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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN (AAUW), OSHKOSH BRANCH

SAVE THE DATES:

As AAUW members we are interested in keeping informed about international, national, as well as local doings. Our October 24 meeting will keep us current on "Mental Health Needs of Children"

We welcome Dr. Mike

Altekruse,
the Mental
Health
Coordinator
for the
Neenah

Joint School System. He will discuss some of the major issues facing children today and the importance of developing their social and emotional well-being. He will discuss programs, frameworks, and interventions being used to help students develop coping skills and resilience.

COMING SOON.....mark your calendars!!!

Tues., Nov. 7, 6:30 pm

This is the date of our November meeting! "Voices of Hope" is a performance of the Readers' Theater, an outreach project of Esther. Their script is taken from a book written by Peter Genisee and based on his interviews of immigrants about their experiences . It is said to be quite moving. We

TUES., OCT. 24

6:30 PM

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hope to see you at Algoma Blvd. Methodist Church (Harmony Room),

1174 Algoma Blvd. on Nov. 7.

Sat., Dec. 9, 10:30 AM

Plan to come to the Holiday Celebration and Silent Auction, which will be held at Ridgeway Country Club, 2913 County Road II, Neenah (off Hwy 76...approximately 15 minutes straight north on Jackson Drive). There will be lots to like in a lovely setting: a musical performance by a brother and sister, a Silent Auction, plus a super delicious brunch and of course convivial conversations. Invite a friend!

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Oshkosh Branch Online:

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Our **branch website** can be found at <http://oshkosh-wi.aauw.net/>.

Silent Auction

Every other year we run our Silent Auction at the Christmas Brunch to earn money for our operating expenses. It pays for the little extras like paying for guests' meals, special music, films, and programs that go above our \$50 monthly program expense and other opportunities for our Branch to enhance the life of our community. So start creating those special crafts, buying that special treasure for donation, or going through the recipes for some delicious treat. Then bring your item(s) to the Brunch with some idea of the price you would like it to sell for and watch the fun begin. You might just find something you want to buy as a gift, but keep your eye on it or someone else may outbid you! See you Dec. 9 with donations in hand.

—Susan Morrissey

Scholarship News

What a treat to listen to our scholarship winners from this past year. We should all be proud of what they will accomplish with a little boost from our Branch!

Thank you for supporting our Younkers Days Coupon Booklets. The money we raise now and during the month of February goes for our FVTC Scholarship to a non-traditional woman student. When you are selling, be sure to emphasize that fact. You are also raising money for the NCCWSL Leadership Conference. Over the past

few years we have given a \$500 grant to a young woman from UW Oshkosh to attend this conference in Washington, D.C.

Our Endowment Fund

Our fund balance is currently \$32,574.35. We continue to grow this endowment and are able to write a \$1,000 scholarship every year for a UW Oshkosh graduate student using the interest. Some years the Scholarship Committee finds it has two outstanding candidates for the scholarship and we use our contributions during the year so we can write two \$1,000 scholarships. Wouldn't be wonderful if we could grow the fund to be able to write two scholarships just using the interest? Thanks to a very generous challenge by Branch member Nancy Elsberry, we are being given just such an opportunity. For every \$1,000 raised by you our members, she will match \$1,000! So as our year draws to a close and you are looking for a tax write-off, remember our Endowment Fund.

Contributions can be mailed to OACF, 230 Ohio Street, Suite 100, Oshkosh, WI 54902-9905 with AAUW scholarship on the memo line.

—AAUW Oshkosh
Development,
Carol Conway-Gerhardt and
Susan Morrissey

We Need Your Help

Buying and Selling

Nation-wide Community Day Coupon Sales have become AAUW Oshkosh's

key fundraiser for local and national scholarships. We all need to do our part in buying and selling coupons in order to meet the \$2600 needs indicated in the following list:

Scholarships - Local:

FVTC \$800

TECH SAVVY \$500

NCCWL \$500

Scholarships - National:

EF \$500

LAF \$300

Coupon booklets cost \$5 each, which AAUW Oshkosh gets to keep. Each coupon booklet provides an immediate \$10 coupon on anything of \$10 value or higher at Younkers, Boston Store, Carson's, Bergner's, Herberger's, Elder-Beerman, and Bon-Ton. Your purchase of \$5 will get you over \$500 in exclusive coupon savings. The stores reduce prices on a multiple of items, so that you are getting great bargains even before you use your coupons.

Our members buy for or sell to family and friends and partner with Younkers in Appleton to sell to customers entering the store. The actual fall 2017 sale days are

Wednesday, Nov. 8, through Saturday, Nov. 11. Please buy coupon booklets and volunteer to sell coupon booklets at Younkers sometime in October or early November. We will schedule sale dates with Younkers in blocks of two hours each between 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Coupon booklets will be available at our AAUW

meetings on Oct. 24 and Nov. 7. In addition, purchases may be made online on our AAUW website with AAUW Oshkosh being credited. Please bring cash or checks to purchase coupon booklets. What a great way to do holiday shopping for yourself or those you love!

Our fall goal is to sell 250 or more booklets to raise at

least \$1,250 for needy and very capable college women.

—Carol and Susan

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LET'S GET TOGETHER

Updates on Interest Groups

Tuesday Morning Book Club

meets at 9:30 AM. **Oct. 17** at the home of Bettie Harriman to discuss *Sapiens* by Yuval Noah Harari. **Nov. 21** at the home of Nancy Elsberry to discuss *Hillbilly Elegy* by J.D. Vance.

Wednesday Evening Book

Club meets at 7:00 PM. **Oct. 11** at the home of Joan Sheehy to discuss *A Man Called Ove* by Frederik Backman. **Nov. 8** at the home of Judy Weber to discuss *Losing Julia* by Jonathan Hull.

Lunch Bunch meets the first

Monday of the month from 11:45 – 1:00. **Oct. 9** Bao Ju, 415 S. Commercial, Neenah. **Nov. 13** Primo, 2605 Jackson St., Oshkosh.

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