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American Association
of University Women

Buffalo Branch

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OCTOBER 1992 NEWSLETTER

500 YEARS OF COLUMBUS DISCOVERY VS. ENCOUNTER

*Listen to a new perspective into one of the most important events in history,
perhaps the greatest clash of cultures.*

*Speakers: Joanne Weinholt—Native American and teacher at the Tuscaroras
School, who will discuss her people, lifestyle and experiences.*

*Alfredo Matilia—Chair of American Studies SUNY at Buffalo and
Director of Puerto Rican Studies, who will give us the historical perspective.*

Saturday, October 17, 1992

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

North Presbyterian Church

300 N. Forest Road (between Main and Sheridan)

Williamsville

*Lunch consists of Spanish Tapas (small version of main dish)
as well as Native American food*

Cost: \$8.00

Reservations to Suzanne Grossman by October 13, 1992

Hostesses: Great Decision Study Group

Chair: Ernie Foster and International Relations Committee

—Suzanne Grossman, Judy Kellar, Betty Loucks, and Diane Silvestro

*American Association of University Women promotes equity for women,
education and self-development over the life span, and positive societal change.*

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Dear Members,

The September 16th potluck and program is an exciting and informal way to start our 1992-1993 year. This meeting presents an insight into the purpose of AAUW and how we are striving to reach our goals.

We are also able to highlight our study groups at this time to our own members and our guests who are prospective members. As a member you are always "marketing" AAUW and this affords a golden opportunity to do so.

How good a "sales" member are you?

I want to remind everyone of the District I meeting on October 24. Check within the newsletter for registration form and what is being offered. It would reflect our interest and support of our branch if we had a 100% turnout.

Thanks to Diane Silvestro for "loaning" us her home for our summer picnic. A good time was had by all. I heartily recommend as many as possible attend the next one. What a wonderful way to get to know our membership and to identify a name to a face.

Please mark your calendars as soon as you get our General Meetings' listing.

How are you scoring on your "Target Equity"?
Be enthusiastic about AAUW.

*None are as old as those who have
outlived enthusiasm.* —Henry Thoreau

—Carolyn Day
President

SEPTEMBER BOARD NOTES

Carolyn Day, president, called the first board meeting for 1992-93 to order at 7:10 p.m. after the group had enjoyed dinner at the Four Seasons Restaurant on Kensington near Harlem. Twenty-four members were present.

Minutes of the June meeting were presented by recording secretary, Kelly McCurdy, and approved as corrected.

Diane Silvestro, treasurer, reported the certificate of deposit will be changed from M. & T. Bank. Dues have been sent to the national and state for 213 paid members. There were

twenty-nine non-renewals and thirteen new members for 1992-93 including the first student affiliate. Members did respond to the request for punctual payment of dues. The balance in unrestricted funds is \$2,878.09 with total assets of \$9,607.92.

President-elect Suzanne Grossman presented information about the District I meeting to be held October 24 at the Sheraton Harbour Front in Dunkirk. Cost is \$15 and registration is at 8:45 a.m. There will be training programs for both officers and general members.

Suzanne also addressed the issue of publishing the information about the Member Resource Guide. The newsletter will publish in the December and April issues members' advertisements no larger than the standard business card. The cost is \$10 per issue. (See article.)

Concerned about recent articles describing alleged discrimination in equality of services of women at some local country clubs stirred Suzanne to bring before the board the following policy statement:

As of January 1, 1993, it is the policy of the Buffalo Branch to hold meetings, programs, and other events in sites that offer fully equitable services and activity opportunities to all members of the particular facility and/or organization.

On behalf of equity for women, a goal of AAUW, Suzanne offered the statement for board approval and entry into the official minutes of the Buffalo Branch. The board requests general responses on the statement from the membership at large and agreed to vote on the policy statement at the November board meeting. Responses should be directed to Suzanne Grossman in writing before November 1st.

Maryalice Seagrave, Budget Committee Chair, submitted the budget with a motion to accept it. The move was seconded by Lynn McClive, followed by a unanimous vote in favor of its acceptance. (See budget article for details.) Maryalice noted that this is the fifth year that a deficit budget has been proposed. This deficit has usually been absorbed during the year. Budget Recommendation #1, "If, at the end of the 1992-93 fiscal year, income exceeds disbursements, the net gain shall be added to the amount requested for line

#201, general meetings." The motion was moved by Maryalice, seconded by Suzanne Grossman, and unanimously approved. Recommendations #2 (creating a stipend for the treasurer) and #5 (financial responsibilities of each specific job) were tabled until the by-law committee finishes its report. Recommendations #3 (redistribution of monies after March special event) and #4 (accumulated funds as a source of funding for a community project) were approved by the board. See the budget article for specifics.

Lynn McClive, membership retention chair, presented a list of non-renewing members. Board members reviewed the list with possible reasons and suggestions for specific non-renewing members.

