



**INDIANAPOLIS AAUW NEWSLETTER**  
**2013 – Indianapolis Branch 100 Years!**  
**Year's Theme: "Expanding Horizons"**

**Saturday, November 9, 2013, 10:15 a.m.**

**Branch Meeting at Nora Public Library**  
**8625 Guilford Avenue, Indianapolis**

**Communications: Barb Wellnitz, [barb@bwellnitz.com](mailto:barb@bwellnitz.com), 317-431-2148**

**Program Theme, Policy Priority: Public Education and STEM**

Program Vice-President, Julia Price

**10:15 a.m. Refreshments**

**10:30 a.m. Program**

**Speaker:**

**Dr. Judith Mills, STEM Administrator, Sycamore School,  
Indianapolis, in 17<sup>th</sup> year of holding an annual  
STEM program on a Saturday in March.**

**AAUW is a proud supporter of STEM, for details,  
see <http://www.aaauw.org/what-we-do/stem-education>  
Our Indianapolis Branch is proud to support STEM  
at Sycamore.**

**11:00 a.m. Branch Announcements and Business**

**11:30 a.m. Speaker:**

**Cindy Felsten, Development, Indiana University/Purdue  
University-Columbus, Chair of AAUW Tech Savvy STEM  
program to be held in June 2014 at IUPU-C in  
collaboration with the Indianapolis Branch AAUW —  
the program has been awarded an \$8,000 Praxair grant  
from AAUW!**

**Happy 102<sup>nd</sup> Birthday to Raiford Scott, October 14th!**

**Send cards to 5523 Liberty Blvd. Place, Indianapolis IN 46220.**

**Indianapolis Branch Roster Insert for 2013-2014**

*Instead of reprinting the full Roster, a Membership Roster Insert is being provided this year. If you have not received your Roster Insert, either at the October 15th meeting or by mail or e-mail, contact Penny Kyker at [pkkyker2002@yahoo.com](mailto:pkkyker2002@yahoo.com) or 317-370-5110.*

**AAUW Membership Deadline -- If you have not renewed your membership, please send dues right away to:** Jan Pfeil Doyle, Branch Finance Officer, 8805 Spinnaker Ct., Indianapolis, IN 46256. **Regular Dues: \$68** (\$49 nat'l + \$7 state + \$12 branch) (\$46 of nat'l dues are tax-ded.)

**Indianapolis Branch  
Newsletter**

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**2013-2014 Board**

**Officers**

**Penny Kyker**  
President

**Julia Price**  
Program VP

**Susan Belton**  
Membership VP

**Janice Pfeil Doyle**  
Finance Officer

**Dorothy Alexander,  
Judi Deng**, Past Co-Presidents

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Recording/Corresponding Secretary

**Action Priority Enablers**

**Cynthia Munerol**  
AAUW Funds

**Mitzi Witchger**  
Public Policy

**Lora Vann and  
Donna Casebourn**  
Diversity

**Special Assignments**

**Penny Kyker, Dorothy  
Alexander**,  
Newsletter Co-Editors  
**Barb Wellnitz**  
Communications

**Lois Gumper, Dorothy  
Alexander, Penny Kyker**  
Member Handbook/Roster  
**Donna Casebourn**  
Parliamentarian

\*\*\* Historian

\*\*\* Hospitality

**Interest Group Leaders**

**Jan Pfeil Doyle** Daytime  
Book

**Jean Petranoff** Lunch Res.

**Michele Chosney** Evening  
Book

**Patricia Wood** Creative  
Writing

**Jan Swartz** Ethnic  
Dining

**Liaisons**

**Coy Halpern**  
Julian Center

**Lois Gumper**  
Girls' Science Conference

**Michele Chosney**  
Indianapolis Council of Women

**Tech Savvy**

**Cindy Felsten:**  
*Collaboration between  
Indianapolis Branch and  
Indiana Univ./Purdue Univ.-*

FOR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION: Contact Susan Belton, Membership VP, [sjbelton@yahoo.com](mailto:sjbelton@yahoo.com), 317-490-6483  
See AAUW information online at [aauw.org](http://aauw.org) and [indstate.edu/aauw-in](http://indstate.edu/aauw-in)

Changed phone number for Penny Kyker, Branch President – now 317-370-5110. (Do not use 317-587-8649.)

