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**Fall Conference, 2010
Saturday, October 16
9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Joliet Junior College**

Keynote: "Creating a Healthy Branch Culture"
Carlyne McDonnell, AAUW-California

AAUW Branches are the lifeblood of our organization. So many times we find that we cannot recruit new members or retain current members. It becomes harder and harder to find leadership and many members are repeaters – multiple times. Branches think about folding because it becomes too hard to continue. Creating A Healthy Branch Culture shows how branches can thrive and survive and how healthy member behavior is the key to branch health, longevity and well-being. Bring your questions and concerns and a sense of humor!



Carlyne McDonnell is the AAUW-CA Director of Leadership Development and is the immediate past AAUW-CA Vice-President. She is planning her 4th AAUW-CA Convention. She has served as the AAUW-CA LAF Vice-President, on the National Program Development Committee and the 2009 AAUW Convention Steering Committee. In her real life, she is an organizational consultant and works with small businesses and non-profits to help them grow and thrive.

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President's Fall News

By Lois Strom

July began a new program year for AAUW-IL under the direction of the 2010-12 State Board. I'm honored and humbled to be your President. On behalf of all Illinois members, I would like to thank Linda Henning Cohen for her wonderful leadership and the 2008-2010 State Board members who have provided their time, expertise and leadership.

The last two years could be described as a period of change: revised Bylaws, one corporate entity, Funds reorganization, and flexibility in branch leadership, to name a few. This year may be the time to step back, take a deep breath and adjust to these many changes. However, it doesn't mean that your state board will be slowing down in providing opportunities for you and your branch members to participate in leadership training and statewide events.

First and foremost, the state board is ready to serve as a resource to assist you and your branch. District Directors, Branch Outreach, Finance, Programming, Membership, Public Policy, International Relations, and others are as close as your computer or telephone.

Events underway include the following:

- Fall Conference, Saturday, October 16, in Joliet at Joliet Junior College. This Fall we are going back to one fall conference for all districts. Its focus is on membership recruitment and retention, with keynote speaker, Carlyne McDonnell. Ms. McDonnell presented the workshop, "Creating a Healthy Branch Culture", at the 2009 Association Convention. Please see information and registration form in this issue.
- The State convention is scheduled in East Peoria at the Par-A-Dice Hotel and Casino on April 29 and 30 and programming is underway.
- The Jane Addams' event is planned for Sunday, December 12, at the renovated Hull House and Museum. This follows its grand opening on December 10. Activities include a historic brunch, presentation and tour of the building, and special presenter, Lucy Knight. Thanks to Linda Henning Cohen, Chair, and her fantastic committee. Further details in this LINK.

If you haven't been on the websites of AAUW.org or AAUW-IL.org, you may want to give both a try. On the AAUW.org website, member center, you will find links to the Chapter Leaders Playground, the new research study, *Why So Few*, and Program in a Box. These are all great resources to use at your branch meetings. AAUW-IL.org has been revised and has links to many resources.

This is a great time to be a member of AAUW. Share this experience with a friend. All you have to do is ask.



Membership Matters

Jennifer Urish and Medina Gross
Membership Co-Vice Presidents

Medina writes: I joined an AAUW branch in 1972 when I was new in town and only knew a few of my husband's coworkers. At the time, I had never heard of AAUW, but I wanted to meet people who shared my interests. I saw a picture in the local paper of the incoming branch president, and I thought, "That's the kind of person I would like to know." The membership vice-president's contact information was listed in the article, so I wrote to her, and she called me back promptly. At first I came for the programs, but then I was delighted to be invited to serve on several committees and gradually AAUW became an important part of my life.

I liked the intellectual stimulation, the camaraderie, the sense of purpose as we worked on community projects together, the wide range of choices of activities I could become involved with, and the chance to develop projects and to recruit other women to help, I learned how to divide up the work to get the job done. All these skills I put to good use as I gradually took on more responsibility in the community.

That President, Betty Medearis, became a mentor to me (and to many other women), although I didn't realize it at the time. I felt a sense of pride and gratitude to be associated with such accomplished women.

We know you care about AAUW and the other women in your branch. Who can you invite to a branch meeting or a book group or other interest group who would benefit from becoming a member? Newly retired women and those who are new in town are obvious choices, but there are plenty of other ones. Our thrust of "Breaking Through Barriers" will attract women who want to make a difference in their community.

In order to thrive, we need to bring in new people and retain the old ones. That way, when the President and the nominating committee start calling, they will have access to a group of people who are willing to take on responsibility.

