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

#### 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

Welcome to Fall!

I don't know about the rest of you, but I am so thankful that fall is here and we have cooler temperatures. It makes it perfect to be outdoors doing the activities I love to do like hiking, camping and paddling.

You know what else I love about Fall? I love AAUW Tyler's Fall Games Day! October 25<sup>th</sup> is right around the corner. Invitations are in the mail; silent auction items are being collected and plans are coming together. What are we missing? **You**—we're missing you!

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- Register and attend Fall Games Day (\$45.00 per person)
- Come for lunch only and bid on silent auction items (\$30 for lunch only)
- Be a sponsor of the event – sponsorships starting at \$100.00
- Make a donation to help with scholarships and educational projects
- Share the event with your friends, co-workers and family members

## Diane Kavanaugh

Our largest fundraiser of the year needs **you** to be involved.

**Some of the ways you can be involved:**

Games Day

Chair **Jeanne Henderson** and the planning committee put many hours into this event. Show your support in a way that works best for you. Visit our webpage for more information about sponsoring or attending Fall Games Day.

Our fall calendar is filling up! Check out the rest of the Gazette for information about Cocktails & Conversations, Games Day, Book Sale and much more. Hope to see you at AAUW events during October, November, and December!

*Diane Kavanaugh*

President 2022-2023



## COCKTAILS & CONVERSATION SET FOR OCTOBER 18

Join us on October 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm for an evening of drinks and socializing at 1836 Texas Kitchen, 2467 Crow Road, Tyler, TX 75703.

Take the time to meet new members and reconnect with longtime members.

No need to RSVP!



## Navigating Finances in a New World—Program VP Kristi Roberts



Thank you to everyone who attended our September meeting. A special thanks to our speaker, **Melissa Shanhouse, CDFA President, Wealth Management**

**Advisor.** She did a great job catching us all up on navigating our finances in a changing world. Lastly, thanks to our new member **Esther Roberts** for providing delicious

snacks and drinks for the meeting.



There is no general membership meeting in October as AAUW is hosting Games Day on October 25th at Hollytree. Make plans now to join us to support the scholarships and projects of the AAUW Tyler Branch. Our next general membership meeting will be Tuesday, November 15th.

## GAMES DAY SET FOR OCTOBER 25: GAMING, LUNCHEON,

Games Day is quickly approaching, set for Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Hollytree Country Club. As in previous years, we will have a silent auction with quite the variety of fabulous items, including a Mah Jongg set, cookies and pies, pampering services, food and drink gift cards, jewelry, artwork, and many other novelties. Along with Mah Jongg, we would love to welcome players of bridge or any other game—come join the fun!

Invitations with registration forms were sent in September. Please contact Jeanne Henderson at [jeanne@jimhenderson.com](mailto:jeanne@jimhenderson.com) if you have any friends who would like to join us who may not already be on the mailing list. Also, if you are unable to play, please consider coming to the



Only is

Games Day is AAUW's major fundraiser – we would love everyone to come and help support our local scholarships and educational projects. Also, please start contacting friends and business associates for items to donate to the silent auction. Anything you would bid on would probably be a great item!

Finally, sponsorships are available, and a great way to support this event—watch your email for this opportunity.

yummy Mexican food lunch we are having this year and shopping the silent auction! Registration is \$45 Lunch \$30.



save the date

**Tuesday  
October 25  
10 am—3 pm  
Hollytree Country Club  
6700 Hollytree Drive  
Registration: \$45  
Lunch only: \$30  
Register  
by October 21**



## Calling All Book Lovers! Book Sale Set for November 5—Jackie Littleton, Chair

Calling all book lovers...and those of you who need to whittle down your collection!

The annual AAUW Book Sale will be held during the First Christian Church Bazaar, November 5 from 9 until 4. In addition to any books you are willing to donate, help is needed for the following shifts:

**Friday, November 4**

2-5—unpack and sort books

**Saturday, November 5**

9-4 (2-hour shifts)—sell books

4-6—pack unsold books to take to Half-Price Bookstore

If you can help at any of these times (and you didn't sign up during Reassembly) please contact Jackie Littleton.

Money raised from the book sale goes to offset administrative costs for the Branch.

If you have books to donate, please bring them to the Christian Life Center at First Christian Church on Friday between 2 and 5.



### Banned Books Section

In support of the public library, we plan to have a table of "banned books" for sale. If you have one of such "treacherous texts" as To Kill a Mockingbird, The Handmaid's Tale, Out of Darkness, Animal Farm, The Catcher in the Rye, any of the Harry Potter books, The Grapes of Wrath, or The Color Purple please consider donating it to our Banned Books Table. For a complete list of banned books, check with Google.



