

990 NEWS

July Updates 2020

**American Association
of
University Women
St. Paul Branch**



A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to our online *990 News*! This is a “skinny” July issue to keep you updated. With the world changing at breakneck speed, I thought that an extra connection point would be a good idea.

As Vice President of Programs as well as the *990 News* editor, I can tell you that our program leaders have been working hard to provide wonderful programs to you online with follow-up Zoom meetings for the months of September and October. Our board will reassess our programming schedule as we move forward and will respond accordingly as the future unfolds.



Please feel free to connect with me! My contact information for suggestions and comments is below. Please stay safe and well!

Until we meet again,
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ONLINE PROGRAMS!

Access the AAUW St. Paul Website
at <https://aauwstpaul.org/>

Under PROGRAMS select PROGRAM VIDEOS
The password is 990

Choose a program from the many wonderful programs
(or watch one you loved the first time) and enjoy!

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AAUW Stands Against Racism

The following is a statement from AAUW CEO Kimberly Churches:

AAUW joins the country in mourning the losses of George Floyd, Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor, and countless other people of color who have been unjustly killed across our nation. Our country needs healing. But healing will only come with justice. As an organization we condemn racism.



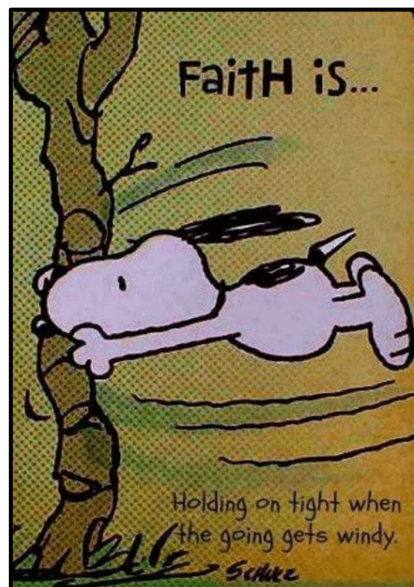
Systemic racism is firmly rooted in the United States and today’s injustices mirror our shameful history — from police brutality to the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on communities of color. There can be no justice or equality when Black and Brown communities are seen as less deserving of basic human and civil rights.

On behalf of our 170,000 members and supporters, we commit to fighting for justice, long-term and lasting change, and we stand in solidarity against racism. We also acknowledge that as an organization we have our own work to do.

And, as a member of the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, we will work to advance the policies and systemic changes identified in the New Era of Public Safety: A Guide to Fair, Safe, and Effective Community Policing and Vision for Justice platform.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello and my very best wishes to you this summer as we face one of the largest health scares in our lifetimes. Nothing is normal or predictable, it seems. I wish it were different, and we could go about our lives as we did only a few months ago. I have to admit to also wishing I would win the Powerball, but that didn't work out either. So when I need a boost, sometimes turning to *Peanuts* and Snoopy can do the trick:



So with faith and holding on tight, we move forward as briskly as we can with AAUW-St. Paul. Our work is very important to us as members and to the scholars and the community we support. The officers and chairs are continuing with their work to provide support to our scholars and to finding wonderful speakers and programs for you, our members, to enjoy in whatever way we can bring it to you safely. It is a work in progress and will not be perfect; however, we'll do our best and learn as we go. Thank you for your patience and good humor during this process.

I've been doing a lot of soul searching since the murder of George Floyd and am finding I have a lot to learn. Here are some suggestions that could be helpful if you are feeling the same way.

BOOK LIST:

So You Want To Talk About Race by Ijeoma Oluo

White Fragility by Robin DiAngelo

FILM LIST: (free on YouTube)

Just Mercy is a powerful true story that follows young lawyer Bryan Stevenson and his battle for justice as he defends a man sentenced to death despite evidence proving his innocence. (2019)

The Hate U Give is a 2018 American drama film based on the 2017 young adult novel by Angie Thomas.

