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*American Association of University Women*

## Northeast Tarrant County Branch

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### Thoughts from the President

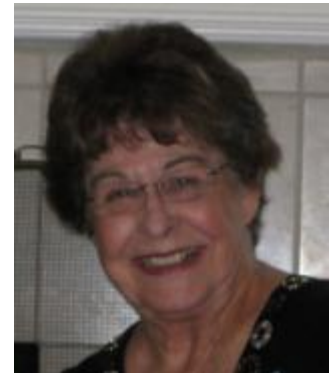
Our 2008-09 year has begun even before our first real meeting. And what a start it was! We held our Membership Brunch at the lovely home of Pat Cheong. Our organizers were Pat Boeckenstedt and Janet Key. They did a wonderful work from invitations to the event. We all brought great brunch treats from egg dishes to fruits to yummy rolls. Amazing! We had the most interesting guests (most of whom became members – on the spot). Again, our new members are from a wonderful variety of backgrounds and you will be delighted when you meet them.

Northeast Tarrant County Branch of AAUW embodies the best of AAUW. We seem to be able to embrace great fun while balancing our more serious goals of making the most of women's talents by supporting their efforts through scholarships and our efforts to support younger women by events designed to open their eyes to their futures.

The Membership Brunch highlighted our purposes by Georgia Kidwell's talk about the history of the Branch. Other members talked about our ongoing activities: Support of the National Educational Foundation, The Legal Advocacy Fund, Interbranch Council, KEYS (Our Adopted School), Monthly Programs, Cultural events, Bridge, Gourmet and Literature.

The Membership Brunch reignites our passions to give back some of what we, as women, have been given, and, to have a great time in the process.

*Pat Wachter*



*September 13, 2008 – 9:30 a.m.  
Branch Meeting  
Update on Tarrant County College District  
At Martin United Methodist Church*

2008-2010 Officers

President	<i>Pat Wachter</i>
Program VPs	<i>Donna Baumgartner &amp; Dena Marra</i>
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Education / KEYS	<i>Donna Baumgartner &amp; Kathy Hartzler (Committee: Nelda Rogers, Georgia Kidwell, Pat Lucas)</i>
Historian	<i>Georgia Kidwell</i>
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Public policy	<i>Georgia Kidwell &amp; Mary Lou Bass</i>
Publicity	<i>Carol King</i>
Photographer	<i>Linda Adams</i>
Yearbook	<i>Gloria Long, Martha Matthews &amp; Meg Sprenkle</i>
Gourmet	<i>Lynn Milner (Committee: Barbara Brasco, Pat Wachter, Anna Holzer, &amp; Kathy Anthon)</i>
Literature	<i>Pat Lucas</i>
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Northeast Tarrant AAUW Newsletter publishes this newsletter each month (except in June & July) and each member receives it via e-mail. **Deadline for articles for publication is the last day of each month.** Please e-mail articles to bhargrove@transsolutions.com.

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Membership Update

We had a record turnout for the New Member Brunch on August 23!

Of the five guests, two signed up as new members on the spot. Three others indicated they would be joining. Also, we acquired two new members who joined at Book Club. We're four new members and counting.

Special thanks to Pat Cheong who generously opened her doors to us!

Look forward to seeing everyone in September.

*Janet Key & Pat Boeckenstedt*  
Membership VP's



  
Debbie Self  




  
Lola Richert  




## Shining Star

We are proud to announce that Donna Baumgartner will represent our Branch at

the Shining Star Luncheon. Since joining AAUW in 2000, Donna Baumgartner immediately became involved in all aspects of our organization. She has served as Membership Vice-President, Chaired our Education/KEYS Committee and is currently Program Vice-President. She continues our organization's commitment to the HEB's KEYS school, providing support to the students and teachers throughout the school year. She has been honored as an AAUW Education Foundation Named Gift Recipient.

Donna and her husband Gary have blended their families and a daughter and now enjoy four grandchildren. She has taught 30 years. Currently she teaches Advanced Academics English at Harwood Junior High.

The Shining Star Luncheon will be Friday, October 24 at Dallas Marriot Las Colinas. The tickets are \$60. per person . We will have a table at the luncheon. Please plan to attend to honor Donna. You can make your reservation through me.

*Georgia Kidwell*  
Shining Star Committee

## Voter Registration

FYI: Last Day to register to vote in Texas for the presidential election is October 6, 2008. To register to vote, get all the information and your options at: [www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqvr.shtml](http://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/reqvr.shtml). For friends/family out-of-state, see [www.wvww.org](http://www.wvww.org).

