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Mission: To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education and

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Diversity:

In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

Vision Statement:

Equity for all



President's Message Sheila Austin

Spring...brings a

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schedule of

upcoming AAUW

events.

Welcome to March and Women's History Month. Spring is almost officially here and with it brings a jampacked schedule of upcoming AAUW events. Our March

branch meeting on March 15th will be a panel discussion by Zoom with local women in leadership discussing the role of Women and Minorities in Top Management.

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March 15th also happens to be Equal Pay Day—this date symbolizes how far into the year women must work to

earn what men earned in the previous year. The wage gap is even greater for most women of color.

Our Phantom event returns in April—look for more

> info to come. Coming up on April 23rd is our **Annual Business** Meeting, where members will approve the annual budget and

slate of officers for the 2022-2023 year. The highlight of our annual meeting is the awarding of our AAUW scholarships. The following weekend, on



April 30th, Texas AAUW will host the 50th Texas Convening as a virtual presentation.

On May 21st, we will hold our annual Salad Supper & Officer Installation. Our Special Interest Groups are actively meeting and the Culture Club group will be returning soon. Hope to see

Sheila vou soon!



TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2022 6:00 P.M. TO 7:30 P.M. VIA ZOOM



JUDITH K. GUTHRIE RETIRED FEDERAL MAGISTRATE JUDGE



MEGAN RIAZ BETHESDA HEALTH CLINIC COMMUNITY RELATIONS & MARKETING



SMITH COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4

SMITTEE ROOT LEADERSHIP TYLER **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**



DR. SHIRLEY MCKELLAR MAYOR PRO TEM CITY COUNCILWOMAN DISTRICT 3



COMMEMORATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Nominations for the 2022-2023 Board of Directors for AAUW-Tyler Branch and AAUW Tyler Fund, Inc.—Jeanne Henderson, Chair

The following slate of nominees for the AAUW Executive Committee will be voted on at the AAUW-Tyler Annual meeting on April 23 at 11:30 am:





AAUW-Tyler Branch

President Diane Kavanaugh

President Elect **Verle Ellis**



Tyler Fund. Inc.

The following are nominated to serve on the board of the Tyler Fund, Inc.:

- Mary Lynn Smith
- Jeanne Henderson
- Sandra Owens



Program Vice President Kristi Roberts

Membership Vice President **Cathy Brady**





Secretary **Andie Rathbone** Treasurer Sheila Austin



The 2021-2022 nominating committee is Chair Jeanne Henderson, Susan Garrison, Mary Lynn Smith, Scherel Carver, and Jeanelle Maland.

Scholarship Awards Presented at April Annual Meeting-Jackie Littleton, Chair

Six outstanding high school scholarship recipients will be

introduced during the Annual Meeting,
April 23. The event will take place at First Christian Church and will begin with lunch at 11:30 a.m.



You won't want to miss the opportunity to meet these incredible young women and chat with them about their plans for the future.



The Scholarship Committee received 20 applications this year, making their decisions even more challenging than usual.

Students from six Smith County High Schools submitted applications this year. Each of the applicants has already been accepted at multiple universities across the nation.

Members of the 2021-2022 scholarship committee include Chair Jackie Littleton, Mary Barnhart, Brenda Gilliam, Sandy Houston, Jeanelle Maland, and Andie Rathbone.

Still want an AAUW 90th Anniversary logo memorabilia shirt?

One shirt remains! One of our very comfortable and colorful 90th anniversary polo shirts is available for purchase. It's a Size Medium, and the cost is \$35. Contact Jackie Littleton if your are interested.





AUW-Tyler Annual Business Meeting April 23

save the Date!

Don't miss the Annual Business Meeting Saturday, April 23.

Members will vote on

- slate of officers for 2022-2023, above
- proposed budgets for 2022-2023, page 3

Members also will meet the 2022 scholarship awardees. Be there!



