

AAUW EVENTS CALENDAR 2018-2019

Friday, Sept. 7: 10:30am at Katie's Cup –
Round Table Discussion Group — Led by Dr. Christina Kamer

Wednesday, Sept. 12: 5:30pm Social, 6:00 Dinner at
Ciao Bella – Trauma: The Neuropsychological
Consequences – Erin Fisher, Ph.D.

Tuesday, Sept. 18: 12:45pm – Book Beat

Wednesday, Sept. 19: 6:30pm at Wesley Willows
Town Center – Rockford Branch Board Meeting

Friday, Sept. 28: 12:00pm at Brewsky's (4414 Charles
St.) – Let's Do Lunch

Friday, Oct. 5: 10:30am at Katie's Cup –
Round Table Discussion Group — Led by Dr. Christina Kamer

Saturday, Oct. 6, AAUW-IL Northern Fall Conference
at ITT Rice Campus, Wheaton

Thursday, Oct. 11, 5:30pm at St. Mark Lutheran
Church – Panel: Dream Big: A Family Justice Center –
Jennifer Cacciapaglia, Judge Rosemary Collins, Mayor
Tom McNamara

Tuesday, Oct. 16: 12:45pm – Book Beat

Wednesday, Oct. 17: 6:30pm at Wesley Willows
Town Center – Rockford Branch Board Meeting

Wednesday, Oct. 24: 5:30pm at Regents Hall,
Rockford University – Candidates Forum

Friday, Oct. 26: 12:00pm at Capri Restaurant (E. State
St.) – Let's Do Lunch

Friday, Nov. 2: 10:30am at Katie's Cup –
Round Table Discussion Group — Led by Dr. Christina Kamer

Saturday, Nov. 3: BRUNCH 9am-12pm at Town Hall
Center, Wesley Willows – SPoRT Makeup: Created by
Women to Fund a Women's Museum

Wednesday, Nov. 14: 6:30pm at Wesley Willows
Town Center – Rockford Branch Board Meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 20: 12:45pm – Book Beat

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

AAUW High Fives go to several teams who have been meeting this summer to plan for the 2018-19 season. Each team generated lots of great ideas to help our branch carry out AAUW's mission of empowering women in our communities and in our state and nation.

First of all, the **Funds Team** reported our **2018 Tip the Bartender** to be a smashing success. We realized a sum of \$5033.00 for our Scholarship Fund. Many thanks go to Marsha and Larry Ackerman and Diane and Ed Kuehl who host us at the University Club. Thanks also to Funds Chair Sheryl Hall and all who helped make the evening a success, especially the Past President's support of the President's Challenge.

Save the dates—Sept. 12 and Oct. 11 for the two opening mission-based programs. The first, on Sept. 12, will be on the subject of trauma and how it impacts the lives of people and their families. You may have noticed the film series and discussion at RPL this summer about this subject. We hope that you will join us for the opening dinner and speech by Dr. Erin Fisher, RVC professor, about the neuropsychological effects of trauma.

The second, on Oct. 11 will be a panel discussion with Judge Rosemary Collins, Mayor Tom McNamara and Jennifer Cacciapaglia about the Family Justice Center being proposed for Rockford. This program will bring supportive services to families who are affected by trauma. This will be an important initiative for Rockford to help stop the violence in our city and make it a better place to live.

Then on **Nov. 3**, we will hear about a local entrepreneurial success story—the *Peaches* SPoRT makeup. The brand has now gone international and we can have a fun morning with brunch and makeovers.

On **Dec. 8**, we will hear some lovely music and enjoy a social time with our Branch friends and guests.

We hope that you will be with us for all these events as well as the interest groups.

The **Strategic Planning Team** met over the summer and produced the document you will find in your 2018-2019 Yearbook. We want to improve our marketing strategies and find ways to let the people of Rockford know about AAUW's mission of improving the lives of women and girls.

