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“AAUW advances equity for all women and girls through advocacy, education and research. 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.”

Research and Stewardship of the Rosenfeld Collection at Mystic Seaport Museum

Thursday, April 11, 2019
Waterford Public Library

6:15 p.m. Refreshments
6:45 p.m. Business Meeting
7:00 p.m. Program



Carol Mowrey,
Research Librarian/
Rosenfeld Specialist
will speak to us this
month about the
Rosenfeld Collection.
“With more than one

million objects, the Rosenfeld Collection is the largest collection of marine photography in the United States. The collection chronicles various maritime activities circa 1890’s through 1992. MSM was recently awarded a ‘Save America’s Treasures’ grant for the restoration of negatives deteriorating because of Vinegar Syndrome – this procedure will also be discussed.”

Carol Mowrey, is glad for the opportunity to speak to our group. She has a BS in Chemistry and worked as a chemist for 20 years. After obtaining a MLS in Library Science (a complete career change), she has been at the Mystic Seaport Museum in her present job for the past 7 years.

Improv with Kristin Hartnett At the May Banquet

Thursday, May 9, 2019
Langley’s Country Club

4:45 - 5:30 P.M. Social time
5:30 – 5:45 P.M. Meeting
5:45 - 7:00 P.M. Dinner
7:00 P.M. Program

Our May banquet will feature improv with Kristin Hartnett who has been an Improv artist for more than a decade. She trained in Florida, and upon completion of the program she started her own company. Laugh works Inc. LLC was an amazing group of artists. She taught all of the basic techniques involved with improv. Improv opens up your eyes to the possibilities by affirming situations and relationships and working creatively with other people. Improv is used to help relationships, develop deeper friendships, and learn to think on your feet. Working with Kristen is Joanne Moore, a licensed physical therapist who owns her own business in East Lyme, Shoreline Physical Therapy. Joanne began improv classes after the loss of her



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April/May and beyond at a Glance

- April 11 Branch Meeting
- April 17 Book Discussion Group
- May 9 Branch Meeting
- May 15 Book Discussion Group
- June 12 Book Selection Meeting
- August 15 News & Views Deadline



President's Message

Dear Ladies,



Happy Spring!!! I know the flowers and trees will bloom quickly and beautifully. As I'm sure you will agree, our February and March speakers were outstanding. Marti Bradshaw explained how she and her husband, John had given countless hours volunteering with the Lakota Tribe in South Dakota. Marti's work should be an inspiration to all of us. We received a thank you from SIMPLY SMILE, INC. signed by Bryan Nurnberger, President and Founder, acknowledging our \$50 donation to be used wherever needed most on the Lakota Reservation. On Thursday night, March 14, Ann Shapiro, Musician and Storyteller, entertained us with American folk tales and hilarious stories. Ann is Director of Connecticut Storytellers

As you all know, I am totally interested in helping girls and women succeed in their educational pursuits. This month, I am writing about SOLVING THE EQUATION: The Variables for Women's Success in Engineering and Computing, which I copied from AAUW's website. SOLVING THE EQUATION asks why there are few women in the critical fields of engineering and computing—and explains what we can do to make these fields open to and desirable for female employees.

More than ever before girls are studying and excelling in science and mathematics. Yet the dramatic increase in girls' educational achievements in scientific and mathematical subjects has not been matched by similar increases in the representation of women working as engineers and computing professionals. Just 12% of engineers are women, and the number in computing has fallen from 35% in 1990 to just 26% today. The numbers are especially low for Hispanics and American Indian women. Black women make up 1% in the engineering workforce and 3% of the computing workforce, while Hispanic women hold just 1% of jobs in each field. American Indian and Alaska Native women make up just a fraction of a percent in each workforce.

So what is AAUW doing? AAUW has a long history of opening doors for women and girls in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) from the classroom to Capitol Hill. The STEM fields are rapidly becoming the most in-demand and lucrative in the world. The road ahead is very long, but AAUW has already seen progress. Change is possible for women through AAUW's proven resources, and they will continue to push for gender equity in their programs.

AAUW is offering Career Development Grants to women who hold a bachelor's degree and are pursuing to advance or change careers to reenter the workforce. Primary consideration is given to women of color and women pursuing their first advanced degree or credentials in nontraditional fields. SO HOPE AND HELP ARE ON THE WAY!!!
Best, Gay

Book Discussion Group



The April book is *The Girl Who Wrote in Silk* by Kelli Estes. Barbara Guerra and Nancy McDonough will be the discussion

leaders. The afternoon group will at the East Lyme Senior Center at 2 pm and the evening group will meet at the Waterford Library at 7 pm on April 17, 2019.



The May book is *Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly. Mary Wassung and Jeanne O'Connell will be the discussion leaders. The afternoon group will be back to the East Lyme library and the evening group at the Waterford Library on May 15, 2019.

The two groups will join together to choose books for next year on June 12, 2019. We will meet at the Waterford Library at 6:30 pm on the second Wednesday instead of the third. Light refreshments will be served.



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Hospitality

The following members signed up for refreshments in April



- Meg Wilhelms--brownies
- Gale Bradbury--cheese/crackers
- Jeanne O'Connell--cookies
- Elizabeth Hume--Baked good
- Edna Gilstad--coffee

Thank you to all the members who brought refreshments this year.

Elizabeth Hume

New London Branch AAUW Meeting Minutes February 14, 2019

President Gay Clarkson opened the meeting at 7:40 pm by welcoming all attending including guests.