April 23, 11:30 am First Christian Church **4202 South Broadway**

Proposed Budgets for 2022-2032 for AAUW-Tyler and AAUW Tyler Fund Diane Kavanaugh, Chair

AAUW Tyler Branch	2022-2023 Proposed Budget	AAUW Tyler Fund	2022-2023 roposed Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense		Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income		Income	
Reimbursement	\$0.00	Scholarship Donations	\$0.00
Fundraising/Book Sale	\$500.00	75th Anniversary Fellowship	\$0.00
Donations	\$0.00	Games Day	ψ0.00
Business Meeting	\$400.00	Total Games Day	\$10,000.00
Misc - Income	\$0.00	Other Types of Income	Ψ10,000.00
Dues	\$3,500.00	Equi-Tea	
Interest Income	\$0.00	Amazon Smile	\$50.00
	\$418.00	Miscellaneous Revenue	\$500.00
Fund Raising - Other Total Income	\$4,818.00	Other Types of Income - Other	
Total income	\$4,010.0U		
		Total Other Types of Income	\$550.00
Expense	0400.00	Phantom Ball Income	\$2,500.00
Fundraising Expense	\$100.00	Total Income	\$13,050.00
Administration	4	25 - 30 20 - 3	
Software	\$50.00	<u>Expense</u>	
Officer Supplies	\$150.00	Administration	
Accounting	\$0.00	Chamber of Commerce Dues	\$0.00
Convention	\$0.00	Insurance - Crime	\$0.00
Dues - National	\$1,890.00	Insurance -General Liability	\$0.00
Dues - State	\$400.00	Office Supplies & Miscellaneou	
Insurance	\$533.00	Post Office Box Rental	\$0.00
Post Office Box	\$125.00	Website	\$0.00
Treasurer	\$50.00	Total Administration	\$150.00
Web Site	\$120.00	Contributions	20
Total Administration	\$3,318.00	AAUW Funds	
Membership	-	Tyler Brnch 75th Anniversary F	\$0.00
Dues/Subscriptions	\$175.00	TJC Scholarship Endowment	\$1,000.00
Reassembly	\$125.00	AAUW Funds - Other	\$2,000.00
Recruitment/Retention	\$100.00	Total AAUW Funds	\$3,000.00
Yearbook/Directory	\$150.00	Scholarships	\$6,000.00
Newsletter	\$25.00	Total Contributions	\$9,000.00
Membership - Other	\$0.00	Games Day Fundraiser	
Total Membership	\$575.00	Total Games Day Fundraiser	\$3,150.00
Programs	40.000	Other Types of Expenses	40,100.00
Honorariums	\$125.00	Other Costs	
Salad Supper / Business Me		Total Other Types of Expenses	
Projects	\$100.00	Phantom Ball Expenses	\$150.00
Total Programs	\$825.00	Programs & Projects	Q100.00
Contributions	Ψ023.00	Equi-tea	
AAUW GREATEST NEED		Programs	\$250.00
Emergency Relief		Great Decisions	\$100.00
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Total Contributions	\$0.00 \$4,818.00	STEM Projects	\$250.00
Total Expense	The second secon	Total Programs & Projects	\$600.00
Net Ordinary Income	\$0.00	Total Expense	\$13,050.00
Other Income/Expense		Net Ordinary Income	\$0.00
Other Income		ed / Je	30
Income Value of Donated Items		Other Income/Expense	
Interest Income - MMA	\$25.00	Other Income	10 18
Total Other Income	\$25.00	Interest Income	\$5.00
Other Expense		Total Other Income	\$5.00
Expense Value of Donated Item	- 1	Net Other Income	\$5.00
Total Other Expense	\$0.00	Net Income	\$5.00
Net Other Income	\$25.00		
Net Income	\$25.00		

2022 STEM Like a Girl-Cathy Brady, Chair

What a wonderful event STEM Like A Girl is each year! AAUW was pleased to participate again with registration, assisting the instructors, and "wrangling cats" (oops, I meant

students) on Saturday, Feb. 26th. We had 50 girls register for the day, but only 20 students attended. The rain may have been a factor.

