

Northeast Tarrant County Branch

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Thoughts from the President

Just cannot say good-bye to October without mentioning the awesomeness of the women of Northeast Tarrant County AAUW!

Our biggest fundraiser of the year for EF/LAF, our Pansy Sale, was a resounding success because of Lynn Doyle and Mary Cinatl. They kept close watch on the numbers and gave us all a boost when it looked a bit lacking. We came through, met those numbers and received beautiful pansies, as well! We are indebted to the graciousness of George and Mary Ann Goetz, who gave up their peace and quiet for three days while we had the flowers delivered and picked up at

their home. Thanks to all of you and to those who carried flats and helped out in any way they could.

As a group, we are very talented at being very busy and doing things well. However, it seems we pushed the envelope a bit during the two days of October 23rd and 24th. On the 23rd, many of us attended the Shining Star Luncheon to honor our Shining Star, Gloria Long and then several of us supervised the delivery of the pansies. Then on Saturday, there were pansies to be delivered, a Cultural event at the Kimbell (thanks to Jean Dodds), and finally a wonderful Gourmet Group dinner at Café Medi (thanks to the planning of Lynn Millner).

Actually, all of October was busy for NETCAAUW. We had Board meeting on the 6th, Meeting/40th Birthday party on the 8th, Lit Group on the 15th and Bridge on the 27th. Such wonderful times we have together!

November will again be filled to the brim with family and Branch activities. Keep an eye on the calendar and be sure to participate.

AAUW and NASPA jointly present the 25th anniversary of NCCWSL (2010 National Conference for College Women Student Leaders), June 3-5, 2010, at the University of Maryland, College Park. This is in the Washington, D.C., area and targets the lives of college women. The website is: 2010 National Conference for College Women Student Leaders.

Again, thanks for all you do.

Pat Wachter



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November Branch Meeting

Mary Scott, interim State President of AARP, will present a program about the state of health care reform and the principles that AARP and AAUW support. She hopes to include a schedule for Congressional action on the issue. Mary has been involved with health care issues and with AARP since the early nineties. There will be valuable and timely information for all of us.



Dixie Christian

November Program Coordinator

KEYS News

We are looking forward to our Christmas Project – a Wal Mart Wish for KEYS Kids. Members will donate \$15, \$20, or \$25 Wal Mart gift cards to KEYS. The counselor will distribute these cards to Kids in Need. Last year's program was a huge success, and Counselor Elaine Vaughan wanted you to know your donations really make a difference in student's lives. Also of note: if you know of any baby clothes, furniture, maternity clothes, or something that would make Baby Days easier, please contact Debbie McIntosh, Secretary at KEYS, and discuss your personal donation.

And last but not least, thank you for donating (\$) to our monthly KEYS Scholarship fund through our Raffle. [Tickets are \$1 or six for \$5] We are in the selection process for two Fall \$500 Scholarship Awards, and your donations help deserving KEYS Kids see their future with an **exemplary education!** Thank You!!!!

Donna Baumgartner
KEYS Chair

Gourmet (Out-to-Dinner) Group

We had a great turn-out at Cafe Medi on October 24. There will not be dinners in November or December because of the holidays.

I will look forward to seeing everyone in January of 2010! Remember, if you have any restaurant suggestions, please send them on to me at _millner@yahoo.com or by phone at 817-589-2053

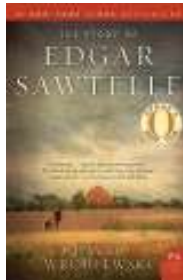
Lynn Millner

Gourmet Group Chair

Lit Group News

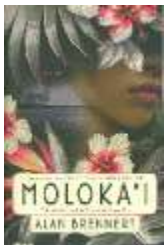
November 19 – Ellen Lee will review *The Story of Edward Sawtelle*. Janet Key will be our hostess this month.

No meeting in December. Join us at the Holiday Brunch on December 5 th.



January 21st will be our first meeting in 2010. The book is *Moloka'i* by Alan Brennert.

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!

