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President's Message

Dear Friends,

As we move through this season of change, the vibrant fall colors remind us that each leaf is different, yet together they create a splendorous whole. Each day I anticipate the changes in the leaves on our sugar maple in the front yard. Beside it is a fir tree that will remain green through the year. The mix of both types of trees and all the other beautiful flowers of fall always makes me think of the beauty of diversity in our natural world. That, of course, makes me reflect on diversity as a whole. In these turbulent times, leadership requires us to embrace that same spirit—valuing diversity, equity, and inclusion so that we can lead with both strength and compassion.

Why DEI Matters

DEI is more than an initiative; it's the foundation for building communities where everyone belongs. When we honor differences and come together, we strengthen our capacity to solve problems and imagine better futures. This spirit also connects to what it means to be a global citizen—understanding our place in a wider world, learning from history, and taking responsibility for shaping positive change. Books can be our teachers, guides, and companions on this journey. This season, consider adding these thought-provoking titles to your reading list and expand your understanding of our world.

I shudder when I read *Bianca Marais' book, Hum if You Don't Know the Words*, and imagine the terror of people living in South Africa during apartheid. On June 16, 1976, there was a student-led demonstration in Soweto sparked by the government decree mandating that black students be taught in Afrikaans, the language of the white minority regime. Police responded to the peaceful march with tear gas and live ammunition that led to hundreds of students being killed in the initial confrontation and in the following weeks. The Soweto Uprising is considered a critical turning point in the struggle against apartheid, intensifying anti-government sentiment and inspiring global activism.

Our DEI study group is reading and reflecting on the essays written by ***Sarah Smarsh in Bone of the Bone: Essays on America by a Daughter of the Working Class***. What a wonderful discussion Shirley is leading for us! It's fun to read a book of essays and be able to skip around among their unique titles. Each essay speaks to the diversity among similar populations, particularly as related to working class white people. The other books listed also have themes of diversity and self-awareness. Happy reading!

- ***Lawless: The Supreme Court's Illusion of Finality by Leah Litman***

This timely work explores how the U.S. Supreme Court exerts its power and why its decisions are not always the final word. Litman reveals the ways the Court influences democracy—and challenges us to think critically about accountability and reform.

- ***The Shenzhen Experiment by Juan Du***

A fascinating history of Shenzhen, China, this book traces its transformation from rice paddies into a global technology powerhouse. Du contrasts its rapid growth with Silicon Valley, raising questions about development, inequality, and what it means to create cities of the future.

- ***Funny Story by Emily Henry*** (for when you need something a little lighter!)

A witty, heartfelt novel about two thirty-somethings who become unexpected roommates after heartbreak. Through humor and romance, Henry explores how perceived social status, parental influence, and past relationships shape our sense of self—and how introspection and love can help rewrite the story.

Looking Ahead

Reading voraciously helps us make sense of our world and builds understanding and compassion for others. History can remind us of dangers to avoid, but it is our focus on positive change that will carry us forward. As we navigate leadership challenges and global uncertainties, let's take inspiration from the leadership of AAUW and its pursuit of equitable education for women. Lean on each other to build courage to take actions that make our world a better place. Small actions ***do*** make a difference in our community! Together, like the autumn leaves, we are most beautiful when we come together in harmony.

With appreciation for who you are and all you do,
Terri

AAUW GB board meeting - all are welcome!

Our next board meeting will be on October 6 at 1:30 pm via Zoom. All are welcome - please let Terri know if you plan to attend so she can send you the Zoom link. Hope to see you there!

Programs 2025 - 2026

Wendy Schmidt-Janosik

The Fall Meeting featuring a preview of programs and interest groups was a great start to the year! The Art Group and Book Groups checked in and shared updates. Terri Gulyas presented an overview of our chapter's four star rating and informed us how we can all become a 2 minute activists. Lisa Ubbelohde distributed the AAUW - Green Bay Directory 2025-2026 and the Schedule of Activities List for the upcoming year. Thank you Lisa for compiling and printing these for members.