Don't forget chapterleadersplayground.org (access it through member services on the AAUW website, since it is free to AAUW members). The website has lots of concrete suggestions for how to make your branch more successful. The webinars are divided into 15 minute segments that you can listen to when you have a little time.

Carlyne McDowell gave an inspiring, practical presentation at the AAUW convention in St. Louis last year. She's definitely worth the trip to Joliet!

Please call or email us if you have any membership problems or suggestions. Membership Co-Vice Presidents

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Meet the new State Board

AAUW FUNDS REPORT

Kathleen Brenniman, Co-Director

As most of you know, at our State Convention this past spring, we amended our Bylaws to change the former AAUW-IL Board positions of EF Director and LAF Director to Co-Directors of AAUW Funds. We also recommended that branches make similar amendments to their bylaws. This in no way changes fundraising activities and AAUW contributions of branches and members. Branches and AAUW members may continue to contribute to the funds they have always contributed to: the Legal Advocacy Fund, the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund, leadership and training and NCCWSL funds, various grant and fellowship funds, and endowments, etc.

Since the consolidation of the AAUW, the Educational Foundation, and the Leadership Training Institute, most of the fund numbers have remained the same. The major change we all need to be aware of, which I have informed branches of several times, is that **Fund #9110** which used to be unrestricted for EF programs only is now unrestricted to **all** 501 (c)(3) funds/programs, including the Public Policy Fund. If you wish to donate funds unrestricted for EF only, that fund number is now **Fund #4336**. If a branch or individual desires to give to a particular fund or endowment, that number must be designated. Once I receive the new branch officer listings, I will email the new Contribution Forms, instructions, and fund numbers to each branch. We should all focus on completing Illinois' uncompleted endowments: **Fund 4294** (Mary Ellen Smyth - American Fellowship), **Fund 4233** (Vivian Wright - R&P Grant), **Fund 4318** (Marjorie Robinson/Katharine Storm - R&P Grant), **Fund 4311** (JoAnn Horowitz - R&P Grant), and **Fund 4348** (Betty Bayless - R&P Grant).

December 31, 2010 is the absolute deadline for all 2010 donations to be mailed to Washington, DC. All donations postmarked later than December 31 will not be counted for the 2010 fiscal year. Three copies of the Contribution Form are needed: one for your branch, one for the AAUW in Washington, DC, and one sent to one of the IL AAUW Funds Co-Directors. We would prefer that you send your check(s) to us along with the original Contribution Form and a copy. Once we record the information, we will send everything to AAUW in DC. If you prefer to mail the check and report form directly to the Association, we really need to have you send us a copy. Remember to designate in the memo portion of the check which fund you wish your donation to be credited to. Forms and/or LAF and Public Policy Fund contributions should be sent to Sharon Urban. All other forms and/or donations should be sent to Kathy Brenniman. kfbrenn@aol.com; 630/627-5180
428 West Ethel, Lombard, IL 60148

Sharon Urban, Co-Director

This is my first year to serve as co-director of AAUW Funds with Kathy Brenniman. I am hopeful that we will maintain our contribution level for LAF this year for equity and justice for all women. Last year, Illinois ranked 4th in the nation overall giving for LAF. This year we ranked third.

The new structure of AAUW is a blend of the Educational Foundation and the Association. All funds raised and directed to any or all of the following accounts are tax-deductible: Case Support; Plaintiff Travel and Education Grants; Campus Outreach Projects; and Advocacy.

I will also be responsible for tracking contributions to the Public Policy Fund, which is part of AAUW Funds, our 501(c)(3) corporation. Contributions to the Public Policy Fund are tax-deductible. This 501(c)(3) fund includes all AAUW's public policy activities, except the Lobby Corps and the Congressional Record, which is our 501(c)(4) corporation, contributions to which are NOT tax-deductible.

I prefer that you send LAF and AAUW Public Policy Fund contributions directly to me so that I can record and track them. If you do send them directly to Washington, D.C. please do not forget to send me a copy of your contribution by December 15th, 2010. The absolute deadline for all 2010 donations to be mailed to Washington, D.C. is December 31, 2010. All donations postmarked later than December 31, 2010, will NOT be counted for the 2010 fiscal year. Contact me at 309-346-1774 or surban@centurytel.net.



Public Policy

Pat Porep and Marcia Wherry
Co-Directors of Public Policy

Use the AAUW website of <http://www.aauw.org/advocacy/> to find out about the AAUW Public Policy Program. The website provides information about AAUW promoting Gender Equity and Pay Equity in education and the workforce, our support of Voter Education and Get Out the Vote programs, and pending legislation for issues such as paid sick days.