Nan Scinta, hospitality chair, passed a sign up sheet for board members to provide refreshments for board meetings. Nan also reported on the World University Games program; a meeting was held in mid-August to work on publicity and to schedule workshops. Erie Community College will be the location for the March 27th event. Dr. Donna Lopiano, Executive Director of Women's Sports Foundation, will be the keynote speaker. The next committee meeting is scheduled for September 14th at the home of Judy Harris, Women's Sports Director.

Study Group Coordinator Jan Vine reports two new groups have begun for this fall. Barbara Dascomb's crafts group and Margaret Haas' writing group welcome interested members.

Chamberlin Loan Chair Jane Fischman thanked interviewers Carol Paskuly, Maryalice Seagrave, and Cindy Monacelli. Five Chamberlin loans for a total of \$5,750 and one grant from Funds for Education for \$500 were recommended and approved. The recipients include students in the following areas: medical school, dual certification, law school, music education and English.

Joan Ward, publicity chair, reported that a listing for AAUW recently appeared in *Buffalo Spree*.

Carol Jamieson has accepted the position of by laws chair on the board.

Bunny Blackstone, program chair, listed the dates for the year's branch programs. See listing in this issue.

Sharon Rich, vice-president membership, reported that the new student affiliate wants to start a group for student affiliates. The board welcomed the news.

Cindy Monacelli, Chamberlin treasurer, reported a balance of \$17,155.22 in the Chamberlin Fund and \$7,467.10 in the Funds for Education. Interest for the year is expected to decrease about \$2,200.

Judy Weidemann, Education and Equity Chair, reported a committee meeting was held August 19th. An additional video of "Shortchanging Girls, Shortchanging America" was ordered for possible airing on Channel 17. The preparation has begun on a panel to present to other groups regarding AAUW; Pat Seaver has agreed to moderate the presentation. The group will meet September 17th in the home of Joan Eschner.

Phyllis Kelly, University Representative, distributed nomination forms for community/university awards honoring women. See article.

The board discussed ideas for donating to the Hurricane Andrew relief efforts in Florida and Louisiana. It was decided that Barb Carier would contact the AAUW state branches in both states for suggestions on how best to help. Collections will be taken at all general meetings until December.

District Educational Foundation Program Representative, Carolyn Iadovito, will be selling decorative tiles for \$10, letter openers, luggage tags, and looking glasses for \$2 or 3 for \$5. Also, the 21st Century Club with dues of \$210 which is payable in three installments is available for donations to the state EFP. The state goal is \$88,000. Barb Carier, who turned the by-law committee over to Carol Jamieson, has been working on by-law changes which will be presented at a later meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

—Kelly McCurdy
Recording Secretary

BOARD MEETING DATE CHANGED

The Board of Directors meeting for October will be held the second Wednesday of the month, October 14, 1992, at the Benjamin Franklin Elementary School, 500 Parkhurst, Kenmore, at 7.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

Lea Vendes
76 Chapelwoods
Williamsville 14221
688-4229

Karen K. Noonan, Ph.D.
26 Shady Oak Court BA: U.B.
East Amherst 14051 MA: U.B.
688-0987 Ph.D.: U.B.

Cathleen A. Carter, Ph.D.
89 Tillinghast Place Ph.D.: U.B.
Buffalo 14216-3408
832-4205

Barbara Dascomb
239 Berkshire Avenue B.S.: Penn State
Buffalo 14215 M.S.: Buffalo State
833-0904

Sara Grube
20 Cascade Drive M.A.: Norwood
Amherst 14228 University

WELCOME TO THE FIRST STUDENT AFFILIATE OF THE BUFFALO BRANCH

Kelly Byrd U.B.
96 Windermere Boulevard
Amherst 14221

Twelve membership applications were mailed this past month. If you would like membership information mailed to a prospective member, please call me (631-9777). Membership is open to all graduates who hold a baccalaureate degree. It is not by invitation! But your personal efforts to include a prospective member with the accompanying membership mailing may make the difference.

—Sharon Rich
Membership Chair

ADVERTISING NETWORK

The board cleared the way for members to advertise in the branch newsletter. Two issues this year will feature advertisements of services provided by branch members. The December and April issues will include individual advertisements no larger than a standard size business card. The fee is \$10 for each issue. This cost will help defray the newsletter expenses as well as provide an important network among branch members. For inclusion in the December issue send camera ready copy with a check for \$10 (Make check payable to AAUW, Buffalo Branch.) to Valarie Bozarth no later than November 4th. The April deadline is March 3rd.

Have you thought about self-employment? Do you have a skill that could earn extra money? Are you willing to provide services such as baby sitting, baking, house sitting (waiting for a repairman or during vacation), or typing? Or perhaps you can provide contacts between our members and your place of employment or members of your profession? Members may be looking for just your skills. Advertise them!

