.**

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Webinars on YouTube

The next Webinar is Tuesday, May 13, at 6:00 P.M., Central Time: AAUW Strategic Plan Launch Event—highlighting the vision and priorities that will guide AAUW's future. Sign up at aauw.org.

Missed a webinar? You can always watch them on your own time on YouTube AAUW. Look for:

Defending Equity: Strengthening Our Collective Impact Series—This series equips members with tools to take action against growing attacks on diversity, equity, and inclusion;

Funding Futures: Understanding Changes to Sex and Gender-Based Scholarship Programs—Navigating legal changes to sex-based scholarships;
AAUW: Standing Strong Against Attacks on Equity in Education;

Building a Stronger AAUW: Tips for Branch Fund-raising Success;

AAUW Advocacy Strategies for In-District Meetings.

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AAUW Work Smart:

Develop Your Value Statement Deep Dive

May 13, 2:00 P.M. Central Time

Learn the ins and outs of writing your Value Statement which is the first step in salary negotiation. Register at aauw.org.

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AAUW Leadership Briefing

You are invited to attend a special Leadership Briefing on **Tuesday, May 6, at 7:00 P.M. ET**. Sign up for the briefing on AAUW's upcoming strategic plan launch at aauw.org.

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Fellowships & Grants Awarded

The 2025-2026 Fellowships and Grants awardees have been notified of their wins. In this extraordinarily challenging time for students, more than \$5 million has been awarded to 230 exceptional fellows and grantees!

May, 2025 Calendar



May 6 Equal Pay Day for Moms

May 6 AAUW Leadership Briefing

May 10 General Membership Meeting . See P.1.

May 13 AAUW National Elections Close at 5 pm ET

May 13 AAUW Strategic Plan Launch Event

May 15 Mystery Book Group See Page 3.

May 20 Deadline for Summer TULSA VOICE.

May 30 Tulsa Branch Zoom Book Group See P. 3.

"Every girl on the planet should have the same opportunity to fulfill and shape her own destiny."

—MICHELLE OBAMA

Interest Groups

AAUW TULSA ZOOM BOOK GROUP



Thanks to Doris for hosting our April 25th meeting. It was good to see everyone, enjoy a meal and book discussion together.

We decided on books for the next 3 months. For **May 30** the Book is Dewey, by Vicki Myron. For **June 27th** the book is How to Read a Book by Monica Wood. The selection for **July 25** is Dead Wake: the Last Crossing of the Lusitania by Eric Larson.

The meetings will be held via Zoom. Thanks to all for your continued participation. You make a great group!

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

—Rose Unterschuetz

MYSTERY BOOK GROUP

Mystery book club will meet **Thursday, May 15** at 11:30 A.M., at Barnes and Noble, 5231 E. 41st St. This month is again 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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GET WELL WISHES to **Fran Haxby** who is slowly getting better with the help of physical therapy.

TULSA VOICE

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MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

The AAUW Board has approved a modest dues adjustment — \$2 per year over the next two years.

New national dues: \$74 starting April 1, 2025, and \$76 starting April 2, 2026. State dues are \$10, and our Tulsa branch dues are \$14. So, total dues are now \$98, and next year will be \$100.

Why it matters: Member dues are an important funding source for AAUW. While costs for member support increase annually, dues have not kept pace. During the feedback process, National heard from more than 750 members. The Board's decision to increase dues by \$2 reflects an adjustment to the original proposal (\$5) to lessen the burden of a dues increase on members while keeping pace with inflation.

Your member dues help fund member services such as:

Administrative Support: Assist with dues processing, Community Hub management, 990N filings, branding materials, and toolkits (e.g., DEI Toolkit, College/University Member Toolkit).

Website Support: Update and manage 500 branch and state websites and provide ongoing Site Resources support.

Member Trainings: Hold regular virtual member gatherings and training programs.

Member Engagement: Organize member-led groups and committees like Archives Corps, Lobby Corps, and national committees.

Speaker Engagement: Offer National speakers for branch meetings and state conventions.

Real-Time Support: Connect Team provides daily assistance and semi-weekly "Office Hours" for member leaders.

The bottom line: National has heard us. The dues increase balances AAUW's financial sustainability with the member feedback they received.

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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.*

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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Oklahoma AAUW—aauw-ok.aauw.net National AAUW—www.aauw.org
State Facebook—www.facebook.com/AAUWOKlahoma



MAYDAY

MAY 3RD 2025 12PM-1:30PM	WOODWARD PARK 2435 S PEORIA AVE	WEAR BLACK NO SIGNS
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**JOIN US IN MOURNING THE
DESTRUCTION OF OUR DEMOCRACY**

