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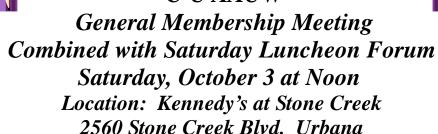
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C-U AAUW



Elizabeth Stine-Morrow, PhD Professor of Educational Psychology at the University of Illinois with appointment at the **Beckman Institute's Human Perception and Performance Laboratory.**

Will present the program

"The Senior Odyssey of the Mind"

Her research interests focus on understanding changes in learning abilities and coping strategies as adults age.

> Luncheon includes salad, entrée choice, coffee or tea for \$14.25 (includes tax & gratuity) For Reservation, call Helen Miron at 344-4225 by Wednesday, September 30.

AAUW Champaign-Urbana branch has a website!!

Check it out at www.aauw-il.org/champurban

All feedback is welcome. Contact millersallie@hotmail.com

C-U Branch Calendar of Events

September

- 3 Drama Group
- 18 Writers' Group
- 22 Adelante

October

- 1 Drama Group
- 3 General Meeting/ Saturday Luncheon Forum
- 16 Writers' Group
- 24 District Fall Conf.
- 27 Adelante

Educational Foundation

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

Legal Advocacy Fund

AAUW's Legal Advocacy Fund works to combat sex discrimination in higher education and the workplace.

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION



Submitted by Deborah Richie, EF Chair

AAUW is one of the world's largest sources of funding exclusively for graduate women. The programs, funded by contributions to the Educational Foundation of AAUW, support women breaking through educational and economic barriers as aspiring scholars around the globe, teachers and activists in local communities, women at critical stages of their careers, and those pursuing professions where women are underrepresented.

Applications are available now. Full information about the various funding programs provided by AAUW can be found at http://www.aauw.org/education/fga/fellowships_grants/index.cfm

AAUW fellowships and grants

Finance Vice President:

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- American Fellowships support women doctoral candidates completing dissertations and scholars seeking funds for postdoctoral research leave or for preparing completed research for publication. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. One-year postdoctoral research leave fellowships, dissertation fellowships, and summer/short-term research publication grants are offered.
- Career Development Grants support women who hold a bachelor's degree and who are preparing to advance their careers, change careers, or re-enter the work force. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
- International Fellowships are awarded for full-time graduate or postgraduate study or research to women who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
- Selected Professions Fellowships are awarded to women who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents and who intend to pursue a full-time course of study (during the fellowship year) in designated degree programs where women's participation traditionally has been low.
- Community Action Grants provide seed money to individual women, AAUW branches and AAUW state organizations, as well as local community-based nonprofit organizations for innovative programs or non-degree research projects that promote education and equity for women and girls. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

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Membership News

Jenny Harvey, Membership V. P.

Welcome to our new members!

Ginger Lozar

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UIUC; B.A.; M.A.; Communications/English

Ginger is a Certified teacher and puppeteer who does performances, workshops, and in-services funded by the Illinois Arts Council.

Her local Branch interests are Drama Group, and Group

Barbara Selby

909 W. Union St., Champaign, IL.,61821-3323 H-352-5025 C-621-5099 barbselby1@yahoo.com
Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington IL;
B.A. Business Administration

Barb loves travel and books, and is a current member of Adelante

Sharon D. Michalove

303 South McKinley Ave., Champaign, IL, 61821-3247 H-398-2183 C-377-2183 mlove@illinois.edu UIUC A.B.; M.S.(1974); M.S.(1992); Ph.D (1996)

Sharon has indicated that she is interested in the Drama Group, Writers' Group, Adelante, and International Affairs. Her academic interests are court culture, cultural exchange, and educational history in the early modern period and the history of polar exploration.

Kelly Stewart

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UIUC B.A.S. (Bachelor of Accountancy Science)

Kelly is working towards her masters in accountancy science and works at Busey Bank. She is an Illini sports fan. Kelly is Margaret Stewart's granddaughter.



LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND Margaret Stewart, LAF Chair

LAF watchers are awaiting a decision from the 11th Circuit U. S. Court of Appeals in the case of Reeves v. C. H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc. In June LAF filed an amicus brief in support of plaintiff Ingrid Reeves. Reeves had complained several times about sexual harassment which she was experiencing daily in the workplace, but the grievances were ignored. She then filed suit against her employer under Title VII. The district court granted summary judgment to the employer, but the court of appeals will rehear the case following a panel decision that reversed the summary judgment.

Two projects are also in the works. One is the Sexual Assault on Campus Project. Together with the AAUW Research Department, Students Active for Ending Rape, and Diane Rosenfeld, Harvard University law professor and Title IX expert, LAF is developing a manual and a Program in a Box focused on campus sexual assault policies. The materials are to be released this fall.

Title IX in High School Athletics Project is the second undertaking. This will be a new tool kit and Program in a Box on Title IX enforcement in high school athletics. The Research Department and the Legal Aid Society of San Francisco are collaborating with LAF on this.

Your contributions to the Legal Advocacy Fund support these important works.



AAUW Fall Conference Districts 1, 2, & 3

Saturday, October 24 University of Illinois at Springfield 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Donations Needed for Local Scholarships

AAUW Board votes to add a second Parkland scholarship

C-U Branch members' donations to our local scholarship fund are helping Parkland and UI students pay the ever-increasing tuition costs of higher education. Last year we successfully met the challenge of increasing our UI scholarship to \$1,000 and our Parkland scholarship to \$800, thanks to increased donations from members.

We now present another challenge to Branch members-to support a second Parkland scholarship of \$800 so that two students per year can receive our help. Later this month you will receive a letter explaining our current fundraising goals and asking for your help in meeting these goals. This year we received many worthy applications and chose two Parkland students who will each receive \$800. We can continue awarding this second Parkland scholarship with your help.

C-U AAUW INTEREST GROUPS

Thursday

Sept. 3 7:30 p.m.

Windsor of Savoy, Special Dinning Room 401 Burwash Ave., Savoy 363-2387

Hostess: Norma Peters
Discussion Leader: Cesaria Lancaster

Program: Les Mis

Drama Group



Thursday

Oct. 1 7:30 p.m.

Home of Doris Jones 1710 W. Windsor, Champaign 352-7472

Hostess: Doris Jones
Discussion Leader: Dana Lamb **Program:** *Doubt*

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



September Book (Hispanic Heritage Month):

Waiting for Snow in Havana: Confessions of a Cuban Boy by Carlos Eire (2003)

At age 11 in 1962 Eire was sent to the US by his family to escape the dangers of Castro's Communist regime in Cuba, tearing him away from family, friends, and the security of familiar surroundings. His vivid imagination and gift for evoking the emotions and spirit of a mischievous child are expressed in wistful prose that shifts seamlessly between reality and fantasy. The book abounds with magical interpretations of ordinary boyhood events. Erie looks beyond the literal to see the mythological themes inherent in the epic struggle for identity that each of our lives represents. As painful as Eire's journey has been, his ability to see tragedy and suffering as a constant source of redemption is what makes this book so powerful.

¡Adelante! Book Discussion 4th Tuesday of month

Afternoon: 2:30 pm Tuesday, Sept. 22 Tuesday, Oct. 27

Home of Amy Kummerow, 1805 Pleasant St. Urbana

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

Anyone interested in discussing these books are welcome, whether or not you are an AAUW member.

Contact Person: Phyllis Cline 344-4806

October Book (Disability Awareness Month):

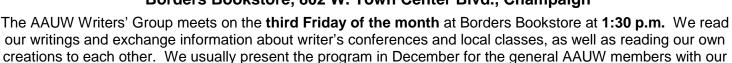
The Voice: A Memoir by Thomas Quasthoff (2004, English translation 2008)

50 years ago a seemingly innocuous sedative and anti-nausea medication prescribed in Europe but not the US, when taken by women early in their pregnancy, caused horrendous physical developmental abnormalities in their babies. Quasthoff, a world-renowned classical bass-baritone, is four feet tall; his hands come practically out of his shoulders and have missing fingers, and his legs have no knee joints. The story of his transcendence over rejection, discrimination, and low expectations is related with humor, a love of music, and a zest for living that no impediments can suppress.



