



AMERICAN  
ASSOCIATION OF  
UNIVERSITY  
WOMEN



**C-U AAUW**  
**General Membership Meeting**  
**Combined with Saturday Luncheon Forum**  
**Saturday, November 8 at Noon**  
**Location: Kennedy's at Stone Creek**  
**2560 Stone Creek Blvd. Urbana**

**Suzanne Trupin, M.D., F.A.C.O.G., Board  
Certified Obstetrician and Gynecologist  
with the Women's Health Practice**

Will present program

***"Beautiful Backs"***

*To include information on osteoporosis, bone health,  
calcium needs, posture, muscle, energy, role of  
hormones, and skin health of back.*

*Luncheon includes salad, entrée choice,  
coffee or tea for \$14.25 (includes tax & gratuity)*

*For Reservation, call Sallie Miller at  
356-9214 by Wednesday, November 5.*

AAUW — CHAMPAIGN-URBANA BRANCH

NEWSBRIEFS

*Important Jobs Available*

\*Publicity\*

\*International Affairs\*

\*Historian\*

Interested? Please call Sallie Miller 356-9214

**C-U Branch Calendar of Events**

**October**

- 2 Drama Group
- 17 Writers' Group
- 22 Evening Adelante
- 25 District Fall Conference/ Community Book Fair starts
- 28 Afternoon Adelante

**November**

- 6 Drama Group
- 8 General Meeting/ Saturday Luncheon Forum
- 19 Evening Adelante
- 21 Writers' Group
- 25 Afternoon Adelante

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**Educational Foundation**

AAUW's Educational Foundation provides funds to advance education, research, & self-development for women, and to foster equity and positive societal change.

**Legal Advocacy Fund**

AAUW's Legal Advocacy Fund provides funding and a support system for women seeking judicial redress for sex discrimination.

**Local Scholarships**  
Jenny Harvey



*Our AAUW branch awards a \$1,000 Ida King Stevens scholarship to a University of Illinois student based on the following guidelines:*

1. Be female.
2. Preference given to IL residents (as defined by U. of I. assessing in-state tuition).
3. Have experienced an interruption in formal education of at least two years.
4. Be in an undergraduate program either as a part-time or full-time student.
5. Have demonstrated financial need. (based on FAFSA)
6. Have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 (on 4.0 scale).

Guideline 2 was broadened from Champaign county to Illinois to encourage greater participation.

***Congratulations to Laura Coblentz, this years recipient of our \$800 Southwood Van Es AAUW scholarship to Parkland.***



**Legal Advocacy Fund News**  
Margaret Stewart, LAF Chair



The Legal Advocacy Fund has been making some important changes. One change is that it will expand its use of friend-of-the-court briefs and will seek such opportunities especially in precedent setting cases. In addition, its support will not be limited to sex discrimination in academia as it has in the past, but will include such cases in all places of employment.

While LAF is consequently not accepting any new plaintiff support applications, it will maintain until December its commitments to the ten plaintiff cases that it currently supports. However it will continue to provide travel and speaking stipends and possibly emergency relief funding to assist with the additional financial burdens that plaintiffs face, such as health decline, job loss, and family obligations.

The new emphasis is a way to keep the AAUW Value Promise, which is: *By joining AAUW, we belong to a community that breaks through barriers so ALL women have a fair chance.* The donations of branch members will provide funds for our annual contribution to LAF later this year.

**AAUW Champaign-Urbana Branch Officers 2008-2009**

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**Local Scholarships:**

**Public Policy:**

**Legal Advocacy Fund & Nominations:**

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# C-U Branch *Upcoming Events*



## 2007 COMMUNITY-WIDE BOOK FAIR AT PAGES FOR ALL AGES

The Annual Pages For All Ages Community-Wide Book Fair runs from **Saturday, October 25 through Sunday, November 2**. When making a purchase, simply mention AAUW and a percentage of all sales will be donated to AAUW. You may also order online at [www.pagesforallages.com](http://www.pagesforallages.com). Please tell your friends and co-workers! ***Thank you in advance for your generous support!*** Pages For All Ages