13th An exploration on the history of racial inequality in the United States, focusing on the fact that the nation's prisons are disproportionately filled with African-Americans. (2016)

I Am Not Your Negro is a 2016 documentary based on James Baldwin's unfinished manuscript *Remember This House*. The film explores the history of racism in the United States through Baldwin's reminiscences of civil rights leaders Medgar Evers, Malcolm X, and Martin Luther King Jr.

NPR has a program called ***Counter Stories: How to Keep the Movement Moving***

Paste the following into your search bar:

<https://www.mprnews.org/episode/2020/06/18/counter-stories-how-to-keep-the-movement-moving>

I care about all of you so until we meet again, stay safe, and keep holding on tight.

Pam Lande, President
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WOMEN'S RIGHT TO VOTE

The 19th Amendment to the Constitution was ratified on August 19, 1920 when the State of Tennessee became the 36th state with a majority voting yes to approve the amendment.

Interesting facts: Minnesota ratified the amendment on September 8, 1919. Florida and South Carolina finally ratified the amendment in 1969. Georgia was the last state to ratify the amendment in 1970.



FROM THE BUSINESS BOARD

Where other businesses in the food industry are failing because of the COVID-19 outbreak, thanks to the quick response by Brian, our house manager, and Tracey, our events coordinator, we remain financially solvent. Tracey is continuing to book weddings for this year and beyond. Brian has been rescheduling weddings that have been impacted by this medical emergency. Micro weddings have been introduced, and wedding packages were streamlined.

Please take a look at our beautiful updated website for more information. Although Christophe has been furloughed; however, he is working part-time as regulations regarding the number of guests allowed at events increases. When we can gather again at the house for our Tuesday meetings and luncheons, Christophe will be in the kitchen! Our hearts go out to the families impacted by the virus and to the brides who at this time have had to postpone or cancel their dream weddings. On behalf of the SPCC staff and the Business Board let me say that we miss you, and we are looking forward to seeing again you soon.

Barbara Waldschmidt, Business Board Chair

ZOOM TIPS

New to Zoom Meetings?

ZOOM is a video/teleconferencing system. You can join a ZOOM meeting using your computer, tablet, or smart phone.

JOIN BY COMPUTER

- Close any program on your computer that uses your camera.
- Click the Zoom link that has been sent to you in an email, and Zoom should automatically and quickly download to your computer.
- When the download has completed, click on it to launch Zoom.
- Once Zoom has launched, a screen should pop up asking for your name. This will identify you during the meeting.
- You should now be part of the meeting. Click the green button that says "Join Audio by Computer" to allow for computer audio.
- Turn on VIDEO for your camera

JOIN BY SMARTPHONE OR TABLET

- Download the free Zoom app from your device's app store.
- Once downloaded; follow the instructions to set up your account. You will only have to do this once.
- Click the "Join" button displayed on the app home screen.
- The app will then ask you for the meeting ID and Password. You will find this information in the email from the host.
- You are now part of the meeting. You will want to "Join Audio by Computer" to allow for audio.
- Turn on VIDEO for your camera

Please allow extra time to get online! This is especially important if this is the first time you have used ZOOM. The ZOOM website has video resources that can show you how to join a meeting. Feel free to visit their Help Center for instructional videos and articles at

<https://support.zoom.us/>

Special Great Decisions Zoom Conversation

“Racism in America is like dust in the air. It seems invisible — even if you're choking on it — until you let the sun in. Then you see it's everywhere. As long as we keep shining that light, we have a chance of cleaning it wherever it lands.” Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, May 30, 2020.

The death of George Floyd has started a global movement aimed at disrupting systemic racism. It's on all of our minds right now, and AAUW is providing an opportunity for members to share how this event has influenced them. I hope that members who understand the issue more fully than I do will come forward to join this discussion! What articles, books, or movies are helping you understand racism and black lives in America today? What? Didn't we take care of all this in the '60s? What are some concrete examples of how you see racism in your neighborhoods or groups? What now?

The goal for this one-time discussion is just to give members a chance to talk to each other about racism, police reform, and education, following the killing of George Floyd, and to share resources they have found to be particularly helpful or interesting.

Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/n3QG65mUc8Gj9d3n7> no later than Friday, July 10. You will receive a Zoom invitation a day or two in advance.