The **Membership Team** is working to be sure that members are

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Friday, Nov.30: 12:00pm at India House (E. Riverside) – Let's Do Lunch

Friday, Dec.7: 10:30am at Katie's Cup – Round Table Discussion Group — Led by Dr. Christina Kamer

Saturday, Dec.8: 11:00am at Giovanni's – Holiday Luncheon

Wednesday, Dec.19: 6:30pm at Wesley Willows Town Center – Rockford Branch Board Meeting

Friday, Jan.4: 10:30am at Katie's Cup – Round Table Discussion Group — Led by Dr. Christina Kamer

Tuesday, Jan.15: 12:45pm – Book Beat

Wednesday, Jan.16: 6:30pm at Wesley Willows Town Center – Rockford Branch Board Meeting

Friday, Jan.25: 12:00pm at TBD – Let's Do Lunch

Friday, Feb.1: 10:30am at Katie's Cup – Round Table Discussion Group — Led by Dr. Christina Kamer

Saturday, Feb.16: 10:00am at Rockford Art Museum – Lecture & Box Lunch – Regional Women Artists – Amy Ortiz, Ph.D., RAM Lecturer

Tuesday, Feb.19: 12:45pm – Book Beat

Wednesday, Feb.20: 6:30pm at Wesley Willows Town Center – Rockford Branch Board Meeting

Friday, Feb.22: 12:00pm at TBD – Let's Do Lunch

Friday, Mar.1: 10:30am at Katie's Cup – Round Table Discussion Group — Led by Dr. Christina Kamer

Tuesday, Mar.19: 12:45pm – Book Beat

Wednesday, Mar.20: 6:30pm at Wesley Willows Town Center – Rockford Branch Board Meeting

Saturday, Mar.23 (or 30): 1pm at Lakeside Shelter House (4188 Lakeside Dr.) - Lisa Day, Farrier

Friday, Mar.29: 12:00pm at TBD – Let's Do Lunch

Friday, Apr.5: 10:30am at Katie's Cup – Round Table Discussion Group — Led by Dr. Christina Kamer

Tuesday, Apr.9: Equal Pay Day

signed up in time for the Yearbook/Directory and are developing new marketing ideas.

Lastly, Dr. Mary Weaks-Baxter and Dr. Marilen Loyola volunteered to be the new liaisons at Rockford University. We will soon have the **RU/AAUW partnership** in place and be working on activities there.

Please read the rest of **the Initiative** to find out **what's new with AAUW!**

Judy Schultz and Barbara Simon, Co-Presidents

Tuesday, Apr.16: 12:45pm – Book Beat

Tuesday, Apr.16: 6:30pm at Fisher Chapel (Rockford University) – RU Global Studies Program – Maria Diemer, RU Coordinator

Wednesday, Apr.17: 6:30pm at Wesley Willows Town Center – Rockford Branch Board Meeting

Friday, Apr.26: 12:00pm at TBD – Let's Do Lunch

Friday, May 3: 10:30am at Katie's Cup – Round Table Discussion Group — Led by Dr. Christina Kamer

Friday & Saturday, May 3-4 – AAUW-IL State Convention – Springfield

Wednesday, May 15: 6:30pm at Wesley Willows Town Center – Rockford Branch Board Meeting

Saturday, May 18 11:00am at Forest Hills Country Club – Annual Meeting and Luncheon, STEM Scholarship Awards

Tuesday, May 21: 12:45pm – Book Beat

Friday, May 31: 12:00pm at TBD – Let's Do Lunch

Friday, June 7: 10:30am at Katie's Cup – Round Table Discussion Group — Led by Dr. Christina Kamer

Tuesday, June 18: 12:45pm – Book Beat

Wednesday, June 19: 6:30pm at Wesley Willows Town Center – AAUW Rockford Branch Board Meeting

Friday, June 28: 12:00pm at TBD – Let's Do Lunch

Tuesday, July 16 at the University Club – Tip the Bartender 2019

Friday, July 26: 12:00pm at TBD – Let's Do Lunch

Did you know? [This calendar](#) is available on our website and [Branch bylaws](#) are also posted there.

Our Upcoming Events

TRAUMA

Trauma: The Neurological Consequences

Traumatic experiences leave a permanent mark on the brain and the body with sometimes devastating consequences. Children are most vulnerable, as their brains are still developing and learning what is normal and what is not. This talk will briefly cover some of the major changes that occur in the brain after acute or chronic traumatic experiences, the resulting physiological and psychological symptoms, and what current research is finding that works to treat these symptoms and provide long-term relief.

