



Early Bird gets the Worm

Every two years, hundreds of women leaders from across the country gather to discover new ways to empower themselves and other women and girls. AAUW's national convention is a unique opportunity to learn new skills, gain insight and inspiration, and connect with other women leaders.

Make no mistake: The national convention isn't all work and no play. Our program is full of unique entertainment and fun surprises. It's also a place to meet new friends or catch up with other leaders and advocates from across the country. Plus, you can take in the best culture and entertainment our host cities have to offer on exciting pre-and post-convention tours.



The Convention will be in Sunny San Diego this year on June 18-21, 2015. The Jamestown branch has set aside funds to help its' members attend the conference. If you would like to attend please contact Jill Schlenker by March 20th and let her know so we get can help you get registered for the convention.

North Dakota Annual Meeting

Reception 7 p.m. MT at Deb Greenwood's home April 17

Breakfast 8:30 - 9 a.m. MT at the Dickinson Public Library April 18

Skype Ted Talk with U.S. Senator Heidi Heitkamp 9 a.m. MT

9:30 -noon MT Human Trafficking presentations

12:30 to 1:30 p.m. MT luncheon and address by Cynthia

Pemberton, author of *More Than a Game: One Woman's Fight For Gender Equity in Sport (Title IX)*

2-4 p.m. MT ND AAUW annual business meeting.

Please let Jill know if you plan on attending this meeting.

Bookstore News

The Bookstore continues to receive donations and draw customers in spite of the cold weather!! Thanks to Carol and Jody who helped Kelly during the January and February months.

Book Store Hours

Thursdays 11am – 1pm

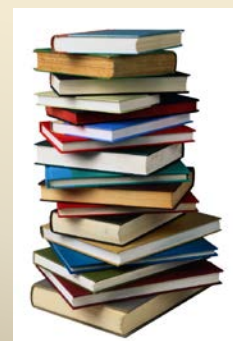
Saturday March 7th (Day of the soup cook-off at the Mall)

Saturday March 21st

Saturday April 4th & 18th

Lend a Hand

The bookstore is in need of more volunteers! Please contact Kelly at 252-4107 or 252-4690 to help out.





From the Desk of the Branch President

I hope everyone has found this year's meeting topics informative and as exciting as I have. With us already getting into the month of March it is time to start looking for steering committee members. We are in need of a least two more members. We will be accepting nominations starting now through April 1st. Please either email me at jill.schlenker@yahoo.com or call me at (701) 320-3907 with your nominations.

After nominations are received we will vote as a branch on the nominations pending the acceptance of nominations from the nominees. After which we will have a steering committee meeting to vote on officers.

I have enjoyed serving the on the committee for the past three years, being president for the last two. I have learned so many things about AAUW, myself, and of course all of you. Therefore it is with a heavy heart that I will formally announce that after

the May meeting I will not be trying for a third year as branch chair.

Over the next few years, I'll be working my way towards a Master's degree. While I've sincerely enjoyed my time as Branch President, I'll need to focus more of my time & energy on achieving this goal. I hope everyone enjoys the rest of the AAUW session. I will see you all in April.

-Jill Schlenker



North Dakota Women's Network Advocacy Training

Sunday, March 8th, 2015

1:00pm – 5:00pm at the Kelly Inn, Bismarck ND

Linda Wurtz, a long time lobbyist in the state of North Dakota, will preside over an interesting and interactive advocacy training. Linda will walk participants through lobbying tips, political structure, and testimony preparation.

North Dakota Women's Network Social

Sunday, March 8th, 2015

7:00pm

An evening of fun and socializing with other progressive women, allies, and legislators from across the state!

WE Rise: Women Empowered

Monday, March 9th, 2015

All Day

WE Rise: Women Empowered offers a behind the scenes insight, meetings with local lawmakers, and training on how to lobby. March 9th will be a day filled with learning, listening and lobbying for policies that enhance and enrich the lives of women and families. We Rise will highlight **Freedom from Violence, Economic Security, Reproductive Health, and Education**. Bring a friend to this Fun and FREE Event!

To Register and for more information visit www.standupnd.com