Monthly Meeting: October 20 at the Village Grille

Social and dinner (off menu) 5-5:45

Business Meeting 5:45-6

Program 6-7 Jane Benson will be speaking about "**Fair Maps and Redistricting**". Jane is a dynamic and energizing expert on gerrymandering. Please join us for an enlightening presentation and discussion! Bring a friend!!! Our meetings are open to non-members so we encourage you to help expand our membership to build our numbers and infuse new ideas into our group. (See Sara's article below for more information.)

Monthly meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Monday of the month at the Village Grille on Hoffman Road. Members are encouraged to come for a 5 pm dinner (off menu) and social; 5:45-6 Business Meeting; 6-7 Program.

Membership Message

Sue May

How can it be October already? Halloween is right around the corner and every store is all ready for Christmas! We certainly know how to rush the seasons! SLOOOOW down!!

We'd like to welcome 2 new members to our branch. Laura Fisher-Bonvallet, ljfisherbonvallet@gmail.com, rejoined in September after several years away. She was able to join the art group on our visit to the Martinez Studio in Jacksonport. Having been a weaver herself, Laura and Wence Martinez had lots to talk about! Welcome back, Laura!

Also joining in September was Lori Francar Lori.Francar@gmail.com, Lori joined us at our September kick off meeting and she is interested in several of our groups. Lori is busy with her daughter living with her before she relocates to Spain. We are glad you decided to join us Lori!

It's a great time to be a member and always a great time to bring a friend. Remember, new members and those who have been gone from membership for 3 years will receive national dues for half price year one. A discount of \$37! The total cost of a year's membership for a new membership is \$63 - \$37 national, \$13 state and \$13 local dues. If you have a friend who may be interested in learning more- please invite them to come as a

guest. And we'd love to have a guest become a member! Joining is easy! I have attached a membership application or it can be found on our website at: <https://greenbayarea-wi.aauw.net/files/2025/03/2025-26-Member-application.pdf> Any questions, just ask!

Also, some exciting news for current members...we were awarded 2 one year free memberships from AAUW national for our growth in 2024. We have decided to offer them to members! At the October meeting we will be selling tickets for \$5 each for a drawing for the "free memberships". We also sold tickets at the September meeting but decided to extend the offering one more month. This is a great way to raise money for our scholarships and also to potentially win something! The drawing will be at the October meeting. If you are unable to attend, please give your money to a friend or contact me suemay07@gmail.com, The free memberships cover the national dues – state and local dues will still be paid by the "winner" (\$13- state \$13- local), Good luck!!

Member Update: We have learned that Honorary Life Member (belonging for 50 years or more), Roberta Brand has moved out of town to be closer to her family. We will miss her and wish her well in her new home.

Keeping Members Close

Sue May/Sara Ramaker

Some of our best friendships have come from being a part of AAUW. The book clubs, art group, DEI team and monthly meetings are where we have formed these relationships. We'd like to find a way to keep our members close when they have joys to celebrate or issues that they are facing. Sara Ramaker and Sue May would like to be a part of keeping our members close and knowing we care about them. If you know one of our members is experiencing some difficulties- please let one of us know and we will send them a card from all of us- letting them know we care. Also, if someone is celebrating an event – milestone anniversary, new grandchild...please let us know as well. We would like everyone in our group to know we care about them .

Sue May: suemay07@gmail.com

Sara Ramaker: ramaker.sara@gmail.com

PUBLIC POLICY UPDATE: “WISCONSIN STATE PARKS – 125 YEARS OF PRESERVATION”

The September 26th Press Times had a lovely article with the above title about Wisconsin State Parks celebrating 125 years of preservation and inspiration. Our early progressive leaders created the first of many great things including being the first state to establish a state park system. This system was a reaction to the deforestation of Wisconsin due to the state's late 1800's system of buying northern Wisconsin land and selling it to “wealthy individuals, who then stripped it of its resources.” In 1900, the Interstate Park was established to combat deforestation and protect natural resources “especially on the eastern half where settlers were quickly developing.” This became the state park system. John Nolen, a landscape architect “helped establish Peninsula and Devil's Lake as state parks, forming guidelines for the State Park System while cementing its importance.”

