



Elmhurst Area Branch News

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Next Monthly Meeting

March 1, 2023 - 7:00 PM

Elmhurst Public Library or Zoom

The Fly Girls of WWII

Over 1100 women served their country as Women Airforce Pilots (WASP) in World War II, flying every military aircraft from the PT-17 Stearman to the B-17 Flying Fortress. The focus of this presentation is on the women, led by famed Speed Queen Jackie Cochran, who were the first American women to fly military aircraft for the Army and Navy in WWII. Rebecca Sutera Tulloch, a certified FAA pilot, tells the story of these women and the role they played in the war effort.

Join us for this enlightening, entertaining program. The Elmhurst Public Library is our cosponsor.

The presentation is both in-person and online via Zoom. Please register for this program: by phone, 630-279-8696; or online, <https://elmhurstpubliclibrary.evanced.info/signup/list?df=list&nd=90&kw=fly+girls&nomobile=1>. Please note that it is not required that you register in order to attend. Registration helps the library for planning purposes.



March 2023

Branch Meeting

March 1, 2023

7:00 pm

Elmhurst Public Library & Zoom

The Fly Girls of WWII

Rebecca Sutera Tulloch

Book Discussion Group

March 23, 2023

1:00 pm

When the Apricots Bloom

by Gina Wilkinson

Discussion Leader: Carol Rounds

Hostess: Carol Rounds

Half the Sky

March 28, 2023

7:00 pm

Elmhurst Public Library

Discussion: What is happening to women in Afghanistan.

Board of Directors

March 29, 2023

7:00 pm

Elmhurst Public Library

Instructions for Attending AAUW Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, March 1, 2023 - 7:00 pm

Computer/Mobile Device: <http://elmlib.org/videochat>

From this page, click on the link for "Virtual Meeting Rooms" or "Information Desk Video Chat"

If clicking one of those links does not automatically open the meeting, contact the Elmhurst Public Library at 630-279-8696.



AAUW Hotline 1-800-326-2289
Email: info@aauwelmhurst.org

Mission

To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education and advocacy.

Values

Nonpartisan. Fact-based Integrity. Inclusion and Intersectionality.

Vision

Equity for all.

Membership

The American Association of University Women is open to any graduate holding an associate or equivalent, baccalaureate, or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution.

AAUW FUNDS

The AAUW Funds support educational fellowships and grants, legal advocacy, public policy, leadership programs and research reports.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

January 31, 2023

Jennifer Jordan

Director of Finance

Fundraiser Fund	\$13,212.53
Conferences Fund	1,411.75
General Fund:	<u>8,901.74</u>
Total	\$23,526.02

Half the Sky Update

Half the Sky received more bras for SAVE THE GIRLS this month. Thank you for supporting this effort. This is a quiet ongoing campaign. Know that we always welcome gently used or new bras that give women the opportunity to engage in their own businesses after coming out of trafficking situations.

In February we sent another 40 snack bags to ICDI (Interfaith Community for Detained Immigrants) for immigrants traveling through the Greyhound Station in Chicago. Thank you to everyone for your support with creating these bags. Thank you to the Half the Sky members who are donating their time to assist ICDI in organizing and distributing winter clothing to refugees.

This month, Half the Sky Group viewed two international films during Global Flicks at College of DuPage, *Madres Paralelas* [Spain] and *One Child Nation* [China]. The discussions led by College of DuPage professors enriched our understandings of the films.

All are welcome to attend our meetings on the fourth Tuesday of the month. Come when you can! Our next meeting will be on March 28, 2023, at 7:00 pm at the Elmhurst Public Library. We will discuss what is happening to women in Afghanistan. Please bring an article to share with the group.

--Betty Laliberte

2023

AAUW

Returning Student Scholarships

\$3,000

The AAUW Elmhurst Area Branch is offering **three (3) grants of \$3,000 each** to local women who need financial assistance to continue their education at the undergraduate or graduate level.

Eligibility includes:

- Resident of Elmhurst, Addison, Bensenville, Berkeley, Northlake, Oak Brook, Oakbrook Terrace, or Villa Park
- Age 25 or older
- Completion of at least 12 credit hours at an accredited community or undergraduate college/university
- Full or part-time enrollment

For an application or more information, go to www.aauwelmhurst.org or call 630-254-0500.

Application Deadline is April 15, 2023

Special Membership Offer

Our March 1st meeting will be a “Shape the Future” membership event. Anyone who joins that night will be able to pay a discounted rate for their annual dues.

Please invite anyone who you think may be interested in this offer.

2023 – 2024 New Officer Slate

The Elmhurst Area AAUW Branch Nominating Committee presents the following slate of officers for two-year terms beginning July 1, 2023:

President – Moira Murray

Program Vice President – Carolyn Heiney

Membership Vice President – Renee Oshinski

Recording Secretary – Ruth Thomas

Director of Finance – Jennifer Jordan

Director of AAUW Funds – Josephine Mulvihill

The Elmhurst Area AAUW Branch Nominating Committee presents the following slate of officers for one-year terms beginning July 1, 2023:

Membership Vice President – Linda Fischer

Director of Publicity/Communications – Jane Klenck

The Nominating Committee is delighted that these branch members have agreed to join the Elmhurst Board and serve AAUW in these important positions. Thank you for agreeing to take on these additional responsibilities.

