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"AAUW: From Roots to Branches"

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Eastern Daylight Savings Time

Continental breakfast: Sunshine Breakfast of fresh fruit, Danish, muffins, bagels, tea, assorted juices and Starbucks coffee.

Luncheon: Chicken Marsala, salad, fresh vegetable, rice or potato and warm rolls.

Driving directions: Take Interstate 465 to Keystone Avenue (Exit 33). At the light, turn left onto Keystone Avenue. Take the 86th Street exit to the right. At the light, turn left onto 86th Street. Turn left at the second light onto Keystone Crossing. The hotel is located behind the mall on the right.

Hotel rate for Indianapolis Sheraton at Keystone Crossing is \$119 - \$164, with discounted rates for seniors and AAA members. Make your reservation at (800)325-3535, or direct to the hotel at (317)846-2700.

Things to do at the hotel & surrounding area...

Shopping! The Sheraton at Keystone Crossing has a walkway directly linking it to the Fashion Mall, where you can shop at stores such as Nordstrom's, Saks 5th Avenue, Coach, Crate & Barrel, Anthropologie, Burberry, Chico's, Pottery Barn, Talbot's, and more! Also close are Trader Joe's, Costco and Penzey's Spices.

Restaurants! In the Fashion Mall or nearby- PF Chang's, Maggiano's, Scotty's Brewhouse, Miyagi's, Bonefish Grill, and the Cheesecake Factory.

Things to do! Hike or stroll the Monon Trail, a paved greenway 10 1/2 miles long. Indianapolis has lots of great museums, including the Museum of Art, State Museum, Eiteljorg Museum, the Zoo and White River Gardens, and don't forget the Speedway Museum and Track!



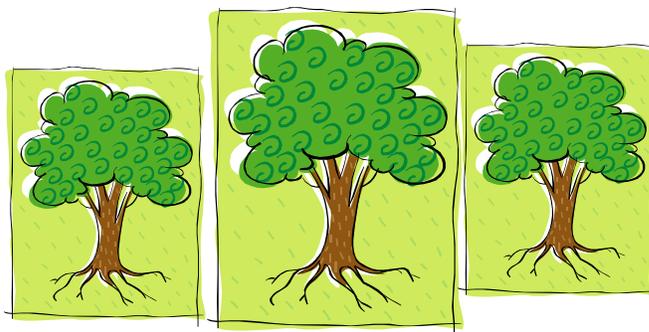
Sheraton Indianapolis at Keystone Crossing

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Indianapolis, IN

- 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM Registration & continental breakfast
- 10:00 AM - 10:40 AM Business Meeting- Barb Kanning, Indiana President
- 10:40 AM - 11:15 AM AAUW Historic Principles- Sharon Schafer & Andrea Tarbet
- 11:15 AM - 11:25 AM Break
- 11:25 AM - 12:05 PM The Shriver Report: A Woman's Nation Changes Everything- Sharon Langlotz
- 12:05 PM - 12:35 PM Marcia Capriotti, AAUW National Board
- 12:35 PM - 12:40 PM NCCWSL- Jean Amman
- 12:40 PM - 1:25 PM Luncheon and "Breaking Through Barriers" video vignette
- 1:25 PM - 1:45 PM E-Student Initiative- April Lidinsky
- 1:45 PM - 1:55 PM Break
- 1:55 PM - 2:25 PM "A Powerful Voice" preview
- 2:25 PM - 2:45 PM Video & Photo Shoot Tech Info- Marsha Miller
- 2:45 PM - 3:00 PM Kick-Starting Growth at Your Branch- Barb Kanning and Marcia Capriotti

Host: Indianapolis Branch





President's Message

Dear AAUW Partners,

As we in Indiana look forward to the end of winter, it is a good time for reflection and planning. AAUW is in the process of making all the changes "happen" that we accepted at national convention in 2009. Therefore, it is also our time in IN to adapt to those changes. Many of our Branches have already updated their Bylaws in response to my packet sent in Nov. with the IN Bylaws and a model for Branches to follow. If you have not yet done this, please contact Jean Amman, our IN Bylaws Chair, who will help.