State parks protect natural resources and “preserve the best visual features of the state.” The wellness they offered the users has been well documented not only in physical recreation but also the equally important mental health. Many specialist acknowledge that being outside and experience nature is important to people's emotional health. “Studies have shown that trees benefit our mental and physical health. Spending time around trees reduces stress and anxiety, lowers blood pressure, and improves mood. Simply viewing nature from a hospital window can speed recovery time.” See: U.S. Department of Agriculture -“Mentally and physically trees make a difference”.

<https://www.usda.gov/about-usda/news/blog/mentally-and-physically-trees-make-difference>. (for this page, scroll down just a wee bit till you see the title, “Mentally and physically trees make a difference”) See also: Harvard T H Chan School of Public Health “The Health Benefits of Trees.” <https://hsph.harvard.edu/news/the-health-benefits-of-trees/>

Wisconsin has 50 state parks, 44 state trails, 15 state forests, 9 state recreation areas and seven river and resource areas. Close to us is Heritage Hill Historical Park and the Fox River Trail. Door County offers Potawatomi, Whitefish Dunes, Newport, Peninsula and Rock Island State Parks. In August I visited Potawatomi Park and climbed the tower. Admittedly, it was a lot of steps, but so worth the effort. The view was absolutely breathtaking! Even if you cannot walk long distances the drive through the park was quiet and slow and beautiful. What better time of year to enjoy the trees than fall? So if you can, visit a state park, reduce your anxiety, lower your blood pressure and improve your mood by enjoying the trees there.

“Gotta Love Wisconsin”.



SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

Bellin College is the only one that has given me the name of the 2025-2026 AAUW Dreamers and Doers Scholarship Recipient. This year it is Breanna Schmidt who will graduate in May, 2026. At the Bellin College's annual Scholarship Program held October 25, at the Marq Supper Club, I was introduced to Breanna. She is a charming woman who will be graduating with an undergraduate degree in Radiologic Sciences. Breanna is very busy! She is presently working 20 hours a week as a CNA at a hospital in the valley, participating in an intern program in radiology at the same hospital and attending courses at Bellin College. Breanna grew up in the La Crosse area and moved to Appleton after she had completed her CNA. It was not until she got to this area that she learned of Bellin College and its programs. She is very happy with the school though she admits, as an older student, she has less in common with younger classmates. The hospital has already offered her a job upon graduation. I have invited her to attend at least one of our branch meetings and hope she will find the time. She thanked our branch for the scholarship, stating the scholarship allowed her to put more time into her studies and the internship. I have followed up with UWGB and NWTI, requesting the names of this year's scholarship recipients.

Why YOU will want to Attend the OCTOBER 20 Branch Meeting

Our system of districting is not working for us and no one is going to change unless WE MAKE THEM! We all know it is bad! How do we change it? Come to the meeting and learn HOW!

Introduction: Gerrymandering has hurt this state for years. It has rigged our politics, fostered acrimony and stalemate and left citizens with a sense of helplessness. Our politicians do not listen to us and they do not talk to each other. The stalemate has helped few people in this state and Wisconsin citizens know this and want change. Since 2013, **56 counties** and **5 municipalities** in 3 other counties have passed board resolutions, and **32 counties** and **21 municipalities** in 5 other counties have passed countywide referendums by overwhelming margins calling on state legislators to pass legislation creating a nonpartisan redistricting process. No referendum on this has lost and the lowest majority was 69%! In Brown County, the year the county went all Republican, it approved nonpartisan districting by 72%. Still our Legislature has not held one hearing on the issue!