TARGET EQUITY

Several committee members met on August 19th at my home. Ways of disseminating information on inequities in education for girls and women were discussed. The AAUW video "Shortchanging Girls, Shortchanging America" will be made available to various groups. It was decided that a program should be prepared to present to selected groups. Pat Seaver will be the program facilitator. Committee members include Carolyn Day, Joan Eschner, Carol Jamieson, Barbara Olandt, Pat Seaver, and Karen Stephenson. Additional members are welcome. Call me (652-2100 at work or 649-0975 at home) if you are interested in joining us.

—Judy Weidemann, Chair
Education & Equity

MEMBER DIES IN ROSWELL

On August 26, 1992, Annmarie Gerber died after a lengthy battle with cancer. She was hospitalized in Roswell Park Cancer Institute at the time of her death. She worked in the Williamsville Central School District as a librarian from 1956 to 1987. Deepest sympathy is extended from the Buffalo Branch to her family.

MEMBER TO OREGON

In August branch member Sylvia Volk left the Buffalo area and moved to Oregon. Best wishes, Sylvia.

HURRICANE AID

The board agreed to pass the hat at the next few general meetings to collect funds for the hurricane relief effort in Florida and Louisiana. Barb Carier volunteered to call the state AAUW organizations in both states to inquire about their needs. The collection will continue through the December meeting. A decision will be made at a future board meeting how the money will be dispersed.

DEADLINE DEADLINE DEADLINE

Submissions for the *NOVEMBER 1992 NEWSLETTER*, are due by Wednesday, October 7th. Information should be mailed as early as possible, but it must be received by the 7th. The branch is eager to hear from you! Editorial comments or responses to any of the AAUW literature or programs as well as the achievements and activities of our members are sought. Your name does not have to be published, although the entry must be signed when submitted. If this newsletter arrived after September 30th, please leave your name, address, and date of newsletter delivery at 633-2130. The post office has been notified of the extremely late delivery of the September newsletter to many in the Williamsville area; your calls are the only means for correcting delivery problems.

BRANCH MEETINGS SET

- October 17th: "500 Years of Columbus"
10 a.m. North Presbyterian Church, North Forest Road, Williamsville
- November 14th: "Women, Let's Get Political"
YWCA, Franklin Street, Buffalo
- December 6th: Scandinavian Holiday
location to be announced
- January 23rd: "Management in the Workplace"
Fanny's Restaurant, Sheridan Road, Amherst
- February 13th: "Ethical Issues of Perinatal Medicine"
9:30 a.m. St. John's Lutheran, Main Street, Amherst
- March 27th: "Aspiring Higher"
World Games Program
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Erie Community College
- April 21st: "In Crisis: Our Elderly, Our Children"
7 p.m. Harlem Road Community Center
- May 22nd: May Luncheon
Park Country Club, Sheridan Drive, Amherst

LEADERS HONORED

AAUW President Sharon Schuster received the 1992 Anita Perlman Outstanding B'nai B'rith Girls Alumna Award in August. This is the twentieth year the award has honored a BBG alumna who has distinguished herself both in her professional life and within the Jewish community. AAUW Executive Director Anne Bryant was this year's sole recipient of the American Society of Association Executives Key Award. Since 1960 the ASAE has never bestowed the honor on a single individual.

Congratulations, Sharon Schuster and Anne Bryant.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Lest we forget, AAUW's Public Policy Program underscores AAUW's mission of equity for women, education and self-development over the life span, and positive social change. As we approach the November elections, we need to be aware of the Association's agenda and where the candidates stand on issues. (Incidentally, our stands on issues have been reaffirmed consistently by AAUW members through frequent surveys and convention action.)

AAUW is working for INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS by

- urging the enactment and enforcement of strong anti-discrimination laws that protect the rights of all individuals.
- supporting the right of every woman to safe and comprehensive reproductive health care. AAUW supports adequate federal funding of family planning services and public funding of abortions for low income women. AAUW opposes laws that mandate parental notification or consent for minors' abortions.
- urging the U.S. Senate to exercise its power of "advise and consent" in evaluating federal judicial nominees.

AAUW is working for EQUITY IN EDUCATION by

- encouraging a vigorous enforcement of Title IX, increasing student financial aid with attention to the needs of women students, and supporting nontraditional education and training opportunities for women and girls.
- opposing the use of public funds for nonpublic elementary and secondary education.

AAUW is working for FAMILY AND WORK by

- supporting government policies to ensure pay equity, access to quality and affordable dependent care, job-protected family and medical leave, and equal opportunity in the workplace.
- supporting efforts to amend Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act so that women who suffer sexual harassment and other forms of gender discrimination will have remedies equivalent to those available to victims of other forms of discrimination.

Note: This information is taken for the AAUW brochure *Our rights... Nothing Less.*

Congressional Bills Introduced:

FAMILY

Child Support House Resolution 5304. Provides that a state court may not modify the order of another state court requiring the payment of child support unless the recipient consents or resides in the state in which the modification is sought.

HEALTH CARE

Health Care House Resolution 5381. Provides for the development or expansion of research centers on women's midlife health, including menopause and menopausal health conditions.