Mark Your  
Calendar  
November 5

## Long Range Plan in Review—Verle Ellis, President-Elect

After a very productive first meeting, resulting in some great ideas for tweaking and rearranging, President Kavanaugh pulled them altogether in a new document. Our next meeting will be on Zoom, on October 12, 2022 at 6:30pm, where we may be able to conclude the business of this committee.

Contact Verle Ellis at  
[verleellis@gmail.com](mailto:verleellis@gmail.com)



## Two-Minute Activist-AAUW.org

**You provide the voice.  
We'll provide the megaphone.**

We provide all the tools you need to call or send messages to your members of Congress, contact your state legislators about pressing issues, and more. Send emails and texts to your legislators to fight for equal pay, family leave, stopping sexual harassment, equality in education and more. Sign up to get regular alerts to be able to take timely action.

<https://www.aauw.org/act/two-minute-activist/>

## Don't Forget to Vote!

### 2022 General Election - Key Dates



- Last day to register to vote or change your address  
**October 11**
- First day to vote early in person  
**October 24**
- Last day to apply for vote-by-mail ballot  
**October 28**
- Last day to vote early in person  
**November 4**
- Election Day and vote-by-mail ballot receipt deadline  
**November 8**

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## AAUW SOCIAL MEDIA & WEBSITE—JULIE DAVIS CHAIR

**Julie Davis** is now serving as AAUW-Tyler Webmaster and Social Media Chair. Please copy Julie [julied4868@gmail.com](mailto:julied4868@gmail.com) on your events information, photos, and news so that she has any event details she might need. Thank you Julie! That takes a lot off the President's shoulders.



**Instagram**

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We now have an Instagram page! Please find us and follow.

We encourage our members who are on Facebook to like our page. You learn about upcoming events and are able to RSVP directly on Facebook.

**Like us on  
facebook!**

Groups and organizations are turning to social media to reach out to members and potential members. The best way to do this is for our members to share our posts and invite friends to our events.

## Great Decisions Foreign Policy Discussions Set for Jan 18-March 8—Jeanne Henderson

Mark your new 2023 calendar for the next Great Decisions discussion series. The eight part series takes place on Wednesdays at noon, January 18—March 8 at the Tyler Public Library. These popular local events are part of the national Foreign Policy Association's nationwide attempt to encourage local communities to learn about and talk about critical United States foreign policy issues. Sponsored by AAUW-Tyler, the League of Women Voters/Tyler Smith County, and the Tyler Public Library, the sessions on average engage some 50 attendees each. Briefing books are available online after October 24 at [fpa.org](http://fpa.org) or through Amazon.



tion by an expert on the topic and includes dialogue among the audience members and the experts. Participants also are urged to submit opinion ballots on each topic, which are then provided to national leaders.



Dates and Speakers for each topic at right will be announced in the January issue after confirmed by the steering committee.

The steering committee includes representatives from the three sponsoring organizations, plus other interested East Texans. They plan the local Great Decisions program schedule. You can be part of Great Decisions by serving on the Steering Committee, by volunteering to help at the discussions by serving coffee, bringing cookies, greeting guests, etc.—and by attending the discussions.

### Great Decisions Topics 2023

- Energy Geopolitics
- War Crimes
- China's Foreign Policy
- Economic Warfare
- Elections in Latin America
- Global Famine
- Iran and the Gulf States
- Climate Migration



Please contact Chair Jeanne Henderson at [jeanne@jimhenderson.com](mailto:jeanne@jimhenderson.com) or **903-520-4311** if you want to ask questions or to volunteer.





## MEMBERSHIP NEWS—CATHY BRADY, MEMBERSHIP VP

### Dues Reminder

If you haven't already done so, it's time to pay your annual dues. This year our dues are \$98.00, broken down as follows:

AAUW National	\$67.00
State	\$13.00
Local Branch	\$18.00



Make checks payable to AAUW-Tyler and send them to Sheila Austin, 2118 Woodhaven, Tyler, TX 75701, or you can pay by following the link:



**To pay online, use the link below:**

<https://aauw-tyler-branch.square.site/>

If you have questions or great ideas, contact: **Cathy Brady**



[lovestangsoodo@gmail.com](mailto:lovestangsoodo@gmail.com)

## 2022-2023 MEMBER DIRECTORIES AVAILABLE SOON

The AAUW-Tyler membership directory will be available at the Games Day event Oct. 25. If you cannot attend, yours will be mailed. When it arrives, please check your entry and

send any corrections to Jeanne at [jeanne@jimhenderson.com](mailto:jeanne@jimhenderson.com)  
**Happy new AAUW year!**  
Jeanne Henderson, Year Book Chair



## NEW MEMBERS—ADD TO YOUR DIRECTORY

### Micheline Lambert Gipson

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## Spotlight on Mah Jongg Interest Group— Jeanelle Maland, Chair

The Mah Jongg Interest Group is for anyone who enjoys playing the game and for anyone who would like to learn how to play! We usually meet at Boards and Bites on the last Sunday of the month from 1:00-4:00 pm.

