



Lombard Area Branch (IL)

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Weds, September 14: Potluck Supper & “Get Off Your Buts! How to Make Progress Instead of Excuses”

Our September kick-off meeting promises to get the year off to a great start. We hope you will join us, and remember that friends are welcome!

Plan to arrive at 6:30, toting a dish*, of course. As the potluck winds down, President Janet Miller will conduct a brief business meeting, followed by the program.

Our presenter, Tammy Cook, has had extensive experience in the business world. She is a certified empowerment coach who helps creative people with multiple talents and interests—referred to as Renaissance Minds. Her topic, “Get Off Your Buts! How to Make Progress Instead of Excuses,” aims to empower and motivate us through tools, techniques, and humor. Come join us as we learn to shift limiting beliefs, think positively, and feel better, too.

See you then.

Diane Dassow and Heidi Koberstine, Program Co-Chairs

* Pot luck dishes: A-L people are asked to bring a dessert and the M-Z people are asked to bring a salad or main dish. Anyone who can come at 6 to help set up tables and chairs would be gratefully welcomed.

Wilma Bain and Bebe Mosillo, Social Co-Chairs



2011 Used Book Sale Recap

This year's book sale proceeds were down about 15% but considering the economy, we did quite well. Our expenses were lower as well this year, in part due to many volunteer teens including National Honor Society members.

Our team leaders were very organized, the weather was great, and our members showed up, as always, with purpose and enthusiasm to produce an extremely well organized sale. Thank you to all who picked up books, sorted, sold, cleaned up, and all the other myriad tasks involved—as well as those who bought books! We are grateful to you all.

Thank you to the local businesses who allowed us to place book collection barrels, posted and/or passed out flyers, provided shopping carts, etc.—Mr. Z's, the Jewel Food Stores in both Lombard and Villa Park, Marberry Cleaners, the local newspapers, but in particular the Lombardian and Steve Spoden who produced and published photographs, including a front page photo on our opening day, to spread the word about our sale.

The Book Sale Committee

E-Mailing Newsletters

As it's the start of the new year, I'm revisiting the printed vs. e-mailed newsletter list.

To those of you who have e-mail but have printed newsletters mailed to you - would you consider receiving the newsletter through e-mail instead? You can then read it online, or print some or all pages out in the convenience of your own home.

If you are willing to view the newsletter online and/or print it yourself, please let me know. Thank you for conserving resources and postage.

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

In principle and 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.

AAUW membership is open to any graduate who holds an associates or higher degree from an accredited institution of higher education.

AAUW Funds is the world's largest source of funding exclusively for graduate women. The Funds also work to combat sex discrimination in higher education and the workplace.

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President's Corner

It seems such a short time ago that we were finishing our 2010-2011 AAUW year with our summer outing to Cantigny for the Du Page Symphony Orchestra Concert. It was a warm, but pleasant evening of wonderful music from favorite movie scores.



Since then, we have volunteered at the Taste Lombard Bingo Tent and completed another used book sale. These two activities provide funds for our operating and philanthropic budgets. Proposed budgets are included in this newsletter and will be presented to the general membership for approval at the September meeting.

The profits from the used book sale were down again this year. This is certainly a trend of the times when compared with other branches who sponsor sales. Scholarship decisions will go forward, using the 60/40 split. Forty percent of profits will be used for local scholarships and sixty percent will be used for AAUW Funds. The Legal Advocacy Fund is now included in AAUW Funds.

Once again, branch membership devoted many hours of volunteer time to organize, collect, publicize, and sell a good selection of books. Thank you to everyone. Your efforts are appreciated.

Now we are ready to begin the 53rd year since the foundation of the Lombard Area AAUW branch. We have a fine schedule of programs that will give us opportunities to learn about different groups in the United States and other places in the world. We will focus on some of the issues that are AAUW priorities and we will be entertained with music and dramatics.

Let's look forward to learning new things, doing something helpful for women, and meeting old and new friends. All of these are reasons we are members of AAUW.