WORK

Economic Equity Senate 2804. Establishes a program to provide technical assistance to employers and labor unions in order to assist preparing the workplace to employ women in apprenticeable occupations and other nontraditional occupations.

House Resolution 3475, the Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupation Act. Provides technical assistance to businesses and unions to attract, train, and retrain women in the skilled trades.

House Resolution 3476, the Advancement of Women in Science and Engineering Act. Establishes a commission to study the recruitment, retention and advancement of women in these fields, providing needed information about successful programs for integrating women.

Update on the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Reauthorization Bill

President Bush on June 23 vetoed this bill. In his veto message, President Bush called the women's health provisions unnecessary. The bill would have authorized \$225 million for basic research on breast cancer, with an additional \$100 million for clinical research; \$75 million for basic and clinical research on ovarian and other reproductive cancers; \$20 million for contraceptive research and infertility research; a loan repayment program to encourage health professionals to enter these research fields; \$40 million for research on osteoporosis and related bone disorders; the establishment of a clinical research program in obstetrics and gynecology at NIH; studies on the health and well-being of adolescents and on the aging process in women.

The provision of the bill providing the most controversy involved overturning a ban imposed by the Reagan and Bush Administrations on the use of fetal tissue in human transplantation research. Such research has shown initial promise for curing or alleviating diseases such as juvenile diabetes, Parkinson's disease, and Alzheimer's disease. Antiabortion forces oppose such research fearing it will cause more women to have abortions.

Following the House's failure to override the veto, Rep. Henry Waxman introduced a modified version that offers a compromise on fetal tissue research but retains the women's health provisions. Identical legislation has been introduced in the Senate by Sen. Edward Kennedy.

(AAUW has actively supported the NIH reauthorization bill.)

Reauthorization of HEA

Congress passed Higher Education Act (HEA) that will reauthorize student financial aid program for the next five years. On July 23, Bush signed the bill into law. AAUW, along with several other groups, won several gender equity provisions. One is the expansion of Pell grant eligibility to less than half-time students. AAUW

considers this a victory because most students attending school on this basis are women.

Note: Material taken from *Update*, the Congressional Caucus on Women and Family Issues, Vol. 12, No. 5.

—Ann Bish
Public Policy

**DID
YOU
VOTE
ON
TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER
15TH?

LEST WE
FORGET...
WOMEN
FIRST VOTED
FOR THE
PRESIDENT
ON NOVEMBER 2,
1920.**

NOVEMBER AT YWCA

The fall 1992 Members' Newsletter & Program Update for the YWCA included an article about the November AAUW Branch Meeting. The program will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 14th at the Franklin Street YWCA and will feature speakers who participated in the YWCA Institute for Public Leadership, a training program for women who want to become involved in the political process.

The Washington-based Economic Policy Institute recently reported in *The State of Working America, 1992-1993* "that between 1987 and 1991 the real wages of college graduates fell 3.1%. Men who graduated from college saw their wages drop 4.9% after adjusting for inflation. White-collar wages, overall, fell 4.4%.

"And a 5.3% wage gain experienced by women during the 1980s has eroded by 2.8% since 1989.

"Women's salaries are closer to those of men, the Economic Policy Institute found. But that is only because men's real wages fell by 12.9% between 1979 and 1991."

Taken from the *The Buffalo News*, September 15, 1992, page B-11.

District I

Batavia	Greece
Buffalo	Jamestown
Chautauqua-Westfield	Lyndonville-Medina-
Dunkirk-Fredonia	Middleport
East Aurora	Niagara Area
Fairport Area	Victor
Greater Rochester Area	

**REGISTRATION FORM
INSIDE THE BACK PAGE.
MAIL TODAY.**

DISTRICT I PLANS

Keep your calendars open on Saturday, October 24 for the District I Fall District Meeting. This year the Dunkirk-Fredonia and Chautauqua-Westfield branches are jointly hosting the meeting in Dunkirk-Fredonia. It's just a short hop off the Thruway.

Flyers and registration forms are enclosed, but I wanted to let you know personally of our great plans. The morning will be devoted entirely to workshops, all designed to give branches and branch members experience in implementing various branch projects.

A set of workshops will provide an opportunity for discussion and training in five areas: *Focusing the Vision*, designed for potential and current organizers; *Ten Program Ideas in 60 Minutes*, designed as a brainstorming session for program development, including the whole branch program, not just the monthly meeting; *The Year of the Woman and Your Legislators*, bringing you results of a legislator survey in our district, and working with ideas of where to go next with Public Policy; *The Nuts and Bolts of Taking the Initiative*, helping to make our membership efforts even more effective; and *Educational Foundations: What Does It All Mean*, designed to make Educational Foundations a more integral part of the whole branch program.

The second half of the morning will be devoted to a workshop in which we will all participate in the planning, implementing, and follow-up of an educational equity roundtable discussion. The workshop participants will have plenty of opportunity for role-playing and participation, providing us all not only with the tools necessary to replicate a roundtable in our own communities, but also with an opportunity to work with members from around the district, strengthening our networking and leadership skills.

