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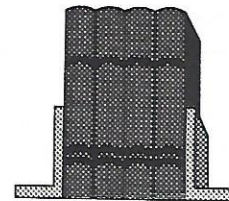
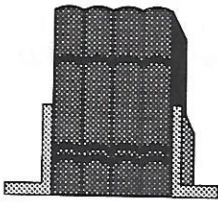


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## BOOK SALE

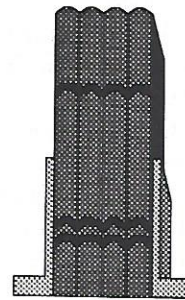
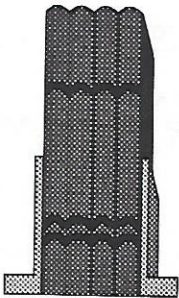


THRUWAY MALL

HARLEM & WALDEN  
(Next to Victor's)

**Admission Charge**  
Thursday, July 14, Only  
\$10.00 - 9 a.m. to Noon  
\$5.00 - Noon to 8 p.m.

**Admission Free**  
Friday, July 15, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Saturday, July 16, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Sunday, July 17, Noon to 5 p.m.  
Monday, July 18, Bag Day, Noon to 5 p.m.



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

There is so much to tell! The New York State convention is over, and the Buffalo Branch received much recognition. The branch earned designation as a 5-star state branch, received the Impact for Equity Award, was the third highest in Educational Foundation contributions in the state, was fifth in per capita EF donations in the state, and took top honors (shared with two other branches) in the newsletter competition. I have been saying that the branch members have been very active, and the proof came from the state. By the last award, I was speechless with joy, excitement, and such pride in our members!

The April 23, 1994, branch meeting was well attended. Dr. Holomon gave us much to think about and discuss. The buffet with a variety of international foods elicited further discussion and tasted so good.

The book sale store is loaded with books to be sorted. This is a branch approved EF activity. If you have not been to the store, it is more than past time for you to participate in this important EF fundraising activity. Sorting can be done moving around or sitting down in this year's store. Pay close attention to the book sale news in this issue.

Now it is with great pleasure that I introduce to branch members Marion Canedo, our 1993-94 Achievement Award winner. Mrs. Canedo is director of Early Childhood Centers and the Academic Centers in the Buffalo Public School system. She has been a "New York State Teacher of the Year," runner-up for "National Teacher of the Year," creator of the "Invention Convention" which is now held in many states and nationally, chosen by the United States Department of Education to tour the Far East as

an "Expert Consultant in Early Childhood Education," and designated as "Outstanding Principal" of Early Childhood Center #61 and the Academic Challenge Center.

The next branch project will be to complete the application for the Association 5-Star Branch Recognition Program.

New York State AAUW members at the state convention came to me to say how much they enjoy reading our newsletter, using it to do their newsletters and plan programs. It is time for each branch member to read our newsletter from cover to cover. I'll join you.

Suzanne Grossman, RD

### BUFFALO BRANCH NEWSLETTER

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**Deadline for September issue is August 3.**

## In Retrospect

I find it hard to believe that a full year has gone by. The challenge of leading an organization the size of the Buffalo Branch has been a second full-time job. The results have given me the strength and energy to do more, to be positive in outlook, and to have added depth and logic to my thinking. Contacts with my co-members have filled and warmed my heart forever.

At the 1994 state convention, I felt such pride whenever the Buffalo Branch was mentioned—as we were called to the front to receive five certificates, and when approached for program, project, and fundraising ideas by members of other branches.

As I hand the gavel of the president's office to Julia Weidemann, incoming president, I am also handing to her a membership with inspiration and dedication to AAUW goals, a brighter image, and updated meaning with great hopes for an equitable and happy future for girls and women.

Thank you all for your faith in placing the gavel in my care, and most of all, for the cooperation and comradeship of this past year. My very best wishes to Judy and all officers and chairs for 1994-95. I will be right behind you with hopes, ideas, encouragement, an open mind, and a ready ear.

Suzanne Grossman, RD  
President, 1993-94

## Branch Named Gifts Announced

The Buffalo Branch sent a \$9,000 gift to the Educational Foundation from last year's book sale profits. This gift entitles a branch to honor (name) a member for each \$500 contributed.