### Happy Anniversary to Educational Foundation!

Deborah Richie

Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to the AAUW Educational Foundation! In 1958, the AAUW Educational Foundation was officially established to administer AAUW's fellowship and grant programs, advancing educational and professional opportunities for women in the United States and around the world. The Educational Foundation remains one of the world's largest funding sources for graduate women. For more information, visit the AAUW website at <http://aauw.org/ef50/index.cfm>

The Champaign-Urbana Chapter thanks all of the AAUW members in our community and across the nation for their support of the Educational Foundation. In honor of the Anniversary, members can help AAUW meet our goal of raising 500 gifts of \$50 in 50 days. All donors, individuals and branches, who mail their contribution by October 15, 2008, will be recognized for their generosity in the online Educational Foundation 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Scrapbook. Your donations can be mailed to Phyllis Cline, Treasurer of the Urbana AAUW, 104 E. Willard, Urbana, IL 61801. Please note that your gift is for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of the founding of the Educational Foundation.

## AAUW Fall Conference

AAUW Fall Conference  
Districts 1, 2, & 3

**Saturday, October 25**  
**Hoogland Center for the Arts**  
**420 S. Sixth St.**  
**Springfield**  
**9:15 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

### “Breaking Through Barriers”

Conference highlights will include:

- Where the Girls Are
- Public Policy Update
- Daring to Lead

Cost: \$20 includes registration and lunch.  
Registration deadline is October 15.

**Contact Sallie Miller at 356-9214 if you are  
interested in attending.**

# C-U AAUW INTEREST GROUPS

Thursday

Nov. 6 7:30 p.m.

Home of Dana Lamb  
4108 Turnberry Dr., Champaign,  
355-0511  
Co-Hostess: Lynda Morgan  
Discussion Leader: Helen Miron  
**Program: Hamlet**

## Drama Group



Thursday

Dec. 4 8:00 p.m.

Attend Station Theater to see  
**“A Lovely Sunday for Creve  
Coeur”**  
Directed by Tom Mitchell  
Contact Phyllis Cline at 344-4806

The Drama group gets together each month to discuss a selected play. Occasionally the group will host a guest speaker working in the field to discuss a pertinent topic. Once a year the group selects and attends a play together. **New members are always welcome!!!**

Drama group meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm, September—May.  
Co-Chairs: Phyllis Cline 344-4806 Helen Miron 344-4225



## Community Outreach



### *¡Adelante!* Book Discussion

Afternoon: 2:30 pm  
Tuesday, Oct. 28  
Tuesday, Nov. 25

Home of Amy Kummerow,  
1805 Pleasant St. Urbana

Evening: 7:00 pm  
Wednesday, Oct. 22  
Wednesday, Nov. 19  
Pages for all Ages, Savoy

**Please attend, even if you haven't read  
the book!!**

Contact Person: Phyllis Cline  
344-4806

### October Book (Disability Awareness Month):

#### The Broken Cord by Michael Dorris

When the author adopted a young Native-American child he was unprepared for the serious behavioral, emotional and developmental problems that were soon manifested. His son had fetal alcohol syndrome, and he came to realize that sometimes love is not enough to rescue a profoundly damaged child.

### November Book (Native American Heritage Month):

#### Code Talkers and Warriors by Tom Holm

In WWII the US Marines enlisted native speakers of the Navajo language to create a code for use in the Pacific theater. It was never deciphered by the Japanese and played a major role in the eventual victory. Long unrecognized because the code remained classified, the Navajo code talkers were finally honored for their contributions in 1992. If you cannot get a copy of this book, two others are available and can be substituted.