Brief History: Prior 2010, our state legislature reflected our purple state. Most prior maps were created by divided governments making them fairer. But 2010, Republicans were in charge of everything. Computers had evolved so they could predict election results to amazing accuracy. Since 2010, our purple state has been run by an "overly represented" Republican legislature. The 2010 and 2020 districting created many "safe" Republican Districts, a few "safe" Democratic Districts with very few competitive districts. Essentially the politicians picked the voters – not the voters picking the politicians. Gerrymandering is a bipartisan virus! The Democrats would have taken advantage of it, too. A few years before, when the Democrats controlled the house and governor, citizens pushed for nonpartisan redistricting and they ignored us.

Despite the passage of numerous county and municipal referendums and resolutions requesting that the state create an independent, our legislature has held no hearings on the subject. Instead, not trusting the state's Attorney General, our legislature has hired independent law firms to fight the

many lawsuits generated by our present system of districting. We have spent more than \$3 million dollars fighting gerrymandering since 2020 and that sum keeps mounting. An additional cost is our Supreme Court. Wisconsin Supreme Court, formerly very highly regarded for its jurisprudence, has become polarized. Our state judicial elections formerly sober, inexpensive with proper judicial decorum are now nasty, expensive and partisan. The respect for our State Supreme Court is at its lowest. But through the statewide election of the Supreme Court justices, the people did get to speak and the state districts are fairer, but the Congressional districts remain very gerrymandered. The fact that our legislature had to at least talk to each other and with the Governor to pass a budget is proof that ending gerrymandering does force the parties to compromise.

Why we Need a Statute Creating an Independent Redistricting Commission now

Nothing has really changed since 2020 and our legislature, without a real push from the voters, will not change it. The Republicans are hopeful they will control enough to create the districts and the Democrats see it as a lost cause and are putting their energies into the few districts they hope to swing. Even this spring Supreme Court election is of little interest, because it won't change the balance of power.

The Fair Maps Coalition, League of Women Voters and other organizations, have worked actively to end gerrymandering. Recently our speaker Jane Benson and others have met to study and create a statute that would create an Independent Redistricting Commission to draw Wisconsin's state and Congressional districts. There are several states that have created similar independent commissions and Boards, but all states are different. These statutes offer guidelines, but to be successful Wisconsin has to create one that will meet the needs of its diverse population. This group has a plan but needs YOUR INPUT to ensure it fully represents Wisconsin. This October presentation is a chance to comment.

About our speaker: Jane Benson grew up in Suamico, Wisconsin and has resided in Howard for most of her adult life. She recently retired from her operating her own business, Main Jane's Designs LLC. For many years, Jane used her knowledge of WordPress, her artistic design and years of marketing/business experience, to create "eye-catching online presence for small and medium-sized businesses through websites, email ads, newsletters and social media." Customers included chiropractors, manufacturing businesses, senior care businesses, blacksmiths, authors, artists, not-for-profits and more. For many years, she has shown her commitment to Northeast through her involvement in LWVGGB, many nonprofit organizations and running for State Assembly, in a heavily gerrymandered district, twice. In 2010, she saw her community split so that its citizens voices were made less effective through gerrymandering. She has seen what Wisconsin's gerrymandered districts have done to the government of this state and she has taken action against it. We are lucky to have people, like Jane with her knowledge, experience, enthusiasm and energy.

PEOPLE HAVE SPENT COUNTLESS HOURS ON THIS PROPOSED STATUTE. THEY WANT YOUR IDEAS. ALL WE ARE ASKING FOR IS 45 MINUTES OF YOUR TIME. Really, when was the last time someone said to you, "I want to pick your brain" or "I would like your opinion." Do your friend a favor and bring them.



INTEREST/STUDY GROUPS

Art Notes for October 2025

Carolyn Reedy/Mary Woodbridge

1. On Thursday October 9 we will be going to the Rahr-West Art Museum in Manitowoc. (610 N 8th St, Manitowoc 54220), Phone: 920-686-3090 <https://www.manitowoc.org/2557/Rahr-West-Art-Museum>

We will visit the 75th Annual exhibit of the Art of Table setting. - <https://www.manitowoc.org/1027/Art-of-Tablesettings>. The exhibit began in 1974 when Mrs. Ruth Wey organized table settings inspired by works of art. Members of AAUW have participated in both past and present displays.