Promote Voter Registration and the November Election

In Illinois the next few months bring us:

- Campaigning for November's general election that begins in earnest in mid-August when the two major parties celebrate and kick-off at the State Fair.
- Bombardment of the public through the media's constant blips of campaign rhetoric from now until election day, November 2.
- Time to ensure that all eligible voters are registered to vote in November.

Voter registration efforts for young people and others who had never voted previously greatly impacted the turn-out and results of the 2008 election. In 2010 we are challenged by crucial issues and diverse positions taken by our state-wide candidates, the need to support voter registration, and the potential turn-out on election day. Branches are encouraged to host voter registration opportunities at fall events such as used book or garage sales and forums where the general public will be in attendance. Contact your local or county election commission office to make arrangements for a registrar to complete registration forms for potential voters. Provide information on issues facing our state so the stances of our candidates can be defined before informed decision-making votes are cast.

Support the efforts of AAUW's Public Policy Program and help honor Lilly Ledbetter

The goal of AAUW's Public Policy Impact Grants is to build capacity – within the recipient states – to organize effective grassroots advocacy activities on AAUW public policy priorities. AAUW states can use the grant monies for state-based public policy work, including in-district meetings with elected officials, recruitment of new Action Network members, voter education, voter turnout and other programs.

Giving circles are becoming more popular as a vehicle for groups of individuals pooling their charitable giving to specific projects. In recognition of the one-year anniversary of the signing of the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act into law AAUW has announced the creation of the AAUW Lilly Ledbetter Impact Grant Giving Circle as a means for providing additional funding to support the AAUW Public Policy Impact Grant program. Plans are underway to establish this Giving Circle by raising \$50,000 by June 30, 2011, to honor Lilly Ledbetter with a special award at the 2011 Convention (June 16-19 in Washington, D.C.), and to unveil the new Giving Circle by announcing that the establishment goal has been reached.

AAUW members are encouraged to contribute between now and May 1, 2011. The names of those contributing \$500 or more will be included on the special award to be presented to Lilly at Convention. Options for making a contribution include: sending a check (payable to AAUW Funds with fund code #4344 on the memo line) for a one-time or installment gift, charging your credit card or making a stock or wire transfer. See the Commitment Form attached to the LINK or a copy will be forwarded upon your request to Marcia Wherry at mjwherry@aol.com

AAUW Lilly Ledbetter Impact Grant Giving Circle

How to make a contribution :

By Check:

Make checks payable to AAUW Funds and return with a completed commitment form. If you are not including the commitment form, please write fund code #4344 in the memo section of your check, or accompanying document. This is the fund code for the Lilly Ledbetter Impact Grant Giving Circle.

You can mail the check and form to:

AAUW
P.O. Box 98045
Washington, DC 20090-8045

By credit card:

You can also give by credit card using the commitment form. You can make a one-time gift or you can give a specific amount quarterly, or monthly. [You can give online](http://aauw.org/contribute) by visiting aauw.org/contribute and type the amount you want to donate next to the box that says "other special funds." Then, select the Lilly's Giving Circle from the drop down list.

By stock or wire transfer:

Contact Laura McCulty Stepp, Director of Development, at 202/728-3303 or steppl@aauw.org, or Carol Rognrud, Sr. Development Officer, at 202/728-7627, or rognrudc@aauw.org for specific instructions.

Please make your contribution as early as possible in the calendar year. This helps AAUW to plan the award levels of the AAUW Impact Grants.

Thank you for your support in creating a lasting tribute to our dear friend, Lilly Ledbetter with the formation of this Giving Circle.

AAUW LILLY LEDBETTER IMPACT GRANT GIVING CIRCLE

Commitment Form

Please submit form by May 1, 2011 so your name can be included on the award presented to Lilly.

I commit to supporting the AAUW Lilly Ledbetter Impact Grant Giving Circle with my tax-deductible gift to the AAUW Public Policy Fund. **I understand that if I give and/or pledge \$500 or more, I will receive recognition at the 2011 AAUW National Convention and my name will be included on a special award given to Lilly at the convention.**

My tax-deductible contribution will be given in the following way. (Please choose one.)

- This is a one-time gift of \$_____.
- Or
- Here is my gift now of \$_____ and I pledge to give an additional \$_____ before June 30, 2011.
- Or
- Charge my credit card \$_____ monthly for #_____ months.

My total gift + pledge = \$_____

Signature _____ Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail address _____

Please keep my gift(s) anonymous.