**No meeting in October, but please join us at Fall Games Day October 25!**



If you are interested in joining this fun interest group, please contact Jeanelle Maland at [jeanelle.maland@gmail.com](mailto:jeanelle.maland@gmail.com)



## MORE REASONS TO BECOME AN AAUW MEMBER: PERKS & DISCOUNTS

AAUW's member benefits can enhance your professional and personal life and will save you money along the way. Most important, every time you use one of your benefits, you are also supporting AAUW's vital work, which is what makes AAUW one of the nation's most powerful voices on women's issues.

With each purchase, AAUW receives a royalty that supports equal-pay advocacy, community programs, leadership development tools, the student leadership conference and so much more!

AAUW makes no representation or warranties with respect to these products and/or services. Benefits, services and programs are subject to change without notice.

### INSURANCE

Because you're a part of AAUW, you could save money with a special discount on GEICO auto insurance and give back to AAUW, too! See how much you could save today by getting a quote online, calling 1-800-368-2734 or visiting your local agent.



### Long Term Care

With 35+ years of experience in long-term care insurance, **LTC Global** will save AAUW members time and money on their long-term care insurance quotes. They offer multiple carriers to help people best meet their individual needs and budget. As an AAUW member, you may be eligible for a premium discount. Your extended family members (including spouses, brothers, sisters, parents, children age 18+, grandparents, aunts, uncles and in-laws) are also eligible for coverage. Call 888-305-4582 for info.

## 2022-2023 AAUW Interest Groups

**I**nterest groups form the heart of AAUW, where lasting friendships are built and nurtured. Choose groups that suit your schedule and match your favorite pastimes. 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
Board Games	Mary Lynn Smith	4th Tues 6:30 dinner 7pm games	4smiths@suddenlink.net
Community Service	Jeanne Henderson	Times and Dates Vary	Jeanne@jimhenderson.com
Culture Club	Sheila Austin	Varies	sjaustin64@gmail.com
Daytime Book Group	Andie Rathbone	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday, 1:30 pm	Andie.rathbone.66@gmail.com
Evening Book Group	Sue Lander	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday, 7:00pm	soonersue@sbcglobal.net
LOTE "Ladies of the Evening"	Andie Rathbone	2nd Monday, 6:00 pm	Andie.rathbone.66@gmail.com
Mah Jongg	Jeanelle Maland	Times and Dates Vary	jeanellemaland@gmail.com

### JOIN A BOOK INTEREST GROUP—DAY OR EVENING



Listed here are titles of the compelling books the two AAUW Book Interest Groups have selected to read during 2022-2023. To receive a list of meeting places, contact Andie Rathbone or Sue Lander at email listed above.

#### DAYTIME BOOK GROUP—4th Wed 1:30 pm Jan & Feb meetings 2:30pm

##### Title Author

October 26	First Conspiracy	Brad Meltzer
November 16	Getting Life	Michael Morton
December 21	Member Lunch	Dakota's
January 25	Sandcastle Girls	Chris Bohjalian
February 22	Forget the Alamo	Bryan Burrough
March 22	The Sentence	Louise Erdrich
April 26	Book Selection &	Luncheon
May 24	Beneath a Scarlet Sky	Mark Sullivan

#### EVENING BOOK GROUP 3rd Thurs 7 pm

Date	Title	Author
October 20	The Address Book	Dierdre Mask
November 17	Cloud Cuckoo Land	Anthony Doerr
December 15	The Which Way Tree	Elizabeth Crook
January 19	Horse	Geraldine Brooks
February 16	The 1619 Project	Nikole Hannah-Jones
March 16	Dictionary of Lost Words	Pip Williams
April 20	The Reading List	Sara Nisha Adams
May 18	Things You Save in a Fire	Katherine Center
June 15	Deacon King Kong	James McBride
July 20	Thunderstruck	Erik Larson
August 17	The Story Of Edgar Sawtelle	David Wroblewski

### Board Games Interest Group—Mary Lynn Smith



Board Game Players meet **November 22** at Boards and Bites. Dinner (optional) at 6:30 and games at 7:00. **No meeting in October, but**

**join us at Fall Games Day October 25.**

#### Game on!

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

**Board Games**  
**4th Tuesday**  
**every month**  
**6:30 pm**  
**Boards & Bites**

### JOIN LOTE FOR FUN DINING WITH FRIENDS

**LOTE**, "Ladies of the Evening," Interest Group is a group of members having a casual evening meal once each month at a different local restaurant.

LOTE meets the second Monday at 6 pm. All AAUW members are welcome to join the fun. If you would like to attend, please contact Andie Rathbone at [andie.rathbone.66@gmail.com](mailto:andie.rathbone.66@gmail.com) or call at (903) 312-5118

To receive notifications with directions to restaurants, contact Andie Rathbone, and she will add you to the contact list.

