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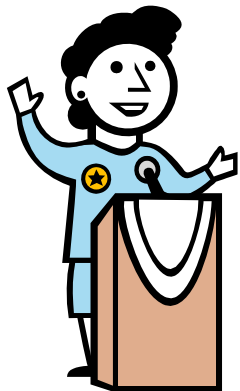
# Northeast Tarrant County Branch

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## Thoughts from the President

### Upcoming events for our Branch

The second annual **Young Women's Summit** – Passport to the Future is

quickly approaching. We will host this event on Saturday, March 29, at Tarrant County College Northeast Campus. Many of us have been very involved with this wonderful project. It is not too late for you to get involved. Please consider donating a \$25 gift card that we can use as a door prize. We will give away 25 – 30 of these so we need your contribution! Ask Margie Poole ((817) 226-2256) or [margiep4762@tx.rr.com](mailto:margiep4762@tx.rr.com) for a list of stores for

which we still need a gift card. Thank you for your generosity!

**Our AAUW State Convention** is from April 25-27 in Dallas. As part of the Northeast Texas Interbranch, we are hosts for this event. We will be registering the women attending the convention. This is a wonderful way to put on a smile, greet the conventioners, and make new friends. In addition to that, we will learn a lot about AAUW, our world, and ourselves. If you are an incoming officer for 2008 - 10, please plan to attend the convention. This is where you learn the most about your job and your duties. Don't be left out – plan to attend. So far, we have 18 women from our branch attending. The registration fee before April 3 is \$125; after April 3, it is \$175. You must mail your check to Margaret Bentley. For more information about the convention, visit [www.aauwtexas.org](http://www.aauwtexas.org).

AAUW Texas has set a goal for itself of better communication between our state organization and our membership. They publish *University Women Texas* only three times a year. Since there are many important items that we should be aware of in a more timely fashion, our state organization has implemented an email service. Please help AAUW Texas make our mission and vision successful and subscribe today. Go to [www.aauwtexas.org](http://www.aauwtexas.org) and click on Sign up Here for Texas Email. I have done so. One thing I did notice it that it will send you back a request for response (to verify it has the correct address). However, mine went into my Bulk Mail folder and I almost didn't find it. Be sure and check there if you have this folder.

Thanks for being involved with your AAUW branch!

*.Martha Matthews*

## Young Women's Summit

Young Women's Summit – Passport to the Future

March 29, 2008

Tarrant County College,  
North East Campus

If you are able to work the day of the event, please let Georgia Kidwell know since she is scheduling all volunteers. Be at Campus Corner at 8:00 a.m.

We have a wonderful and informative day planned, but we need girls! Please download a copy of the registration pamphlet from our branch web site. Get a copy and give it to a high school girl or take it to your beauty shop or nail shop – just please spread the word!

Thank you!

*Linda Adams* [Ladams529@aol.com](mailto:Ladams529@aol.com);

*Gloria Long* [gnmlong@swbell.net](mailto:gnmlong@swbell.net)

Co-Project Leaders



## KEYS Spring Activities



Spring is a special time to appreciate our KEYS faculty and staff. Our branch, acting as a PTA organization for the campus as an official Adopt-A-School Organization, will place 20 teacher treats in faculty boxes each month as a token of our appreciation to a group that advances education in our community.

In March, we will confront the caffeine issue (Teachers who are alert and active!) and we will give each teacher a \$5 gift card to McDonald's, Sonic, or Starbucks.

In April, we will address the chocolate/candy issue (the sweet tooth for our sweet teachers!) and we will give each teacher a treat bag with bakery cookies or brownies.

In May we will deliver an invitation attached to a "food treat" to our Teacher Appreciation Luncheon. (such as Rice Krispie Treats for Teachers who Snap! Crackle! and Pop!) The Luncheon will be Wednesday, May 7. Because of the daily school schedule at the KEYS campus, the teachers do not have a time during the day when they can stop teaching and enjoy a luncheon as a group. Therefore, we have decided to personally deliver a Box Lunch from a local sandwich shop to each teacher and include a special favor to each person on this faculty and staff.

