

AAUW Birmingham Branch – 2022

Golden Recognition Awards

Charlotte Mahrt has been an active member of the AAUW for an impressive fifty-eight years. Charlotte served on the (MI) state board for six years during the 1970's and also from 2010-2012. Charlotte was the Birmingham Branch president from 2005-2009 and has served as co-chairman of Explorathon and By-Laws/Policies for many years. She has also been a member of the Potpourri Study/Interest group from the beginning.



Cindy Clement has been an AAUW member since she graduated from college. Cindy keeps the members of the Birmingham Branch well-informed about school issues as the chair for Education Equity. Cindy also served as diversity chair in the past. She is a member of many Study/Interest groups and actively participates in all branch activities. Cindy is a major supporter of women and education.

Joan Antos has been an AAUW member since 1971. She has been a long time member of Potpourri. Her contributions to the branch were enhanced by her business expertise and experiences from her extensive world traveling.



Gerry Hansen has been a member of the AAUW since 1968. She has been a long time member of the Study/Interest group Potpourri.



Eleanor (Coco) Siewart has been involved with AAUW on the local, state and national levels. Coco, who is a past mayor for the city of Birmingham, was the Parliamentarian for the Michigan AAUW and went on to serve in the same position for the National AAUW. Coco filled almost every position on the board for the local branch except that of treasurer and membership. She took charge of the Special Books section for the Annual Used Book Sale and she remains an active member of the Birmingham Branch.

Leslie Freeburg is a long time member of the Birmingham Branch. Leslie, always impeccably dressed, was very active with Explorathon and the Annual Used Book Sale. Leslie was a regular participant in a number of Study/Interest groups.



Carol Wiseman Cummings has been an AAUW member since 1961. She was once the By-Laws Chairperson for the Birmingham Branch and worked with Explorathon. Carol is an exceptional bridge player and belonged to a few bridge groups sponsored by the branch. Carol has been a regular at monthly luncheons and activities.

Eva Mitri has served as President for the Birmingham Branch and was a member of the International Affairs Study/Interest group. Eva has been a regular at the branch's monthly luncheons.





Margretta Steinmueller has been a member of the Birmingham Branch since 1970. She was a member of the Garden Study/Interest group.

Jean Walker is someone whose name is synonymous with Birmingham AAUW Branch. Jean served as president for the Branch as well as serving on the State Board. Jean was involved in all aspects of branch activities and it's been said that she did not take no for an answer. She encouraged quite a few people to participate in the branch's work. Jean is known for starting the Patron Donor Fund among many other endeavors.



Leona Gates has been an active member of the Birmingham Branch since 1967. Leona, who was also a member of the Women's Club in Birmingham, served as a board member and cashier for the Annual Used Book Sale.

Jane Iacobelli became an AAUW member in 1968. Jane was a friend of Jean Walker's and she worked at the Annual Used Book Sale.



Stephanie MacKenzie joined the AAUW in 1970. She has been a member of Potpourri.

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Dorothy (Dorie) Marshall has been a member of the AAUW since 1960. Dorie is known for her dedication and organizational skills. She made all of the arrangements for the Annual Used Book Sale and she was very helpful with the specials section because of her Art and Architectural background. Dorie continues to attend branch events and was even a model for the Lavish Luncheon when it first began.

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Martha Tittle has been an AAUW member since 1960. Martha served the Birmingham Branch by working with the Annual Used Book Sale and was a member of several Study/Interest groups over the years.