An additional highlight of the day: Suzanne Oliver, President of the New York State AAUW, will be our keynote speaker, following up her morning workshop with *Realizing the Vision*.

Do plan to attend. It promises to be an exciting and stimulating day. See you October 24.

—Kela Wilson
District I Branch Council Representative

FALL DISTRICT MEETING

Saturday, October 24, 1992
Sheraton Harbor Front, Dunkirk, NY

ACTION FOR EQUITY: HOW TO MAKE AN IMPACT

We are on the move! AAUW has become the leading advocate for Education and Equity for Women and Girls. Now we need to move the message into our communities, to benefit our neighbors, our families, and ourselves.

The District I Fall Meeting is a perfect opportunity for developing the tools and skills we need to promote the equity in education message. In interactive workshops we will share ideas and experience for projecting the education and equity focus of AAUW into community awareness. Come learn how to turn lip service into action!

The AAUW leaders who will guide us from Focusing the Vision to Realizing the Vision are: Suzanne Oliver, President, NYS AAUW; Barbara Carier, Director of Communications; District I Team members Kela Wilson, Karen Ward, Suzanne Grossman, Carolyn Iadovito, and Inez Alston.

8:45 - 9:15 Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:15 - 2:30 Program and Lunch

\$15.00 per person

Hosted by Dunkirk-Fredonia and Chatauqua-Westfield

Directions to Sheraton Harbor Front, 30 Lake Shore Dr., Dunkirk

Take NYS Thruway to exit 59, Dunkirk-Fredonia. After toll booth, stay straight 1 mile. Turn right on Central Ave., go 2 miles to the lake. Turn right on Lake Shore Drive East. Sheraton is 1 block on left.

MUSIC ON CULTURAL AGENDA

The Department of Music, University at Buffalo, North Campus, announces the Slee/Beethoven String Quartet Cycle. This season marks the 37th annual performance of the complete cycle of Beethoven string quartets. The first concert will be presented by the *Emerson String Quartet*, September 25, 1992, Slee Hall. The second concert in the series will be presented by the *Lydian String Quartet*, November 6, 1992. Also the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra will be at Slee on October 28, 1992. Please call 645-2921 for ticket information.

—Karen Stephenson
Cultural Interest Area Representative

INTERNATIONAL FOCUS

Laurier L. LaPierre, distinguished Canadian educator, historian, broadcaster, and writer, addressed the topic *The Canadian Experience in Democracy and Diversity* on Monday, September 21st in the Statler Towers. The event was co-sponsored by WNY International Trade Council, Inc. and Canada-U.S. Business Association Niagara. Branch members interested in international affairs should consider attending the Council events.

—Lucille Peterson, Representative
Buffalo Council on World Affairs, Inc.

ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT EQUITY?

**YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN AAUW
SAYS YOU ARE!**

SEAVER IN CANCUN

Past president Dr. Patricia Seaver recently read a paper "Filling the Gaps in the Spanish Content for Pre-Service Teachers" at the annual conference of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese which was held in Cancun, Mexico. Pat is an assistant professor of Spanish at SUNY at Geneseo.

LUNCHEON TO HONOR WOMEN

The Fourteenth Community-University Recognition Luncheon to Honor Outstanding Women will be held Thursday, November 5, 1992, in the Grand Ballroom of the Hyatt Regency Buffalo. This is your opportunity to help recognize outstanding women in our Western New York community. Selection of those for citation is based on professional accomplishments, community involvement and leadership qualities. Candidates are nominated in each of fifteen categories, including community service. Other categories include architecture/engineering, business and industry, communication, education administration, fine and performing arts, government, law, medicine/dentistry, nursing/allied health, pharmacy, science, social service, sports, and teaching. Board members received nominating forms at the last board meeting which were due September 18th.

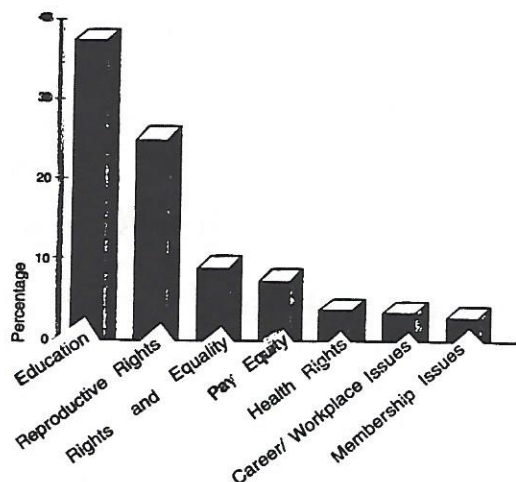
All members of our branch are cordially invited to attend the luncheon. Current AAUW members who have received the award in previous years are Joan Bozer—community service (1973), Dorothy Haas—education (1973), Mildred Campbell—community service (1974), Phyllis Kelly—government (1974), Aileen Carroll—professions (1976), Joyce Fink—communications (1982), Carol Stull—science (1984), and Ruth Seitz—teaching (1988). The late Drs. Kathyrynne Whittemore and Jean Northcott also received awards.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$20. If you would like to attend, please call me at 839-1952.