Junior High Schools girls spent 30 minutes in four different classrooms; Radial Chromatography, Coding for Video Games, Four Colors (Math), and Building a Robotic Hand. Additionally, the STEM Club from TJC volunteered during

lunch assisting the girls with building a candy molecule and looking through prism glasses.

All the teachers were amazing women who have excelled in their respective careers and have a passion for mentoring young women. It is truly a

> thrill to watch girls explore the opportunities that science, technology, engineering, and math have to offer. If you've never volunteered for this event, I highly encourage you to sign-up next year. You won't be disappointed!

Thank you, Chick-fil-A for assist-

ing AAUW in providing lunch.











President-Elect Diane Kavanaugh with STEM Like a Girl Chair Cathy Brady









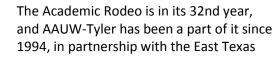




2nd Grade Winners

Thank you to the following die-hard AAUW members who contributed to the success of the 2022 Spelling Bee:

Judges Andie Rathbone, Sandra Owens, Scherel Carver, and Deborah Hulse, and Wranglers Lou Anne Smoot and Jackie Littleton



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WATCH FOR YOUR MONTHLY E-MAIL BLAST!!

The AAUW Board stays in touch with the membership on a regular basis through a monthly email update with details of upcoming activities and events, as well as important deadlines and reminders. These monthly missives can keep you

- Informed
- Involved
- Interested

Watch your e-mail!



MEMBERSHIP NEWS—Andie Rathbone, Membership VP

Dues Renewal Period opens March 16th Please send your check

AAUW Tyler branch members can renew for the next fiscal year beginning March 16th. You will receive an invoice via email that allows you to pay online using your credit card. The new fiscal year begins July 1st and members are encouraged to renew before June 30th. Your invoice also provides an option for mailing your checks to the branch for processing.

Please note, for the new fiscal year, AAUW National increased the national dues by \$2.00. Our annual dues are \$95.00 for the upcoming year.

Know of someone interested in joining AAUW? If they join March 16th or later, their dues payment of \$95 covers them through June 30, 2023.

Please send your check for \$95.00 to Diane Kavanaugh, 1817 Sybil Lane, Tyler 75703-1634 Checks should be made to: AAUW-Tyler



To pay online:

- Log into www.aauw.org using your member ID.
- At the bottom of the screen, select Member Tools.
- Select Member Services Database.
- On the left, click on Renew My
 Membership and follow the directions
 there.

If you don't know your member ID, contact:

Membership VP Andie Rathbone

Andie.rathbone.66@gmail.com

And for all members who have paid your dues, please check your information in the current directory.

New Directory

All members should have received by mail the 2021-2022 member directories.

If you find any corrections in the 2020-2021 directory, please advise

Jeanne Henderson, Year Book Chair

Jeanne@jimhenderson.com





AAUW-Tyler would like to welcome back Maureen Christopherson who rejoined AAUW at the branch's 90th birthday celebration. Maureen was an active member in the 1990s and 2000s serving as branch president from 1998-

1999. She also served as Secretary and VP-Membership, as well as heading up the Phantom event in 2009 and being active in both the Evening Book Group and the Garden Club.

Maureen also has been active in Women in Tyler and has worked helping Martha Dunlap hold her estate sales.

We are very happy to have her back as an AAUW member.

Add Maureen to your directory with the following information:

Maureen Christopherson 3991 Chapel Woods Blvd Tyler, TX 75707 Jcmc2006@suddenlink.net 903-565-6299



Golden Opportunity—50th AAUW-Texas Convening Set for April 30 via Zoom



All members are invited to participate in the 2022 AAUW-Texas Convening. There is no cost because it is a virtual statewide conference. This is a Golden Opportunity since each local

branch can send as many members as it wants—free of charge.

Attendees will vote on the 2022-23 state board, consider seven amendments to the AAUW-Texas constitution, and award recognition to the Outstanding Texas AAUW Member, as well as the Outstanding New Member. Local branches can

nominate members for these awards through March 15.