**This Zoom conversation will take place on
Tuesday, July 14, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.**

Great Decisions is back! Catch up on missed sessions.



When Covid-19 changed our world abruptly, we left two important discussion topics on the table, India and Pakistan and Red Sea Security. We invite you to our July and August online Zoom meetings to learn and discuss. The format will be familiar, starting with the video, followed by discussion and sharing of our thoughts and ideas. Depending on group size, we will use a combination of large and break out room discussions.

July 21, 10:00 a.m.

India and Pakistan

Does being neighbors mean you are friends? Not in this case! As the conflict in Kashmir continues and for two nuclear nations, we need to know more. What are the economic and political implications of this ongoing feud?

August 18, 10:00 a.m.

Red Sea Security

From the Suez Canal to the north to the Yemen coastline to the south, the Red Sea has long been known for both beautiful coastal resorts and the transport of millions of barrels of oil daily. How important is regional security for this area to the wider global security? Given the high stakes, could this become a place of global cooperation?

To receive your Zoom invitation, click here and complete the form.

<https://forms.gle/Er2quoF8oajAi44GA>

Contact Jan Hertel at jmhertel@gmail.com with any questions.

*The St. Paul Branch of AAUW cordially invites you to
an **Afternoon Tea***

August 26, 2020
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

*Doors open at 1:30 p.m.
Tea served at 2:00 p.m.*



*Our afternoon tea will include Prosecco and singing by
Annalise McClain. Ms. McClain has performed in over 30
musicals and operas.*

Wear your best afternoon tea party hat!

\$50 per person

Attendance is limited to 50 people.

Members only for this event.

*Event will be held in the Great Hall with required
masks and social distancing. Reservations made
using SignUpGenius will be processed first.*

*Respond to the SignUpGenius invitation OR
Make reservations by calling AAUW at 651-227-5885
OR*

*Email with the names of the persons attending to
reservations@stpaulclub.com*

*Funds raised from the Tea will go to
AAUW St. Paul projects.*

Trailblazers Among Us

The women of AAUW St. Paul are an amazing group! Remember when five wonderful women spoke about their careers this past December? We plan to have another presentations so that we can hear from more of our members and their interesting pursuits.

Do you have an interesting hobby? Post-retirement passions? Have you made clothes, made and sold pottery, or traveled to many countries? Have you volunteered somewhere where you made a significant impact? Was your career one that others would like to hear about? Do you have stories from your life that others would enjoy hearing?

If so, please plan to be a presenter for 10 to 20 minutes on Tuesday December 1, 2020, at the afternoon session of AAUW. Call Judy Regan at 612-790-8178, or email her at jannregan@gmail.com to express your interest. She can help you with the technology (PowerPoint, etc.) that you may need.

Judy Regan



Board Meeting Dates

Executive Board Meetings 10:00 a.m.

July 6	FIRST MONDAY
August 3	FIRST MONDAY



The Drive Toward Artificial Intelligence and Personal Data

Global Conversations Digital with former United States Foreign Officer Tom Hanson



Policymakers in many countries are developing plans and funding research in artificial intelligence (AI). Global growth is slowing and many hope that AI will provide solutions to problems with data.

The EU, Brazil, and other Western countries have adopted regulations that grant users greater control over their data and require that firms using AI be transparent about how they use it.

Join a webinar conversation with former United States Foreign Service Officer Tom Hanson as he provides insight on the global impact of AI.

Global Minnesota, continued

Presented in partnership with the Edina Senior Center, Friends of the Edina Library, Friends of the Minneapolis Central Library, Hennepin County Library – Minneapolis Central, Landmark Center, Plymouth Library, and Washburn Library.

Join in on Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Free Zoom Webinar

Follow this link to register:

<https://www.globalminnesota.org/event/global-conversations-digital-artificial-intelligence-and-data/>



Book Committee Report

Thank you for all of your wonderful donations! Please continue with your kindness and keep in mind that we cannot accept encyclopedias, magazines, periodicals, textbooks, or books in bad condition. Books that are yellowed with age, mildewed, torn, or otherwise marked should be recycled.