Writers' Group

Friday, Sept. 18 & Friday, Oct. 16 1:30 p.m. Borders Bookstore, 802 W. Town Center Blvd., Champaign



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

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C-U Branch Adds Additional Parkland Scholarship

Laura Keller, Scholarship Chair



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This year the Champaign-Urbana AAUW branch will give an additional scholarship to a Parkland * student for the 2009-2010 year. Due to the number of worthy applicants at Parkland, we decided to add a second \$800 scholarship.

* Last year our AAUW branch increased the monetary awards that it gave out each year. For many years the branch offered one scholarship to Parkland at \$400 per school year and one at The University of Illinois for \$500. We increased these amounts to \$800 for Parkland and ★ \$1000 for the U of I.

* Kyung-Youn Kim and Stephanie M. Steele were chosen as the recipients of the South-van * Es Scholarships for attendance at Parkland College. The \$800 scholarship is for the 2009-2010 school year and is awarded to worthy female students who have had an interruption in their * college education.

Kyung-Youn Kim graduated from a university in South Korea in 1997 and is now pursuing * her long-time dream of becoming a dentist. She is an outstanding student who, as a non-* native English speaker, faces that additional difficulty. She is committed to achieving her dream so that she can "be helpful to other people, especially people in desperate need".

* Stephanie M. Steele is a single mother of two preschoolers who is pursuing certification as an occupational therapy assistant with the eventual goal of continuing her studies to become an occupational therapist. She is an excellent student who is pursuing her education with the * goal of employment that will allow her to be financially independent and able to support her children and herself.

* Our last year's recipient, **Laura Coblentz**, graduated from Parkland in Spring 2009.

 $^{\infty}_{ imes}$ Applicants for the \$1000 Ida King Stevens scholarship to the U of I are still being sought. The * deadline for applications is September 30, 2009. Applicants must be a female student enrolled * in an undergraduate program either on a full- or part-time basis. The student should have a $^{**}_{*}$ demonstrated financial need, a minimum cumulative grade point average of at least 2.5 on a * 4.0 scale, and have experienced an interruption in formal education of at least two years. Pref-* erence is given to Illinois residents. Any qualified student who wishes to apply should contact our U of I liaison, Jacque Kahn, Associate Director of Gender and Women's Studies Programs at * the university (217-333-2990; jskahn@uiuc.edu).

Reminder—\$46 of your 2009-2010 National dues are tax-deductible

.Annual AAUW dues of \$70 are divided as follows: \$49 to National, \$10 to State, and \$11 to the C-U Branch. You may now deduct \$46 of the \$49 you pay for National dues as a charitable donation if you itemize your deductions.

The extra \$3 goes to a lobbying portion of the organization. Donations to the Educational Foundation and Legal Advocacy Fund continue to be fully taxdeductible. State and Branch dues are not taxdeductible

What's Happening by Co-President Helen Miron

Autumn marks the beginning of a new season, and also some changes for our C-U branch. We welcome Laura Keller as the new chair for Local Scholarships. Jenny Harvey has resigned the position; we thank her for all the hard work and dedicated service she has given, and wish her well. Mary Dailey is our new Historian; many thanks to Roma Chenoweth who previously filled this post. Welcome to new members Ginger Lozar, Sharon Michalove, Barb Selby, and Kelly Stewart. We're glad to have you with us!

Have you seen our new website? Sallie Miller designed and established our branch website - check it out! The web address is: www.aauw-il.org/champurban

Several excellent programs are scheduled for this coming year. Our first will be October 3rd at Kennedy's in Urbana, featuring Elizabeth Stine-Morrow from the Beckman Institute as our speaker. Mark your calendars!

The AAUW Illinois Fall conference is scheduled for Saturday, October 24, at the UI Springfield. The conference sessions are thought-provoking and informative, and well worth attending.

Thanks to your input there have been many changes at the state and federal level concerning family leave, equal pay, and education. Keep sending those emails, letters, and phone calls to your members of Congress and to our state legislators. Our opinions do make a difference.

The issue is still equity.

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

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American Association of University Women

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Mission

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

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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