Raffles held at Branch Meetings support these KEYS Projects and the \$250 Scholarship given to a deserving graduating senior in May.

Contact Donna Baumgartner by email at [donnaF107@tx.rr.com](mailto:donnaF107@tx.rr.com) to make any donations or suggestions to the KEYS projects.

*Donna Baumgartner*

KEYS Committee Chair



## MARCH Branch Meeting

Our Young Women's Summit on March 29 is our March branch "meeting!"

## On a Personal Note

### *Prayers Requested*

On March 6, Georgeann Gallian (past President of our branch) will have surgery to remove a malignant mass on her colon. She will be at HEB Hospital for 5 -7 days and then recuperating at home for 3 weeks.

### *Kudos To*

Jana Kaspar Barnes, sister of Lori Kaspar, who just published her first novel! Titled *The Adventures of Mom*, it is available on Amazon.com & Barnes and Noble.com in both hardback and paperback. Jana's website is <http://www.jkasparbarnes.com>.

## March Gourmet Group

This month Gourmet has reservations at Campania restaurant in Southlake on Saturday,



March 15 at 6:15 p.m. This Dallas favorite has finally opened an additional location in Southlake. It is a three-story operation (elevator available) that has two wood-burning

pizza ovens, a mezzanine (where we'll be dining) that also has a full bar and a rooftop dining area. The menu includes all types of pizzas (individual & larger sizes), calzones (stuffed with all types of delicious cheeses, etc.) panini grilled sandwiches of many varieties, salads & appetizers. It is located at 291 Grand Ave. conveniently adjacent to the East Parking Garage.

Come join the fun and enjoy the food and interesting company (that's us!). Remember all are welcome—friends, significant others and singles.

Let me know if you're planning to come. Please email me at [marie6908@sbcglobal.net](mailto:marie6908@sbcglobal.net).

Hope to see you there!

*Marie Iervolino*

## Quotable Women

*It is hard to apply oneself to study when there is no money to pay for food and lodging. I almost never explain these things when folks are asking me why I don't do this or that.*

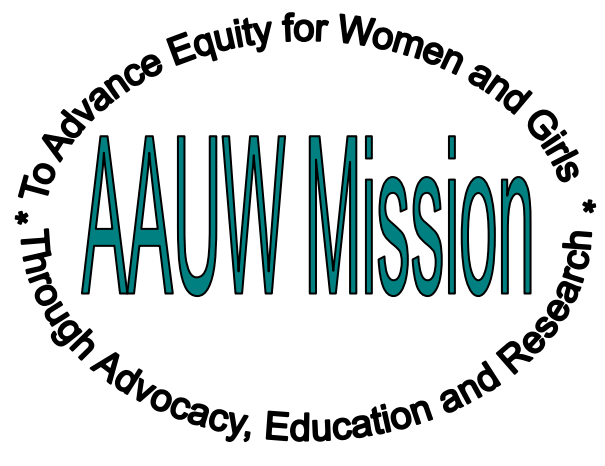
*Zora Neale Hurston*

## Pat Cheong Goes to Washington

Pat Cheong visited Washington, D.C. recently to participate in the AAUW Educational Foundation's Career Development Grants panel to select scholarship recipients.

Pat reports that AAUW had double the number of applicants this year and that the grant is now \$12,000/

Pat and her partner each read 58 applications and then together they chose 10 applications to recommend. There were many worthy candidates but not enough money to fund every applicant.