We will continue to accept donations when our clubhouse is open again. We are very grateful to members, their families, and many friends who have donated books.

The Book Ends

Ann Heider, Tersenia Schuett, and Kathleen Flynn

Donations for Schools

The last couple of years, the members of AAUW-St. Paul generously provided warm winter wear for over 200 school children.



As you clean house this summer, please set aside the hats, mittens, scarves, coats, boots, etc., that you would like to donate to disadvantaged school children.

AAUW-St. Paul members have helped ages (and sizes) pre-school to adult. Please contact me (Kim Blair) with questions at 651-773-0684

or kimblair928@gmail.com. I will even pick up the items to give your house more space. Thank you!

In addition, I have been reminded that the students without a permanent space to sleep at night must also carry their personal care items in their backpacks. Please donate travel-size soaps, shampoos, toothpaste, and toothbrushes, socks, hand wipes, facial tissue packets, wrapped sanitary napkins, and ChapStick®. I am certain the girls especially will appreciate your gifts of personal care and hygiene products.

Children love stickers! Stickers that have positive messages such as *good job reading, smiley faces, happy greetings or you're great!* etc., are especially welcome. If you have stickers, please donate them as well.

We must continue to encourage our youth! Thanks so much for all your help.

Kim Blair, Donations for Schools Coordinator

September Wine & Cheese Prospective Member Event

Do you know other women who would enjoy the stimulating programs, company, and friendships of an AAUW membership?

The Wine & Cheese Prospective Member Event

**September 16, 2020
4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

Members are invited to come and bring prospective members to this fun, yearly event. The event is limited to 50 people so that social distancing can be maintained.

Event will be held in the Great Hall.
Masks are required for entrance.

The Membership Co-Vice Presidents and the Membership Committee will send invitations in August/September to those you suggest. Please send the names, postal addresses, and email addresses of potential members to membership@aauwstpaul.org.

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Sue Talley talleysue@aol.com



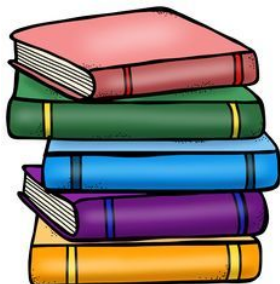
Mystery Hour Book Club

Greetings Friends,

The Mystery Hour is discussing online via Zoom during July and August.

Contact Carolyn Oliver for details if you are interested in joining the discussion.

cjoliver333@gmail.com



July 28, 2020

This Tender Land

by William Kent Krueger

Minnesota in 1932 was in the midst of the Depression, a hard time to endure even if you weren't an orphan, and even if you weren't Native American. This is the story of how four children escaped the Lincoln Indian School, canoeing down the Mississippi River to St. Louis, Missouri, where their only relative lived. Many smaller mysteries are encountered along the way, but the biggest is: How can—and will—they get there?

August 25, 2020

The Body In The Wake

by Katherine Hall Page

Faith Fairchild has an exceptional habit of finding dead bodies. Expecting to spend a relaxing summer in the Fairchild summer cottage on Sanpere Island off the coast of Maine, she and her friend swim into a drowned victim, which sets off a whole set of unanticipated problems, involving preparations for a big Labor Day wedding, horrible new neighbors, and a couple more dead bodies.

Discussions are led by Carolyn Oliver

POETRY COMMITTEE

We welcome our new Poetry Chair, Marla Kennedy. She introduces herself with a timely poem.

If the victim is portrayed with a halo, the only lesson my black great-grandchild will learn is that police kill wonderful people. That's not always true. If the victim is shown to have consumed and sold drugs, the lesson will also be that these drugs lead you to break the law to get them. That leads to danger. That's not always true.

Rue

by M. C. Kennedy

If I could eat rue, drink regret,
Paint myself with shame, drown in despair

If I could turn back the clock
To high school, where I learned football bravado.
Turn it back for even one year
For even one month, for even one day
For even one hour, I would give my life.

If this were an opera,
I would take a sword,
Climb atop a building
Stab myself,
Offer to them,
Save my family, save their families
Save Minneapolis.