Your IN AAUW Board is working very hard to get ready for our April Convention, and we need you to make that same kind of commitment. Indiana AAUW's mission is to provide a vital *link* between our national organization and you and your Branch. Each Branch has copies of the **2009-10 Resource Guide/Directory** - a great tool to help you stay connected. It contains so much information that will help. Included are: your Branch consultant, clustered Branch lists, program ideas, all IN Branch Boards, our IN Public Policy, the IN Timeline of important dates and deadlines, and more. ANY IN AAUW member can have her own copy if you have an online connection. Just e-mail Jane Allerton, our Communications Director at:

janebaskets@gmail.com - she will send you the latest updated version for you to print out.

I'd like to send a couple additions on dates from the IN Timeline, so you can add them to your calendars now.

March 4: Torchbearer Awards in Indianapolis: This year it will be at the Statehouse in late afternoon, honoring women from all over IN, with a reception following

the ceremony. Your Branch leaders have the info.

April 24: IN Convention - MOST important for you to attend. Please read all the information your Program Directors have provided in this issue. Our national president has contacted me about an association rep. to join us, so we will get that info. out to Branches when we have it. IN Board presenters will have practical material to take back to your Branches.

Aug. 21: The date has been set for our Summer Retreat which will be in Fort Wayne. Save this Saturday. It will be worth your time to come to Fort Wayne and be a part of this day. Maybe you can make it a "mini-vacation" time, also?

"Breaking through barriers so all women and girls have a fair chance." Is this really our focus? Your IN Board is committed to helping ALL of us work together to improve equity. Plan NOW to attend our April and August state meetings - you will not be sorry to dedicate two Saturdays to IN AAUW! You personally and your Branch will benefit from that time given for us to get together to learn, re-energize, and renew our dedication to AAUW. See you in Indy on April 24th!



Barb Kanning, Indiana President

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Educational Foundation

The tote bag project is going very well. Shortly before the 2009 State Convention, the Board designed and purchased 150 tote bags to sell to raise funds for EF. On November 25, 2009, \$672 was contributed to the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund (\$7.00 x 96 bags sold) with fourteen branches receiving credit for the bags they sold. Three more bags were sold since that time. Several branches have bags on consignment that will hopefully become sales. Let's set a goal to sell all the bags by the end of the 2010 State Convention.

Thanks to all of the branches that sent me a copy of your EF contribution report. Thanks also to those who sent me information about your local scholarships. There will be a complete report of EF contributions in the convention booklet.

Mary Lou Thomas, Educational Foundation Chair

TATE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION NOW AVAILABLE FOR NCCWSL

Your state board has budgeted \$500 to help send a college/university woman student to NCCWSL (National Conference for College Women Student Leaders). The 2010 conference, titled "Leadership for Today and Tomorrow," will be held June 3-5 at the University of Maryland-College Park. This conference has received rave reviews in the past, and so our state organization believes it to be important to underwrite the attendance of a student from Indiana. In fact, we have sent a student or students to this conference for each of the last four years.

This year's event will be especially exciting as it celebrates the 25th anniversary of NCCWSL.

Conference Early Bird registration opens February 15 and extends through April 16 at a cost of \$395. Regular registration continues through May 19 at \$445. Therefore, the schol-

arship recipient will have a little left over to apply toward transportation and meals. Lodging is included in the fee. I am encouraging local branches as well as individuals to contribute toward the scholarship, and then maybe we can send more than one student!

With the support of the state board, I am requesting that every Indiana branch identify a college/university woman student who has demonstrated excellent leadership skills already or who has the potential to be an outstanding leader in society. Please direct the student to the Indiana web site for the state scholarship application form (<http://web.indstate.edu/aauw-in>). It is important that we help hone women's leadership skills for work on campus and in their communities!

Jean Amman, College/University Representative



Legal Advocacy Fund — Case Updates

Celebrating National Girls and Women in Sports Day

AAUW partnered with the Washington Mystics to celebrate their third annual National Girls and Women in Sports Day on Sunday, January 24, at the University of Maryland, College Park. The event was open to the public.

AAUW staff members are planning a second webinar on Title IX in commemoration of National Girls and Women in Sports Day. If your branch is participating in the Know the Score program and is interested in speaking about your progress, please contact laf@aauw.org. The webinar will be held in early to mid-February; more details will follow.