## Pansy Sale

Just a reminder that EF/LAF's annual major fundraiser: the selling of pansy flats to our members, family and friends is now taking place. We will be taking orders for these flats thru Monday, Sept.22. The flats will be made available for pick-up at Dena Marra's home in Colleyville on Saturday, Oct.25. We will also need volunteers for unloading and delivery of the flats on these two dates (Fri., Oct.24 & Sat., Oct.25). Pages 7 thru 9 of this newsletter have all the info: a pansy selection sheet, and two order forms--one is for individual sales and the other is for members who are selling to multiple buyers.

Due to the high cost of printing these forms, we ask that you print several copies of each, for yourself and prospective buyers. As you know, the proceeds for this fundraiser will be to our scholarship fund. Please click on the attachment to print and make several extra copies of each form to be distributed at our first meeting, Sept. 13. We hope to see you at the meeting. Thank you!

*Lynn Doyle & Marie Iervolino*  
EF/LAF VP's

## Cultural

**The Cultural Group will go to the Kimbell Museum following the meeting on Saturday, September 13. We will have lunch there, then see "[The Impressionists](#)" exhibition.**

**Members are free, Adults \$16, Seniors (60 and over) \$14. Please let me know if you plan to go with us. We will carpool from Martin. Georgia Kidwell, 817-282-0712 or [grgkdw@yahoo.com](mailto:grgkdw@yahoo.com)**



*Georgia Kidwell*  
Cultural Committee

## On a Personal Note ...

### *Our Sympathy*

To *Meg Sprenkle & Elizabeth Forester* on the death of husband & father, Skip.  
(August 5, 2008)  
Service was held August 23.

To *Kathy Hartzler* on the death of her sister.

### *Our Congratulations*

To *Aileen Curtin* on her appointment as Director of Doctoral Program in Education at Texas Wesleyan. A well deserved honor.

## Bridge Group

The next meeting of the Bridge Group is Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. This month's hostess is Jean Dodds, [4805 Mill Brook Drive, Colleyville 76034](http://www.aauw.org).

Please let Jean know if you are coming and if you are bringing a guest. Guests are always welcome. Minimal bridge experience is required. We play to learn and to have fun. Contact Jean at 817-428-1316 or [jdodds0630@aol.com](mailto:jdodds0630@aol.com).



*Gloria Long*

Bad officials are elected by good citizens who don't vote.

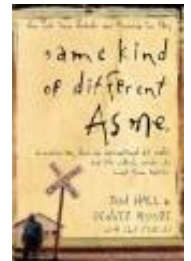
- George Jean Nathan

## Literature Group



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.

September 18: "The Same Kind of Different as Me" by Ron Hall, Denver Moore, and Lynn Vincent. Our reviewer is Meg Sprenkle. Location: Jean Dodds' home at [4805 Mill Brook Drive, Colleyville 76034](http://www.aauw.org).



October 16 Group discussion of a favorite Sherlock Holmes by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle



November 20 "The Glass Castle" by Jeannette Walls. Our reviewer is Carol Fisher

December – No meeting

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

### *LIT GROUP Schedule at a glance*

#### *September 18*

Book: *The Same Kind of Different as Me*  
Author: Ron Hall, Denver Moore, and Lynn Vincent  
Reviewer: Meg Sprenkle  
Location: Jean Dodds' home

#### *October 16*

Book: *Favorite Sherlock Holmes*  
Author: Sir Arthur Conan Doyle  
Reviewer:  
Location: To be determined

## News from KEYS



KEYS Kids Need School Supplies! Please stalk the sales and then bring school supplies to our branch meeting on Saturday, September 13. We will deliver these supplies to the KEYS Campus on Monday, September 15. Thanks for your generous help!

- Packages of Notebook Paper
- #2 Pencils
- Hand-Held Pencil Sharpeners
- Blue or Black Ink Pens
- Highlighters
- Colored Pencils
- Post It Notes
- Markers - Fine Line and Fat Line
- Boxes of Kleenex
- Hand Sanitizer

*Donna Baumgartner*  
KEYS Chair

## The 'Out-to-Dinner' Group (aka Gourmet)

Our first meeting of the year will be September 20, at 6:30 pm at Italy Pasta and Pizza, [6751 Bridge Street, Fort Worth, 76112](#). This is off South 820 at Bridge and very convenient to the Mid-Cities area.

This is a BYOB restaurant, so in addition to reasonably-priced food you can enjoy your favorite beverage/wine/beer...with your dinner. There are no reservations, so please arrive promptly at 6:30 pm. I will get to the restaurant early to make sure our table is set-up and ready for us!