LIT GROUP Schedule at a glance

<i>Nov. 19</i>	<i>"The Story of Edward Sawtelle"</i>
Author:	David Wroblewski
Reviewer:	Ellen Lee
Hostess :	Janet Key 817-581-9988
<i>January 10</i>	<i>"Moloka'i..."</i>
	by Alan Brennert

Pat Lucas

Literature Group Chair

Bridge Group

The next meeting of the Bridge Group is Tuesday, October 27th in the home of Pat Wachter. Please let Pat know if you are coming. Anyone who plays or wants to learn is welcome. We play for fun and learning – nothing cut-throat about this group.

Gloria Long

Bridge Group Chair



Cultural Events

This month we are having three events. Something for everyone - children, young and young at heart.

Thursday, November 12th @ 8pm

Pete's Dueling Piano Bar

Stephanie Thatcher has arranged the following...

Join us for a night of singing and clapping as we party at Pete's Dueling Piano Bar on Thursday, November 12. The club is located at 621 Houston St, Fort Worth, TX 76102 in Sundance Square, near the corner of Houston and 5th. We plan to meet there around 8pm. The best place to park is the parking garage at 3rd and Calhoun, diagonally across from The Bass Hall. It is only a 4-block walk from there. Admission is free. No food is served at the bar, so eat before you go. For more information, see www.petesduelingpiano.com. If you plan on joining us, please let Stephanie Thatcher know (snoopy1971@att.net or 817-269-2920). If you would like to car pool by meeting at Georgia Kidwell's, contact her at grgkdw@yahoo.com or 817-282-0712. Hope to see you there!

Saturday, November 21st @ 9:30am

AAUW Plano Tour of Homes

This is becoming an annual tradition for our group to visit some amazing homes in Plano decorated for Christmas. We will meet at Martin Methodist Church and carpool. There are 4 homes on the tour this year and we will stop for lunch. Last year we had lobster rolls at the only place they sell them in Dallas!

The tickets are \$15 ahead of time and \$18 on the day of the event.

Saturday, November 28th @ 2:30pm

British Pantomime - PUSS in BOOTS

This is a traditional British Pantomime. Join us for fun and laughter for Jackie Mellor's newest masterpiece, *Puss In Boots*. Wacky characters, audience participation, jokes and thrills galore. A fabulously silly retelling with the all the traditional panto ingredients. If you have never been to a pantomime, you need to experience one.

KD Studio Theatre

2600 N Stemmons #180, Dallas, TX 75207

Adults \$18

Students and seniors \$15

Children (under 14) \$8

For more information.

<http://www.theatre-britain.com/About%20Panto.html>

Please email Jean Dodds jdodds0630@aol.com if you are interested in all or any of these events.

Jean Dodds

Cultural Chair

Girl University

The November planning meeting for Girl U is Sunday, November 8 at 2pm. Since UTA is closed that day, it will be in a home at 1501 Bandera Dr., Arlington, 76018. Anyone who is interested in this planning process is welcome to attend.

Gloria Long
Girl University Liaison

Interbranch

The November meeting of the North Texas Metroplex Interbranch Council will be held November 21, 2009, at the UT Tyler Muntz Library, hosted by the Tyler branch. Info on the program: The Tyler branch of AAUW members collaborates with the Tyler/Smith County League of Women Voters in the Open World Leadership Center. Created by the United States Congress, this program is designed to enable emerging leaders to gain first-hand exposure to the American system of democracy through visits to local communities. Earlier visitors were from Russia; this year the groups welcomed visitors from Kazakhstan, Interbranch Council members will have an opportunity to learn news ways to collaborate with partner organizations and in doing so recruit new members from organizations with like minded purposes and missions.

Margie Poole

Thank You

Dear Northeast Tarrant County AAUW Friends,

Thank you so much for allowing me the privilege of representing our Branch at the Shining Stars Luncheon. It was indeed a lovely event, and I am proud to have been in the company of so many outstanding women. Thank you for your friendship and support over the years. I look forward to working with all of you for many more.

Sincerely,
Gloria Long

NETC Branch Programs/Meetings

November 14, 2009 – Saturday -- 9:30 a.m.

Location: Martin United Methodist Church
Program: Health Care Reform
Mary Scott, AARP
Coordinator: Dixie Christian

December 5, 2009 – Saturday – 10:00 a.m.

