

JOIN US!

When you join St. Paul AAUW, you also join the State and National AAUW organizations, becoming part of a community of women who value education, information and equal rights.

Attending Branch programs and events can stimulate a lifetime of personal and professional growth. We also offer an array of special interest groups, field trips, a holiday brunch, a scholarship benefit tea, and numerous opportunities to participate. New member chats will help you discover the many facets of AAUW St. Paul and the Branch Directory will provide a way to stay in touch with new friends.

A delicious lunch is available on Tuesdays by advance reservation, and many find free valet parking especially handy.

You will find all the details you need to get underway (including how to reserve lunch) in the *990 News Bulletin*, mailed to all members quarterly.

Whether you choose to participate a lot or a little, your membership dues keep working on behalf of expanded opportunities for women and girls everywhere.

Still not sure? Come and see what we are all about. Prospective members are invited to attend up to three times before joining.

Contact us with your questions:
membership@aauwstpaul.org

We hope to see you soon!

History:

AAUW began in 1881, when Marion Talbot called together a meeting of women college graduates. Seventeen attended, representing a unique gathering: the first generation of women alumnae. The purpose, too, was unique: to support each other and the next generations of women in higher education. From the start, this group, which became AAUW, has worked to improve the quality of education for girls and women.

St Paul Branch began in 1889, when eight women from St. Paul and Minneapolis met and formed a group that became the seventh branch of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae, the Minnesota Branch of ACA. In 1909 the St. Paul members formed a separate organization called the St. Paul College Club. The national organization adopted the name of the American Association of University Women in 1921. Among others, Edna St. Vincent Millay and Dimitri Metropoulos presented programs to the branch. When Carl Sandburg spoke in the 1940s, there were 547 members and dues were five dollars.

The early St. Paul College Club raised money for scholarships and the first one was awarded to a local student in 1911. This program continues today. Also around that time, committees were formed to study issues and interests of the day, such as German, Latin, history and social services. Reports from the committees were the forerunners of today's weekly programs.

As early as 1915 St. Paul members began looking for a permanent home for the St. Paul College Club and started a "sinking fund" to buy a house. In 1949, the club house at 990 Summit was purchased for \$35,000. By 1964, the membership reached an all-time high of 947 members, and Hatfield Hall was added to the house at a cost of \$75,000.

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to

St. Paul Branch AAUW

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

AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.
—Vision Statement

By joining AAUW, we belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that women have a fair chance.
—Promise Statement



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Visit our website for further information on events, program, history and more.

Who We Are

For more than 130 years, AAUW – the American Association of University Women – has been the nation’s leading voice promoting education and equity for women and girls.

Through its vital nationwide network, AAUW

- opens doors for women and girls and influences public debate on critical social issues such as education, civil rights and health care;
- publishes groundbreaking research on women, girls, and education;
- provides the world’s largest source of funding exclusively for graduate level women through our Educational Opportunities;
- fights sex discrimination in education and the workplace by our support of such cases through our Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF).

St Paul College Club, the business that supports our house, has been around for decades. Weddings and receptions and other special events keep the house and our staff busy.

St. Paul AAUW members, after belonging for two consecutive years, can schedule personal events at the house with a discount on the house rental charge for the event.

For information visit the Website:
www.stpaulcollegeclub.com
or call the Business office at 651-227-4477

The St. Paul Branch strives to uphold and advance our AAUW National goals.

On Tuesdays, programs at 11a.m. and 1p.m. feature energizing speakers from all walks of life, many of whom are highly regarded in their fields. Lunch is served at noon. Periodic evening programs include dinner, followed by a speaker. Evenings are a great time to include spouses or friends.

Topic issue areas of our programs include:

- International Affairs
- Women’s Issues
- Diversity
- Cultural Arts—Concerts & other events
- Public Policy
- Education

In addition to regular programs, we have a variety of other AAUW offerings including:

- Book discussion groups
- Bridge groups & Other special interest offerings
- Poetry Day
- Annual Book Sale
- Committee work on various levels

Scholarship Trust Fund and Committee: As a separate corporation, our local scholarship fund provides a number of local girls and women with college scholarships each year. Members of our branch serve on the Scholarship Board to choose the winners and oversee the fund. Money comes from gifts, bequests and fundraisers.

Publications you will receive:

Branch: 990 News (4 times a year)

Timely Report (bi-monthly)

Statewide: Minnesota Pine (3 times a year)

National: AAUW Outlook

Branch and national news and reminders are also distributed via email to members. No other use is made of members’ email addresses.

Criteria for Membership

If you hold an associate or equivalent degree, or a bachelor’s degree or higher, you can join AAUW as a branch member. Both men and women are welcome to join.

The equivalent of an associate degree is an academic degree or diploma awarded by a qualified institution such as a business college or a hospital, which may not be called an “associate degree” but has the same or higher academic requirements. Examples are 2 or 3 year diploma R.N.s, and the associate degrees, (AAS or AA) awarded by some business schools and colleges.

