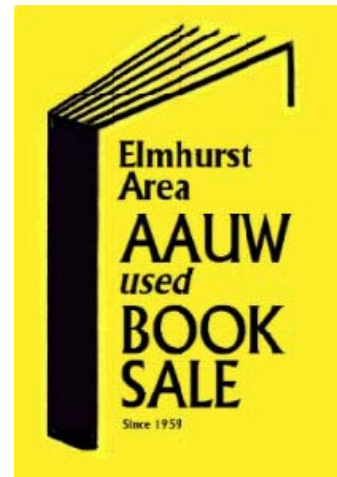


## Booksale Update

We are busy collecting and sorting books at Sandburg for our Annual Used Book Sale, beginning on July 11, and ending on July 14. Every day, we have had a great turnout of volunteers to help us set up and organize the sale.

Unfortunately, donations are lagging behind last year. So if you have books that you have been pondering whether to donate – do it! If you have friends or relatives who might have books to donate – ask! Since this is our primary means to get funding for the scholarships given in the spring, we are determined to make our sale a success!

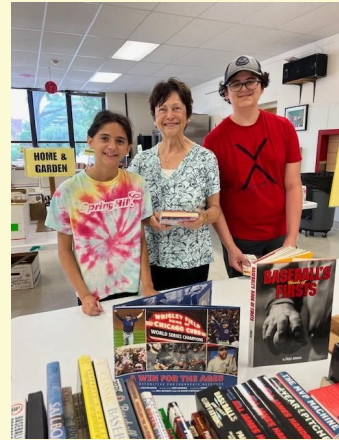


Some of you may not be aware that our book recycler went out of business since our last sale. We are still evaluating alternatives to find a firm that will recycle our unsold books. What seems clear is that, regardless of the vendor, we will need to be packing our leftover books in boxes that can be picked up after the sale ends.

That change means we will need far more volunteers on Sunday afternoon to pack books in boxes, as well as to break down the tables in the cafeteria. We will be coming out soon with our sign ups, but please block your calendar for the afternoon of July 14 to help with this effort. Depending on how much support we get from members, we may need to look outside the organization to ensure we can vacate Sandburg as promised to District 205. Watch your email for the opportunity to sign up to help.

We can't end this update without a huge thank you to everyone supporting the sale! What a marvelous group of women. And what a great time we have working at the sale. Keep working the donations, and we will have another successful event.

--Jennifer Jordan and Renee Oshinski







**Thanks to all our Volunteers!**



## **Branch Calendar -**

**June 17 - July 10**

**Used Book Sale Preparation**

Sandburg Middle School

9am to 12 noon - Monday through Saturday

**July 11 - July 14**

**Used Book Sale**

Sandburg Middle School

**No meeting in July**

-Board of Directors

-Half the Sky

-Book Club

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Elmhurst AAUW Members:

I hope you are having a great summer! I've seen many of you at the Book Sale sort. I'm going to check to see if I have a few more books to donate today and look forward to the sale in less than two weeks.

I attended a very successful Illinois State Convention in April at Elgin Community College with over 100 attendees for the AAUW-IL 100th Anniversary - Celebrating 100 Years of Empowering Women.

In May we had a wonderful celebration of our own branch's 85th Anniversary at the River Forest Country Club. Many thanks to our 85th Anniversary celebration committee for all the work they put into this event.. Carolyn Heiney, Genie Urick, Suzanne Stock, Pat O'Dwyer and Sally Schuster as well as The Funds Committee ..Jo Mulvihill, Jennifer Jordan, Carolyn Heiney and Judy Eckblad.

We were thrilled that we had such a well deserved scholarship winner - Kathryn Wheeler. Donna Jean Simon, the outgoing AAUW IL President gave a very informative speech about our history of contributing to Elmhurst. After the event our branch received a framed "Proclamation" signed by Mayor Scott Levin from The City of Elmhurst which also reiterated many of our branches successes over the 85 years. It declared that May 23, 2024 to be "AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN - ELMHURST AREA BRANCH DAY."

Thank you to those who recently voted on the proposed Bylaws change. We are sorry that although Illinois strongly supported the Bylaws proposal with a 78% affirmative vote and over 50% voter participation, the nation-wide vote garnered 65.1% affirmative, not reaching the 2/3 vote threshold. We are sad that we are not going to reach the 61% of women without college degrees who might well support our mission.

I want to share some statistics I learned at a recent virtual Illinois President's meeting:

- AAUW has over 52,000 members, 700 branches, 450 college/university members.
- Lobby Corps resumed visits to Capitol Hill and visited 150+ legislative offices.
- 2-Minute Activists sent 47,000 messages to elected officials.
- \$6.1 million in fellowships and grants was awarded to 277 women.

Moira Murray  
President  
AAUW Elmhurst Area Branch NFP

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## Stay Connected with AAUW National

Do you think you or a fellow member may be missing out on vital updates and important announcements from AAUW? Don't let valuable information slip through the cracks! Ensure you stay connected with AAUW by re-subscribing to AAUW emails. Simply use this link, [aauw.us/emailoptions](https://aauw.us/emailoptions), to re-subscribe and guarantee that you receive all the latest news, webinars, and opportunities from AAUW.

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

Jennifer Jordan  
Director of Finance

May 31, 2024

**US Bank**

Conferences Account	\$1,108.32
Fundraiser Account	<b>6,893.10</b>
General Account	<u>3,826.93</u>
Total US Bank	\$11,918.35

**CDs at US Bank**

CD Fundraiser Account .....	\$1,003.75
CD General Account .....	<b><u>5,018.72</u></b>
Total CDs at US Bank .....	<b>\$ 6,022.47</b>

**Grand Total at US Bank .....** **\$17,940.82**

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**Totals by Fund**

Conference Fund .....	<b>\$ 1,108.32</b>
Fundraiser Fund .....	7,986.85
General Fund .....	<b><u>8,845.65</u></b>
TOTAL ALL FUNDS .....	<b>\$17,940.82</b>

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## Time to Renew

Its that time of year when most of our members need to renew their Membership! You should have received an email from AAUW reminding you to renew. You can

- 1) Renew on-line(preferred) OR
- 2) You can send a check for \$101 payable to "AAUW Elmhurst NFP" to: AAUW Finance Director, PO Box 243; Elmhurst, IL 60126.

Just a reminder that 50 year Members do not pay dues and paid Life Members pay \$29.

To renew online: Go to my [aauw.org](http://aauw.org), Log into your Personal Snapshot, click the big blue RENEW button at the bottom and follow the prompts. If you need help, email [connect@aauw.org](mailto:connect@aauw.org) or call 202-785-7782 weekdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

We hope that both our long time members and our new members are enjoying the programs we sponsored this year and are looking forward to another year of outstanding programing!