—Phyllis Kelly
Community Interest Area Representative

**IF NOT NOW,
WHEN?
IF NOT ME,
WHO?**

1992 EVERY-MEMBER SURVEY



Single Most Critical Issue for AAUW Action

Some 60% of all respondents (4,721) named one of two issues as the most critical for AAUW action: education (36%) and reproductive choice (24%). Individual members ranked their top five priorities in the following order:

- education funding (1)
- bias-free education and training (3)
- pay equity (2)
- reproductive choice (5)
- focusing on the needs of women and girls in the education reform movement (4).

The numbers in parentheses after each priority is the ranking when branches listed their top five public policy priorities.

From page 44 of the fall issue of *AAUW Outlook*.

**SHARE YOUR COPY OF *OUTLOOK*
WITH ANOTHER VOTER.**

AAUW VOTING RECORD ON THE 102ND CONGRESS

Sixteen pages of the fall 1992 issue of the *Outlook* are dedicated to the voting records of congress persons on six major issues. When the article went to press, 54% of all registered voters were women. Voting-age women outnumber voting age men by 10 million.

The Voting Record is a tool that enables AAUW members to be informed participants; AAUW itself is a nonpartisan organization that does not endorse candidates for partisan elective office. But AAUW and its members lobby for public policy action and hold legislators accountable on the issues. Please use the *Outlook* as an important source of information this fall.

THINK ABOUT MINNEAPOLIS

AAUW's 37th Biennial Convention is scheduled for June 19-22, 1993, at the Hyatt Regency in Minneapolis. "Vision, Voice, Victory" is the theme. As AAUW members we share a vision; by working together we give voice to our vision; and when our voices ring together, we emerge victorious not just for women but for everyone. The convention begins on Saturday afternoon, but pre-convention workshops will begin on Friday, the 18th. As part of AAUW's commitment to becoming a multicultural organization, the Association Board of Directors has established a Convention Leadership Fund to help members of under-represented groups attend the Convention.

As you think about next summer's plans, include the possibility of Minneapolis. See page 16 of the fall issue of *Outlook* for more information. Many new attractions are available. The Mall of America, the nation's largest fully-enclosed combination retail and family-entertainment complex, is to open this fall in Bloomington, a suburb of Minneapolis. Think about it! And help keep other members posted if inexpensive transportation should become available.

BUDGET PROPOSAL 1992-93

Purpose	Spent 1991-92	Allocated 1992-93
ADMINISTRATION		
Treasurer Exp.	\$ 94.78	\$ 135.00
Corr. Sec'y Exp.	38.53	40.00
Insurance/Bonding	150.00	150.00
By-Laws	0.00	30.00
Stationery & Supp.	136.50	140.00
Bookkeeping	220.00	230.00
Pres.-Elect Exp.	0.00	12.00
Rec. Sec'y Exp	0.00	5.00
Finance/Budget Exp.	22.51	15.00
Pres. Exp.	209.44	200.00
Nominating Exp.	0.00	10.00
Historian's Exp.	0.00	30.00
	(\$ 871.76)	(\$ 997.00)

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Gen. Mtgs.	662.59	1,080.00
House Com.	10.00	25.00
Hospitality	0.00	0.00
Ed. & Equity	0.00	100.00
Int. Areas (4)	10.00	40.00
Study/Int. Grps.	0.00	15.00
Women's Issues	0.00	15.00
Public Policy Prog.	25.00	24.00
	(\$ 707.59)	(\$ 1,299.00)
	(\$ 1,579.35)	(\$ 2,296.00)

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES

Mem. Recruitment	128.03	400.00
Mem. Retention	27.49	60.00
Newsletter	1,011.57	1,500.00
Roster	167.50	180.00
Publicity	3.11	30.00
	(\$ 1,337.70)	(\$ 2,170.00)
	(\$ 2,917.05)	(\$ 4,466.00)

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Buff. Council on		
World Affairs	35.00	35.00
College/Univ. Rep	0.00	10.00
	(\$ 35.00)	(\$ 45.00)
	(\$ 2,952.05)	(\$ 4,511.00)

CONVENTIONS/TRAVEL

Delegates—1993 State Convention	204.00	200.00
	(\$ 204.00)	(\$ 200.00)
	(\$ 3,156.05)	(\$ 4,711.00)

HONORARIA, GIFTS, AWARDS

Achievement Award	80.99	60.00
Pres. Gift	34.24	45.00
	(\$ 115.23)	(\$ 100.00)
	(\$ 3,271.28)	(\$ 4,811.00)

DESIGNATED FUNDS

Delegates—1993 Assoc. Convention	400.00	400.00
Delegates—1994 MAR Convention	100.00	0.00
Special Events (March program)	50.00	100.00
	(\$ 550.00)	(\$ 500.00)
	(\$ 3,821.28)	(\$ 5,311.00)