This is 2020.
You don't do that now.
But I can see why they did.
They won't let you.
"Suicide watch."

AAUW – St. Paul History Archives

Since 1889 the Minnesota Historical Society has preserved records of St. Paul women dedicated to promoting education and equality for women and girls. With the help of retired State Archivist and AAUW St. Paul member Dallas Lindgren, we know that there are about 20 boxes of materials representing the Minnesota American Association of University Women (AAUW). Though its origins date from 1889 with the American Association of Collegiate Alumnae, Minneapolis and St. Paul members separated in 1909 forming the St. Paul College Club. With the 1921 merger of collegiate alumnae groups nationwide, the College Club became AAUW-St. Paul.

The Minnesota Historical Society specifically contains materials dating from 1908, from the St. Paul College Club and AAUW-St. Paul. In addition to meeting minutes, there are also microfilmed scrapbooks from 1928-1942. We regularly add to their preserved records stored in a subterranean vault larger than the square footage of a football field.

And back home at 990 Summit, on the third floor, in much less space, we retain and preserve working files that answer inquiries of our past activities and former members. We are a repository for St. Paul Women's History. There are five file cabinets, two bookshelves, and two closets containing member directories since 1915, *Green Shoots* (a compilation of creative writing by members in 1936), board minutes from October 1942 to present, Annual Reports since 1932, *Timely Report* newsletters since 1989 (we need issues from 2008), the *990 News* publications from 1935-1951, budgets, real estate taxes, Scholarship Trust administrative files, alumnae correspondence, Branch Administration, Committee and Program files (including NCCWSL, State Activism, Science Encouragement, College Counseling, Public Policy, International Issues, Membership events, Cultural Arts, Women's Issues, Education, Travel, 990 Editorial, Gender Equity, Evening Section,



AAUW – St. Paul History Archives, continued

Annual Meetings, etc.), Fundraising and Community Outreach, (including Book Sales, Action Fund, House and Garden Tours, English Teas, Theatre Productions, Treasure Sales, Fashion Shows, Nut Sales, Poetry Days, Jazz Brunch, etc.), Catering Business minutes, and the House & Property minutes, remodeling projects since the 1960s, design drawings, etc. Member-authored books, photo albums, scrapbooks, and exhibit artifacts rest on the bookcases, along with hardbound *990 News* from 1955 to present. We also have membership records from 1983 to 2014, which have become quite useful as the national AAUW office retains only current member records.

It is from these archived records that over time our historians have answered inquiries from individuals seeking family history, whose mothers and aunts were once members; or research requests about past branch activity. Gleaning information revealed the topics often cited in the History Exhibits displayed at special branch programs and events. For 111 years strong St. Paul women through AAUW-St. Paul have created the St. Paul Vocational Bureau for Trained Women (that became St. Paul Community College), at the embryonic phase founded and staffed the entity that became the national Head Start child care program, were founding members and supporters of the Minnesota Children's Museum and Women's Advocacy (first women's shelter in the nation), encouraged 60 at-risk fifth and sixth grade girls to go on to high school and college, and sent 416 deserving high school graduates and older women to college.

After sitting at home for months during this COVID-19 pandemic, you may ask yourself, "Have I accomplished anything?" Oh yes, my friends, YOU have. By your association, faith, and support of AAUW-St. Paul, YOU have done all these great things. Feel proud, you deserve it. Thank YOU!

Kim Blair, Historian

Summit Avenue Readers

We will be meeting via Zoom until we can resume meeting in the Library. Please contact Kathleen Ziegler at ziegler.kat@live.com for information on meeting specifics.

THIRD TUESDAY **September 15, 2020** **9:45 a.m.**
***Where The Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens**

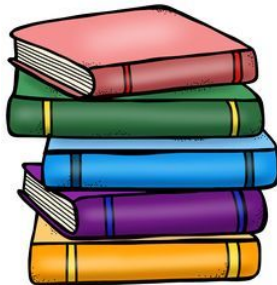
Who does not like strong female heroines? Kya, the “Marsh Girl” is center of a jaw-dropping murder mystery, courtroom drama, love story, and coming-of-age tale set in the coastal marsh of North Carolina. Kya is rejected by her community and abandoned by her family. She learns self-reliance from Nature: “Kaya laid her hand upon the breathing, wet earth, and the marsh became her mother.” This is Ms. Owen’s first novel, after a career as a wildlife scientist in Africa and as an award-winning nature writer.

