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Thoughts from the President

At Northeast Tarrant County Branch of AAUW, June is an exciting time. This is the month that we get together on a Sunday afternoon at Donna's home and brain-storm ideas for our 2009 programs. By doing this, we form goals for our entire branch. Who knows what we may work out. I am sure you will want to be a part of this very important time. (There's food, too)

Our State AAUW has provided two leadership conferences – one last month in Houston and this month in Dallas. I hope some of you have been able to attend. Advancing leadership is one of the primary goals of AAUW.

Several of our members are planning to attending our national AAUW Convention in St. Louis June 26-28. There is still room and we plan to have a wonderful experience in learning more about AAUW and how we may assist young, and not so young, women in fulfilling their potential.

Remember that even though it is summer, many of our activities continue. We keep on reading and talking about it at Lit Group and get-togethers may happen at any time. Stay connected – you may have some very nice surprises!



Pat Wachter

June Program Planning

Sunday, June 7 3pm

Home of Donna Baumgartner

Sandwich Tray and Beverage

Provided

Bring: Side Dish or Dessert and Great Ideas for Branch Programs!

2008-2010 Officers

President	<i>Pat Wachter</i>
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Literature	<i>Pat Lucas</i>
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June Planning Details

All members are invited to our June Program Planning meeting to be held at Donna Baumgartner's home in Bedford on Sunday, June 7, 2009, at 3:00 pm.

Members are encouraged to bring an "early supper" food item – drinks and a sandwich tray will be provided. Parking is limited, and carpooling is encouraged.

Members will focus on the AAUW Mission Statement, *AAUW Advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research*, to plan 2009-2010 meetings and speakers. Our theme statement is, "Education is the gateway to women's economic security." Please come and bring your BEST Program Ideas.

Donna Baumgartner & Dena Marra
Program VP's

Young Women's Summit
to Girl University

The NETC AAUW board decided at the May meeting to combine forces with the Girl Scouts in 2010 and assist them in presenting Girl University. This program, held at UTA, is much like our Young Women's Summit. Please hold the date March 6th for that event. We will know more about our role by September. If you are interested in meeting with them at a late July or August meeting to discuss the curriculum for Girl U., please let me know and I'll make sure you're invited.

Gloria Long

Young Women's Summit Chair

*Congratulations
to Lori Kaspar for being
inducted into the U.S.
Supreme Court Bar in May.
We're proud of you!!*

KEYS News

The North East Tarrant Branch of AAUW has awarded the KEYS Scholarship in the amount of \$500 and the Georgeann Gallian KEYS Scholarship in the amount of \$500 to two recent KEYS graduates. These young women are very appreciative of the economic opportunity to pursue higher education offered by our Branch. Thank you for your continued support of our KEYS Scholarship Program.

Donna Baumgartner
KEYS Chair

KEYS Faculty Appreciation Brunch

KEYS Faculty and Staff send along heartfelt thanks for the Appreciation Breakfast our branch provided on Thursday morning, May 14. Thank you to all members who baked, brought, and hosted this special event!

Donna Baumgartner



Bridge Group

The bridge group will meet next on June 11th in the home of Pat Wachter. In July we will meet on the 23rd in the home of Jean

Dodds. Please let each hostess know if you are planning to attend. Reminder emails will be sent before each meeting. If you do not receive these emails and would like to be added to the list just let me know at gnmlong@swbell.net.

Gloria Long

Candidate Forums

Thank you to the members who helped and attended the Bedford City Council Candidates Forum. Elaine Formby, Mary Lou Bass and Barbara Brasco, helped pick up questions from the audience. Carol Fisher and Faye Beaulieu attended. I appreciate their support of this undertaking. We had a good turnout about 75 people! It was a good service to the community in helping them become informed about the candidates.

Georgia Kidwell

LIT GROUP Schedule at a glance

June 18th

Book: Any book by
Author: Agatha Christie
Facilitator: Meg Sprenkle
Hostess: Elizabeth Forester – 817-283-1472

July 16th

Guilty Pleasures Salad Supper
Hostess: Pat Lucas

Literature Group

June 18 – Meg Sprenkle will lead our discussion of works by Agatha Christie. Location for the meeting is at Elizabeth Forester's home in Bedford,

On July 16th, please join us for our annual Guilty Pleasures Salad Supper at Pat Lucas' home in Hurst. We enjoy a discussion by each member of books that have given pleasure that they recommend to others. This is also our meeting planning for the reading list next year

The Literature group meetings are at 7:30 PM on the third Thursday of each month. Please come and join us even if you have not read the book.

