

AAUW OF THE WABASH VALLEY ~ Information for new BRANCH members, May 2010

HOW DO I JOIN?

- ‡ Fill out the [BRANCH MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION](#) form. Under Personal Information >> College/University, that is the university from which you graduated.
- ‡ Be sure to sign under 'eligibility' (an associate's or equivalent, bachelor's, or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university is required for membership).
- ‡ Dues will be \$49 to National and \$7 to State – there are no branch dues currently, but you have to pay State dues in order to be considered a branch member. Total: \$56.
- ‡ **Make check payable to AAUW. Return check and application to Marsha Miller**

WHEN/HOW WILL WE MEET?

No meetings are currently planned but may be announced; initially, as the number of members grows, information will be transmitted electronically. Also, watch for a Facebook page and other methods of communicating.

WHAT WILL WE DO?

We are a branch in the process of re-growth, currently 1 continuing member, 2 Members-at-Large transferring to branch membership, 6 new members and 2 ISU undergraduate e-student affiliate members. We need to figure out what AAUW of the Wabash Valley needs to be, not only to the ISU campus but Terre Haute, the Wabash Valley, and beyond. If we want to do programming, what will we do? How will we raise money for the **AAUW Fund**? Two areas we can plan for now: 1) Bev Bitzegaio is on the Champions Board for the Indiana National Girls Collaborative Project (NGCP). ISU's College of Technology host a statewide conference in the on September 30, 2009. AAUW is affiliated with the NGCP, as is the NSF. 2) \$tart \$mart Wage Negotiation Workshops: Marsha Miller (ISU) and Patricia Crouch (IU-Bloomington) have been trained to conduct these workshops. Cost to host university/college: \$500 to The Wage Project. Patricia has done two workshops in Indiana; we should try to have a workshop scheduled based @ ISU in the Fall.

HOW CAN I GET MORE INVOLVED WITH AAUW?

- ‡ **NATIONALLY:** Spend time on the public side of <http://www.aauw.org>. once you receive your membership confirmation you will have a membership number that will allow you to enter the Member Center. Also spend time on the Indiana page <http://www.indstate.edu/aauw-in/home.html> [Marsha Miller, webmaster] - See the AAUW INVOLVEMENT CHECKLIST/BREAKING BARRIERS flyer. Figure out what role you want to play, locally, state-level, and nationally. Many opportunities for leadership positions, committee appointments, task forces, etc.

**State-level: Indiana Summer Retreat [annual]: all Indiana members invited!
9:30-3:00 EST at the Pine Valley Country Club, Fort Wayne, IN - \$35.00 - Agenda & Registration form will be in Summer Bulletin**

- ‡ **LOCALLY:** Find more branch members, including undergraduate students at ISU, who can be FREE e-student affiliates. Currently Saint Mary-of-the-Woods and Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology are NOT partner institutions. Do we have contacts there that could help bring these into the AAUW sphere? Other clusters of possibility for email links, insert in newsletter, appearance at functions [resource tables, live promotion or as program utilizing AAUW resources]: Ivy Tech, Vigo County School Corporation [and others in area], DePauw, Purdue [no active branch]; Vincennes [city and university], public libraries in area

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