Katherine Cram, Discussion Leader

THIRD TUESDAY **October 19, 2020** **9:45 a.m.**
***The Giver of Stars* by Jojo Moyes**

This book is a wonderful story of women coming from disparate backgrounds with difficult and unfulfilling lives through a shared passion. *Giver of Stars* is a compelling read with memorable characters in a historical setting.

Sue Clausen, Discussion Leader



Summit Avenue Readers, continued

THIRD TUESDAY **November 17, 2020** **9:45 a.m.**
***Brother, I'm Dying* by Edwidge Danticat**

It's a memoir that is beautifully written. From the age of four when her parents leave Haiti for New York, the main character is brought up by her beloved Uncle Joseph and Tante Denise. At age 12, she is torn between excitement to finally join her parents and brothers in New York where they have made a new life and the wrenching departure from her dear uncle. This is a gripping story of family, immigration, separation, great sadness and great love.

Judy Leahy Grimes, Discussion Leader

THIRD TUESDAY **December 1, 2020** **9:45 a.m.**
***Middlemarch* by George Eliot**

This classic is a study of English provincial life. The narrator comments, “The world no longer makes room for exceptional persons to live epic lives; nevertheless, those who do so are the unsung heroes of the mundane who live faithfully a hidden life, and rest in unvisited tombs.”

Kathleen Ziegler, Discussion Leader

THIRD TUESDAY **January 19, 2021** **9:45 a.m.**
***Becoming* by Michelle Obama**

Michelle Obama is a particularly intriguing person for many reasons you may already know; she's also conversational, politely open about herself, and has created---as the not entirely grammatical phrase is---a “good read.” Besides these obvious reasons for choosing her book, I'd also enjoy hearing a roomful of intelligent women talk about it.

Mikel Clifford, Discussion Leader

Summit Avenue Readers, continued

THIRD TUESDAY February 16, 2021 9:45 a.m.
***The Night Watchman* by Louise Erdrich**

This is the story of Erdrich’s grandfather who worked as a night watchman and carried the fight against Native dispossession all the way from rural North Dakota to Washington in the early 50s. It is a true story fictionalized to bring the characters to life in a warm, loving and humorous style, and relates her admiration for a truly remarkable man, her grandfather.

Nancy Scanlan, Discussion Leader

THIRD TUESDAY March 16, 2021 9:45 a.m.
***White Fragility: Why It’s So Hard For White People To Talk About Racism* by Robin DiAngelo**

What is White Fragility? In this groundbreaking and timely book, antiracist educator Robin DiAngelo deftly illuminates the phenomenon of white fragility. Referring to the defensive moves that white people make when challenged racially, white fragility is characterized by emotions such as anger, fear, and guilt, and by behaviors including argumentation and silence. These behaviors, in turn, function to reinstate white racial equilibrium and prevent any meaningful cross-dialogue. In this in-depth examination, DiAngelo explores how white fragility develops, how it protects racial inequality, and what we can do to engage more constructively.

Deb Varner, Discussion Leader

THIRD TUESDAY April 20, 2021 9:45 a.m.
***The Good Neighborhood* by Therese Anne Fowler**

The Good Neighborhood tells the story of a neighborhood in a North Carolina town which is changing and the changes bring about clashes with race, class, and personal values.

Shannon LeClair, Discussion Leader

Planning an event?

When you recommend the St. Paul College Club to friends, neighbors, business associates and family members, you are helping St. Paul AAUW. It is our business operation. When the College Club (SPCC) does well, we benefit. Business profits have supported many of the renovations we have completed and those still in progress. Please share with those you know how the lovely, updated yet historic exterior and interior of our clubhouse can enhance any event. Let them know of the delicious menu options and the fine service provided by our capable and attentive staff. Please encourage those who are looking for the perfect location for their upcoming special occasion to contact the St. Paul College Club at 651-227-4477. Our event planners are talented in assisting each customer to create a personalized and memorable event.