COMPARISON SUMMARY

	1991-92 Actual Income	1992-93 Estimated Income
Dues	\$ 3,443.75	\$ 3,480.00
	(238 members)	(240 members)
Interest	519.47	500.00
Miscellaneous	90.82	300.00
1/2 Net Gain	145.64	0.00
Totals:	\$ 4,199.68	\$ 4,280.00
Disbursements:	\$ 3,821.28	\$ 5,311.00
Net Gain:	\$ 378.40	
Anticipated Deficit		\$ 1,031.00
1/2 to Special Projects:	\$ 189.20	
1/2 to Accumulate Funds:	\$ 189.20	

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. If, at the end of the 1992-93 fiscal year, income exceeds disbursements, the net gain shall be added to the amount requested for line #201, General Meetings.

2. Board must address the question of an annual stipend for the treasurer. The same recommendation was made in 1991 at the suggestion of the accountant.

3. After the March Special Event the Budget/Finance Committee will make recommendations to cover any deficit or to distribute any profit.

4. Accumulated Funds can provide a source of funding for a community project. Interest area chairs should study community needs and suggest ways to make the branch responsive to those needs which are within the goals of AAUW. The same recommendation was made in 1991.

5. When the by-laws revisions have been approved, the Budget/Finance Committee will meet to discuss the financial responsibilities involved in specific jobs.

—Maryalice Seagrave
Finance/Budget Chair

HELP US KEEP IN TOUCH

Corresponding secretary Jill Brown (832-8601) needs your assistance. She very much wants to recognize events in the lives of our branch members, but she cannot do this without your help. Please, don't let one of your friends be missed. Contact Jill who sends sympathy cards, get well cards, congratulatory cards, and notes to members and their families.

HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY?

Have you picked up a pencil to respond to something you've read, but you didn't mail the response? Try your editorial hand in this newsletter. Share your ideas. Put them down AND mail them to the editor. Respond to programs, board inquiries, AAUW positions.

Hopefully, this is one more way members can keep in touch with each other. Let us know what's on your mind.

INVITE A FRIEND TO THE OCTOBER MEETING.

BRANCH CALENDAR

Your membership is your ticket to any of the following study groups. Make new friends and enjoy.

9/18—Fri.

(This item was omitted from the last newsletter.) **Afternoon Literature Group** met at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Margaret Haas. Moderator Rita Green led a discussion of the novel *Ethan Frome*.

9/21—Mon.

(Corrected date) **Women's Issues Study Group** met in Lynn McClive's home, 50 Anderson Place, Buffalo. A discussion of *Backlash* by Susan Faludi followed at a BYO supper.

9/28—Mon.

Evening Literature Study Group will meet at the home of Evelyn Wolf, 70 Hiler Avenue, Kenmore, at 7:30 p.m. to discuss *Death Comes to the Archbishop* and *Lucy Gayheart* by Willa Cather. Myra Menti will be the facilitator. Please call the hostess at 877-2155 if you plan to attend.

9/29—Tues.

Investment Club will meet at 7 p.m. sharp at the Williamsville Public Library, 5571 Main Street, Williamsville. Contact Carolyn Iadovito (634-0927) for more information. Guests are always welcome at this affiliate of the National Association of Investment Clubs.

10/5—Mon.

Music Study Group will have its first meeting at the home of Florence Daluiso, 2660 So. Park Avenue, Lackawanna. Florence and Mary Mahoney will play duets and solos. Marjorie Milius will be the hostess. Call Mary Weppner at 886-1668 if you plan to attend.

10/5—Mon.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF PLANS. British Study Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. at 159 Fairways Boulevard, Williamsville. Members will bring cheese and fruit for a ploughman's supper. The review of poetical structure will be postponed to a later date. Mrs. Laurie Charity, adult education instructor and organizer of a weekly tea group, will present a program on Victorian tea traditions with recipes, samplings, and scones. A \$2.50 donation per person will be collected for the presenter. Please call Valarie Bozarth at 633-2130 for a reservation.

10/6—Tues.

Duplicate Bridge members should call Mary O'Connor at 631-9227 for location and reservations. Bridge time is 7:45 p.m.

10/7—Weds.

Please note the change of date for the meeting of the Board of Directors. Due to Yom Kippur the monthly board meeting will be held the following Wednesday, the 14th.

10/8—Thurs.

Crafts Study Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Call Barbara Dascomb (833-0904) in the evening for place of meeting.

10/13—Tues.

German Study Group meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. For information about location call Gloria Beutner (838-1273) or Renny Ferber (836-3277).

10/14—Wed.

Note change of date. Board of Directors will meet at 7 p.m. at Benjamin Franklin Elementary School, 500 Parkhurst, Kenmore. All board members are expected to attend. If you cannot, please call Carolyn Day at 634-6340.

10/15—Thurs.