We will meet at the Park and Ride parking lot off of GV across from the Sheriff's Offices about 9:15 as the museum opens at 10:00.

We will be going to lunch after the museum at Bloom & Brunch, <https://www.facebook.com/p/Bloom-Brunch-61575895151060/> 603 York Street, Manitowoc, 54220 (920-374-4331). Thank you Lisa for the suggestion!

Please RSVP to Mary Woodbridge (miwiw@new.rr.com) 920-362-8900, or Carolyn Reedy (ccreeedy03@yahoo.com) 920-366-2942.

A note from Lisa Ubbelohde: Lisa set up a table setting exhibit called "Dinner at the Diner" for the Rahr-West Museum in Manitowoc. She chose two prints of diners by John Baeder from the museum's collection. Using her own diner dishware, she decorated a typical table at a diner. Some help was received from the Gillett Historical Society with chairs, ashtrays and matches. Over 50 other table settings will be on display. If you can't make it on October 9th, the exhibit runs from October 3- November 3. Hope you can get there. Sounds wonderful, Lisa! Do you remember those fun visits to the diner, playing songs we chose from the flip pages at our booths, or by putting a nickel in the jukebox?



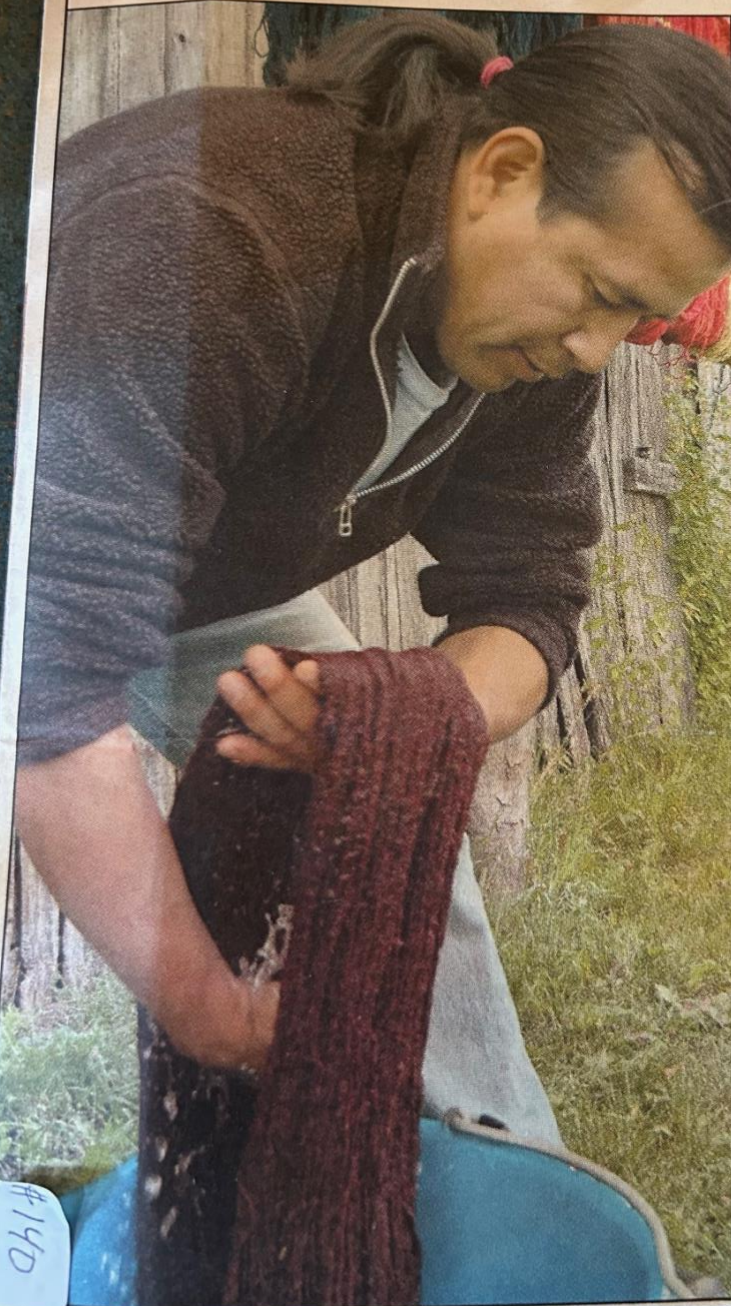
Highlights from last month's day trip to Martinez Art Studio in Jacksonport