Presented by: Erin Fisher, Ph.D., Professor and Academic Chair, Rock Valley College Psychology Department

Ciao Bella Ristorante, 6500 E Riverside Blvd, Loves Park, IL

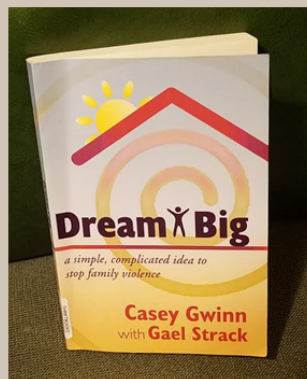
5:30pm Social time 6:00pm Dinner

RSVP to Diana Vlase (diana21vlase@gmail.com) by Friday, Sept. 7



Guests are welcome at all events. Let's invite interesting and active women to our events!

Dream Big: A Family Justice Center



Panel discussion
Jennifer Cacciapaglia
Judge Rosemary Collins
Mayor Tom McNamara

Thursday, Oct. 11, 5:30pm
St. Mark Lutheran Church
675 N. Mulford Rd.

The panel will discuss the Family Justice Center being proposed for Rockford. This program will bring supportive services to families who are affected by trauma.

This program is open to the public.



PUBLIC POLICY – FAYE MARCUS

DREAM BIG: A simple, but complicated idea to stop family violence

On Oct. 11, AAUW will sponsor a very important event. As you probably already know, Rockford is #2 in the state in the number of human trafficking situations and Illinois is #8 in the country. Human Trafficking and family or domestic violence are linked. One-third of all calls that are answered by our local police department are related to domestic violence. Our children are adversely affected by these horrific issues.





So what do we do about this? We are fortunate that we have people in our community who think “outside the box,” who are visionaries. They are developing a Family Justice Center. There are several Family Justice Centers throughout our country. It is very clear that families who are affected by violence are helped most when services are provided under one roof-in a “one stop shop.”

Please attend this important meeting and bring friends, family, co-workers, neighbors. Everyone should be informed.

Speakers: Mayor Tom McNamara, Jennifer Cacciapaglia, Judge Rosemary Collins

5:30pm on Thursday, Oct. 11 at St. Mark Lutheran Church, 675 N. Mulford Rd., Rockford

BRANCH ACTIVITIES

 <p>Round Table Discussion Group 10:30am, Friday, Sept. 7 & Oct. 3 at Katie's Cup</p>	<p>Noon on Friday, Sept. 28 at Brewsky's (4414 Charles St.)</p> 
<p>Book Beat Tuesday, Sept. 18 & Oct. 16 at 12:45pm</p> 	 <p>Branch Board Meeting, 6:30pm Wednesday, Sept. 19 & Oct. 17 at Wesley Willows Town Hall</p>
<p><u>AAUW ROCKFORD BRANCH ONLINE CALENDAR</u></p>	

BOOK BEAT READING LIST 2018

Book Beat meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 12:45pm. Please call the hostess if you would like to attend.