At the April 5 Branch meeting members will be asked to vote on this slate of officers.

DEI Program:

“Raising Awareness of Diversity and Inclusion”

Thursday, April 20th, at 7 – 8:30 pm, via Zoom (Registration Required)

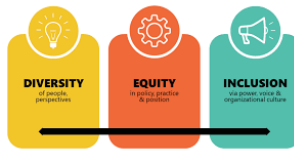
Hosted by the AAUW Jane Adams Branch

Deanie Brown, presenter, is an attorney and the Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer for the Illinois Supreme Court in Springfield. She has been an associate chancellor, chief of staff, and director of HR and internal relations at universities in Illinois, California, and New Orleans, and serves on several boards supporting equity, education, the community, and the arts.

In addition to speaking about raising awareness, Deanie will explore the concept of “allyship”: how to become an ally and developing the skills for responding to a situation that requires a “Stand Up, Speak Out” response. Deanie will also highlight the harms that persist when we don’t prioritize diversity, equity, inclusion, and opportunity.

Please register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwode6rqTlqGNTNzt1f6948EAez9XEEKzjW>



I am so delighted that Deanie Brown will be speaking to us virtually about Diversity Awareness on Thursday, April 20, at 7 pm. I very much hope that you will plan to attend. (See Zoom instructions on page 3.)

As you know Deanie is an attorney (that's almost as good as being a doctor!). But Deanie is also selfless in giving of her time, is warm and kind, and is passionately committed to helping us learn about diversity, equity and inclusion concepts. For all this, I admire her greatly.

The first time I attended a program given by Deanie, she asked for questions and discussion at the end. Being the sort of person who's always been in danger of dislocating my shoulder in my efforts to get the teacher to call on me, I told her about an experience I'd had with my hairdresser.

My mother's hairdresser had very kindly visited my mother in the hospital to do her hair. I was so grateful to her for making that extra effort that meant so much to my mother, I started going to her myself after my mom died.

But one day, my stylist did my hair while her family waited in the salon so that they could all go out together as soon as my appointment was done. Her brother-in-law and another man started talking about how African American men don't know how to shoot, elaborately miming incorrect shooting behavior. I was very uncomfortable, deeply offended and a little bit frightened, and I never went back.

I told Deanie this story and in response, she asked me if I had ever told my hairdresser how I felt. I had not; it had NEVER even occurred to me to tell my hairdresser how I felt about this episode. And, I think I would have found the prospect of telling my hairdresser how I really felt kind of frightening.

I have two master's degrees, but the truth is, I was totally unprepared to be an ally. I didn't know how to do it, and certainly didn't know how to respond in the moment. And yes, it happened in Elmhurst.

That's why I'm so thrilled that Deanie has agreed to add some extra remarks to her program about how to be an ally to the April 20th program.

Being an ally requires heart. But being an effective ally is much easier when you've learned to recognize the situations where you need to intervene, and you've acquired the skills that can help you respond. And that's why I'm so eager to have you join us for what I think really will be an important program on April 20th. Save the date.

Elizabeth Neill
Director - Diversity/International Affairs

Branch Budget Approved

On Wed. Feb 22, 2023, the board of directors approved the following budgets for the upcoming fiscal year - July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024. If you have any questions regarding the budgets, please contact Jennifer Jordan ((630)328-3857 or jennifer@jordan-dmm.com).

Elmhurst Area AAUW 2023-2024 General Fund Budget

INCOME	Budget	
Member Dues (based on 57 Paid Members)	1083	
September Supper	1800	
May Dinner Event	1800	
Holiday Party	100	
Donations	<u>500</u>	
TOTAL GENERAL FUND INCOME		5283
EXPENSES		
Fees & Services		
Newsletter	150	
Yearbook	250	
Business Registration Fees	25	
General Liability Insurance	215	
Advertising & Promotion	125	
Postage & Delivery	70	
PO Box Rental	175	
Memorials	100	
Miscellaneous	<u>100</u>	
Total		1210
Activities		
September Supper	1800	
May Dinner/LunchEvent	2300	
Programs	800	
Holiday Party	100	
New Member Outreach	<u>80</u>	
Total		<u>5080</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES		6290
NET LOSS		-1007

Elmhurst Area AAUW 2023-2024 Fundraiser Budget

INCOME	Budget
Booksale, etc.	20,000
TOTAL INCOME	20,000
EXPENSES	
Labor	1,600
Room Rental	2,000
Publicity/Ads	50
Supplies	50
Misc.	<u>60</u>
Total	3,660
Donation to National Scholarships (Returning Scholar and/or Dare to Dream)	8,120
TOTAL EXPENSES	8,120
NET INCOME	0

2023-2024 Conference Travel Fund Budget

INCOME	Budget
Book Sale Entries	800
Estimated Carryover	<u>0</u>
TOTAL INCOME	800
EXPENSES	
Registration Fees	300
Travel Costs	<u>200</u>
NET INCOME	300