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Preparing for the AAUW Year

SHARE

SUPPORTING-HARDWORKING-AFFILIATES-RISING-TO-EMPOWER

Your AAUW Texas Board of Directors wants to introduce SHARE: Supporting Hardworking Affiliates Rising to Empower, a new grant program for branches. AAUW Texas Financial Officer Pam Wolfe chaired the AAUW Texas Financial Task Force to develop a strategic plan for using AAUW Texas dues to benefit branches. The SHARE fund has been created to offer three opportunities for branches to apply for grants: (1) branch project grants, (2) National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) grants, and (3) Work Smart/Start Smart grants. Applications will be available on the website.

**DON'T FORGET TO SPREAD THE WORD ABOUT
WORK SMART ON-LINE!**

Membership News and Awards

AAUW Texas branches are busy planning for an upcoming year of AAUW activities, sign

up new and returning members and looking for new ways to advocate for women and girls.
Please be sure to keep the April convening in Pflugerville in mind.

You know that *special* branch member who does everything you ask – and then some. Would you not nominate her as your branch's *Outstanding Member*? Every branch is encouraged to nominate one member to honor – and one of those nominated will be chosen *Outstanding Member of AAUW Texas*. There is also an award for *Outstanding NEW member* (someone who has been in AAUW Texas no more than three years.)

In the 2019-2020 year we will also be honoring the branches with the *greatest increase* in membership. There will be two categories – 1) the *greatest number* of new members and 2) the *greatest percentage* of increase. Numbers will be based on the number of members shown in the National data base on June 30, 2019. So, let's all get busy and share the good news of AAUW with friends and strangers alike and spread our mission.

Forms for submitting applications for honoring members will be in future UWT publications and online at a future time. Read your UWT to learn when the applications become available.

Gloria Long
AAUW Texas Membership Vice President

SET A MEMBERSHIP GOAL

Every branch wants to increase membership, so set a goal.

Membership in AAUW Texas for the past few years:

2016-1809

2017-1856

2018-1746

2019-1687

The goal we KNOW we can achieve: 1700.

The goal we THINK we can achieve: 1750.

The goal we WANT to achieve: 1856.

The goal we DREAM to achieve: 2000.

SET YOUR BRANCH GOAL!

Here is a link on member retention:

<https://www.aauw.org/resource/how-to-retain-members/>

Here is a link on member recruitment:

<https://www.aauw.org/resource/recruitment-tip-sheet/>

SAVE THE DATE AAUW TX CONVENING April 17-19, 2020 PFLUGERVILLE

A CENTENNIAL OF WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

To celebrate the anniversary of 100 years of women's suffrage and recognize the fight for equality remains ongoing.

Our Sister Suffragettes fought long and hard to win the right to vote for women. Celebrate 100 years of women's suffrage by becoming a Sister Suffragette.

Donate \$100 to AAUW Greatest Needs Fund #9110 between now and the April 2020 Convening and you will be honored as a Sister Suffragette.

Marriott Courtyard

Pflugerville

\$129 per night

Deadline for reservations: March 27, 2020

[Book Your Reservation Now](#)

The way we do AAUW gatherings is changing at both national and state, so it is no longer a convention - it is a convening. See the difference in Pflugerville!

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Interested in serving on the AAUW Texas Board? Now is your time. Nominations are being accepted for all officer and district representative positions. The nomination form is available on the website for submission to the Nominating Committee Chair Mary DuBoise at mary.duboise@sbcglobal.net.

DUE DATE: OCTOBER 1, 2019

CALL FOR BYLAWS AND RESOLUTIONS

By October 1, 2019, proposals for proposed bylaws and resolutions must be submitted to the Bylaws Committee Chair Ann Berasley at ann.berasley@gmail.com.



MAP AWARDS

As you plan for the coming AAUW year, do not forget to work towards the MAP Award - Membership/Advocacy/Philanthropy.

The criteria is simple:

- 1. Membership:** The branch can achieve a M for membership by increasing membership by 5% OR having a retention rate of 90% OR recruiting 3 new members.
- 2. Advocacy:** The branch can achieve an A for advocacy by planning one mission-based program or event.
- 3. Philanthropy:** The branch can achieve a P for philanthropy by donating \$5 for each member to the Tyler Branch Fellowship #4268.