Sept. 18 *Black Water Lillies* by Michael Bussi

Reviewer: Linda Auman

Hostess: Carol Jacobs

Oct. 16 *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* by Lisa See

Reviewer: Enid Michalowski

Hostess: Faye Marcus

Nov. 20 *Churchill* by Paul Johnson

Reviewer: Ruth Siegfried

Hostess: Karen Shifo

2019 Dates

Feb. 19

Mar. 19

April 16

May 20

June 18



Treasurer's Report —Katy Paterson

August 15, 2018

Operating Fund

Beginning Balance \$3,964.62

Receipts

Schnucks Scrip Rebate 55.34

Dues 1,120.00

Donations 4.00

Disbursements

Dues 821.00

Program 30.00

Ending Balance @ August 15, 2018 \$4,292.96

Scholarship Fund

Beginning Balance \$9,097.12

Receipts

Donations 4,883.00

Disbursements

Scholarships 4,000.00

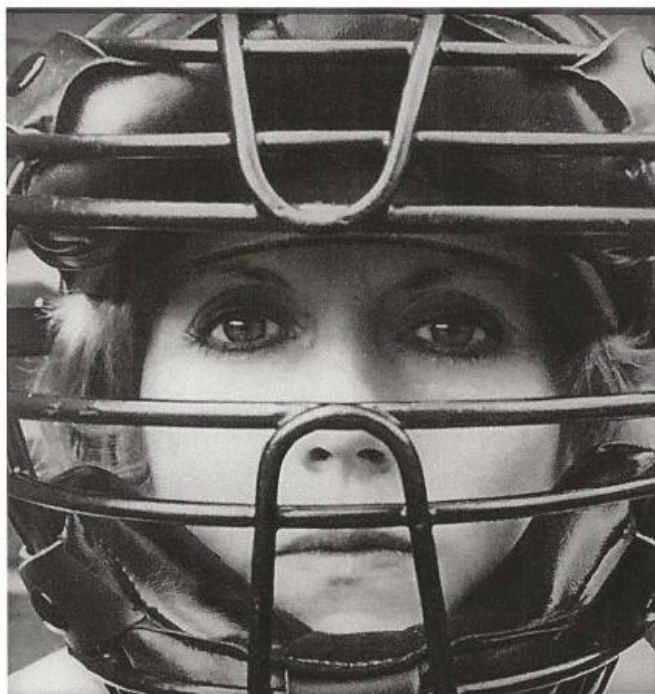
Ending balance @ August 15, 2018 \$9,980.12

Advance program note

SPoRT™ Makeup

Created and Run by Women for a Women's Museum

For women who play. Step up to the sport.™



S P O R T™

Saturday, Nov. 3, 9 a.m. to Noon
Wesley Willows Town Center Auditorium
4142 Johns Farm Rd., Rockford

DID YOU KNOW?

- You can download our entire year's calendar in printable format [here](#).
- AAUW members receive a discount at Office Depot and OfficeMax stores.
- If you smiled for a Branch event photo, you might be featured on our site. Check the "PHOTOS" menu option!

BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are shown on our [online calendar](#) and are normally held on the third Wednesday of the month in the Board Room at Wesley Willows Town Center, 4142 Johns Farm Rd., Rockford. Meetings start at 6:30pm and usually end by 8:30pm.

Members are always welcome to attend.

SPoRT™ Makeup began with a simple desire to honor the Rockford Peaches 75th Anniversary with a Signature lipstick called “Peach Diva.” Once the storyline portrayed in **A League of Their Own** was added and archival photos were discovered that emphasized the role that makeup played in the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League, it was decided to add a broader range of makeup products to reflect the League's insistence that players had to “look like women and play like men.”

AAUW Rockford Branch members Sheryl Hall and Christine Haeggquist have led the development of this exciting new makeup line, unique in the industry because all profits will benefit the International Women's Baseball Center in Rockford, IL.



Girls of Summer: All-American Girls Professional Baseball League 75th Anniversary Collection™ honors five Midwest teams that played between 1943 and 1954: Kenosha Comets, Milwaukee Chicks, Racine Belles, Rockford Peaches and Chicago Colleens. A Limited-Edition pillow-box set includes (1) 75th Anniversary Signature lipstick, (3) nail polishes, (2) blushes and (4) eye shadows. Individual elements are available for purchase.

Each product name in the *Girls of Summer Collection™* uses either popular words from the 40s and 50s era (“Peachy Keen” blush, “Bobby Sox” nail polish, “Flip Your Wig” eye shadow) or a baseball term (“R.B.I.” nail polish, “Play Ball” eye shadow, “Home Run” nail polish).

SPoRT™ Makeup will follow the “baseball” theme through the first year, bringing out the *Girls of Summer Go to Havana Collection™* in early October 2018. Cool summery colors will make way for warm Cuban tones. The storyline for the product follows these same ball players through their off-season training in Cuba and tours of South America in the late 40s and early 50s.

SPoRT™ Makeup was a Sponsor of the first-ever U.S. WBSC Women's Baseball World Cup 2018 held in Viera, FL in August, an international competition attracting teams from 12 countries. The Trophy Tour held before this World Cup began May 30th on the stage of the Coronado PAC as part of the Rockford Peaches 75th Anniversary Celebration.