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Witness the Fine Art of Wool Dyeing: Time-Honored Tradition Meets Living Art at the Martinez Studio



Door County visitors and residents will have a special opportunity to witness art in action at the Martinez Studio on September 18. Internationally acclaimed weaver Wence Martinez will be dyeing the wool that he will use in his work throughout the winter, and he and his wife Sandra, also an accomplished artist, have invited the public to watch and learn about this intricate and important step in the art of weaving.

A full-blooded Zapotec Indian, Martinez grew up in Teotitlan del Valle, a village of 5,000 people in the southern Mexican state of Oaxaca that has been renowned for textile weaving for centuries. As a child, he helped his father and grandfather with cleaning the wool, carding, and spinning, and it wasn't long before he was weaving in his own right.

At age 13, his burgeoning talent was recognized by internationally known Oaxacan printmaker and painter Edmundo Aquino. Aquino helped Martinez get a scholarship to Mexico City's National Institute of Tapestry, where he learned dyeing techniques under Pedro Preux and Bertha Preciado. His studies at the institute gave him an art education and new skills to add to his substantial practical experience. He has now been weaving for more than 30 years, and his work is an impressive blend of time-honored cultural tradition and his own unique artistic flair.

"Dye quality is critical with tapestries," Martinez says. "For the highest-quality artwork, you must have expert workmanship and the best materials, and that starts with the dyeing process...It's like being a chef," he says with a smile. "You have to mix your ingredients the right way to get the most flavorful dish."

What's more, the wool is not bleached. Since each sheep has slight color variations in its wool, the yarn will also feature tonal variations that add depth and texture to each piece that Martinez weaves. "Without bleaching, the wool's subtle variations in color give it so much life," he says.

Cultural history and Martinez's artistic process will dramatically come to life on September 18 in the boiling cauldrons of dye and the brilliantly colored skeins of yarn drying in the warm Door County sun.

The Martinez Studio is a working studio and gallery located 10 miles north of Sturgeon Bay and 2 miles south of Jacksonport on State Highway 57. The gallery is open to visitors from 10 am to 5 pm daily. For more information, call 920.823.2154, send e-mail to martinez@itol.com or visit www.martinezstudio.com.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Study Group

Terri Gulyas

Our next meeting of our DEI Committee is on October 14 at 7:30 pm via Zoom where we will continue discussing ***Bone of the Bone: Essays on America by a Daughter of the Working Class* by Sarah Smarsh**. Shirley gave us a good overall preview of the book at our last meeting to whet our appetites. She will continue to lead us as we focus our dialogue on the Introduction and the first 6 essays, through page 53. Please feel free to read ahead but, *per your request*, we are focusing on specific pages for discussion. We hope you join us for this thought-provoking book. It would be interesting to talk about how we grew up and memories that impacted our own vision of how we see our world.

Many thanks to those who attended our joint LWV/AAUW September kick-off event discussing diversity, equity, and inclusion in our communities. We viewed ***The DEI Journey with Local Leagues*** webinar and enjoyed an engaging discussion facilitated by Kole Torres, the LWVWI Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Manager. For those who missed this event, the slides can be viewed at [The DEI Journey with Local Leagues slides](#). Here's a link to the webinar: [The DEI Journey with Local Leagues webinar](#). **The next session is on October 21 at 6:30 pm** where Kole will present in more detail about some of the topics mentioned at our first meeting. Watch for a Zoom invitation from either Kole or me. We hope to see you there! Our goal is at least 15 attendees, so please pass along this information to others you think might be interested. Dates and times for subsequent sessions in November, February, and March will be coming soon.

