## AAUW STUDY and INTEREST GROUPS

2021 - 2022

Co-Chairs: Linda Kevorkian 248-219-1915 (c)

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## **AAUW and SOCIAL ISSUES**

#### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Educates members about the needs in our community and the opportunities to volunteer at various non-profit agencies.

Chair: Cathy Hurley......248-644-8073

#### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Discussion of global foreign affairs and relations, economics and social sciences.

Chair: Chervl Van Zetten......248-332-7077

1st Monday – 10 a.m. Coffee

#### **PUBLIC POLICY**

Discussion and advocacy of AAUW, local, state and

Chair: Sally Doty......248-909-4583 (c) 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday – 10:00 a.m. Light refreshments

#### THE BREAKFAST BUNCH

Discussion of social and educational issues and ways to take action. Guest speakers periodically.

Co-Chairs: Patty Orlowski.....248-641-3892 Callie Schmidt......248-877-7190 (c)

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – 8:30 a.m.

Kerby's Koney Island, Woodward/Square Lake,

Kingswood Plaza, Bloomfield Hills

## **ARTS and HUMANITIES**

#### **ART MATTERS**

No tours/events planned for 2021. There are many online sights, virtual tours and art chats to keep us engaged and informed.

Chair: Jo Moskala ......248-661-4166

#### ARTISTIC ENDEAVORS

Meetings will return in the spring, in person and outside. Hope to see you then! Call or email Colette for guestions. or to share any art projects you've been working on. Chair: Colette Stager......248-561-2775 (c)

MODERN ART

Study of contemporary art through presentations, with gallery and museum field trips. 

Kathy Norton ...... 248-761-1731 (c)

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday – 12:30 p.m. Light refreshments

## **BOOK CLUBS**

#### **BELLES LETTRES**

Fiction and non-fiction. Co-Chairs: Elizabeth Snyder......248-642-1475 Lara Alami.......248-854-8100 (c) 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday – 1:00 p.m. Dessert and coffee

#### BEYOND ADELANTE!

Diversity themes. Co-Chairs: Linda Schnorbus......248-723-5008 Sue Winowiecki......248-635-0462 (c) 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday – 1:00 p.m. Light refreshments

#### **CONTEMPORARY BOOKS**

Various genres. Co-Chairs: Becky Perry......248-853-0166 Bev Pintar......248-626-4311 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday – 12:30 p.m. Dessert and beverage

#### MORNING AFTER READERS

Fiction and non-fiction. 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday – 10:00 a.m. Coffee

#### MYSTERY READERS

Mystery genres. Co-Chairs: Joan Birnie .......248-494-1665 (c) Linda Kevorkian., ......248-219-1915 (c) 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday – 1:00 p.m. Dessert and coffee

#### POTPOURRI

Fiction, non-fiction, biography, history and the classics. Chair: Nancy O'Connor ......248-259-4196 (c) 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday – 12 noon Light lunch

#### THURSDAY MORNING READERS

A variety of fiction and non-fiction. Chair: Śally Doty......248-909-4583 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday – 10:00 a.m. Light refreshments

## **HOME and GARDEN**

#### LET'S COOK

Each luncheon reflects a current trend, such as easy gourmet, vegetarian, ethnic. Chair: Norma Darr ......248-229-5430 (c) 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Noon Luncheon

#### **GREEN THUMB**

Garden topic presentations and field trips. (Mar.-Oct.) Beginners welcome! 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday – 12:30 p.m. Dessert and coffee

#### **NEEDLEWORKS**

Features knitting, crochet, or any needlework. Chair: Kathy Stasys......248-703-2834 (c) 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday – 10 a.m. Muffins and coffee

### ON the TOWN

#### **OPERA DIVAS**

Group attends the simulcasts of "The Met: Live in HD" on scheduled Saturdays at the Maple Theater, sharing a light snack before or after the performance.

Chair: Elizabeth Snyder ......248-642-1475

#### THEATER GOERS

Group attends local theater productions, usually Sunday matinees, followed by discussion over lunch or dinner. Schedule based on theatre offerings.

