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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."

American Association of University Women AAUW: Who are We?

Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2022
Note we have changed our meeting night
Time: 6:15 p.m. Refreshments
6:45 p.m. Business Meeting
7:00 p.m. Program
Place: Waterford Public Library



The September program will feature Nana Amos, President of Connecticut AAUW, discussing the organization and who we are. AAUW is a National organization that fights for Gender Equity and Economic Security of women and girls. Join us to meet the Connecticut AAUW President, and learn more about this important organization.

Become part of your local branch and help us help others. Nana Amos has over two decades of experience in human rights programming and higher education. She began her career as a program assistant with University Events, later serving as a Program Coordinator. She was then promoted to manage the UNESCO Chair & Institute of Comparative Human Rights based at the University of Connecticut. For the past 5 years, she has worked as the human rights program manager at the

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September at a Glance

- September 21 Branch Meeting
- September 14 Book Discussion Group
- September 22 News and Views Deadline



New London Branch of AAUW to Continue

The Program Committee met over the summer and based on the results of the survey taken last spring felt we would continue for another year. Although the number of responses was low 15 members answered yes to continue with only 1 no vote. There were several suggestions to change the evening (any evening but Thursday), to continue meeting at Waterford Library and to perhaps meet in the afternoon particularly during the winter months. While afternoon meetings sound appealing to many – it will make it difficult to attract younger members who may be working and it may also be difficult to find speakers available. The Committee decided to continue meeting in the evening on the second Wednesday of the month with September's meeting on the third Wednesday because of a conflict for the Waterford Library that month. September is dedicated to recruiting new members and we ask for your help in doing so. Members are asked to invite at least one person to the meeting. Nana Amos, the CT state President will provide information about the organization. I am including a flyer describing the program and ask that you print or email a copy to anyone you think might be interested.

If you have not renewed your dues please consider doing so. We have some interesting programs planned for this year and want to provide a suitable sized audience for the speakers. Some of the topics include the early voting initiative, Climate, Legislation and Tipping Points, The Last Green valley and Tea with Eleanor Roosevelt which we will cosponsor with the Waterford Library. The New London Branch of AAUW has existed for over 100 years since 1917! Help us stay strong for another 100 years!



See you on September 21 and remember to bring a friend or two.

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University's Dodd Impact. Ms. Amos also serves as one of two University representatives to the American Association of University Women (AAUW).

Our meeting night is changing to Wednesday this year. We will meet on the third Wednesday for September but will generally meet the second Wednesday unless otherwise noted.



Scholarship Report

The Scholarship Committee, chaired by Kim Blake, with Elizabeth and Kathy Hume as members, worked with other board members to create a New London Branch Scholarship application form modeled on one provided by the Lower CT Valley branch. This form, as well as instructions for applying, are now posted on the New London Branch website. Please share this information with any eligible female students.

News and Views is published 5 times a year by AAUW and sent to members of the New London Branch. Editor: Gale Bradbury 12 Heritage Drive, Stonington, Ct. 06378, fax # (860)464-9927, email: <u>bradbury@ledyard.lioninc.org</u>. The deadline for submissions is the third Thursday of the month. Branch President: Vacant Membership VP: Kim Blake, <u>kajblake@gmail.com</u>.

Hospitality



In September, the board will bring the refreshments. Come to the meeting--bring a friend--enjoy some great refreshments!

Elizabeth Hume

Book Discussion Group



The September book is *This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger. Barbara Guerra will

be the discussion leader. The book group will meet on September 14, 2022 at the Waterford Library from 2-4 pm. This month we will be meeting on the second Wednesday instead of the third.



The October book is *The Seed Keeper* by Diane Wilson. Meg Wilhelms will be the discussion leader. We will meet at our regular place and time on October 19, 2022.

Books are now available at the Waterford Library. For a complete list of books for the year check our branch website at <u>http://newlondon-ct.aauw.net/calendar/</u>. Welcome back to everyone. Hope to see you all in September.

Elizabeth Hume

New London Branch Website

The New London Branch of AAUW has its own website at <u>https://newlondon-</u> <u>ct.aauw.net/</u>. Be sure to bookmark the location on your computer or device for the most up to date information about branch activities. You will find copies of the latest newsletter, information about upcoming programs, and copies of reservation forms for special events. The Calendar page has a complete list of books and dates for the book discussion group. A new scholarship page has information about how to apply along with an application.