Share Your Work Experiences

Between January 25 and February 13, AAUW will participate in a blog radio series and blog carnival on work-life balance issues. We encourage all AAUW members to learn more about the initiative so that you can participate and share your experiences and views. The goal is to flood public spaces with blog posts, opinions, and real, personal stories about what it's like to work in America today.

Title IX Compliance: Know the Score

Now is the perfect time to begin using LAF's new Title IX Compliance: Know the Score Program in a Box to learn more about Title IX and to investigate local high school athletics

programs. A companion webinar can be downloaded at the AAUW web site.

Case Support

LAF is actively reviewing new case support applications and is reviewing five new cases in early February with the LAF committee. If you would like to make a case recommendation, please contact laf@aauw.org. Recommendation forms are accepted on a rolling basis.

Campus Outreach

If you would like to receive funding for an LAF Campus Outreach Program in your community, please fill out the form on the campus outreach page and send it to laf@aauw.org. Review the new LAF Campus Outreach Program in a Box, which explains more about the program and provides ideas for campus events.

Online

For the latest LAF news, visit the AAUW web site and AAUW Dialog.

Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to LAF to help balance the scales of justice for women.

Phyllis S. Thompson, Legal Advocacy Liaison

Chamber Issues Report on Aging Work Force

The Indiana Chamber of Commerce has released a report about how aging baby boomers are impacting the work force. The report addresses what it means for businesses when people in that age group retire and includes recommendations on how businesses and employees should approach issues surrounding the aging baby boomer generation, <http://www.indianachamber.com/media/pdf/WW-AgingImplicationsStudy-12-09.pdf>

Sharon Langlotz, Director of Public Policy

Time Line 2009—2010

2010		April 1	Branch Newsletter Contest Entries DUE
February	African-American History Month	April 20	Equal Pay Day
March	Women's History Month	April 23	Indiana Board Meeting—Indianapolis
March 4	Torchbearer Awards Dinner — Indianapolis	April 24	Indiana State Convention—Indianapolis
March 8	International Women's Day	June 1	Deadline for Indiana Bulletin Summer Issue
March 15	Emerging Leader & Branch Recognition Applications Due	June 1	Branch & State Officer Lists Due to National and State
March 16	Scholarship Applications Due for National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)	June 3-5	National Conference of College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL)
March 27	Indiana Board Meeting, Anderson	July 1	Branch Dues Reports Due to National and State
March 30	NCCWSL Applications DUE	July 17	Indiana Board Meeting — Ft. Wayne
		August 21	Summer Retreat — Ft. Wayne

Call for Nominations

Spring is coming and we, the Nominating Committee, need to "Spring" into action. At our State Convention April 24 AAUW members need to elect 4 members to the AAUW State Board: President, Director of Membership, Director of Finance, and Director(s) of AAUW Funds.

Are you interested in filling one of these positions or do you know someone who would be a good fit and would like to serve? Please send any names and contact information to one of the Nominating Committee Members listed on page 5 of this *Bulletin* and plan to attend the State Convention to vote!

Jane Allerton, Chair, Nominating Committee

A Note from the New Membership Chair

This is an exciting time to be learning the ropes of the Membership position. I've enjoyed being in touch with Membership Chairs from around Indiana, as we all work to nurture our relationships with longtime members while reaching out to new people, in true AAUW "roots to branches" approach. I want to recognize the hard work Marsha Miller has done to reinvigorate the branch formerly known as the Terre Haute Branch to the new AAUW of Wabash Valley Branch. There is great potential for starting a Bloomington branch, so offering support there will be a focus for the coming year.

National has made it easy and enticing to offer FREE e-affiliate status to undergraduate students attending an AAUW college/university partner member institution. Students who

are e-affiliated will receive electronic copies of AAUW's publications, will receive early alerts to fellowships and grants, and will have access to member discounts and value-added services for books, insurance, and more. Learn more about how easy it is to invite students into all that AAUW offers: <http://www.aauw.org/About/join/eStudentAffiliate.cfm> Please let me know how I can be of use to you during the coming year. I look forward to hearing news of membership outreach and innovation; AAUW members never cease to amaze me with their resourcefulness and great ideas! Thanks

April Lidinski, IN Membership Director alidinsk@iusb.edu

A Note from the Branch Consultant Coordinator

I have been remiss in communicating with you individually, so I am taking this opportunity to contact ALL BRANCHES and ALL BRANCH CONSULTANTS. Branches contact your consultants; Consultants contact your branches. Consultant visits are fun and informative. The branch consultant is there to get to know you, not judge you. If you have questions, they will try to answer them.