Janet Miller,
Branch President
Lombard Area AAUW

P.S. Please check the Calendar on the back page for state level events.

Ways & Means - Carsons



We will once again participate in Carsons Community Days - to be held November 11 and 12.

We have the Carsons coupon books—100 of them— ready for the September pot luck. They cost \$5.00 each. Start your holiday shopping early.

Please mark your calendars and sign up to sell them in the store at Yorktown. Our selling times are as follows:

- Sat, 11/5:
10-12 noon
2-4 pm
4-6 pm
- Sun, 11/6: 2-6 pm
- Thurs, 11/10: 12-2 pm

A volunteer sign up sheet will be available at the potluck. Checks are encouraged when buying the booklets. Pat Porep and Marge Ostendorf, Ways & Means

In Memoriam: Betty Peterson

Betty Peterson passed away on August 17. She joined our branch in 1994. Betty was active throughout her membership including several years as treasurer and keeper of the book sale finances. She had moved to Beacon Hill a few years ago.

You might remember Betty's fabulous sewing talent - she made beautiful American Girl doll clothes. She would look at the clothes offered in the AG catalog, then reproduce them herself. Betty's clothes were very popular at the First Church holiday boutiques.

You might not have known that Betty ran the book store at Willowbrook High School for at least a decade back in the 1970's. Books were obviously an important part of Betty's life!



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Membership Matters

We have a new member from the drawing at the book sale:



Carla Brownell from Lombard. She received her undergrad in Political Science from Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C, and her MA in Political Science from The University of Kansas.

We look forward to seeing everyone at our annual fall potluck dinner/meeting and program! Please feel free to invite friends, relatives, neighbors, anyone you think would be interested in the AAUW Mission, programs, interest groups and meetings. All are welcome!

Guests do not need to bring any food. We have several new members to introduce and with your help, we'll have a number of guests!

Kristi Miller and Betsy Swinson
Membership Co-Chairs

Six in the City: September 2011

Chicago Botanic Garden

Friday, September 30
Carpool from Doris Schertz' at 9:30 am
Return mid-afternoon



We're off to Chicago's Botanic Garden, one of the country's most visited public gardens with world-renowned plant collections. The 385-acre Garden features 24 display gardens and four national areas, uniquely situated on nine islands surrounded by lakes. Choose from two narrated tram tours: the Grand Tram (around the perimeter of the nine islands) or the Bright Encounters (a close look at the 24 display gardens).

Admission is free, but parking is \$20/car. Tram tours are \$6 adults/\$5 seniors. Lunch indoors or out at the Garden Café'. Yum.

RSVP to Doris: 630-629-2695 (home) or 630-212-2839 (cell) or schertz@comcast.net. Indicate if you can drive and how many you can take.

Dare to Dream Conference 2012

The **Dare to Dream: Get Educated** Conference for 2012 will be held at Elmhurst College on **Saturday, January 28, 2012**. Last year about 400 eighth grade Latinas and their moms attended the Conference, which received excellent reviews. We are looking forward to our fourth annual Conference.

Doris and I need a couple people to serve on our committee that is responsible for lining up the speakers for the Career Track Panels. We meet only once a month now, and the work is much easier since we have already created most of our information on the computer and have many Latina professionals who participate each year. Please call either of us if you can make this commitment. We both agree that it is the most rewarding AAUW project we have ever worked on. We also welcome your monetary contributions. Remember Dare to Dream is a 501(c)(3) corporation now, so your gift is tax deductible. Make your check to Dare to Dream.

Thanks in advance for your support of a Conference that has already impacted many Latina middle school girls and their mothers and has so positively affected the lives of those of us who have been involved.