Our own Jackie Littleton is speaking on her book *The Lady and the Letters*, about AAUW member Esther Brunaer who assisted women escaping Nazi occupation during World War II.

To see the nominees for state board and the proposed bylaws amendments, see the January AAUW-Texas newsletter.



March Madness: The Pay Gap is Madness! Equal Pay Week of Action March 9—15

March 15 2022 Equal Pay Day

Equal Pay Day marks the day of the year by which it takes ployees to talk to each other about their pay. women on average to earn what men did in 2021. That's 15 months. Or, if you look at a typical 9:00-5:00 work day, women start working for free at 2:40 p.m.

Transparency is the key If we're to achieve #equalpay in our lifetimes. Employers need to be clear about how they decide salary and raises.

How can we promote pay transparency? Encourage employees to talk to each other about their pay.



83 CENTS: THAT'S HOW MUCH WOMEN IN THE U.S. WHO WORK FULL TIME, YEAR ROUND ARE PAID FOR EVERY DOLLAR PAID TO MEN.

2021-2022 AAUW Interest Groups

nterest groups form the heart of AAUW, where lasting friendships are built and nurtured. Choose groups that suit your schedule and match your favorite pasttimes. Non-members are invited to participate in branch interest groups. Those who are eligible for membership may attend twice before joining the branch. Those who are not eligible for membership may attend indefinitely by paying branch dues.

Interest Group	Chair	Meeting Time	Contact Info
Daytime Book Group	Andie Rathbone	4 th Wednesday, 1:30 pm	Andie.rathbone.66@gmail.com
Evening Book Group	Sue Lander	3 rd Thursday, 7pm	soonersue@sbcglobal.net
LOTE "Ladies of the Evening"	Andie Rathbone	2nd Monday, 6:00 pm	Andie.rathbone.66@gmail.com
Mah Jongg, Civic Participation	Jeanne Henderson	Times and Dates Vary	Jeanne@jimhenderson.com
Board Games	Mary Lynn Smith	2nd Tues every other month	4smiths@suddenlink.net
Culture Club	Sheila Austin	Varies	sjaustin64@gmail.com

JOIN A BOOK INTEREST GROUP—DAY OR EVENING



Here are the interesting books the two Book Interest Groups have selected to read during 2021-2022. To receive zoom link to book group discussions or a list of meeting places contact Andie Rathbone or Sue Lander at email listed above.

DAYTIME	BOOK GROUP—4th Wed 1:30 pm	Date	Title	Author
Date	Title Author	March 17	The Lions of Fifth Avenue	Fiona Davis
March 23	The Four Winds Kristin Hannah	April 21	The Four Winds	Kristin Hannah
April 27	Book Selection for 2022-2023	May 19	Nomadland	Jessica Bruder
May 25	The Gown Jennifer Robinson	June 16	The Code Breaker	Walter Isaacson
June 22	To Be Decided	July 21	The Color of Lightening	Pauline Jiles
July 27	To Be Decided	August 18	Oil and Marble	Stephanie Storey

Board Games Interest Group—Mary Lynn Smith



Game Players will meet March 22, May 24 and July 26at Boards and Bites. Come at 6:30 if you want to grab

a sandwich. Games start at 7:00.

If you are interested in the group, contact Mary Lynn to keep you informed.

Contact Mary Lynn Smith for more information. 903-571-2926 or 4smiths@suddenlink.net

EVENING BOOK GROUP

Board Games 4th Tuesday every other month 7 pm

3rd Thurs 7 pm

1851 Troup Highway

Next Game: Mar 22, 2022

LADIES OF THE EVENING (LOTE) TO DINE WITH FRIENDS

LOTE 2nd MONDAY 6:00 pm See you there! The next date for LOTE is Monday. FD's

Grillhouse LOTE, or Ladies of the Evening" Interest Group generally

meets for a casual meal once each month at a different local March 14 at restaurant. All **AAUW** members are welcome to join the fun.