### Educational Foundation Honorees 1994

Jill Bradish Brown  
Marilyn Carmichael  
Joseph Day  
Ernestine Foster  
Suzanne Grossman  
Elisabeth Helman  
Betty Loucks  
Myra Menti  
Cynthia Monicelli  
Rita Nowak  
Suzanne Oliver  
Karen Stephenson  
Evelynne Stoklosa  
Dr. Joyce Swartney  
Dr. Jackie Trace  
Dr. Joan Ward

## Chinese Auction to Be Held As Fundraiser

Dear Members,

At the March meeting, the board voted to add an additional fundraiser to help us meet our Educational Foundation pledge to the Association. These funds provide loans and grants to women attending a college or university.

We decided to organize a Chinese auction for the fall. For those of you who are not familiar with this type of auction, donated items are placed on tables with a container for tickets in front of the item. A nominal admission fee is charged; with this a number of tickets are included. Additional tickets may be purchased. If you are interested in bidding on an item, you put a ticket in the appropriate container. You can put as many tickets in one container as you want. The winner of each item is drawn from the container in front of the item. Everyone has a chance to win, and it is a lot of fun.

We are setting up a committee to develop our auction plans. If you have been unable to work on the book sale, this may be your chance to help our branch meet its commitment for EF. Please call Bunny Blackstone at 655-4519. We want to meet this summer to get organized.

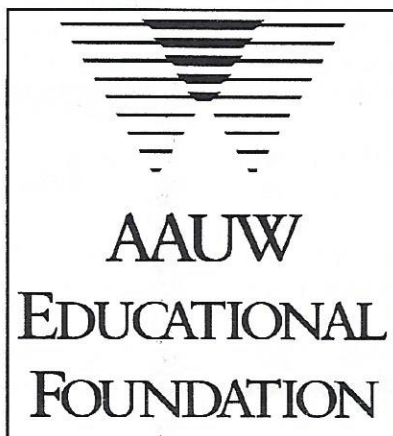
We hope all members will be able to donate something to our auction. Once the committee meets, we can develop a list of suggestions and publish this information.

Bunny Blackstone

## Book Sale Update

Lorna Berlin, artist/member, has graciously donated a picture with the proviso that it be used to reward those who work on the book sale. For every five hours that a member works, a chance will be entered into a drawing for Lorna's work. The painting will be on view at the book sale site after the middle of June. The award will be made as soon as we can complete the book work after the sale. This is a very creative way for Lorna to contribute to our fundraiser, and I hope that others who also cannot do physical work will find a way to help us also. Remember that pre-sale purchases cannot be made to any member who doesn't contribute. Friends are also welcome to work but must be accompanied by a member.

This is the only project that the Buffalo Branch works on collectively, and it's an infrequent opportunity for us to network with members who are involved in other areas. The camaraderie always surprises me as we work together. This year we have been very successful in soliciting donations (we always welcome more); consequently, we need lots of help. The quality of the books is very good. We can raise lots of money, but only with your assistance. It makes me proud to aid the Buffalo New York Branch Centennial Endowment. If anyone prefers to make a donation directly to the endowment, please recall that the above name has to be noted specifically on your check.



The May luncheon is the kick-off for our 40th annual book sale. A small folder was distributed containing a calendar for June and July, a book mark, and a checklist of jobs for members to fill out and return. Not enough can be said about the need for volunteers. The amount of money we net is dependent on the donated labor of our members because labor costs can grow fast. The contribution can be handling the books or any other job, such as, providing a ride for another member, making phone calls, decorating the window, being a hostess, shopping for supplies, etc. Please fill out the job list and return it to me.

The Thruway Mall site is carpeted; it has a kitchenette (but no stove or refrigerator), private lavatories, adequate parking, and two restaurants (Burger King and McGee's) nearby. Come and see for yourself; bring a friend or another member. Don't forget that the success of the sale depends on you. For your convenience a calendar is included with this newsletter. Please post it on your refrigerator. See you there!

Diane Silvestro  
for Elisabeth Helman and Lynn McClive

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## May Board Meeting

The May board meeting was held at the Thruway Mall book sale site on May 4. President Suzanne Grossman opened the meeting at 7:20. The minutes were distributed, but no action was taken since there was no quorum.

**Book Sale:** Elisabeth Helman announced new sorting times. Members may bring friends to help. Books are coming in well, but helpers are needed badly. Elisabeth wanted it noted that

the vote last month was to continue the book sale in 1995 while we explore alternatives.

Alice Mason is working to reduce the State Insurance Fund worker's compensation for the book sale.

**Ad Hoc Committee:** Judy Weidemann and Carol Jamieson are evaluating several job descriptions to increase involvement in fundraising projects.