Branch consultants may be speakers. Some have expertise in areas of AAUW. Just because your programs are planned does not mean you should not invite your consultant to visit. This program is a means of networking with other branches. PLEASE, CONTACT YOUR CONSULTANTS AND CONSULTANTS CONTACT YOUR BRANCHES. The list is in your state directory.

Beth LeRoy, Branch Consultant Coordinator

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2010 IN General Assembly Legislation of Interest to AAUW

As this article is written, the Indiana General Assembly is in the midst of a "short session" which is to end March, 15. Rumor has it that any bill which has a fiscal impact on the state is given very careful scrutiny and many bills are not passing out of committee. The following is a list of bills which I began in early January as being of interest to AAUW members in our state. At this time **some have been killed**, some have been **amended on to other bills**, some are **in committee** and some **may indeed pass**. I will provide a follow up list of those that passed in our next newsletter. Again, this is a list from earlier in January:

Ethics Bill SB0114: Senate bill would strengthen ethics standards in state government. Calls for lawmakers to wait at least 1 year before becoming professional lobbyists, requires lobbyists to report all gifts, increases penalties for failure to file lobbyist registrations and bans statewide office holders from using state funds for radio and television advertising.

Ethics Bill HB1001: House bill requires legislators or executive branch policymakers to observe a one-year "cooling-off period" before accepting lobbying jobs; defines conflict of interest and imposes some fundraising limitations.

Definition of Marriage HJR 0005 SJ0013: (This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly). Proposes state constitutional amendment to ban gay marriage in Indiana. Voters would have to approve the ban in a referendum before it would become an amendment to the Constitution. Note: same sex marriages are already prohibited in Indiana, but supporters of the amendment say it still needs to be part of the Constitution.

Issue of teens "sexting" HB 1115 SB0152: Under current law teens caught "sexting" could

face felony counts of pornography and end up on the sex offender registry. Two bills were filed with the intent to establish a new, less punitive status offense of sexting in which the teen offender can be taught the seriousness of the offense and be held accountable in a more reasonable manner.

Definition of contraceptive SB 0141: Defines "contraception" and provides that contraception is not subject to or governed by the abortion statutes.

Minority and female business enterprises SB 0228 HB 1014: Provides for participation of minority and women's business enterprises in state projects, contracting for goods and services does not include the value of a contract procuring medical insurance for individuals, or dependents of individuals, employed by a state agency.

Volunteer advocacy for incapacitated adults and seniors HB 1169: Volunteer advocates programs for incapacitated adults and seniors. Provides that a court will appoint volunteer advocates for seniors programs or volunteer advocates for incapacitated adults programs (programs) rather than individual advocates.

Midwives: SB 0232: establishes a Midwives Board and sets qualifications for certification for Midwives. Establishes continuing education requirements; peer review procedures; and rules concerning the competent practice of CDEMs. Establishes penalties for practicing midwifery without a license

Hospital visitation rights for domestic partners SB 0192: Allows an individual who is in a domestic partnership with a patient to have hospital visitation rights. (did not pass in Senate)

Grandparent visitation SB 0099 HB 1055: Provides that a child's grandparent may seek visitation rights when a parent or guardian of the child unreasonably denies or restricts visitation. Eliminates conditions in current law under which a grandparent is authorized to seek visitation rights.

Superintendent of public instruction appointment HB 0183: Provides for the state superintendent of public instruction to be appointed by the governor. Repeals a statute relating to the residency of candidates for state superintendent of public instruction. Deletes a provision describing the term of office of the state superintendent of public instruction.

Senate Bill 0263 Retirement benefit adjustment: Provides that the pension portion of the monthly benefit payable to a member of the Indiana state teachers' retirement fund (TRF) who retired before January 1, 1979, and has at least 20 years of creditable service may not be less than \$500.