Chair: Sue Winowiecki......248-635-0462 (c)

#### TWO THUMBS UP

Group views films at local movie houses, preceded or followed by lunch at nearby restaurant. 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday – Time determined by movie schedule

## **JUST for FUN**

#### CANASTA

Chair: Sue Winowiecki ......248-635-0462(c) Mondays, 1:00 p.m.

### MAH JONGG

Players of all experience levels welcome. Chair: Py Wolfe ......jimnpy@comcast.net Every Wednesday except the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday. 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the Bloomfield Township Library

#### BRIDGE

General Chair: Kay Norton Contact: Bev Pintar......248-6264311 Call Bey if you would like to play, sub or start a group. 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday, 11:30 a.m. at the Village Club ...... Lunch

## 2021 - 2022 AAUW Birmingham Branch Programs

Vice President of Program: Kathy Stasys Coordinators: Joanne Brown and Colette Stager

General Membership meetings are luncheon meetings scheduled for the second Wednesday of the month at 11:30 a.m. You are welcome to attend only the program portion of any meeting without attending the luncheon; check your newsletter for directions on how to arrange seating.

# Meeting locations will be announced in the monthly Bulletin.

## September 8, 2021 OPEN HOUSE

Birmingham Unitarian Church

38651 Woodward (at Lone Pine Rd) Bloomfield Hills 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Study Group Exhibits, Light Refreshments Reunite with fellow AAUW members and sign up for new interest groups. Bring a friend or neighbor and introduce her to the AAUW spirit and mission.

## October 13, 2021 Cindy Eggleton Brilliant Detroit

Ms. Eggleton is cofounder of Brilliant Detroit, which provides programs and services that support the intellectual, social, and emotional growth of young children to assure school readiness.

**Recommended reading**: Childhood Disrupted, Donna Jackson Nakazawa; Arc of Justice, Kevin Boyle.

## November 10, 2021 Dr. Greg Sumner U-D Mercy

History Chair at the University of Detroit Mercy, Dr. Sumner is the author of several books including *Detroit in World War II*. He will speak about the WWII concentration camps in Michigan.

**Recommended reading**: Looking Like the Enemy, Mary Matsuda Gruenewald; Farewell to Manzanar, Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston.

## **December 8, 2021**

Kelly Ann Francis Holiday Program

**Kelly Ann** Francis returns to entertain us with her beautiful voice, presenting a medley of songs that includes holiday classics.

## **January 12, 2022**

Pam Good Beyond Basics

Ms. Good is a dynamic advocate for Beyond Basics, a literary-focused, non-profit serving students in the "literacy gap" through a one-on-one, multi-sensory tutoring program.

Recommended reading: Proust and the Squid, Maryanne Wolf; Reading Lolita in Tehran, Azar Nafisi.

## February 9, 2022 Dr. Kathleen McCoomb

Dr, McCoomb is a Baldwin librarian and a DIA docent. In "Let Me Tell You a Story"she reveals the classic stories behind many of the museum's pieces. **Recommended reading:** *The Penelopiad*, Margaret Atwood; *Circe*, Madeline Miller; *A Thousand Ships*, Natalie Haynes.

## March 9, 2022 Dr. Christine Lezotte

After exiting an award-winning advertising career in the automotive industry, Dr, Lezotte completed a Master's degree in Women's and Gender Studies in 2009 and a PHD in American Culture Studies in 2015. One of her many interests is women and cars. She is the author of *Power Under Her Foot*.

**Recommended reading**: *Driving Women*, Deborah Clarke.

#### **ANNUAL MEETING**

## April 13, 2022 Ingrid Jacques Detroit News Deputy editorial page editor

What is it like to be an editorial writer in this interesting "news" era we are experiencing? Ms. Jacques has been with the *Detroit News* since 2010 and was named one of Oakland County's Elite 40 under 40 in 2014. Her insightful commentaries about current events provoke interesting discussions.

Recommended reading: The News Sorority, Sheila Weller; Molly Ivins Can't Say That, Can She? Molly Ivins.

May 13, 2020

**Lavish Lunch** 



# BIRMINGHAM BRANCH CELEBRATING 101 YEARS

## Program Development 2021 – 2022

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

In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks diversity. There shall be no barriers to full participation in the organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

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