

NEWSBRIEF

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IT IS TIME FOR WINE, WOMEN AND SONG

3 to 5 pm, March 5, Milo's Restaurant, 2870 S. Philo Road, Urbana

Wine, Women and Song is our annual fundraiser/ friend raiser event.

Come enjoy hors d'oeuvres, selected wines, and non alcoholic drinks, and AAUW friendship.



This year we are excited to feature actress Jennifer Goran performing "Meet the Vanishing Woman". The performance introduces us to Ellen Craft, an escaped slave in 1848 who pretended to be a white man, while her husband posed as her slave.

In addition to Ms. Goran's performance, Doug Peterson, the author of *The Vanishing Woman*, will be in attendance and have copies of his book available.

This year at WWS, we will feature a raffle of two "goodie bags", including an AAUW tote bag with items inside. Raffle tickets will be \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and all money raised will be donated to AAUW scholarships and funds.

Make your reservation by contacting Nancy Dietrich at nancydietrich01@gmail.com or mailing your check to C-U AAUW to Nancy at 2803 S. Myra Ridge Drive, Urbana, IL 61802

SEE YOU THERE



Upcoming Programs – MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Drinks & Dialogue March 8, 6 to 8 pm, Milo's, discussion of generational differences between feminists.
- Adelante March 16, 6 pm, Satterthwaite Conference Room, Urbana library
- AAUW-IL State Convention Roosevelt University, Schaumburg April 29-30

MARCH 8 IS INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Visit aauw.org for info and resources

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER

Jacqueline Rickman graduated from NIU with an Ed.D. in Educational Psychology in 1994. Her area of research was individual differences and attitudes towards people with disabilities. She's worked extensively with children and adults who are blind or visually impaired, including teaching orientation and mobility (cane and travel skills). Her favorite research has involved students with complex disabilities, in particular, those who have both learning and/or attentional differences and giftedness/prodigiousness. She is presently working part time doing research and grant writing about this population and their access to STEM and the workforce.

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Welcome, Jacqueline!



National AAUW News

Go to <u>aauw.org</u> to get informed, be inspired, challenged and supported. You will find information on research, events, blogs, articles and resources. Recent items included:

VOTE IN ANNUAL ART CONTEST

In 2012, only 4 percent of artists on display at the Metropolitan Museum were women. There remains just one major museum in the world dedicated solely to women artists. That's why AAUW hosts an annual art contest to bring attention to women artists. DEADLINE IS FEB 29. http://www.aauw.org/contests/

Newest research report – Barriers and Bias: The Status of Women in Leadership



http://www.aauw.org/research/barriers-and-bias/

- article <u>Are you Biased against Women Leaders?</u>
- blog Black Women in Politics: From Social Mobilizing to Elected Office



State AAUW News

Plan to attend the **AAUW-IL State Convention** in Schaumburg on April 29 and 30, 2016. Participants will stay at the Hyatt Regency across from Woodfield Mall, and the Saturday activities will be at Roosevelt University just down the street.

The TRIO program is available for this meeting and it covers the registration cost for one first time convention attendee per branch. If interested, please contact the C-U Branch President, Sharon Michalove. We encourage our members to participate and would love to sponsor a first-time attendee.

The Spring LINK will be out soon and will provide more details about the meeting.

http://aauw-il.aauw.net/

BRANCH INTEREST GROUPS

Participation is welcome by members and non-members. Invite others to join us and introduce them to the variety of interests shared by the members of our branch.

ADELANTE BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP meets on the third Wednesday of selected months at 6 pm, Satterthwaite Conference Room, Urbana library. For information, contact Laura Keller at 351-8408 or kellerla@comcast.net

Upcoming Meeting Dates and Titles:

March 16- Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End, 2014, by Atul Gawande. Discussion of how medicine can improve life along with the process of its ending.

April 20 - *American Nations: A History of the Eleven Rival Regional Cultures of North America* by Colin Woodard, 2013. Compelling explanation of the regional differences that make up the cultural and political landscape of America.

May 18 - Cocktail Hour Under the Tree of Forgetfulness, 2012, by Alexandra Fuller.

From the author of *Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight, Cocktail Hour* provides a continuation of Fuller's story of family life growing up in Africa, with war, hardship and tragedy.

DRAMA GROUP meets at 3:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of September, October, November, March, April, and May, at the Windsor Court section of The Windsor of Savoy, 401 Burwash, Savoy. For information, contact Cesaria Lancaster at 384-7798 or fwclancaster@yahoo.com.

Drinks & Dialogue usually meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 6 to 8 p.m. at Milo's in Urbana. Participants take turns facilitating the discussion on a range of topics on current events of interest or relevance to the group. For more information, contact Gail Tittle, gatittle@gmail.com

March 8 topic is generational differences between feminists.

GREAT DECISIONS group meets the fourth Wednesday in January, February, March, April, May, at 7:00 PM, Windsor Court, Savoy. Meetings are hosted by Doris Jones.

Discussions utilize a DVD and written materials from the Foreign Policy Association on issues of international interest. Each year the Foreign Policy Association chooses eight subjects and prepares a book covering each one in depth. All are challenging subjects involving issues of international concern. For more information, call Jenny Harvey, 344-5339 or Margaret Stewart, 356-9475.



If interested in the **WRITER'S GROUP**, contact Barb Scott, 352-7364.



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