March 14.6 pm 8934 So. Broadway, Tyler

Contact andie.rathbone.66@gmail.com and she will add you to the contact list.

Other 2022 LOTE Dates—6 pm

- Monday, April 11 Villa Montez, 3324 Old Henderson Hwy, Tyler
- Monday, May 9—Breakers, 5106 Old **Bullard Rd.. Tyler**
- Monday, June 13—Lola's Handcrafted **Kitchen, 5377 So. Broadway, Tyler**

2021-2022 Board of Directors

Your 2021-2022 Board of Directors have planned a year full of interesting and fun events. Contact information and responsibilities are included in the chart below. Do not hesitate to contact your board if you have a question or want to become involved in a specific project or committee. The board meets by zoom the 3rd Sunday of each month. Watch monthly for times.

	Elected Officers	*Executive Committee			
President*	Sheila Austin	sjaustin64@gmail.com	903-574-1569		
President-Elect*	Diane Kavanaugh	dianeraby@att.net	903-312-1589		
Program VP*	Sandra Owens	sdowens59@sbcglobal.net	903-530-5298		
Membership VP*	Andie Rathbone	Andie.rathbone.66@gmail.com	903-312-5118		
Finance Officer*	Diane Kavanaugh	dianeraby@att.net	903-581-2524		
Secretary/Parliamentarian*		Sgarrison09@gmail.com	903-245-9011		
	Standing	Committee Chairs			
AAUW Funds	Jeanelle Maland	Jeanellemaland@gmail.com	903-581-2524		
Scholarships	Jackie Littleton	jackielit@hotmail.com	903-534-4677		
	Appointed	Chairs			
Historian	Open				
Newsletter	Scherel Carver	eddiecrvr@aol.com	903-581-1391		
Directory	Jeanne Henderson	jeanne@jimhenderson.com	903-520-4311		
Public Policy	Scherel Carver	eddiecrvr@aol.com	903-581-1391		
Webmaster/Social Media	Sheila Austin	sjaustin64@gmail.com	903-534-4953		
Project Chairs & Fundraising Chairs					
Academic Rodeo	Angie Whitehead	awhitehead@murraysecurities.com	903 316-8050		
Great Decisions	Jackie Littleton	jackielit@hotmail.com	903-534-4677		
Book Sale	Jackie Littleton	jackielit@hotmail.com	903-534-4677		
Games Day/Silent Auction	Jeanne Henderson	jeanne@jimhenderson.com	903-534-6563		
STEM Event	Cathy Brady	lovestangsoodo@gmail.com	512-699-2790		

Upcoming Events and Future Dates

March

- 14 LOTE—6 pm FDs Grillhouse
- 14 Daylight Saving Time Begins
- 15 Equal Pay Day
- 15 Beyond the Glass Ceiling: Panel-Zoom 6:00—7:30 pm
- 17 Evening Books—7 pm
- 22 Board Games, 7 pm
- 23 Daytime Books—1:30 pm

April

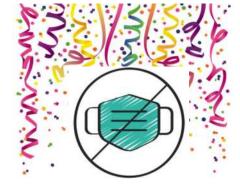
- 11 LOTE—Villa Montez, 6 pm
- 21 Evening Books, 7pm
- 23 Annual Meeting /Scholarship Presentations—11:30 am, 1st Christian Church
- 27 Daytime Books—11:30 am, TBA
- 30 AAUW State Convening via Zoom

May

- 9 LOTE, 6pm—Breakers
- 21 Salad Supper & Officer Installation, Home of Kristi Roberts (this year to be luncheon instead of supper)
- 19 Evening Books, 7pm
- 24 Board Games, 7pm
- 24-26 NCCWSL 2022
- 25 Daytime Books 1:30 pm

Coming Soon: The "No-Mask Phantom Ball" Fundraiser

Watch your mail boxes for your invitation to NOT attend AAUW's "No Mask Phantom Ball."



Proceeds from this year's Phantom Event will be used for the AAUW's Tyler Junior College Scholarship endowment.



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