Kathy Brenniman, 630/627-5180, kfbrenn@aol.com;
Doris Schertz, 630/629-2695, dcschertz@comcast.net
Dare to Dream Co-chairs

**A BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR
JANE ADDAMS**

Saturday September 17, 2011
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Registration and coffee: 10:00-10:30 am
Cedarville Area Historical Society (6 miles
north of Freeport, near Il-20 and Il-26)

Tour, Talk, Lunch and Cemetery visit
to follow
Cost: \$20.00

Reservation Deadline: Sept 3.
Find the reservation form in your Illinois
Link newsletter and online at aauw-il.org.

Letters from Scholarship Winners



Let these women remind us why we work hard at the booksale to raise money from the community in order to support our community!

These are winners from this past May.

Sara Taege (Glenbard East)

My name is Sara Taege and I am the student at Glenbard East who had the privilege to receive the AAUW scholarship that you kindly provided. I am attending Washington Univ. in St. Louis this fall and plan to enroll in medical school following my undergrad therefore every bit of help I receive financially is greatly appreciated. It is an honor to be the recipient of your scholarship and to see great women like you encouraging and helping students financially who have dedicated their time to their studies and desire to continue that trend in college to achieve their personal goal while also helping the community. Thank you for caring and for your financial support.

Sincerely, Sara



Tova Bergsten (Willowbrook)

I would like to thank the American Association of University Women for awarding me this scholarship. I am honored to have received this distinction and greatly appreciate the aid it will provide. I am looking forward to attending Princeton University in the fall and hope to accomplish great things as well as make myself and the Association proud. Thank you again. *Sincerely, Tova*



Diane Grek (SIU, Carbondale)

I cannot say thank you enough to each and every one of you for choosing me as your undergraduate scholarship recipient. Making the decision to go back to school was a difficult one – both mentally and financially. You have helped me with both aspects of that. You have confirmed that I made the right decision. I finished my first class (out of 5 I need to complete my degree) and now, with your financial gift, I have begun my second class. I have been able to continue with no break and I am very excited! Thank you so much again! *Diane*

Interest Group Calendar

All Lombard Area AAUW members are welcome to attend any of these interest group programs.

Mystery Buffs

(4th Thursday)

Chair: Barbara Kozi

Sept 22, 7pm

at *Mary Ann M's*

A Killing Frost by Michael A. Black



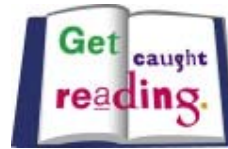
Lit Wits (2nd Monday)

Chairs: Lisa Clark, Heidi Koberstine

Sept 12, 7pm

at *Anyways, Villa Park*

Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand



Literature (3rd Friday)

Chair: Loretta Caputo

Sept 16, 1pm

Carol Schuh's

The Optimist's Daughter

by Eudora Welty



Six in the City (various)

Chair: Doris Schertz

Friday, Sept 30:

Chicago Botanic Gardens in Glencoe.

Carpool leaves at 9:30am.

See full details on page 4.

Women's Issues (3rd Tuesday)

Chairs: Marilyn Gustafson

Sept 20, 10 am

at *Marilyn's*

"Planning our 2011-12 season"

Brilliant members are asked to bring ideas! Followed by a light lunch at Marilyn's. Additional food accepted but not required. RSVP to Marilyn.



We will vote on these budgets at our Sept. 14 meeting.

Operating Budget

	Proposed 2011-2012
Balance Forward	4085.00
(Checkbook Balance on July 1)	
INCOME	
Advertising	400.00
Dues	850.00
Ways and Means	800.00
Total Income	2050.00
TOTAL INCOME	6135.00
EXPENSES	
By-Laws	10.00
Contributions	100.00
Convention Expenses - National	500.00
Dare to Dream	209.00
Convention Expenses - State	0.00
Insurance	125.00
Membership	50.00
Miscellaneous	20.00
Newsletter	250.00
Office Expenses	41.00
Programs	380.00
Public Policy	0.00
Rent	105.00
Social & Hospitality	140.00
Yearbook	120.00
Total Expenses	2050.00
Balance Forward	4085.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	6135.00