Location: Stacy's Furniture Community Rm
1900 S. Main St., Grapevine
Program: Holiday Brunch and Silent
Auction for EF/LAF
Coordinators: Lynn Doyle, Mary Cinatl, & Pat Wachter

December TBA - Sunday

Holiday Party and Giving Tree for KEYS

January 9, 2010 – Saturday – 9:30 a.m.

Location: Martin United Methodist Church
Program: Women in Motion
Kym Sosolik, SMU Cox Business School
Coordinator: Pat Wachter

February 11, 2010 – Thursday -- 6:30 p.m.

Location: North Richland Hills Library
9015 Grand Avenue, NRH
Program: Today's Kids in School
Bettye Edginton, Advanced
Academics Coordinator HEB
Coordinator: Donna Baumgartner

March 6, 2010 – Saturday

Location: UT Arlington Campus
Program: Girls' U with Girl Scouts Inc.
Coordinator: Gloria Long

March 2010 TBA Branch Meeting

Location/Program: TBA
Coordinator: Donna Baumgartner

April 10, 2010 – Saturday – 9:30 a.m.

Time to Renew Membership

Location: Martin United Methodist Church
Program: The Endangered Life of Bees
By Graham Dodds
Coordinator: Jean Dodds

May 8, 2010 – Saturday TBA

Award KEYS Scholarships Installation of New Officers

Location: TBA
Coordinators: Linda Adams/Donna Baumgartner

June 13, 2010 – Sunday TBA

Program Planning Meeting

Coordinator: Donna Baumgartner



Unless otherwise noted, branch meetings are at **Martin United Methodist Church - 2621 Bedford Road**, Bedford, TX 76021

Donna Baumgartner
Program VP

Branch Meeting Minutes

AAUW—Northeast Tarrant County

October 8, 2009

Pat Wachter called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

There were no guests.

The September minutes were approved.

Reports:

Finance: Meg Sprengle

Operating: \$1,489.71

EF: 3,248.81

Community: 1,421.52

YWS: 1,134.68

Girl University: Gloria Long

The next meeting will be on October 19th at 5:30 on the UTA campus. There was some discussion about who would be able to go.

Public Policy: Georgia Kidwell

No report.

Georgia is looking for people to go to the Shining Star luncheon on October 23rd. She asked members to give her their money so that she could send it in for the branch reservations. Jean Dodds had asked Georgia to pass around the sign up sheet for the cultural event to the Kimbell Art Museum for the Butchers, Dragons, Gods, and Skeletons exhibit on October 24th. We'll go at 11:00 a.m. so that members will have time to pick up pansies and get to the church. Lynn has arranged for the gourmet group to go to dinner that evening so it's going to be an AAUW day from morning until night. The Plano Tour of Homes is the 21st of November so Georgia passed the sign up sheet for that cultural event as well. Pat Wachter explained that there was a sheet being passed around for people to volunteer to help with the pansies.

Interbranch: Martha Matthews

The next meeting will be hosted by the Tyler branch on November 21st. The program will be very interesting. Please see the newsletter for the details.

President's Moment: Pat Wachter

Pat asked everyone to refer to the newsletter for any other information. Then President Pat Wachter announced that it was time for the birthday party.

Submitted by *Dixie Christian*
Secretary

Our Shining Star: Gloria Long

Gloria Long was honored as the Shining Star of AAUW NETC at the luncheon sponsored by The ARTS League on October 23.



Gloria Long enjoying the luncheon with her daughter.

Gloria's husband, Marvin, and their daughter.



Branch members at the luncheon.

Georgeann Gallian Fun Run/Walk

On the next page is an entry form for the Georgeann Gallian Fun Run/Walk that will be held on Saturday, November 14th to raise monies for the **Hurst Hills Georgeann Gallian Scholarship Fund**. The course will begin in front of Hurst Hills Elementary (Georgeann Gallian Way – of course!) If you aren't interested in walking or running there is a place on the form where you can volunteer and/or donate. Maybe some of our members would like to be involved.

Martha Matthews

5K/1 Mile Fun Run/Walk November 14, 2009



FUN RUN SCHEDULE:

8:00 Registration Starts
9:00 5K Fun Run/Walk Start
9:30 1 Mile Walk Start
10:00 Ribbon Awards

REGISTRATION:

\$15 Early Registration (by Nov. 3)
Packet Pick Up on Race Day

\$15 Registration on Race Day (Receive T-Shirt while supplies last)

AWARDS & RECOGNITION:

Register by November 3 to Guarantee a T-Shirt!