Thinking of donating a treasure?

Please contact the Property Committee Chair if you have an item that you think may be suitable for our clubhouse. The Property Committee will make careful decisions on whether to accept possible donations of furniture, lamps, and artwork. Acceptance of any item is dependent on how it will fit into the long-term decorating plan for this house/business venue.

Paulette Medin, Property Committee Chair
 paulette.medin@gmail.com



Computer Access

The computer in the branch office is available for members’ use. It is a standard Windows machine that is connected to the Internet, email, printers, etc. The ID name and the password are located on the computer.



BRANCH NEWS

Reminder: AAUW Branch Meetings are scent free

Member Communication

Our branch communicates with members via email, our website- and two regularly published publications.

Our branch website is <http://www.aauwstpaul.org>. Check us out! Pam Stuart is our Webmaster and you can contact her at pstewart@gmail.com

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. The *Timely Report* is not sent by USPS. All members are invited and encouraged to submit articles preferably no longer than 150 or 250 words and/or photos that are relevant to the branch. Send articles, photos, or questions to Carol Sheggeby at csheggeby@gmail.com

The *990 News* (this bulletin) is published three times a year and is mailed and emailed to members. This can change as circumstances change. For articles and pictures to be submitted, contact Carol Hanson at carolehanson6@gmail.com. Please do not send PDF files.

Due Dates for *990 News* submissions:

We are trying to be as fluid as possible in our member communications. Please contact Carol Hanson for more information.

***Contact Carol Sheggeby at csheggeby@gmail.com if you are not receiving your hard copy of the *990 News*--- when (and if) hard copies are sent.**

BRANCH PERKS



AAUW Bridge Groups

Clubhouse Bridge meets at our 990 Summit Clubhouse on the first Wednesday at noon, September through November and March through June. (Clubhouse Bridge does NOT meet December, January, February, July, and August.)

For more information or information on joining as

a regular or substitute member, please contact: Mary Lou Sabin at sabinml@icloud.com

Dessert Bridge meets at noon monthly at members' homes or 990 Summit Clubhouse several times each year. This schedule varies. For more information on locations and joining as a regular or substitute member, please contact: Marlys Larsen, 651-483-6949.

Gertens Plant Cards

Help support the Scholarship Trust and AAUW Funds and beautify your home and garden by purchasing Gertens Plant Cards online. Cards will be mailed



directly to you. Eleven percent of your purchase will be returned AAUW St. Paul. The link is on our branch home page at aauwstpaul.org under the Current Members tab. Click on the *Get Your Gertens Plant Cards* and then on the image of the card, and you will be taken to the Gertens order page.

Gertens Plant Cards can be used to purchase plant material at Gertens in Inver Grove Heights all year long. This includes but is not limited to: annuals, houseplants, perennials, shrubs, trees, and poinsettias. The cards will not decrease in value or expire.

Thank you for all of your support!

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Your contribution helps promote the mission of AAUW and the St. Paul Branch: achieving educational equality and opportunity for women.

All contributions to AAUW at the national and branch levels are tax deductible.

You can learn about the many fine national programs supported by AAUW at AAUW.org. Click on the [Donate](#) link to make an on-line donation. You may also contribute to AAUW National Funds with your check. Please make your check payable to AAUW and indicate on the memo line the AAUW program area you have chosen, or simply indicate "AAUW Fund," allowing your contribution to be used where it is most needed. Mail it to AAUW Funds, Suite 1000, 1310 L Street NW, Washington, DC 20005

Contributions to the branch, including to the House Preservation Fund, as well as the Scholarship Trust (a separate organization of the branch), are much needed and appreciated.

Please make your check payable to the Scholarship Trust for that fund and mail to Scholarship Trust Treasurer, 990 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105.

For contributions to the AAUW St. Paul Branch or the House Preservation Fund, please make your check payable to AAUW St. Paul and mail to AAUW St. Paul Branch Treasurer, 990 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105.



CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS continued

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