



AAUW CONNECTION MORTON, ILLINOIS BRANCH September 2015

Mission Statement: AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research.

Vision Statement: AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

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President's message

Hello Morton AAUW Members,

First of all our sympathies are with Patti Erwin and her family on the recent loss of her mother.

Hope this finds you keeping cool during our latest heat wave! The smell of pumpkins is in the air which means Pumpkin Festival time is approaching as well as our 2015-16 Morton AAUW year.

I am so thankful for the great work Morton AAUW does and for those serving on committees, chairladies, and officers. That said, many thanks to Betty Fugitt for the wonderful job putting together our program booklet and having it printed. These will be available at our September meeting.

Be thinking of friends you can bring to our first meeting on September 8th, which is our Salad Supper with Lindsay Ropp, the 2014 Pumpkin Idol Winner performing. Your AAUW Board will be treating you to delicious salads and desserts.

Watch for a great surprise as we celebrate our 40th year in December. We are celebrating 40 years of growing intellectually, furthering the advancement of women, and serving the community.

On October 24, the Districts 2 and 3 Fall meeting will take place in Springfield, IL at the Public Library from 10:00-2:00 PM. Please let me know if you would like to attend.

It is a pleasure to be a part of this board and I look forward to serving all of you this year.

Morton AAUW President
-Judy Griffin

Program News

Our first AAUW meeting of the year will be our annual salad supper on Tues. Sept. 8th at 6:30 P.M. This meeting will be held at Green Acres, which is located on Lakeland road in Morton. To get there travel west on Jackson St. until you come to Veteran's Rd. Turn right on Veteran's and travel a short distance to Lakeland Rd. Turn right on Lakeland and just go a short ways until you see some trees on the left. There is a driveway past these trees and that is the entrance. There are 2 large Morton Buildings there and our meeting will be in the one that is farthest north. It is not hard to find in the daylight.

All board members should bring a salad. Many of you signed up at the last Board meeting as to what you would bring. Jan and I are providing the desserts. **Please bring any friends** that you think might be interested in joining our AAUW chapter. Our entertainment that night will be Lindsey Ropp, last year's Pumpkin Idol winner. Thanks to Susan Scott for arranging this. We look forward to seeing everyone and catching up.

-Deb Elliott & Jan Martin

Treasurer Report

In July, the budget meeting was held with the President, Treasurer and Program Vice-Presidents and several other members in attendance. The Proposed Budget was presented to the Board at the August Board Meeting for discussion. The membership will votes on the Proposed Budget at the September Meeting.

-Linda Young

Community News

Sweet Shop at the Pumpkin Fest:

Join your AAUW friends volunteering at the Sweet Shop at the Pumpkin Festival on Wednesday, September 16th from 4pm-7pm.

Those who have signed up so far (confirmed)

Cheri Patterson

Roberta Beutel

Deb Elliott

Karen Loudermilk

Judy Griffin

Joan Rice

We are looking for **four more volunteers**. There will be a sign-up sheet at our meeting or call Cheri at 263-0161 if you want to be included.

-Cheri and Mike

Hostess News

Just a reminder that hostesses for the AAUW Salad Supper on September 8 at 6:30 are **Board members**. Board members are bringing salads. See everyone at Green Acres near corner of Veteran's Road and Lakeland Road.

October 13 hostesses at the Morton Public Library are Marti Atwater, Betty Fugitt, Judy Griffin, and Beverly Shull.

Hostesses for the October 27 Board Meeting at Morton Tourism are Judy Griffin and Susan Scott.

-Kay Lindley

Matin-As

Here are some movie ideas.

Riverfront Museum Movie Musicals on the Giant Screen

September 5th Singing in the Rain

September 12 Les Miserables

6 PM

Adult \$7.50

Senior \$6.50

Anyone interested in going to either one of these? Let me know. We may want to purchase tickets beforehand?

-Patti Erwin

Lunch Bunch

Judy Petefish is willing to organize a monthly, or whatever "Lunch Bunch" this year. Please consider if this is something you would be interested in doing. We will discuss it at the September meeting. Also, please think about what locations the Lunch Bunch should visit this year.

-Judy Petefish

Looking Back...

Picture from our *Arts in the Admin Building*, oh, I mean *Arts in the Park* concession stand this past June.