**INTEREST GROUPS – NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME**

**Evening Book Group**

**Monday, November 4, at 6:00 p.m. at McAlister's Deli on North Meridian at 96<sup>th</sup> Street**

The book is FLIGHT BEHAVIOR by Barbara Kingsolver. New members are always welcome.

For more information, contact Michele Chosney, Chair, 328-5227 or [mechosney@comcast.net](mailto:mechosney@comcast.net) .

**Creative Writing**

**Monday, Nov. 11. The group meets in the evening on the 2nd Monday of the month at a member's home.**

Contact Pat Wood, 283-2904, for time and location and further information. The group will not meet in Dec. & Jan.

New members are always welcome.

**Ethnic Dining Group**

**Friday, November 18, 11:30 am, at Adobo Grill, 110 East Washington Street, Indianapolis.**

See [www.adobogrill.com](http://www.adobogrill.com) for more information.

Please contact Jan Swartz, Chair, 291-8122, to let her know you are coming. New members always welcome.

**Daytime Book Discussion**

**Monday, November 28, noon, American Village, 2026 East 54<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln Lodge Building, Railsplitter Room.**

The book is A TREE GROWS IN BROOKLYN. The group meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month. Raiford Scott is hostess. Lunch is \$7, including tax and tip, paid at the main desk. New members are always welcome.

Please make your lunch reservation one week in advance by contacting Jean Petranoff, 334-2861, or [mypetranoff@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mypetranoff@sbcglobal.net). For more information contact Jan Doyle, Chair, 431-3500 or [jan@mw.net](mailto:jan@mw.net).

**Welcome New Members who joined at the October 15<sup>th</sup> meeting at the University of Indianapolis!**

More information will follow.

Catherine Cleary, [catherinecleary12@gmail.com](mailto:catherinecleary12@gmail.com) Cat has volunteered to be the Branch Web Site

Coordinator with AAUW Site Resources -- watch for our web site to be activated!

Elia James, [elia.james2@indy.gov](mailto:elia.james2@indy.gov)

Melissa Bitters, [melissa.Bernadette@gmail.com](mailto:melissa.Bernadette@gmail.com)

**THIS IS OUR AAUW FUNDS APPEAL FOR 2013**

Cindy Munerol, Chair

Take this opportunity to help more women further their areas of study. Note that the Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) is inviting financial support regarding a case of rape in the military. You can split your donation between funds. Make check payable to AAUW Funds, write the fund number(s) and the amount for each fund on the memo line. Deadline: December 2, to Cindy Munerol, 1311 Kessler Blvd., E. Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46220.

See October newsletter for description of funds, or <http://www.aauw.org/resource/aauw-funds-descriptions>.

## AAUW Fund Facts

There is much going on at the National level.

Here are the two goals that were set at the National 2013 convention.

1. Grow philanthropy to AAUW so that we can increase the number of women who receive our fellowships, grants, and scholarships from 366 to more than 500; increase the number of girls who attend AAUW science camps from 250 to 350; increase the number of Elect Her–Campus Women Win sites from 28 colleges to 38; increase funding for Legal Advocacy Fund plaintiffs; and fight harder than ever to pass the Paycheck Fairness Act.
2. Provide training for the philanthropic work of member leaders through increased personal and professional development and dissemination of industry best-practice information to branch and state fundraising chairs.

Read the complete issue at <http://www.aauw.org/resource/aauw-fund-facts-vol-7-issue-3/>

### The Indianapolis Branch AAUW Supports the Julian Center Luncheon at Hollyhock Hill on Saturday, December 14

**Advance notice from Coy Halpern, Julian Center Liaison:** Holidays are coming sooner than we think! We are all aware of domestic violence. The Julian Center has been a safe and helpful place for many women and children. The Julian Center gift project requires no meetings, e-mails, or phone calls—bring your contributions to the branch luncheon, or if unable to attend, please call Coy at 257-2640.