Watch for information about events on October 18. There will be a *No Kings* protest at Joannes Park here in Green Bay and other protests around Wisconsin and across the nation. Lynn Gerlach from League of Women Voters of Greater Green Bay is putting together a small group of outgoing, friendly people for one aspect of the October 18 *No Kings* rally. Her area of focus will be the “pre-event” gathering at the courthouse – the assemblage of people who choose not to march from Joannes Park but gather instead at the courthouse to await the marchers. These are the instructions she's been given from the organizer, Wanda Sieber:

[Each person will have a clipboard with an intro to Indivisible Brown County, along with a QR code that people could scan to sign up. We'll also have a hardcopy signup sheet available for folks who don't like to scan. We know there will be LOTS of first-time protesters at this event, so it is a good time to recruit new members to Indivisible or to League of Women Voters or to American Association of University Women.](#)

Wanda recommends the team include verbiage like the following:

Thanks for coming - what brought you out today?

Have you been to other protests?

What are your biggest concerns right now?

Do you know about Indivisible?

Have you found ways to take action, or are you looking for ideas?

Would you like to help in some way (what types of things do you like to do?)

I'm glad you're here - together we are stronger, and we can create change!

Ideally, people will sign up for the Indivisible newsletter or give us their info for membership or tell us they want to help. Indivisible will provide an ideas list to hand out for those interested. This duty would preclude you from marching but allow you to help in a different significant way. Please [email Lynn](#) and let her know that you are a member of AAUW if you want to be on that team October 18.



Building Belonging in Our Organizations and Communities

10/30/25 1pm-4pm at St. Norbert College (Hendrickson Ballroom)

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<https://form.jotform.com/250906114391149>



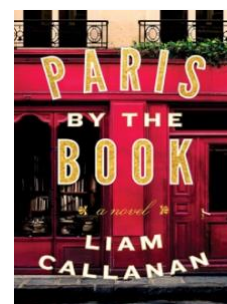
Afternoon Book Group

Wendy Schroeder

Monday, October 27 (meets 4th Monday of the month) 3:00 – 5:00 pm
at Joanne Rathburn's home (1273 Roscoe St., Green Bay)

Book: Paris by the Book by Liam Callanan

Discussion leader: Chris Daleiden



National Best Seller

- A missing person, a grieving family, a curious clue: a half-finished manuscript set in Paris.

When eccentric novelist Robert Eady abruptly vanishes, he leaves behind his wife, Leah, their daughters, and, hidden in an unexpected spot, plane tickets to Paris.

Hoping to uncover clues - and her husband - Leah sets off for France with her girls. Upon their arrival, she discovers an unfinished manuscript, one Robert had been writing without her knowledge...and that he had set in Paris.

The Eady girls follow the path of the manuscript to a small, floundering English-language bookstore whose weary proprietor is eager to sell. Leah finds herself accepting the offer on the spot.

As the family settles into their new Parisian life, they trace the literary paths of some beloved Parisian classics, including *Madeline* and *The Red Balloon*, hoping more clues arise. But a series of startling discoveries forces Leah to consider that she may not be ready for what solving this mystery might do to her family - and the Paris she thought she knew.

Charming, haunting, and triumphant, *Paris by the Book* follows one woman's journey as she writes her own story, exploring the power of family and the magic that hides within the pages of a book.

¡Adelante! Book Group

Terri Gulyas

Wednesday, October 22 (*meets 4th Wednesday of the month*), 5:30 pm at
Cedar and Sage Restaurant, 2400 Airport Drive (*note new location!!*)

Book: A Different Kind of Power: A Memoir by Jacinda Ardern

Discussion leader: Barb/Sara



From the former prime minister of New Zealand, then the world's youngest female head of government and just the second to give birth in office, comes a deeply personal memoir chronicling her extraordinary rise and offering inspiration to a new generation of leaders.

What if we could redefine leadership? What if kindness came first? Jacinda Ardern grew up the daughter of a police officer in small-town New Zealand, but as the 40th Prime Minister of her country, she commanded global respect for her empathetic leadership that put people first. This is the remarkable story of how a Mormon girl plagued by self-doubt made political history and changed our assumptions of what a global leader can be.

