



Mar—Apr. 2017 St. Paul American Association of University Women-

Mark Your Calendars Now!



The AAUW St. Paul Branch Annual Meeting will be **Tuesday, May 16,*** starting with coffee, mimosas, pastry and conversation at 10 a.m. (You can find water too.)

Minnesota Attorney General Lori Swanson will be our guest speaker at 11 a.m. and, among other topics, will bring us up to date on her office's part to stop President Trump's travel ban.

Lori's talk will be followed by an especially grand lunch enhanced with background piano music provided by Jim Andrews, (Kathy's husband).

And then the reason for the annual meeting: **THE MEETING.** We'll elect new officers and chairs, give grateful thanks to retiring board and officers, 50 year members, and past presidents. This is also the time to present the new Branch Board of Directors and Branch budget for 2017-18, and to hear from the chairs of our Scholarship Trust and our business, St. Paul College Club Catering and its team.

Although the Board will not lock the doors so you can't leave after lunch, we hope you will stay for the hour it will take to elect and honor members who have been spending and will be spending a lot of time to make AAUW St. Paul Branch the biggest and best in the country.

See you May 16! — Jane Tschida, Pres.

**This notice replaces the one listed in your current 990.*

ANNUAL MEETING
MAY 16



Program Notes:

With President Jane Tschida announcing the change of the annual meeting from April 18 to May 16, we now have two programs for April 18:

April 18, 11:00 -

Jungle Arts Theater

Sarah Rasmussen took Twin Cities Theater by storm when she became Artistic Director of the Jungle Theater, replacing legendary Bain Boehlke, its founding director with over 50-years' experience. Described as "wondrously visual and elegant," Sarah will describe her plans for the Jungle Theater.

April 18, 1:00 -

Tech for the Truly Terrified

Professor David Schultz urged us to "learn the language" of our largest generational cohort, the Millennials. Social media is that language. Just as Star Trek explored "strange new worlds," we "boldly go" into the world of social media, guided by AAUW Member Pam Stuart.

Summer Events —

Look in your Summer 990 News for these summer events:

May 31 – Tour of Minnesota's newly renovated State Capitol.

June 21 – Tour St. Paul's East Side Freedom Library. Lunch at the Library, optional walk after.

August 9 – AAUW St. Paul Branch's annual afternoon tea.

August 23 – Lunch and tour of the Historic Wabasha Street Caves

Scholarship Trust's Strategic Plan

The Scholarship Trust Strategic Plan identifies implementation strategies for six long-term goals: Increase the Scholarship Trust Assets, Improve Recruitment for Returning Woman Scholars, Facilitate Scholar's Careers via mentorship and engagement, Build Relationships with Alumnae and Volunteers, Increase Communications and Exchange Information between the Scholarship Trust, Branch and community, and Assure Compliance with Accounting, Record-keeping and Donor Acknowledgment practices for non-profit organizations.

While our 21 scholars work hard at their college studies, the Trustees prepare to review applications for the 2017 scholars. While the true joy of Trusteeship is getting to know the scholars and alumnae, it takes dedicated time to also prepare the documentation necessary to move the Scholarship Trust into the 21st Century. Since 1911, through fund-raising events, gifts and estate plans, together, we have sent more than 400 women to college. Thank you for your kind and generous support of the Scholarship Trust. We hope to see you at the April 25th Scholarship Trust Annual Awards Dinner.

—Kim Blair, Chair

St Paul College Club, Inc. AAUW Scholarship Trust

History Corner...Did You Know?

The St Paul Branch of the American Association of University Women organized in 1909. Did you know that by your affiliation, you have made a significant impact on the St Paul community?

In the 1918 World War I War Effort, St Paul Branch and member Cleora Wheeler created the St Paul Vocational Bureau for Trained Women. The war gave women an opportunity to enter the work force in office positions formerly held by men. The Bureau made it possible for women to earn an independent living.

Fast forward... in 1972, St Paul Branch joined other women's organizations to create the Minnesota Children's Museum...in 1974, St Paul Branch gave founding support to the first Women's Shelter in the country...in 1990, members mentored 60 at-risk girls in the 5th and 6th grades to pursue studies in the STEM fields...in 2011, the Scholarship Trust celebrated 100 Years of college educating women...and in 2017, Branch members participated in the Women's March on the Capitol for women's rights.

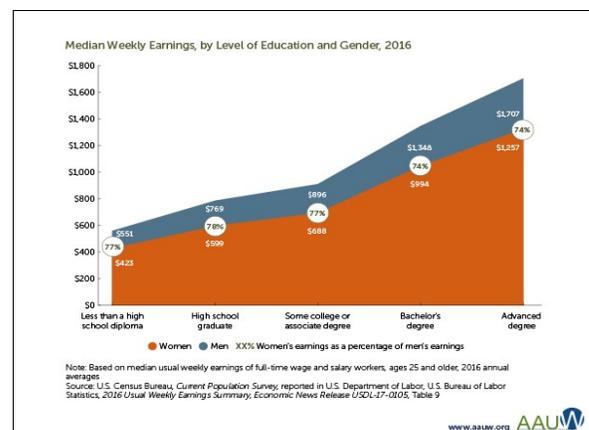
At St Paul Branch of AAUW, we make history!