Gift suggestions include:

**Children**—sweatshirts, gloves, scarves, underwear, pajamas, socks, puzzles, art supplies, books, gift certificates, passes to the Children’s Museum; **Infants and toddlers**—baby and toddler toys; **Women**—toiletries (body lotion, hair accessories, manicure material), scarves, gloves, underwear, alarm clocks, umbrellas, towels, gift certificates  
Please: No candles, no violent toys, guns, knives, or violent videos

### Summary of Board Actions--Saturday, October 12

**Financial Report:** Jan Pfeil Doyle, finance officer--Members who have not renewed should mail in dues right away  
Checking account, Deposits--\$495.10; Payments, \$916.23 (including dues sent to State and National); Balance, \$2,018.20. Renewals to date, 56 (last year, 67), 45 paid regular and paid life members, 11 honorary life members; not yet renewed, 11. The AAUW Member Payment Program is in effect, dues may be paid online by credit card, or by check, and state and branch amounts are returned to state and branch.

**Membership:** Suggestions were made to contact local universities to arrange to provide AAUW information to students and faculty at appropriate “information fairs” or other events. Next year, the program at University of Indianapolis will be publicized to the campus. The Roster Insert draft was approved and was distributed at the October 15 meeting and will be sent by e-mail, and by postal mail to those not attending.

**Fundraising:** The Board recommended holding a Mike’s Car Wash fundraiser and the Branch approved it at the October 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. Last year’s effort earned \$600. Donna Casebourn is chair and will contact Mike’s to request February as our sale month.

**Community Digitization Project:** Our Branch is invited to participate in a local project. We are to scan and digitize important organizations papers as part of an effort to preserve community history. Jan Doyle will return their form expressing Branch interest in participating. The Branch will hold “History Parties” to assemble, evaluate and select materials to be organized and saved and those materials to be submitted to the Digitization Project. If you have past branch materials, please contact Jan at [jan@mw.net](mailto:jan@mw.net) or 431-3500.

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

**October 15<sup>th</sup> Branch Program: Dr. Krista Latham, forensic anthropologist, Assistant Professor** in the Departments of Anthropology and Biology, University of Indianapolis, spoke on her collaboration with Baylor and Texas State Universities, "Humanitarian Recovery on the U.S.-Mexican Border." She led a project with four UIndy graduate students to exhume and identify remains of undocumented migrants who had died and been buried locally -- an increasing problem for local authorities and a source of heartbreak for loved ones. **Branch members asked how can we help**, and Dr. Latham has provided the following information, for those who wish to donate to this ongoing cause. Dr. Latham will lead another group next year. She let us know, "feel free to include my email address in case anyone has questions. It was a pleasure meeting and interacting with AAUW members." (lathamke@uindy.edu)

**Donations** can be made by making the check payable to "The University of Indianapolis," indicating it is for the "Beyond Borders Fund" in the memo line and sending it to me at:

**The Indianapolis Branch sends deep regrets to Carol Folger** on the passing of her husband, David B. Folger, on October 16, 2013. See *The Indianapolis Star*, October 19, p. A18.

**Indianapolis Council of Women, Tuesday, November 5.**

Highland Golf and Country Club, 1050 W. 52<sup>nd</sup> St., Indianapolis.

10 a.m. Representative from the Indiana Department of Education.

1 p.m. Jan Wahls, "Discovering the Facts about May Wright Sewall, Our Founder."

Reservations not required for speakers, required only for luncheon to Mary Peat, 357-6895.

Michele Chosney is our delegate, and any members can attend any meetings

**READ LOCAL – Tuesday Evening Authors Series, Irvington Branch Library, 5625 E. Washington St.**

**November 5, 6:30 p.m., Local History.** Books provided by Bookmamas Book Shop. *Authors include Nancy Niblack Baxter, "Gallant Fourteenth: The Story of an Indiana Civil War Regiment;" Nelson Price, "Indianapolis Then and Now, Indiana Legends;" Robert Snow, "Slaughter on North LaSalle;" and Julie Young, "The Famous Faces of Indy's WTTV-4: Sammy Terry, Cowboy Bob, Janie and More.*

**May Each of You Have a Great Thanksgiving!**