The afternoon group meets every 4th Tuesday at 2:30pm at the home of Amy Kummerow, and the evening group meets every 4th Wednesday at 7:00pm at Pages for all Ages Bookstore in Savoy. **Anyone interested in discussing these books are welcome, whether or not you are an AAUW member.**

## Writers' Group



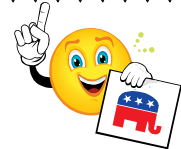
Friday, Oct. 17 & Friday, Nov. 21 1:30 p.m.  
Pages for All Ages Bookstore, Savoy



The AAUW Writers' Group meets on the **third Friday of the month** at Pages for All Ages (behind the fireplace) at **1:30 p.m.** We read our writings and exchange information about writer's conferences and local classes, as well as reading our own creations to each other. We usually present the program in December for the general AAUW members with our original works.

**All are welcome to attend—beginners as well as more experienced writers.** You may come to listen and offer comments, too—we do not require that you present something at every meeting but hope that we interest and encourage people to create. **Come join us!!**

Chair: Barbara Scott 352-7364



## Candidate Forums

The League of Women Voters of Champaign County, the Junior League of Champaign-Urbana, the CU branch of the National Association of Negro Women, the YWCA at the UI, Voices for Illinois Children, and the CU branch of the American Association of University Women present:

### Candidate Forums for the Nov. 4, 2008 Election Champaign City Council Chambers 102 N. Neil Street, Champaign

#### Monday, October 13, 7-9 p.m.: Theresa Michelson, Moderator

Representative, 15<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Illinois  
Steve Cox, Democrat  
Timothy V. Johnson, (Inc.) Republican

103<sup>rd</sup> State Representative, IL General Assembly  
Frank Calabrese, Republican  
Naomi D. Jakobsson (Inc.) Democrat

Champaign County State's Attorney  
Janie Miller-Jones, Republican  
Julia R. Rietz (Inc.) Democrat

#### October 20, 6-8 p.m.: Deborah Rugg, Moderator

Champaign County Coroner  
Mark C. Medlyn, Democrat  
Duane Northrup, (Inc.) Republican

Champaign County Auditor  
Tony Fabri, (Inc.) Democrat  
Brad Jones, Republican

Champaign Circuit Clerk  
Linda Frank, (Inc.) Republican  
Kimberly Hooper, Democrat

Champaign County Recorder of Deeds  
Barbara A. Frasca, (Inc.) Republican  
Danis Pelmore, Democrat

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 \* **AAUW Congressional Voting Record** \*  
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 \* All CU AAUW members were mailed a copy of the *AAUW Congressional Voting Record, 110<sup>th</sup>* \*  
 \* *Congress*. You could review the voting record of the members of the congressional delegation \*  
 \* that represents your area and discuss the issues and legislation that are scored in the *Congres-* \*  
 \* *sional Voting Record*. You'll find that the *Congressional Voting Record* contains a description \*  
 \* of each vote that was scored and how it relates to AAUW's public policy priorities. \*  
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## *What's Happening* by Co-President Helen Miron

A new season is here and with it come some new plans for the C-U Branch of AAUW. Mark your calendar for the Community Wide Book Fair at Pages For All Ages in Savoy, October 25 through November 2. When we buy items during these days and tell the clerk they're for AAUW our branch will receive a portion of the proceeds. Our Saturday Luncheon Forum on November 8 will feature Dr. Suzanne Trupin, MD, as our speaker; her topic will be "Beautiful Backs". And save December 6 for our Holiday Brunch, where members of the Writers Group will present their original works. These are times when we can come together, meet each other, and exchange ideas.

During the summer months the AAUW action Network has provided input to our federal legislators on bills concerning Equal Pay, Family Leave, and Paid Sick Days to Keep Families Together. Your messages and comments let our legislators know what we think is important and can have an impact on Capitol Hill. An Action Network message takes only 5 clock minutes to send but can make a major difference in how our congressmen and women vote. Let your voice be heard!

**Save this newsletter**-this is the newsletter for Oct. & Nov. The next newsletter will come out in late Nov.

Champaign-Urbana Branch  
Illinois 4012

### **American Association of University Women**

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#### **Mission**

***AAUW promotes equity for all women and girls, lifelong education, and positive societal change.***

#### **Vision**

*AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.*

#### **Diversity Statement**

*In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in the organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.*



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