SB 0133 Student instruction time: hours and days required for schools.

SB 0150 school year calendar: schools start after Labor Day.

Of Special Note: "Women Athletes Rock" – the 2010 Indiana General Assembly passed a joint resolution to honor women and girls in sports. On February 9th, **Girls and Women Sport's Day** will be celebrated at the Statehouse and AAUW members and partner organizations will be there in force to hear the resolution read and hear noteworthy women athletes speak.

*Sharon Langlotz,
Director of Public Policy*

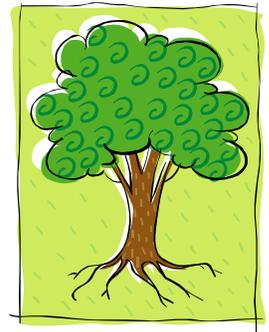


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Registration Form
AAUW State Convention
"AAUW: From Roots to Branches"
Sat., April 24th, 2010
Indianapolis, IN



Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Special dietary needs: Vegetarian _____ Diabetic _____

Accessibility needs: _____

Branch _____

*No voting credentials are necessary now that AAUW has instituted the "One Member, One Vote" policy.

Cost: \$45.00 – includes breakfast, luncheon and all materials

Mail to: Susan Trout, 8700 W. Tulip Tree Ct., Muncie, IN 47304
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*Registrations due **Thurs., Apr. 8th, 2010***

Checks payable to AAUW-IN

Reminder about Revising Branch Bylaws

At the 2007 biennial convention, delegates adopted a proposal to restructure AAUW. At the 2009 biennial convention held in St. Louis, delegates approved the complete restructuring of AAUW, effective July 1, 2009. If your branch has not yet made the mandatory changes necessary to bring your bylaws into conformance with the revised AAUW bylaws, I must ask that you complete this task and send a copy of your bylaws to me as soon as possible. My address is 4305 Castleton Ct., Muncie, IN 47304, and my e-mail is jamman@bsu.edu. These bylaws were due several months ago.

The task is not as difficult as it may sound, but it is impera-

tive to read what is on the AAUW web site in the Member Center. If you will click on "Forms," you will find useful information to ensure that you have made the mandatory changes. Please read the link called "Memo on Mandatory Amendments" and then the link for "AAUW Model Branch Bylaws." For the latter link, please do not skip reading the "Introduction to Model Branch Bylaws." It will tell you that there are some articles that are required and the language cannot be changed. However, once you have made these changes, you will find that you still have quite a bit of flexibility for the structure of your local branch.

Jean Amman, Bylaws and Resolutions Chair



Janet Brewer, *Bulletin* Editor
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Treasurer Refresher

- ◆ 2010-11 National and State dues are due JULY 1
- ◆ National dues are \$49, \$46 of which are tax deductible. Make National Dues checks out to AAUW Nat'l Dues and mail to AAUW Nat'l Dues, Box 96733, Washington DC 20090-6793
- ◆ State Dues remain at \$7.00 per member. Make checks out to AAUW IN and mail state dues checks to: Susan Trout (IN Treasurer), 8700 W. Tulip Tree Drive, Muncie IN 47304-8933
- ◆ 50-yr Honorary Members are NOT required to pay National or State Dues—Branch dues are optional
- ◆ Student Affiliate Dues are \$17 for Nat'l, \$16 of which are tax deductible. The State does not charge student affiliate dues
- ◆ FULL YEAR memberships received after March 15, receive membership through June 30, 2011. This is a good selling point for new members!

Susan Trout, State Treasurer

A Note from International Relations & Diversity Coordinator

My reports usually concern books and this one is no exception. One book which I enjoyed was *The Tyranny of E-mail: The Four Thousand Year Journey to Your Inbox* by John Freeman. An interesting read for all levels of technological ability. Santa (my sister) brought me *Half the Sky* (Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn) and *Stones into Schools* (Greg Mortenson). As of this writing, I have not had a chance to

read either, but I am looking forward to the experience.

Columnist Ellen Goodman recently retired. She frequently had thought-provoking articles about women's issues. She will be missed.

*Sharon Schafer, International Relations & Diversity
Coordinator*