Conference Calls Schedule

NEW PHONE NUMBER 712-770-4800

Pin 622745#

HOW TO: Dial the phone number at the time designated for the call and when prompted dial the pin number ending with #. During the call, please MUTE your phone to avoid background noise. Unmute only when you want to speak. Facebook reminders will be sent in advance with the agendas for the calls. And the information is on the AAUW Texas website.

**Calls are Changing to Quarterly
August-November-February-May**

Second Tuesday, 5:00 p.m. - Membership with Gloria Long

Second Thursday, 5:00 p.m. - Public Policy with Crystal Garcia

Third Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. - AAUW Funds/Fundraising with Jean Dodds

Third Thursday, 4:00 p.m. - Program with Melodia Gutierrez

**KUDOS TO THE EL PASO BRANCH FOR INTRODUCING THE UNIVERSITY OF
TEXAS AT EL PASO TO
WORK SMART ON-LINE.
IT BECAME AN ON-LINE COURSE!**

WANTED: NAMES

AAUW National used to have a program where branches could honor a branch member each \$500 donated to AAUW National Funds. This program has been discontinued some branches still do this locally.

If you still do this in your branch, can you send me the name of your branch and the name of your branch members who you have honored locally in 2019 so AAUW Texas can honor them in our UWT newsletter?

Thanks,

Jean Dodds

Jdodds0630@gmail.com

AAUW Texas Funds Chair

Help Complete Another Fellowship

AAUW is one of the world's oldest leading supporters of graduate women's education, having awarded more than \$115 million in fellowships, grants, and awards to 13,000 women and projects from more than 145 countries since 1888. AAUW Texas members and the state Board of Directors recently completed the Ann Richards American Fellowship, leaving only one unendowed fellowship from the state.

On its 75th anniversary, the Tyler branch began a \$100,000 American fellowship. With only a few years left to complete the endowment, the branch is asking for help. Members who would like to help Tyler complete their named endowment may make online donations to Fund #4268 or send checks in any amount made payable to AAUW with Fund #4268 on the memo line to:

Tyler Funds Chair Jackie Littleton
818 Ashford Court
Tyler, Texas 75703.

American Fellowships are awarded to help with dissertation completion, research leave from accredited universities, and preparation of research for publication. Candidates are evaluated on the basis of scholarly excellence, quality and originality of project design, active commitment to helping women and girls through service in their communities, professions, or fields of research.

AAUW fellowship funding helps women manage the growing burden of student debt, an issue that disproportionately affects women. Unique to AAUW's program, funding may also be used to pay for expenses outside of those traditionally associated with academic study, including child care and transportation — necessities that can help recipients' continue to return to, and successfully complete graduate programs. AAUW prides itself on providing fellowships and grants for women returning to either extend or complete their academic goals.

Here are some of your AAUW Texas board members working hard for you at the last board meeting.



AAUW TEXAS GOALS 2018-2020

Education & Training – Addressing the barriers and implicit biases that hinder advancement of women.

Goal A: Train 1000 Texas women using WorkSmart or StartSmart curriculum by 2020.

Goal B: Establish recurring program activities that support the AAUW mission.

Goal C: Every branch applies for the MAP award.

Economic Security – Ensuring livelihoods for women.

Goal A: Every branch engages in a pay equity activity annually.

Goal B: Provide written or oral testimony on state legislation related to women's economic security.

Leadership – Closing the gender gap in leadership opportunities.

Goal A: Create a Lobby Corp.

Goal B: Identify organizations that train women to be appointed to governing and advisory boards.

Governance & Sustainability – Ensuring the strength, relevance, and viability of AAUW well into the future.

Goal A: Enhance communication between AAUW Texas and all members in Texas.

Goal B: Build the pipeline of future leaders to sustain the organization.

2018-2020 AAUW Texas Board



L to R: Lucy Barrington, Ann Berasley, Susan Roehrig, Ginny Phoenix, Jean Dodds, Marina Rivers

Elected Officers

Malinda Gaul	President
Melodia Gutierrez	Program VP
Gloria Long	Membership VP
Jean Dodds	AAUW Funds VP
Pam Wolfe	Finance Officer
Susan Roehrig	Secretary

Elected District Representatives

Brenda Moss	South District
Marina Rivers	Central District
Barbara Cager	North District
Dixie Christian	North District
Lucy Barrington	West District

Standing Committees

Ann Berasley	Bylaws
Crystal Garcia	Public Policy

Communications Team

Ginny Phoenix	Chair
Janani Janakiraman	Website

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