To make reservation, email [l\\_millner@yahoo.com](mailto:l_millner@yahoo.com) or 817-589-2053. Deadline is Wednesday, September 17.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

*Lynn Millner*  
Gourmet Chair

## Branch Meeting Schedule for 2008-2009

**September 13, 2008 –Saturday – 9:30 a.m.**

Location: Martin United Methodist Church  
Program: Update on Tarrant County College District"

**October 9, 2008 – Thursday – 6:30 p.m.**

Location: Raven's Grill  
Program: KEYS Principal  
Dr. June Jacoby

**November 8, 2008 – Saturday -- 9:30 a.m.**

Location: Martin United Methodist Church  
Program: JFK book overview by author  
Jim Gatewood

**December 13, 2008 – Saturday – time TBA**

Location: Stacy's Furniture Community Room, Grapevine  
Program: Holiday Brunch and Silent Auction for EF/LAF

**December TBA**

Holiday Party for Members and Guests  
& Giving Tree for KEYS Faculty

**January 10, 2009 –Saturday – 9:30 a.m.**

Location: Martin United Methodist Church  
Program: Women in Afghanistan

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

Location: Martin United Methodist Church  
Program: How to be a Patient Advocate – Medical Awareness

**March 12, 2009 – Thursday – 6:30 p.m.**

Location: North Richland Hills Library  
Program: Update on Tarrant County Public Transportation Issues

**April 11, 2009 – Saturday – 9:30 a.m.**

Location: Martin United Methodist Church  
Program: Work-Related Issues Facing Today's Families  
Texas Tech Presenter

**May 9, 2009 – Saturday – 9:30 a.m.**

Location: Martin United Methodist Church  
Program: Computer & Internet Safety

**June 7, 2009 – Sunday – 3:00 p.m.**

Location: TBA  
Program: Annual Program Planning

**Board Meeting Dates – 7:00 p.m.**

Tuesday, September 9	Tuesday, February 10
Monday, October 6	Monday, March 9
Tuesday, November 4	Tuesday, April 7
Tuesday, January 6	Tuesday, May 5

Unless otherwise noted, all branch meetings are held at  
**Martin United Methodist Church -**  
[2621 Bedford Road,](#)  
Bedford, Texas 76021



## Brunch Photos



## Hot AAUW Model!

Check out the poster below for a recent United Way Public Policy event. We're always proud to claim Georgia as one of our own... but who knew she was such a HOT model??? Next year...cover of *Vogue*, maybe?

Pre-Legislative Health & Human Services Forum

## Strategic Partnerships

Co-sponsored by:

United Way of Tarrant County

TCU Center for Civic Literacy

Tarrant Area Gerontological Society

Date: Tuesday, August 19

Time: 1:30 - 2:00 Registration and Check-in

2:00 - 4:30 Forum

Place: Texas Christian University

Dee J. Kelly Alumni Center,  
2820 Stadium Drive, Fort Worth

Featuring:

- Elected Officials
- James Riddlesperger, TCU
- J.R. Labbe, Star-Telegram
- Steve Jacob, Star-Telegram
- Stephen Waddell, Birdville ISD
- Jason Sabo, United Ways of Texas
- Lynda Ender, Texas Senior Advocacy Coalition

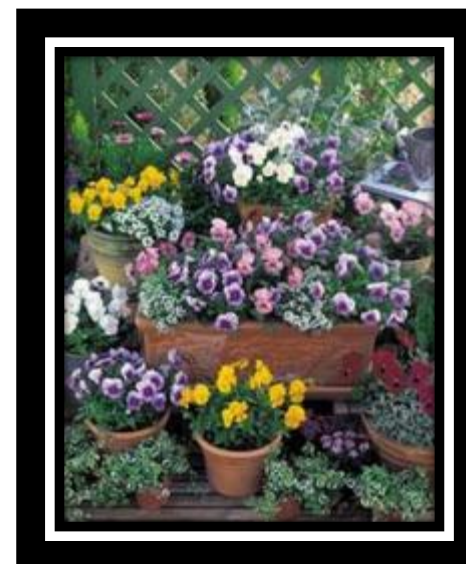


Space is limited.