—Kim Blair and Dallas Lindgren, Historians

Latest Data on Pay Gap

You've probably heard that men are paid more than women are paid over their lifetimes. But what does that mean? Are women paid less because they choose lower-paying jobs? Is it because more women work part time than men do? Or is it because women have more caregiving responsibilities? And what, exactly, does gender bias have to do with paychecks? AAUW's *The Simple Truth about the Gender Pay Gap* succinctly addresses these issues by going beyond the widely reported 80% statistic. The report explains the pay gap in the United States; how it affects women of all ages, races, and education levels; and what you can do to close it. For 2016, the fifth anniversary of *The Simple Truth*, we've updated the report with information on disability status, sexual orientation, and gender identity. Here is one graph from the report showing that more education is not necessarily beneficial.

More information here: <http://www.aauw.org/research/the-simple-truth-about-the-gender-pay-gap/>



New Tappy Hour for Beginners!

Here is Ellen Keane's new class description, it is posted on her webpage www.tapcompany.org Class to start on 3/23, at 10:15 a.m., as long as there are at least 8 students. \$17.50/class, 1.25 hrs, 4 class minimum.

The class will run through June 8, then off for the summer. This class is for the adult who says "I always wanted to do that". Low impact, high fun factor. This class is designed to improve balance, bone density and build new neural pathways in our brains. The music rocks and swings. No need for costumes

because performing is not a priority. People with one or more left feet are especially encouraged to try one class free!

Email ellen@tapcompany.org to confirm there is class before dropping in (just in case). Tap shoes optional but fun, let us help you get a good shoe at a good value. Some sizes available to try before you buy.

All classes held at:

Celtic Junction Arts Center
836 Prior Ave N, St Paul, 55104



Ellen and her niece recently entertained and taught us the benefits of tap, health and otherwise!

NOTE: I do hope some St Paul members will attend the National Convention! It's always a great event, fun and informative, especially when in D.C., as we go to "the hill" with help from our staff, and visit our lawmaker's offices.

PS: State Convention is fun, too! --Carol S.

The 2017 National Convention will take place June 14-17 in Washington, D.C.

The Renaissance Hotel in downtown Washington will be the headquarters hotel. Hotel and registration information is now available at the AAUW website: <http://convention.aauw.org/about/>. Major speaker include Judy Woodruff and Celinda Lake. The 2017 AAUW Alumnae Recognition Awardee will be Tererai Trent, who has a very interesting story. Tererai Trent, Ph.D., is one of today's most internationally recognized voices for quality education and women's empowerment. Trent is a scholar, humanitarian, motivational speaker, educator, author, and the founder of Tererai Trent International whose mission is to provide quality education in rural Africa.

Rooted in humble beginnings, Trent grew up in a cattle-herding family in rural Zimbabwe. Despite facing many obstacles, she never lost sight of her dreams of an education. Trent could not have imagined that her steadfast determination, hard work, and belief in her dreams would eventually earn her a prominent global platform with world leaders and international audiences where she leads the global charge in the fight for quality education and women's rights.

Trent has been a keynote speaker twice at the U.N. Global Compact Leaders Summit, where she used her growing voice to appeal to international businesses to invest in equal access to quality education, and is currently an adjunct professor in Monitoring and Evaluation in Global Health at Drexel University's School of Public Health.

Please Join Us!

**2017 AAUW
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FRIDAY, APRIL 28 &
SATURDAY, APRIL 29

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Annual Spring Book Sale April 6-9, 2017

Our upcoming Annual Spring Book Sale will be held Thursday April 6th through Sunday April 9th. We will continue to accept books through Tuesday March 21st. Donations of newer fiction and non-fiction (2014-2017) are especially appreciated.

Volunteers are needed to assist during the book sale and to help with clean up after the sale. Look for sign-up sheets on the back table indicating dates and times when help is needed.



Thank you for your generosity toward this event and please invite your family and friends to our Annual Sale.

- Sharon Ahern and Julie Hanson
Co-Chairs, Book Sale Committee.

Members Needed for Lawn & Garden Subcommittee

Anyone interested in having input in our clubhouse landscaping?

Now is the time to join the Lawn & Garden portion of the Property Committee. This group designs and plants the Mansion's 18 flowerpots and front flower beds in May, and the two front entrance pots in winter décor. It also works with the House Manager and Gardener in keeping our landscape beautiful and a welcoming place for visitors, guests and members.

Contact Mary Chorewycz at 651- 454 - 9456 or Betty Lins at 952- 435- 5122 for details.



"A great poem
can move you,
shake you,
and remind you
what it is to
be human."

Food for the Soul

On May 10, our St Paul Branch will mark the 38th anniversary of Poetry Day. This celebration of poetry is a proud tradition and a testament to the creativity and artistic awareness of our members. This year's programs will again feature two outstanding speakers who will read from their works. At 10:00, preceding the first program, a number of our members will share their poems with us. Please come for a full day of enjoyment.

Karen Zaske, Poetry Day Committee



Speaker Chris Farrell and Nancy Creighton

share a moment after Chris's recent AAUW Presentation on "Unretirement", a new concept concerning the use of our later years in fuller ways than a traditional retirement.

The **Timely Report** is a branch newsletter that is published bimonthly, except over the summer. It is distributed via email, with some hard copies available at Tuesday meetings the same week they are sent out. They are not sent by USPS. All are invited to submit articles or photos that are relevant to the branch, preferably articles no longer than 150 or 250 words. Send articles or questions to Carol Sheggeby at csheggeby@gmail.com or Mary Schrankler schrankler101@comcast.net

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