Runner Prizes

- Top male & female overall finishers will receive ribbons
- Ribbons to top finishers in grade/age categories: K-2nd, 3rd - 4th, 5th - 6th, 13-18, 18 & above

REGISTRATION

Race #

Mail or fax this form and payment to: Hurst Hills Elementary
Fun Run/Walk
525 Billie Ruth Lane, Hurst, TX 76053
Phone: 817-285-3295 Fax: 817-285-3208

Deadline for Early Registration: November 3, 2009

First Name Last Name

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth ____/____/____ Day Phone _____ Email: _____

T-Shirt Size Youth M Youth L Adult S Adult M L XL

I want to participate as:

- Volunteer Only (\$10 to Receive Special *Run/Walk Volunteer* T-Shirt)
- A Runner/Walker
- I would like to support the Hurst Hills Fun Run/Walk through a tax deductible donation to the Georgeann Gallian Scholarship Fund

How did you hear about the Hurst Hills Fun Run/Walk? _____

WAIVER (please read carefully & sign)

In consideration of the acceptance of this registration entry, I assume full responsibility for injury or accident that may occur during participation in this race or while on the premises of this event. I hereby release and hold harmless the sponsor, and all other promoters, persons, and entities associated with this event from any and all injury or damage, whether it be caused by the negligence of the sponsors or promoters or entities associated with this event or their agents, employees or otherwise. I further certify that I am in good physical condition and fully able to participate in this event. I also grant the Hurst Hills Elementary Fun Run volunteers and staff permission to use my photograph for any legitimate purpose. The event will be held regardless of weather conditions. Registration is final. Fees are not refundable.

Signature _____ Date _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED

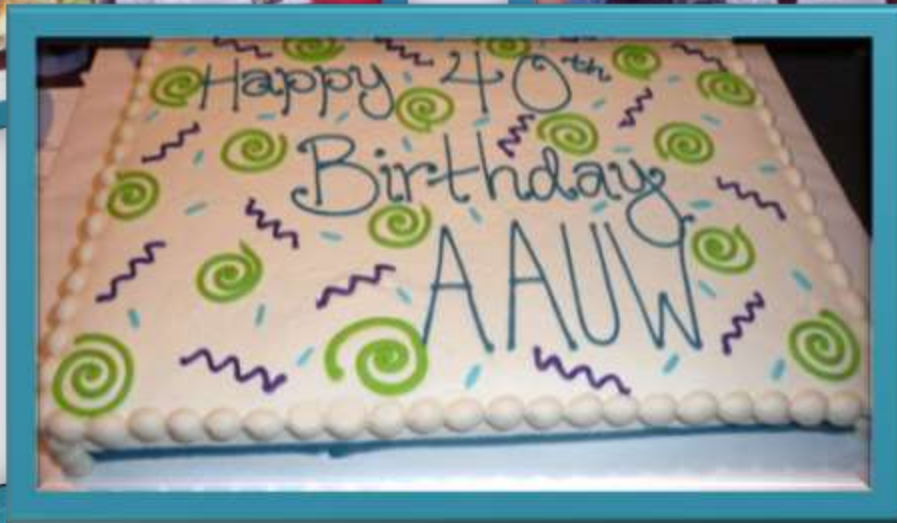
Walk/Run..... _____

Tax-Deductible Donation..... _____

Total Enclosed _____

Please make checks out to Georgeann Gallian Scholarship Fund

Branch 40th Birthday Party



AAUW Position: Balancing Work and Life - Family Friendly Workplace Policies

.AAUW believes that creating work environments that help employees balance the responsibilities of work and family is good public policy — good for workers, good for families, and good for business. AAUW's 2009-2011 Public Policy Program supports "greater availability of and access to benefits and policies that promote work-life balance," which are critical for women for "equitable access and advancement in employment."¹

Despite the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and a patchwork of state laws and employer-based benefits — many of which AAUW members helped to pass — family and personal sick leave remain elusive to many working Americans. In addition, despite the relative wealth of the United States, family oriented workplace policies in this country lag dramatically behind those in much of the rest of the world, including all high-income countries and many middle- and low-income countries as well.