Remember that if you order from Amazon.com through the AAUW website, a portion of the proceeds go to AAUW!

Pat Lucas

Literature Group Chair

Congratulations!

*Congratulations to Donna Baumgartner
Honored for 33 years of Teaching Excellence*

*Teacher of the Year
Harwood Junior High
And*

*Secondary Teacher of the Year
Hurst Eules Bedford ISD*

2008-2009

Remembering Georgeann

On May 29 at 9:00 am, a very nice ceremony at Hurst Hills Elementary dedicated the driveway out in front of the school as "Georgeann Gallian Way." The Hurst city council was represented, including our own Anna Holzer. The HEB I.S.D. school board, including our own Faye Beaulieu was there along with district Superintendent Dr. Gene Buinger. David Gallian was also there and thanked everyone for remembering Georgeann in this special way. She always wanted to be there every morning to greet the



children as they arrived for the day of school and with this street name, that very important routine would continue.

Linda Adams

Barbara Jordan Statue Unveiled

A bronze statue of civil rights champion Barbara Jordan was unveiled in April on The University of Texas at Austin campus. Jordan is the first woman so honored on the campus. Jordan was the first black woman in the Texas Legislature and became the first black woman from a Southern state in the U.S. House. She died in 1996 at age 59. William Powers, president of the University, called Jordan "a woman from Texas who mesmerized the nation with her eloquent oratory, her skillful interpretation of U.S. history and constitutional law, and her rigorous devotion to ethical standards in politics and society."

Betty Chang



Branch Meeting Minutes

AAUW—Northeast Tarrant County

May 9, 2009

Pat Wachter called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Pat introduced guest Mary Wright of Premier Designs who held a drawing for a \$25 gift certificate for jewelry as she had committed to doing at the Christmas Brunch.

Our speaker was Lori Kaspar whose topic was Internet Safety.

Additional guests: Kerry Bracco, Kathy Anthon's daughter, Byron, Samantha, and Nikolas Christian, Dixie's husband and their grandchildren, and Chris Coker, Lori Kaspar's husband.

Corrections to the spelling of Ann Richards were made to the April minutes. In addition, Lori explained that she will be inducted into the US Supreme Court Bar which needs to be corrected in the minutes. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Donna Baumgartner was congratulated on her award as the H.E.B. Secondary Teacher of the Year.

Reports:

Membership: Pat Boeckenstedt

Emma Zale intended to come today, but she didn't make it.

EF/LAF: Lynn Doyle and Marie Iervolino

Marie expressed appreciation for the get well cards. Marie and Lynn will be looking for as many as four members who have done outstanding service to our branch as Named Gift Honorees. Please let one of them know if you have a name to suggest for this honor.

Finance: Meg Sprenkle and Gloria Long

Operating	751.40
EF/LAF	3,027.44
YWS	1,419.75 (minus 200)
Community	2,167.61

(1,070.00 of which is for the Georgeann Gallian scholarship.)

There is \$60 to be deposited.

KEYS: Donna Baumgartner

There are two applicants for the scholarships for KEYS students which will be awarded in May. Next November, still part of this calendar year, two more \$500 scholarships will be awarded to KEYS students. The faculty breakfast will be Thursday,

May 14th. Because we aren't having it catered, but asking members to donate the food, we have more money available for our scholarship fund.

Contributions for the staff appreciation breakfast can be brought to the home of Mary Cinatl, Pat Lucas. or Nelda Rogers on Wednesday or to KEYS Thursday morning. The fall donations of school supplies was a huge success so we have been asked to continue that program and we will also do the Christmas gift cards for students again as our fall projects.

Programs: Donna Baumgartner

The program planning meeting for next year will be held on June 7th at 3:00 at Donna Baumgartner's home. Donna suggested that there are many strong women in our area who are not members of our branch but would be outstanding guest speakers.

YWS: Gloria Long

The board made the decision to explore the possibility of partnering with Girl Scouts on their Girl University at UTA. We hope to do a mini summit with some of our presenter at KEYS. The toiletries that were collected for the summit were donated to Safe Haven. The board voted to give the presenters who spent time preparing for the summit a \$20 gift card since we were the ones who had to cancel.

Bridge: Gloria Long

We will meet Thursday, June 11th at Pat Wachter's.