Philanthropic Budget

	Actual 2010-2011	Proposed 2011-2012
Beginning Balance	2677	2200
(Balance on 7/1/11)		
INCOME		
Book Sale Income	10266	8488
TOTAL	12943	10688
EXPENSES		
Book Sale Expenses	2500	2308
AAUW Funds-Legal (@ \$5/member)	300	0*
Local Scholarship Committee	200	200
Sub-Total Expenses	3000	2508
Scholarship money available	7266	6580
Scholarship-Local (40%)	2906	2650
AAUW Funds (60%)	4360	3930
Balance Forward	2677	1600
TOTAL	12943	10688
*Legal Advocacy is included in 60/40 split		

Note: The '2011-12 Book Sale Income' and 'Book Sale Expenses' are the actual income and expenses from our 2011 book sale.

AAUW Awards \$3.7 Million in Fellowships and Grants for 2011–12 Academic Year

AAUW will award \$3.7 million in school year 2011–12 in support of 239 scholars, research projects, and programs promoting education and equity for women and girls. Since awarding its first fellowship in 1888, AAUW has provided more than \$90 million to more than 11,000 fellows and grantees from around the globe.

This year, AAUW awarded:

- ◆ 47 Career Development Grants
- ◆ 27 Community Action Grants
- ◆ 22 Selected Professions Fellowships
- ◆ 88 American Fellowships
- ◆ 49 International Fellowships
- ◆ 5 International Project Grants
- ◆ 1 Eleanor Roosevelt Fund Award

Two women have been awarded Career Development Grants funded by our own two endowments!

Lombard-Villa Park (IL) Branch (1995-96) Endowment Fund #1855

Name: Colleen McCorry
Degree and Field: M.B.A., Finance
Institution: Dominican University
Location: River Forest, Illinois
Award Year: 2011-12

Having worked in finance for 14 years, Colleen McCorry is currently pursuing her MBA in finance to further her knowledge in the field. Her studies will enable her to educate and inspire women and girls to become more confident in the area of finance.

Lombard-Villa Park (IL) Branch (1983-84) Endowment Fund #1541

Name: Christie Green
Degree and Field: M.L.A., Landscape architecture
Institution: University of New Mexico
Location: Albuquerque, New Mexico
Award Year: 2011-12

Christie Green has owned and operated her landscape design and installation business, Down to Earth, in Santa Fe, New Mexico, since 1999. She is currently a master of landscape architecture candidate at the University of New Mexico and is growing her business into more large-scale collaborative design projects. Green encourages ecological and psychological resilience in our communities through innovative, smart landscape design.

For more information on the AAUW Funds visit www.aauw.org. To apply for an AAUW fellowship or grant, visit www.aauw.org/education/fga. For application questions, contact aauw@act.org.

Laurie Driscoll
Branch AAUW Funds Chair



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American Association of University Women Lombard Area Branch

BRANCH CALENDAR – SEPTEMBER 2011

September

Mon, 9/12: 7pm. Lit Wits. Panera in Glen Ellyn

Weds, 9/14: 6:30pm. Potluck & General Meeting!
First Church of Lombard. See pg.1

Tues, 9/20: 10am. Women's Issues. Marilyn's

Fri, 9/16: 1pm. Literature. Carol S's

Sat, 9/17: 10-2pm. Jane Addams Birthday Party,
Cedarville, IL. (RSVP by 9/3 - See pg. 4)

Mon, 9/19: 7pm. Board meeting. At 'Focus' in Lombard.

Thurs, 9/22: 7pm. Mystery. Mary Ann M's

Future

Weds, 10/12: 7 pm. General Meeting. First Church of Lombard

Mon, 10/17: 7pm. Board meeting. At 'Focus' in Lombard.

Sat, 10/29: AAUW-IL Fall Conference, Stronghold Castle, Oregon. **See details in your Fall Link.**

Nov. 11-12: Carsons Community Days. We will be selling the booklets at Carsons-Yorktown on 11/5, 11/6, 11/10. (See pg. 3)

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