Treasurer's Report

Checking Account: \$4,074.07, Savings Account: \$1,104.67, CD: \$1,750.28 for a grand total of \$6,929.02.

New Business

Jean Coyne, from the scholarship committee, reported that a senior from a high school had applied for an AAUW scholarship. In the past, an AAUW scholarship has been awarded to a return to college applicant. She asked the membership if they wanted to continue to support a return to college person or to support a high school senior. The membership expressed the desire to support a return to college person. Three Rivers College will be contacted to nominate a candidate.

Sierra Jennings from Connecticut College is going to the NCCWSL leadership conference. The state AAUW has contributed \$250 towards expenses. STEP is giving money for transportation to and from the conference.

Gay is looking for an enticement to increase membership. She suggested a pot luck supper to include potential new members.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda C. Shailor

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husband. In doing so, it opened up her heart again. It allowed her to have friendships at a deeper level and to heal the wounds of a broken heart. Joanne and Kristin will be working together along with other artists to show and engage the audience helping people to laugh, to love and to send positive energy into the world.

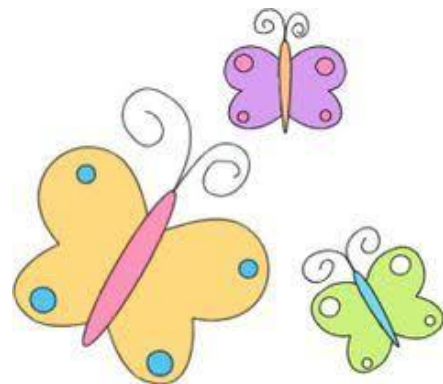
New London Branch AAUW Meeting Minutes March 14, 2019

The meeting opened at 6:45 pm with President Gay Clarkson welcoming all in attendance. She read the mission statement. She called upon Kim Blake for ideas to increase membership which include the formation of special interest groups i.e. theatre, books, etc. Also suggested was a tea or pot luck with members bringing a guest. A new brochure with AAUW activities and programs will be available. Planned activity for May 1 is lunch and a movie. Treasurer's Report
Checking Account: \$4,324.07

Gale Bradbury stated that the deadline for the next newsletter is March 21. Patty Carver, author and singer, will be featured at the Ledyard Senior Center at 2:00 pm March 24.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda C. Shailor



Membership Dues Renewal

It will soon be time to renew your dues for next year. A renewal form is included in this newsletter and is also available on the branch website at <https://newlondon-ct.aauw.net/files/2019/03/Duesrenewal19-20.pdf>
Dues for next year should be paid by June 30, 2018.



May Banquet

The May banquet is coming quickly. Use the reservation form below to reserve your spot. This is a great opportunity to introduce a friend to AAUW. The banquet will be at Langley's Country Club, 28 Lamphere Road, Waterford.

Give A Grad a Gift



Do you know any new college graduates? What better gift can you give than a FREE one-year AAUW membership! As an AAUW member you have the power to gift ANY number of free one-year AAUW memberships to recent college graduates. Give one, give 100, or give 1,000! Don't let this opportunity pass you by. For more information go to <https://www.aauw.org/resource/give-a-grad-a-gift/>



May Banquet at Langley's Country Club Featuring Improv with Kristin Hartnett Thursday, May 9, 2019

Name _____ Guest _____

(Please list initials of each person beside the food choice)

Total Enclosed _____

Entrees: _____ Chicken Marsala with Twice Baked Potato & Seasonal Grilled Vegetables
_____ Salmon with Twice Baked Potato & Seasonal Grilled Vegetables
_____ Marinated Flank Steak with Twice Baked Potato & Seasonal Grilled Vegetables
_____ Vegetarian meal available upon request

All meals include a house tossed salad Coffee, tea and dessert. Cash bar available.

Price of meal including tax and gratuity \$40.00

Please return reservation form by Wednesday, May 1, 2019 with your check payable to AAUW New London Branch, to Jeanne O'Connell, 6 Lantern Lane, Niantic, CT 06357.

**NEW LONDON BRANCH A.A.U.W.
MEMBERSHIP DUES 2019-2020**



Dues renewal time is fast approaching. Checks for the coming year are due in by June 30th. An early response would be much appreciated.

Types of Membership

Association Member:	National	\$ 59.00	
	State	10.00	
	Branch	16.00	\$ 85.00 _____
Association Life Member:	National	\$0.00	
	State	10.00	
	Branch	16.00	\$ 26.00 _____
Honorary Life Member:	50 year member		Exempt _____
Student Member:	(From a CT college/university affiliated with AAUW)		Exempt _____
Dual Member:	Membership through another branch		\$ 16.00 _____
Study Group Guest:	Ineligible for Association membership		\$ 15.00 _____
Book Group Contribution:	(Suggested donation \$10)		\$ _____
Optional Contribution:			\$ _____

(Where would you like the contribution to go ie EF, LAF, local scholarship, etc.)

Please send this entire form with your check made payable to: AAUW New London Branch, C/O Jeanne O'Connell, 6 Lantern Lane, Niantic, CT 06357.

NAME _____ TELEPHONE _____

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(To receive News and Views and regular news updates).

College(s) Attended _____ Degree(s) received _____

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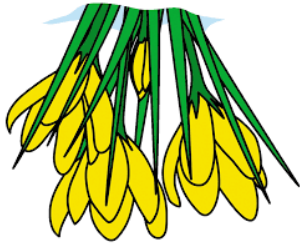
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