Thursday Night Bridge Group will meet at 7:45 p.m. Contact Lorraine Schank at 634-4648 for meeting location.

10/16—Fri.

Friday Afternoon Literature Study Group will meet at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Rita Dielman, 79 Koenig Road, Tonawanda. Rita will review *Hadley Richardson*, a biography of Ernest Hemingway's first wife, Gioia Dilibarto. Call Rita at 833- 2379 if you plan to attend.

10/17—Sat.

The Buffalo Branch General Meeting will focus on Columbus. See cover.

10/19—Mon.

Women's Issues Study Group will meet at Lynn McClive's home, 50 Anderson Place, Buffalo, to discuss the issues identified at last month's meeting in Susan Faludi's *Backlash*. Join the group anytime after 5 p.m. for a BYO supper (microwave available). Discussion begins at 7 p.m. Call Lynn (885-3299) if you plan to attend. New members are most welcome.

10/19—Mon.

Great Decisions will meet at 5:30 p.m. for supper (bring your own) at the home of Suzanne Grossman, 310 Pryor Avenue, Tonawanda. Ruth Seitz will facilitate a discussion of topic #4, Latin America. Please call Suzanne at 837-8769 if you plan to attend. Dessert and beverage will be provided. Meeting adjourns at 8 p.m.

10/20—Tues.

Afternoon Book Review Group will meet at the home of Grace Kenline, 155 Westchester Boulevard, Kenmore. Alice Weinman will review *Profiles in Wisdom*, edited by Steven McFadden. The book profiles native elders speaking about the earth. Call Grace (877-0734) if you plan to attend.

10/21—Wed.

Dinner by the Book will dine from 6-7 at Jiro, 8316 Main Street (east of Transit) in Clarence. Diane Silvestro will lead a discussion of *Head to Head*, by Lester Thurow from 7:00 to 8:30. If you plan to attend, contact Lea Bendes (688-4229) by October 16. You can order off the menu.

10/24—Sat.

District I's Fall District Meeting will be held in Dunkirk. See registration in this newsletter.

10/26—Mon.

Evening Literature Study Group will meet at the home of Karen Stephenson at 7:30 p.m. for a discussion of *How to Make an American Quilt*, by Whitney Otto. Jeanne McKown will be the facilitator. (Note the change: This book was originally scheduled for September.) Contact Karen (835-6271) if you plan to attend.

10/27—Tues.

Investment Club will meet at 7 p.m. sharp at the Williamsville Public Library, 5571 Main Street, Williamsville. Contact Carolyn Iadovito (634-0927) for more information. Guests are welcome at this affiliate of the National Association of Investment Clubs. If you are interested in joining this group, please call Carolyn or Karen Stephenson. The monthly required investment is \$20.

11/2—Mon.

Music Study Group will meet at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Ruth Seitz, 19-B Wayne Terrace, Cheektowaga. The program will feature the music of the Christopher Columbus era. Call Mary Weppner at 886-1668 if you plan to attend.

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REGISTRATION FOR DISTRICT I FALL MEETING

Registration Deadline: **Friday, October 16, 1992** **\$15.00** payable to Dunkirk-Fredonia AAUW

Mail to: Peggy Sauer, Dunkirk-Fredonia AAUW, 50 Holmes Pl, Fredonia, NY 14063 (716) 679-0651.

For additional information: Kela Wilson, Branch Council Rep, 1358 Mosley Rd., Victor NY 14564 (716)223-6621

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 Name: _____ Phone: _____ Branch: _____

Address: _____

Board Position? _____

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RESERVATION FOR COLUMBUS

Member's name: _____

Guests: _____

ENCLOSE \$8 PER PERSON. RESERVATION DUE BY TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1992.
 Mail to Suzanne Grossman, 310 Pryor Avenue, Tonawanda, New York 14150-7431.

11/2—Mon.

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11/3—Tues.

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11/4—Wed.

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11/9—Mon.

Great Decisions will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the home of Kathryn Callahan, 3310 Millersport Highway, Apt. A, Getzville. Sybil Pressprich will facilitate a discussion on topic #7, The AIDS Pandemic. Please phone Kathryn at 689-2988 if you plan to attend.

11/10—Tues.

German Study Group meets at 1:30 p.m. Call Gloria Beutner (838-1273) or Renny Ferber (836-3277) for more information.

The new **Crafts Study Group** is off and running the second Thursday of every month. Members will pursue their own crafts as well as learn new ones. Phone new member Barbara Dascomb in the evening at 833-0904 if you're interested in joining.

Are you a closet Emily Dickinson? Did you ever read a book or an article and think "I could have written that!?" Anyone who would like to share their writing, get advice on marketing, or be inspired to begin, contact Margaret Haas (839-3701). Margaret would like to resurrect the former **Writing Study Group**.

If anyone else has an idea for a study group and would like to start one, call me evenings at 839-2559 or drop me a note.

—Jan Vine, Coordinator
Study and Interest Groups

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