## 2006-2008 Branch Officers

President	<i>Martha Matthews</i>
Program VPs	<i>Kathy Hartzler &amp; Linda Adams</i>
Membership VPs	<i>Susan Zadeh, Wendy Pullinen &amp; Donna Baumgartner</i>
Educational Foundation VP & Legal Advocacy Fund	<i>Carol Fisher &amp; Jean Dodds</i>
Secretary	<i>Pat Wachter</i>
Treasurers	<i>Gloria Long &amp; Meg Sprenkle</i>
Cultural	<i>Jean Dodds</i>
Education / KEYS	<i>Donna Baumgartner</i>
Historian	<i>Georgia Kidwell</i>
Hospitality	<i>Georgeann Gallian &amp; Lynn Millner</i>
Interbranch Council	<i>Margie Poole</i>
Mail	<i>Wendy Pullinen</i>
Newsletter Editor	<i>Lori J. Kaspar</i>
Parliamentarian	<i>Kathy Anthon</i>
Public policy	<i>Georgia Kidwell</i>
Publicity	<i>Dena Marra</i>
Yearbook	<i>Gloria Long, Carol Fisher, &amp; Susan Zadeh</i>
Gourmet	<i>Lynn Doyle &amp; Marie Iervolino</i>
Literature	<i>Sandi Chetian</i>
Arts & Crafts	<i>Carol King</i>
Bridge	<i>Gloria Long</i>
Webmaster	<i>George Anthon</i>

For membership information, contact Susan Zadeh (817) 430-9797 or Wendy Pullinen (817) 722-8007.

Northeast Tarrant AAUW Newsletter publishes this newsletter each month (except in June & July) and each member receives it via e-mailed or regular mail.

**Deadline for articles for publication is the last day of each month.** Please e-mail articles if possible to [lori@lorikasparlaw.com](mailto:lori@lorikasparlaw.com).

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## Membership Update



Here's a little background on our recent membership trends.

Sometime in 2006, we started with a "core" membership of 73 people. To that, we added 21 new members and this gave us a total membership of 94 members by January 1, 2007. During the 2006-2007 membership overlap period, we accomplished our goal of over 100 paid memberships.

Then we lost 15 members, five to attrition and ten new members did not renew. Fortunately, we signed up 12 new members. This gave us a net loss of three members in 2007. Therefore, the total membership became 91 on January 1, 2008. Since then, we have gained two members in 2008, so the total membership to date is 93. In addition, we are still waiting from a reply from national regarding the approval of a potential member's military education.

What do these numbers tell us? We have to keep running just to stay in place!

Half-year memberships (\$35 plus \$8.50 for a name badge = \$43.50) will be available until March 15. Keep recruiting!

Thanks to everyone who has been actively recruiting new members this year. We appreciate your efforts!

*Susan Zadeh*, Membership

## Convention Volunteers Needed



Our branch volunteered to staff the registration area at the upcoming State Convention in

Dallas. If you can't attend the whole convention, this could be a good way to spend a little time there. Sign up with a friend and drive over together!

We need volunteers on these days and times:

- Thursday, April 24: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. & 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Friday, April 25: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.
- Saturday, April 26: 6:45 a.m. to 12 noon

Call Georgia Kidwell, 817-282-0712 or email her at [grgkdw@yahoo.com](mailto:grgkdw@yahoo.com) to sign up.

*Georgia Kidwell*

## Enhanced Communication

Dear AAUW Texas Branch Members:

One of the goals that AAUW Texas set for itself was to enhance communications between State and membership. We have finally found a means to do this. We ask those AAUW Texas members to subscribe to our email service, which we have contracted with A. Weber Company to provide. This company has come well recommended to us and has guaranteed us that they have the best of spam control. Several of us who have tried it out also agree that we have not received spam.

Why do we need this service? We publish *University Women Texas* three times a year. We publish the *Link* monthly but we only send it to the branch presidents. Many important things happen—we should be aware of them on a timely basis.

Hopefully, we will eventually be able to email the *UWT* to those members requesting it instead of mailing. This would help defray rising postage costs.

Please help AAUW Texas make our mission and vision successful and subscribe, today.