<b>October 12</b>	<b>1836 Texas Kitchen</b>
<b>6:00 PM</b>	2467 Crow Rd, Tyler
<b>November 14</b>	<b>Cantina Laredo</b>
<b>6:00 PM</b>	7428 Old Jacksonville, Tyler
<b>December 12</b>	<b>Dakota's</b>
<b>6:00 PM</b>	4803 Old Bullard Rd Tyler



**Dakota's**  
STEAKS • SEAFOOD • CHOPS

**Restaurants for 2023 Year**  
January 9 Tiba Grill  
February 13 Twelve  
March Rick's on Square  
April 10 Prime  
May 8 Villa Montez  
June 12 Javi's  
July 10 Longhorn  
Steakhouse

# 2022-2023 Board of Directors

AAUW Board Meetings are the 3rd Monday of every month, 6 pm at PATH Annex.

Your 2022-2023 Board of Directors are busy making plans and representing you in the community. 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.

	Elected Officers	*Executive Committee	
President*	Diane Kavanaugh	dianeraby@att.net	704-526-7274
President-Elect*	Verle Ellis	verleellis@gmail.com	903-520-5430
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Secretary/Parliamentarian*	Andie Rathbone	Andie.rathbone.66@gmail.com	903-312-5118
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Long Range Plan	Verle Ellis	verleellis@gmail.com	903-520-5430
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Historian	Open—this could be YOU!		
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Webmaster/Social Media	Julie Davis	julied4868@gmail.com	214-500-4109
	Project Chairs	& Fundraising Chairs	
Academic Rodeo	Co-Chair Donna Dietz	ddietz@dietzengineers.com	903-570-7329
Academic Rodeo	Co-Chair Open	Join the Team!	
Great Decisions	Jeanne Henderson	jeanne@jimhenderson.com	903-520-4311
Book Sale	Jackie Littleton	jackielit@hotmail.com	903-534-4677
Games Day	Jeanne Henderson	jeanne@jimhenderson.com	903-534-6563
STEM Like a Girl	Susan Garrison	sgarrison09@gmail.com	903-245-9011
March Madness	Mary Lynn Smith	4smiths@suddenlink.net	903-571-2926

## COMING ATTRACTIONS—Calendar of Events & Projects

### October

- 10 LOTE – 1836 Texas Kitchen, 6:00 pm
- 12 Long Range Plan committee by zoom
- 18 Cocktails & Conversation, 1836 Texas Kitchen, 5:30 pm
- 20 Evening Books, 7pm
- 25 Games Day – Hollytree, 10 – 3
- 26 Daytime Books, Marilyn Wills, 1:30pm

### November

- 5 AAUW Book Sale
- 14 LOTE – Cantina Laredo, 6:00 pm
- 15 Branch Meeting
- 17 Evening Books, 7 pm
- 21 Daytime Books-Bonnie Berry 1:30 pm
- 24 Board Games Group, 6:30 pm

### December

- 6 Holiday Gathering – Susan Garrison's
- 12 LOTE – 6 pm Dakota's
- 15 Evening Books, 7pm
- 21 Daytime Books – 11:30 @ Dakota's

### January 2023

- 9 LOTE Tiba Grill, Shelly Drive, 6pm
- 10 TISD Career Technology Center Tour – AAUW Branch Meeting
- 18 Great Decisions Lecture & Discussion Series Wednesdays thru March 8 – Tyler Public Library
- 14 Academic Rodeo Spelling Bee – East Texas Fair Grounds
- 19 Evening Books, 7pm
- 24 Board Games, 6:30 pm
- 25 Daytime Books@Pat Stillwell's 2:30pm

### February

- 13 LOTE, 6:00 pm TBA
- 16 Evening Books, 7pm
- 22 Daytime Books, 2:30pm
- 25 STEM Like a Girl – Discovery Science Place
- 28 Board Games 630 pm
- March – Women's History Month
- 1,8 Great Decisions Continues

- 8 Board Games, 6:30 pm
- 13 LOTE – Rick's 6 pm
- 15 Equal Pay Day
- 16 Evening Books – 7pm
- 21 Movie Screening
- 22 Daytime Books – 1:30 pm
- 28 Board Games 630 pm
- April
- 10 LOTE – Prime, 6:00 pm
- 20 Evening Books
- 22 Annual Business Meeting & Scholarship Awards, TBA
- 26 Daytime Book selection, 11:30am TBA
- May
- 8 LOTE – Villa Montez, 3324 Old Henderson Hwy
- TBA Salad Supper & Officer Installation
- 18 Evening Books – 7pm
- 24 Daytime Books – 1:30 pm
- Watch email for updates and details.

