



# Jamestown AAUW



## JANUARY BRUNCH

The January brunch meeting will be held on Saturday, January 11, 2014 at 10:00 am at the James River Community and Senior Center (old Jamestown Hospital) . Please enter on the ground floor door (west side by cafeteria) turn left to meeting rooms. The brunch will consist of a ham and cheese omelet, muffin, fruit, juice and coffee. Cost is \$ 8 per person. **Reservations needed by January 1.** Contact Patsy at 701-252-3983 or emailing her at [patsyklose@msn.com](mailto:patsyklose@msn.com)

Our program will be by Mona Klose, University of Jamestown School of Nursing Faculty, Jamestown, ND. Mona has traveled to Vietnam in 2012 and 2013 with senior nursing students. Mona will be presenting a talk on women and nursing in Vietnam.

## STEERING COMMITTEE

Our branch steering committee meeting will be held prior to the brunch beginning at 9:00 a.m. on January 11 at the James River Senior and Community Center in Jamestown. Steering committee members are: Jill Schlenker, Pres, Joan Slosser, Secretary, Deb Alber, Newsletter, Mary Craft, finance, Patsy Klose and Trisha Voeltz, membership, Jessica Haak, Publicity, Arlys Netland, AAUW

Funds, Kelly Krein, Bookstore, Joan Enderle, Advisory. Members are also welcome to attend.

## FRONTIER VILLAGE HALLOWEEN

This item was missed in our last newsletter but AAUW Jamestown was also busy on Halloween Night at the Frontier Village School House. Branch members Joan Enderle , Lauren Sako, Darla Van Erem and Shirley Sehr greeted and

distributed over 750 whistles and animal crackers to trick or treaters. According to event coordinator, Joan, the whistles were a big hit. Thanks everyone for your hard work.

## HOLIDAY POTLUCK

Smiles and vintage hats were enjoyed by members in the photo above at our Holiday Potluck at the Superintendent's House at the North Dakota State Hospital in November. Members

enjoyed great food while they reminisced about childhood holiday traditions.

## 2013 YEAR IN REVIEW



Patricia Fae Ho, 2013-15 AAUW President

Greetings to you all this holiday season.

My first six months as your national president have renewed my appreciation for the sheer volume of the important work that goes on in our branches and states, among our national members, on our college/university partner member campuses, as well as in Washington, D.C. As this remarkable year comes to a close, I want to thank you on behalf of our national board for all you do to support women and girls.

And what a year it has been!

2013 began with the launch of our bold new logo that proudly features our history of empowering women since 1881. The launch set the tone for another year of outstanding education, programs, advocacy, legal support, and, of course, the research on which we base so much of what we do — all thanks to our members and donors. Your time, talent, and gifts truly bring about life-changing experiences for thousands of women and girls every single year!

In June we recharged at our national convention in New Orleans, learning more about how we are inspiring women of all ages nationwide. We caught up on the array of programs engaging a new generation of AAUW members: our hugely successful National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, on-campus programs like Elect Her and \$tart \$mart salary negotiation workshops, and branch programs serving more than 10,000 girls across the country in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). We also helped expand two of those STEM programs — Tech Trek and Tech Savvy — to branches nationwide this year. All these amazing programs have tremendous impact, and they rely on significant local member engagement.

In 2013 our network of college/university partner campuses passed the 800 mark. This growth includes many community colleges, and we're thrilled about that — especially since our latest research report featured these institutions.

We also celebrated a philanthropic milestone in 2013: the 125th anniversary of our fellowships and grants program. The \$3.7 million we gave nationally this year to women graduate students — on top of branch and state scholarships — once again made dreams of a higher education a reality for thousands of smart, deserving women.

What is it about AAUW that has

kept us going for more than a century? Why does our public policy engage activists from all walks of life, age groups, and political perspectives? Why are we able to grow not only in numbers but also in scope? I firmly believe that the indomitable will and the spirit of collaboration among us form the backbone of our triumphs.

You, the members, supporters, and staff of AAUW, are a truly remarkable force. I thank you for your trust in me and pledge to do all I can to pave the way for our continued growth. Most important, I thank you for what you do every day — our work takes passion, unfailing energy, the willingness to get back up after a defeat, and vision. Those qualities you have in abundance.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Patricia Fae Ho

AAUW President

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The February Meeting will be held on Feb. 6 at 7:00 p.m. (place to be announced). Molly Mclean will be presenting information about the personhood legislation (will appear on the Nov. 2014 ballot) and how it affects women. Please invite a friend.