Go to the State website at <http://www.aauwtexas.org> and click on [sign-up](#)

[for](#) AAUW Texas e-mail. Help us keep you informed and in turn strengthen AAUW TX.

Sincerely,

*The Texas State Board*

## Bridge Group

The bridge group will meet Monday, March 10 at 7 pm at Pat Wachter's home, 6016 Iron Horse Drive in North Richland Hills.



Please let Pat know if you're coming at 817-605-8039 or [patwachter@charter.net](mailto:patwachter@charter.net).

New faces are always welcome!

*Gloria Long*

## Convention Information Source

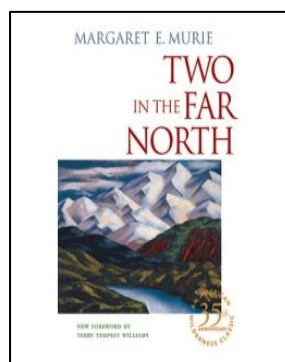
Everything you need to know about the upcoming state convention April 25-28 in Dallas is now available on our new state website: [AAUWTexas.org](http://AAUWTexas.org)

You can link to the hotel site to book your room, download the registration form, learn about the pre-convention tour, view a complete schedule of workshops and speakers, and much, much more.

*Margie Poole*

## Literature Group

Our March book is *Two in the Far North* by Margaret Murie and Terry Tempest Williams. It is a story of love and adventure in Alaska, and a moving testimonial to a beloved wild place. Murie received the Presidential Medal of Freedom for her environmental work. We



will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the “annex house” of Betty Chang, 2402 Cottonwood, Bedford. Carol Fisher will be our reviewer.

Our meetings are at 7:30 p.m. 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!

### *March 13 (note change in date!)*

Book: [Two in the Far North](#)  
 Author: Margaret Murie and Terry Tempest Williams  
 Reviewer: Carol Fisher  
 Location: Home of Betty Chang  
 2404 Cottonwood  
 Bedford 76021

### *April 17*

Book: [Eat, Pray, Love](#)  
 Author: Elizabeth Gilbert  
 Reviewer: Susan Zadeh  
 Location: Home of Sandi Chetian  
 3329 Paint Brush Lane  
 Bedford, 76021

### *May 15*

Book: [The Known World](#)  
 Author: Edward P. Jones  
 Reviewer: Gloria Long  
 Location: Home of Gloria Long

*Sandi Chetian*, Chairperson

## Meeting Minutes

### NORTHEAST TARRANT COUNTY BRANCH

Of American Association of University Women  
 General Meeting, February 9, 2008  
 Parc Place Retirement Center

Martha Matthews, President, called the meeting was to order at 10:00 a.m.  
 The minutes were approved as corrected.

Guest of Carol Fisher, Joyce Singleton was welcomed.

Program: Margie Poole introduced our speakers from Chase Bank: Cathryn Uberman and Evelyn Cannon. Cathryn is a VP from JPMorgan Chase. She spoke on “The Top 10 Money Mistakes Clients Make Over and Over”. The mistakes included not setting goals for their money to not teaching their own children basic money facts about making plans for the future and the present. She recommended some books: “The High School Money Book” by Silver; “The Millionaire Next Door” by Danko; and “If I Only Knew Then” by Grodin. Cathryn donated the aforementioned book for our EF raffle.

### Membership – Susan Zadeh

It is still unclear if AAUW will accept military training in lieu of college. ½-price membership is available until March 15: \$35 plus 8.50 for nametag.

### Treasurer – Meg Sprenkle

We are very close to being able to support two teachers for CAI.

### Programs – Kathy Hartzler

March Program will be Young Women’s Summit.

April program will be J. Frank Norris talking about his book, “Top O’ the Hill Casino”. We will meet again at Parc Place Retirement Center.

### Publicity – No report

### EF/LAF – Carol Fisher

Re: The raffle at the State Convention: We may photocopy tickets from the State Newsletter. Outright donations of \$100 merit a “pin”.