RSVP by August 13 to  
[vpalacios@uwmtc.org](mailto:vpalacios@uwmtc.org)

817-258-8058

**FALL PANSY COLOR SELECTIONS**



CROWN					MAJESTIC						Imperial
Mix	Azure	Yellow	White	Blue	Mix	Yellow	White	Scarlet	Purple	Blue	Beaconsfield

**Ideal for mass plantings to provide great expanses of color; good for garden borders, container use - ideal garden plants. Pansies thrive in full sun to bright filtered light, and provide great quantities of color for enjoyment.**

**18- 4" Pots Per Flat \$16.00 Per Flat - Delivered to Dena Marra, 302 Covington Way, Colleyville on Saturday, October 25, 2008: Make Checks Payable to: NE Tarrant County Branch AAUW**



## Fall Pansy Order Form



AAUW Member Name \_\_\_\_\_

Customer Name	Customer Address	Phone #	CROWN					MAJESTIC					Imperial Beaconsfield	Total # of Flats	X \$16 Per Flat = Total \$	
			Mix	Azure	Yellow	White	Blue	Mix	Yellow	White	Scarlet	Purple				Blue
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- ❖ Order now for order deadline Monday, September 22, 2008; delivery Saturday, October 25, 2008
- ❖ Proceeds from this sale will go to scholarships.
- ❖ **\$16.00** for a flat of 18-4” beautiful plants
- ❖ Make checks payable to NE Tarrant County Branch AAUW / checks due with orders
- ❖ Contact Marie Iervolino at [marie6908@sbcglobal.net](mailto:marie6908@sbcglobal.net), 817-788-0834  
6908 Bernadine Dr, Watauga for more information or to order
- ❖ Delivered to Dena Marra, 302 Covington Way, Colleyville on Saturday, October 25, 2008

### Fall Pansy Order Form - Single



## Northeast Tarrant County Branch of American Association of University Women Fall Pansy Sale

- ❖ Order now for order deadline Monday, September 22, 2008; delivery Saturday, October 25, 2008
- ❖ Proceeds from this sale will go to scholarships.
- ❖ **\$16.00** for a flat of 18 beautiful plants
- ❖ Make checks payable to NE Tarrant County Branch AAUW / checks due with orders
- ❖ Contact Marie Iervolino at [marie6908@sbcglobal.net](mailto:marie6908@sbcglobal.net), 817-788-0834  
6908 Bernadine Dr, Watauga for more information or to order

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Sold by AAUW member - \_\_\_\_\_

Order will be picked up by \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Flats will be delivered October 25, 2008 at Dena Marra's, 302 Covington Way,  
Colleyville

**Crown:** # \_\_\_\_ mixed # \_\_\_\_ azure, # \_\_\_\_ yellow, # \_\_\_\_ white, # \_\_\_\_ blue,

**Majestic:** # \_\_\_\_ mixed # \_\_\_\_ yellow, # \_\_\_\_ white, # \_\_\_\_ scarlet,  
# \_\_\_\_ purple, # \_\_\_\_ blue,

**Imperial:** # \_\_\_\_ Beaconsfield

**Total # \_\_\_\_\_ of flats @ \$16.00 each = \_\_\_\_\_ Total Due**

## September 2008 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Labor Day</i>  <i>Ramadan starts (thru Sept 30)</i>	2	3	4 <i>Newspaper Carrier Day</i>	5 <i>Be Late for Something Day</i>	6 <i>Read a Book Day</i>
7 <i>Grandparent's Day</i>	8 <i>International Literacy Day</i>	9 <b>Board meeting</b> 7pm	10	11 <b>Bridge Group</b> 7:00 p.m. Jean Dodds' home	12 <i>Chocolate Milk Shake Day</i>	13 <b>Branch Meeting</b> 9:30 a.m Martin UMC
14	15	16 <i>Step Family Day</i>	17 <i>Constitution Day</i>	18 <b>Lit Group</b> 7:30 p.m. – Jean Dodds' home	19 <i>POW/MIA Recognition Day</i>	20 <b>Gourmet Group</b> 6:30 p.m Italy Pizza & Pasta
21 <i>National Women's Friendship Day</i>	22 <b>PANSY ORDERS DUE!!!</b>	23	24	25	26 <i>Native American Day</i>	27
28 <i>Ask a Stupid Question Day</i>	29 <i>Rosh Hashana (begins at sundown)</i>	30 <i>Rosh Hashana</i>				

### Upcoming AAUW Events

September 13 – Branch meeting

September 22: PANSY SALE Orders Due



### 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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We're on the Web!

See us at:

[www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)

&

[www.aauwnetarrant.org](http://www.aauwnetarrant.org)

#### 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.



For information on the AAUW's history, read the article, "Founding Mothers". Available at [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)

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