The program will include a review of the entire makeup line with selected makeovers and sale of the complete line in time for the holidays. SPoRT™ makeup will offer a 5% discount on purchases up to \$50.00 and a 10% discount on purchases over \$50.00. SPoRT™ makeup will also donate 5% of final sales to AAUW Rockford for their National Fund.

STEM SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Congratulations to the four 2017-2018 academic scholars who were awarded the Rockford AAUW STEM Scholarship! We are already beginning to plan for next year's program.



Left to Right:

Abigail Suleman (Auburn)

Taylor Berke (Lutheran)

Annabelle Moore (Winnebago)

Payton Kammerer (Harlem)

TIP THE BARTENDER UPDATE

Diane Kuehl and Sheryl Hall

WE DID IT AGAIN! Our 2018 Presidents' Challenge goal of \$4,000.00 was surpassed with a realized grand total of \$5,033.00!

The AAUW Funds Committee and the Scholarship Committee would like to thank our many Branch members who attended the event at the University Club; and a big thank you to those who sent their checks ahead of time who could not come. Our Presidents' Challenge goals were met through the evening's fundraising so that they were able to generously donate the full amount of their individual pledges toward our final total. A big round of applause for our Presidents, current and past, for their continued support of our Branch!

Thirty-five of our 75 Branch members donated directly to Tip the Bartender, while others chose to participate at the event itself through games, raffles and silent auction. This is a huge achievement and our entire Branch should feel incredibly proud!

SAVE THE DATE! Next year's Tip the Bartender fundraiser is scheduled for Tuesday, July 16, 2019! Please put it on your calendars! The University Club has graciously agreed to give us use of their beautiful location and the committee is already thinking of fun activities to make the night more than entertaining...and all for the support of our local STEM Scholars! Now the academic search begins!

The Scholarship and AAUW Funds Committees thank you for your generous support!

Scholarship Committee: Diane Kuehl, Chair, Marsha Ackerman, Linda Auman, Ann Dempsey, Filiz Dik, Dale Dunnigan, Kathe Heyer, Jackie Parochka, and Deepshikha Shukla. **AAUW Funds Committee:** Sheryl Hall, Chair, Diane Kuehl, Katy Paterson, Barbara Simon and Judy Schultz.

To those not listed above who volunteered to help at the event, thank you! They are Christine Haeggquist, Christina Kamer, Jean Herro, Ramona Cornea, Faye Marcus, Regina Potts, Kathy Dierstein, Christina Kamer, Karen Hoffman, Dale Dunnigan, Larry Ackerman, Ed Kuehl and Jack Simon.

GET OUT THE VOTE: GOTV

Faye Marcus

*Election 2018 is coming soon. Are you ready to vote? **Tuesday, Nov. 6 is election day.***

Are you a registered voter? Are you an educated voter?

A great way to find out more about candidates is to attend a candidate forum. AAUW and League of Women Voters will be co-sponsoring several forums in September and October. They are still in the planning stages and more information will come your way.

Who's running?

- Judges for the 17th Judicial Circuit (Boone and Winnebago counties)
- County clerks and county treasurers
- Judges in Ogle County
- County Sheriff
- State Reps in the 67th, 68th, & 69th districts in Winnebago and Boone Counties
- State reps in Ogle County
- Governor in Illinois and Lt. Gov.
- Attorney General of the state
- Secretary of State
- State Comptroller
- State Treasurer
- Representatives to U.S. Congress-16th and 17th Districts in Winnebago and Boone counties
- Ogle County reps for Congress.

Will you be out of town on election day or unable to vote for another reason? No problem: early voting begins Sept. 27 and ends Nov. 5.

Two rallies are being planned to encourage people to vote and to take action regarding the Supreme Court.

- Sunday, August 26 – Supreme Court Rally (SCOTUS) at the Federal Court House in Rockford :1 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 13 – March to the Polls (Get out the Vote) – more information TBA.
- Wednesday Oct. 24-AAUW will sponsor a candidate forum featuring Sara Dady – candidate for the 16th congressional district. Her opponent, Adam Kinzinger has not agreed to participate. Mr. Kinzinger has been contacted numerous times via email and phone. (AAUW allows a single candidate to appear in this particular situation.)

We are fortunate this election season that we have several contested races. We have choices.

Remember - Your Vote is Your Voice!