While American workplace policies have lagged, the past 50 years have seen substantial changes in the composition of the American workforce. Two-thirds (64 percent) of women with children under six are in the labor force.² Nationwide, 22.9 million families provide care for an adult family member or friend, and nearly 80 percent of those care recipients are over the age of 50.³

AAUW will also work to advance policies that will improve workplaces for employees with family responsibilities of all kinds. Such protections and improvements are critical to breaking through educational and economic barriers for women.

¹ American Association of University Women. (June 2009). *2009-11 AAUW Public Policy Program*. Retrieved July 9, 2009, from http://www.aauw.org/advocacy/issue_advocacy/principles_priorities.cfm

² Lowell, Vicky. (May 2004). *No Time to be Sick: Why Everyone Suffers When Workers Don't Have Paid Sick Leave*. Institute for Women's Policy Research. Retrieved October 23, 2008, from <http://www.iwpr.org/pdf/B242.pdf>.

³ National Alliance for Caregiving and AARP. (April 2004). *Executive Summary. Caregiving in the U.S.: Findings From the National Caregiver Survey*. Retrieved October 23, 2008, from <http://www.caregiving.org/data/04execsumm.pdf>.

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Thanks for time to be together, turkey, talk, and tangy weather.
H for harvest stored away, home, and hearth, and holiday.
A for autumn's frosty art, and abundance in the heart.
N for neighbors, and November, nice things, new things to remember.
K for kitchen, kettles' croon, kith and kin expected soon.
S for sizzles, sights, and sounds, and something special that about.
That spells THANKS for joy in living and a jolly good Thanksgiving.

- Aileen Fisher, *All in a Word*



November 2009 Calendar



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>Cookie Monster's Birthday</i> <i>National Deviled Egg Day</i>	3 <i>Election Day</i> 	4 <i>National Candy Day</i> 	5 <i>National Donut Day</i> 	6 <i>Saxophone Day</i> 	7 <i>Book Lovers Day</i> 
8 <i>Cook Something Bold Day</i> 	9 <i>Parade Day</i>	10	11 <i>Veteran's Day</i> 	12 Cultural Group 8:00pm Pete's Dueling Piano Bar	13 <i>Mom's and Dad's Day</i> 	14 Branch Meeting 9:30am Martin United Methodist Church
15 <i>National Clean Out Your Refrigerator</i> 	16 Bridge Group 7pm Mary Lou Bass's home	17 <i>Homemade Bread Day</i> <i>World Peace Day</i> 	18 <i>Mickey Mouse's Birthday</i>	19 Literature Group 7:30pm Janet Key's home	20 <i>Mexican Revolution Day</i> 	21 Cultural Group 9:30am Plano Tour of Homes
22 <i>Stop the Violence Day</i>	23 <i>National Cashew Day</i>	24	25	26 	27 <i>Pins and Needles Day</i> 	28 Cultural Group 2:30pm Pantomime Eid-UI-Adha
29 <i>Square Dance Day</i> 	30 <i>Stay at Home Because You're Well Day</i>					

Upcoming AAUW Events

November 12 – Cultural Group @ Pete's Dueling Piano Bar

November 14 – Branch Meeting

November 16 – Bridge Group

November 19 – Literature Group

November 21 – Cultural Group @ Plano Tour of Homes

November 28 – Cultural Group @ KD Studio Theatre for British Pantomime Puss in Boots



The best teachers teach us to be the best.

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WE DON'T SEE THINGS AS THEY ARE; WE SEE THINGS AS WE ARE.

--**Anais Nin**

French writer and diarist

Fallen leaves lying on the grass in the November sun bring more happiness than the daffodils.

--**Cyril Connolly**

English critic & editor

Thanksgiving, after all, is a word of action.

--**W. J. Cameron**

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.

--**John Fitzgerald Kennedy**

Dull November brings the blast, Then the leaves are whirling fast.

--**Sara Coleridge**

The future is literally in our hands to mold as we like. But we cannot wait until tomorrow. Tomorrow is now.

--**Eleanor Roosevelt**

Thanksgiving Day comes, by statute, once a year; to the honest man it comes as frequently as the heart of gratitude will allow.

--**Edward Sandford Martin**



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.



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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