**Legal Advocacy Fund:** Carolyn Day reported that we have been successful in reaching our goal this year, and she is planning for next year's fund drive.

**State Awards:** Sue Grossman reported that the branch received five of the six awards at the state convention. We achieved our 5-star status and received an award for our newsletter.

**Education and Equity Committee:** Plans are continuing for the Equity Day. The date has been changed from October 1994 to March 1995. New York State is proposing a study of gender equity in the colleges. Ann Hicks suggested that we find out more about this.

**Women's Action Coalition:** Suzanne reported that it is continuing an evaluation of its goals and objectives.

**Branch Named Gifts:** Alice Mason presented the list of members who have been named as Educational Foundation honorees. She also explained the new Association fundraiser, the Equity Tree; each branch will be asked to donate at least \$25. The issue was discussed and tabled.

**Program:** Carolyn Iadovito discussed the plans for next year and asked for suggestions.

The next meeting will be held on June 1 at 7:15 in the Thruway Mall site. Members are requested to bring a table and chairs if possible.

## AAUW Buffalo Branch Calendar

6/1 Wednesday - The **Buffalo Branch Board** will meet at 7:15 p.m. at the book sale site in the Thruway Mall.

6/7 Tuesday - The **Duplicate Bridge Group** should call Mary O'Connor (831-9227) for location and reservations. Bridge time is 7:45 p.m.

Tuesday - The **Music Study Group** will meet at 12:30 p.m. at Cafe in the Square, 4476 Main Street, Amherst, to plan next year's program. Contact Jo Herman (833-1886) for reservations.

6/9 Thursday - The **Crafts Study Group** will meet at 7:30 p.m. Call Barbara Dascomb (833-0904) for details.

6/14 Tuesday - The **German Study Group** meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. For information about location, call Gloria Beutner (838-1273) or Renny Ferber (836-3277).

6/15 Wednesday - The **Dinner By the Book Group** will have a potluck dinner from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. at the home of Suzanne Grossman, 310 Pryor Ave., Tonawanda. Judy Summer will lead a discussion of *There Are No Children Here* by Alex Kotlowitz from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Call Suzanne (837-8769) if you plan to attend.

6/17 Friday - The **Friday Afternoon Literature Group** will meet at 12:00 p.m. at Cafe in the Square, 4476 Main Street, Amherst, to plan next year's program. Call Norma Millar (875-6091) for reservations.

6/21 Tuesday - The **Book Review Interest Group** will meet at 12:30 p.m. at Lyons Countryside Inn, 8255 Clarence Center Road, East Amherst, to plan next year's program. Call Nancy Acara (877-2320) for reservations.

6/28 Tuesday - The **Investment Group** will meet at 7:00 p.m. sharp at the Williamsville Library, 5571 Main Street, Williamsville. All members are encouraged to be in attendance to transact business. Contact Carolyn Iadovito (634-0927) for more information. Guests are always welcome.

The **Book Collecting Group** will be sorting and pricing books at the book sale site. Call Jill Brown (832-8601) for times.

Jan Vine, Coordinator  
Study and Interest Groups

## AAUW Membership Fee

The fiscal year for AAUW is coming to an end, and it is time to pay dues again. We value your membership and would like you to renew, not only because of the interesting study groups and programs, but also because your dues support the work of AAUW and the branch. Payment is due by **June 30, 1994**.

Please fill out your name, address, and telephone number on the bottom of this notice, and mail it to Kelly McCurdy. This form is used to check against the information on your dues record. It is important to be timely in your payment so that your name can be included in the roster and your receipt of the newsletter will not be interrupted. Unfortunately, if dues are not received by September 1, 1994, the roster will be published without your name's being listed.

### Membership Fees for 1994-95

National dues	\$29.00
State dues	5.00
Local dues	14.50
Educational Foundation	<u>2.00</u> (Optional)
Total	\$50.50

*AAUW dues are not deductible as a charitable contribution for federal income tax purposes, but may be deductible by members as an ordinary and necessary business expense.*

**Thank you for paying promptly.**

Kelly H. McCurdy  
Branch Treasurer  
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### Worth Repeating...

#### OH THEM BONES

The body of any organization is structured from four kinds of bones:

**WISHBONES** spend all their time wishing someone would do the work;

**JAWBONES** do all the talking but little else;

**KNUCKLEBONES** knock everything anybody else tries to do;

**BACKBONES** get under the load and do most of the work.

**Which bone are you?**

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AAUW's Legal Advocacy Fund provides funding and a support system for women seeking judicial redress for sex discrimination.

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