When Jacinda Ardern became Prime Minister at age thirty-seven, the world took notice. But it was her compassionate yet powerful response to the 2019 Christchurch mosque attacks, resulting in swift and sweeping gun control laws, that demonstrated her remarkable leadership. She guided her country through unprecedented challenges—a volcanic eruption, a major biosecurity breach, and a global pandemic—while advancing visionary new policies to address climate change, reduce child poverty, and secure historic international trade deals. She did all this while juggling first-time motherhood in the public eye.

Ardern exemplifies a new kind of leadership—proving that leaders can be caring, empathetic, and effective. She has become a global icon, and now she is ready to share her story, from the struggles to the surprises, including for the first time the full details of her decision to step down during her sixth year as Prime Minister.

Through her personal experiences and reflections, Jacinda is a model for anyone who has ever doubted themselves, or has aspired to lead with compassion, conviction, and courage. *A Different Kind of Power* is more than a political memoir; it's an insight into how it feels to lead, ultimately asking: What if you, too, are capable of more than you ever imagined?



Thank you Sara for sending this:



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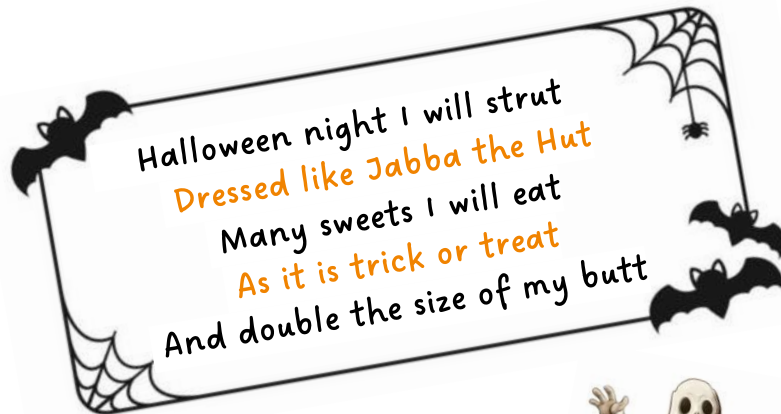


Officers for FY 2025-2026

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Afternoon Book Group: Wendy Schroeder
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Art Study Group: Carolyn Reedy/Mary Woodbridge
Clean Water Issues: Carol Pearson
Diversity, Equity, Inclusion: Terri Gulyas
Movie Group: Lisa Ubbelohde



*Q: What do witches order at hotels?
A: Broom service.*



*Q: Why was the mummy so tense?
A: He couldn't unwind.*

*Each night Father fills me with dread
When he sits on the foot of my bed;
I'd not mind that he speaks
In gibbers and squeaks,
But for seventeen years he's been dead.*



A dragon with fiery plume
Crashed a wedding and smashed up the room.
Ate every hors d'oeuvre.
Crushed the cake. What a nerve!
Then toasted the bride and the groom!



Halloweens from yesteryear



2025-2026 Membership



____ new application ____ renewal

- ☐ **\$100** (National \$74, state \$13, and local membership \$13)
[\$74 is a tax deductible donation to a 501(c) 3 organization.]
- ☐ My check is enclosed for one year of membership, payable to **AAUW Green Bay**.
- ☐ I have renewed my membership online at AAUW.org date: _____
- ☐ Student dues of **\$18.81** enclosed

Mail to treasurer: Lisa Ubbelohde, 417 Harvard St. Green Bay, WI 54303

Member Information:

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Our Vision is Simple

We bring people together for the common goal of breaking through educational and economic barriers for women and girls.

Our Mission is Sound

Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

AAUW Empowers Women

AAUW has been empowering women as individuals and as a community since 1881. For more than 130 years we have worked together as a national grassroots organization to improve the lives of millions of women and their families.

____ Transferring membership; I previously was a member of AAUW branch: _____

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