Publicity: Martha Matthews

There were photos in the paper, but there are more online at the Star Telegram website.

Public Policy: Georgia Kidwell

There is a Voters Guide for the local elections on the League of Women Voters of Tarrant County web site. A list of voting places is in the Star Telegram.

Big Brothers and Big Sisters are looking for people who will go into the schools once a month to have lunch with students. You will need a background check. Georgia has applications for that.

Interbranch: Martha Matthews and Margie Poole:

We will car pool to the meeting at Brookhaven College in Farmer's Branch on May 30th. There is a \$15 fee but it includes a box lunch. Margie and Martha have applications for interbranch positions. Jackie Littleton will speak to us about the changes planned for AAUW.

On May 29th at 9 a.m., the city and school district will honor Georgeann Gallian by naming the circle drive in front of Hurst Hills for her. Martha distributed membership sheets for members to update personal information for the year book. There will be a drawing for a free membership for members who get their dues in by May 31st.

Literature: Gloria Long

The next meeting will be on Thursday, May 21st at the home of Ellen Lee in Irving. The book to be discussed is Dreams of My Father by Barack Obama.

President's Moment: Pat Wachter

Pat expressed appreciation to Margaret Martin and Rosemary Jobe for the lovely refreshments. There are two vacancies for branch offices. Deena Marra, a co-chair for Programs, and Marie Iervolino, a co-chair for EF/LAF, have resigned. Watch for the new AAUW program "Running Start". Remember the national convention; there is still time to get registered.

Additional Announcements: Pat Cheong and Cheri Butler served this spring on the EF Career Development Grant review panel to select recipients for the CDG scholarships. Pat Cheong will put information about the scholarships in the newsletter. Margie Poole is on the nominating committee for the state board. She would like members to let her know if they are interested in serving on that board which meets about five times a year.

Meeting adjourned at 11:55.

Submitted by *Dixie Christian*, Secretary

2009 AAUW National Convention

Breaking through Barriers

June 26-28, 2009

St. Louis



June 2009 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Donut Day</i> 	2	3 <i>Egg Day</i> 	4 <i>Cheese Day</i> 	5 <i>National Gingerbread Day</i>	6 <i>National Applesauce Cake Day</i>
7 Program Planning Meeting 3pm	8	9	10 <i>Iced Tea Day</i> 	11 Bridge Group 7pm Pat Wachter's home	12 <i>Magic Day</i> 	13 <i>Weed Your Garden Day</i> 
14 <i>Flag Day</i>  <i>Race Unity Day</i>	15 <i>Power of a Smile Day</i>	16 <i>National Fudge Day</i>	17 <i>Eat Your Vegetables Day</i> 	18 Literature Group 7:30pm Elizabeth Forester's home	19 <i>Juneteenth</i> 	20 <i>Ice Cream Soda Day</i> 
21 <i>Father's Day</i>  <i>Summer Begins</i>	22 <i>National Pink Day</i>	23	24 <i>U.F.O. Day</i> 	25	26 <i>National Chocolate Pudding Day</i>	27
28	29 <i>Camera Day</i> 	30 <i>Meteor Day</i> 				

Upcoming AAUW Events
 June 7 – Program Planning
 June 11 – Bridge Group
 June 18 – Literature Group
 July 16 – Literature Group
 July 23 – Bridge Group

Ah, summer, what power you have to make us suffer and like it.

~Russel Baker

A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken.

~James Dent

Yellow butterflies look like flowers flying through the warm summer air.

-- Andrea Willis

Summer afternoon - summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language.

~Henry James

A life without love is like a year without summer.

~Swedish Proverb

"Summer is the time when one sheds one's tensions with one's clothes, and the right kind of day is jeweled balm for the battered spirit. A few of those days and you can become drunk with the belief that all's right with the world.

~Ada Louise Huxtable



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About AAUW



The American Association of University Women is a national organization that advances education and equity for all women and girls. Our commitment to these issues is reflected in our public policy efforts, programs, and diversity initiatives.

The AAUW logo:

The W stands for WOMEN and reinforces our focus on education and equity for women and girls. The overlapping triangles represent the collaborative efforts of our 3 corporations: The Association, The Educational Foundation, and The Legal Advocacy Fund. The parallel lines represent the concept of EQUITY.



A Legacy of Leadership

For information on the AAUW's history, read the article, "Founding Mothers". Available at www.aauw.org