### KEYS – Donna Baumgartner

Donna explained the raffle (as above). Teacher appreciation luncheon at KEYS will be a box lunch on May 7.

### Public Policy – Georgia Kidwell

Texas may be very important in the March 4 election

Interbranch – Margie Poole (Incoming President of Interbranch.)

March 15 in Richardson is next meeting.

Call Margie to carpool.

Bridge- Gloria Long

Will be next Monday @ Jean Dodds

Cultural – Jean Dodds

No report.

Gourmet – Marie Iervolino

Copeland's in the Southlake Hilton on Saturday, the 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

Lit – Meg Sprenkle

Susan Zadeh's, Feb. 21. Betty Chang will review "The World is Flat"

On March 13 at Betty Chang's "other house", Susan Zadeh will review "Two In the Far North".

YWS – Linda Adams

They are working on a poster to put in storefronts, etc., to reach more young women for the conference YWS.

There will be a short meeting of the committee after this meeting.

Thanks to George and Kathy Anthon for the information on the website.

Hostesses – Thanks to hostesses Georgia Kidwell, Kathy Hartzler, Marie Iervolino and Dixie Christian.

State Convention – Show of hands = 10. . Be sure to register for the State Convention.

Officer Nominations – Kathy Anthon

Slate is presently incomplete.

Adjournment at 11:30

Respectfully submitted,

*Patricia Wachter*, Secretary

## Branch Meeting Schedule for 2007-2008

**March 29, 2008 – 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

Location: Young Women's Summit – Passport to the Future

Program: Tarrant County College, NE Campus, Hurst, TX

Coordinator: Linda Adams

**April 12, 2008 – 9:30 a.m.**

Location: Parc Place Retirement Center

Program: Top O' Hill Casino author J. Frank Norris

Coordinator: Kathy Hartzler

**April 25 -27, 2008**

2008 State Convention

Location: Hilton Dallas Lincoln Center, Dallas, TX

Program: Celebrating 100 Years of Investing in the Future

**May 6, 2008 – Tuesday - 6:30 p.m.**

Location: Stacy Furniture Community Room

Program: Installation of New Officers Dinner & EF/LAF Update

Coordinator: Jean Dodds and Pat Cheong

**June 14, 2008 – 9:30 a.m.**

Location: Martin Methodist Church

Program: Water Conservation / Xeriscape Landscape

Coordinator: Georgia Kidwell

### Board Meeting Dates

Wednesday, Sept. 5    Monday, February 4  
Tuesday, November 6    Tuesday, April 8  
Tuesday, January 8    Thursday, May 29

## Quotable Women

*Success has many faces*

*It need not be circumscribed by a title, a job, a cause.*

*Success is not always "getting."*

*It is more often "giving."*

*It does not consist of what we do, but rather of what we are.*

*Success is not always an accomplishment.*

*It can be a state of mind.*

*The quiet dignity of a home, the relationship of the individuals in that home.*

*The continuing expression of an inquiring mind can mean more in terms of success than all the surface symbols of status.*

*Lady Bird Johnson*

## March 2008 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 <b>VOTE!</b>	5	6	7	8
9	10 Bridge Group @ 7 p.m. – home of Pat Wachter	11	12	13 Lit Group @ 7:30 p.m. – “annex home” of Betty Chang	14	15 Gourmet @ 6:15 – Campania in Southlake
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 Young Women’s Summit – TCC North East Campus
30	31	<p><b>Upcoming AAUW Events</b></p> <p>April 12 – Meeting: <u>Top O’ Hill Casino</u> Author</p> <p>April 25 – 28 – AAUW State Convention</p> <p>May 6 – Meeting: Installation of Officer and Dinner at Stacy’s</p>				

**Martin**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Unless otherwise noted, all branch meetings are held at  
**Martin United Methodist Church**  
 2621 Bedford Road, Bedford, Texas 76201



### 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.



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