Ways to give: check credit card contact me about stock or wire transfer

Visa Mastercard American Express Discover

Credit Card # _____ Expiration date _____

Please make checks payable to AAUW Funds. Mail this form to AAUW, P.O. Box 98045, Washington, DC 20090-8045

If you have questions, e-mail Alicia Hetman or Connie Hildebrand at hetmancard@prodigy.net or jchildebrand@bis.midco.net

Agent of Change Award

By: Rachel Campbell

Congratulations to Connie Baker, member of the Elmhurst Branch and this year's recipient of AAUW-IL's Agent of Change Award. Connie is the "idea person" and moving force behind a conference for Latina girls, [Dare to Dream: Get Educated!](#) By developing this project, Connie has brought many professional women, educators, Latina women and girls into closer contact with AAUW and its mission and created a vehicle that will continue to empower young Latinas to create an educational vision for their futures.



Since 1984, AAUW-Illinois has recognized one of its members as the year's Agent of Change. The award, which honors the most outstanding example of a catalyst for positive societal change, is presented at the State Convention each spring. Connie joins a long list of outstanding AAUW-IL Agent of Change Award recipients including Donnie Calvin, Dr. Delinda Chapman, JoAnn Horowitz and Grace Foote John.

The Agent of Change recipient, who must be a member of AAUW-IL, is selected yearly by the five District Directors. Recipients are nominated by individual branch members or branch boards. Specific criteria for nomination include:

- Nominees should be outstanding role models who have served as catalysts to bring about positive societal change, especially during the previous year.
- Their efforts should relate to AAUW's mission, projects, programs or initiatives.
- Nominees who have actively promoted change in education, equity, diversity and public policy are candidates for nomination.

The call for nominations begins in January, when all relevant information and forms are sent to each branch's president or administrative officer. When making a nomination, be sure the Nomination Form is filled out completely, giving specific details, and including documentation relating to the nominee and her work. All nominating materials are due to the committee chair no later than March 1, 2011.

It has been an honor to serve on the selection committee the past two years. I look forward to learning about the outstanding woman who will be the 2011 AAUW-IL Agent of Change recipient.

Did you know that our own Chris Brunn has co-authored a book?

We Are a College at War: Women Working for Victory in World War II

It will be released in late August and is available through Amazon or Southern Illinois University Press – see links below. *We Are a College at War* weaves together the World War II experiences of students and faculty at Rockford College in Rockford, Illinois, to provide readers with a better understanding of the role American women and college students played during this defining period in U.S. history.

A central theme is the legacy of humanitarian **Jane Addams**, an 1881 Rockford alumna who established Hull-House in Chicago and won the 1931 Nobel Prize for Peace. The authors show how Addams's example inspired Rockford's students during the dark days of a world war.

Purchasing Links and more information:

www.siupress.com

Weeks-Baxter, Brunn, and Forslund, *We Are a College at War: Women Working for Victory in World War II*

Cloth, \$29.95 256 pages, 6 x 9, 20 illus.

Also: <http://www.amazon.com/We-Are-College-War-Working/dp/0809329921>

Proud of you Chris!!send her a note (cbruun@Rockford.edu)

RUTH SWEETSER HONORARY FUND

Congratulations to all AAUW-IL branches and individual members. The Ruth Sweetser Honorary Fund to support the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) has reached the required \$20,000 goal. In fact, as of the Illinois Spring Convention 2010, \$25,500 had been raised, **90% of that in Illinois!** The first \$20,000 was used to sponsor the 25th Women of Distinction Dinner held at the University of Maryland June 3-5, 2010. Any additional funds in Ruth's Honorary Fund were and will be used specifically for sending college women leaders to NCCWSL.



The latest report from Washington ranks IL SECOND in total giving to the Leadership Training Fund (which includes Ruth's Honorary Fund)!

Ruth and I had the distinct honor of attending this year's NCCWSL. It was awesome! At the Women of Distinction dinner, I had the pleasure and honor of introducing Ruth. In attendance at the dinner were this year's honorees and many of the past honorees. I was indeed in a rarified atmosphere. After the dinner, the Women of Distinction ceremony featured Ruth as the opening speaker and the five honorees who were introduced by very impressive young college women leaders attending the Conference.

I have been aware of NCCWSL for several years, but actually attending the Conference indicated to me what a powerful and important AAUW program it is, definitely worthy of our support. On Friday, Ruth and I participated in the Conference by attending the keynote address and a breakout session where we were able to interact with many extremely impressive college women leaders.

Ruth was extremely humbled and appreciative of this great honor. She indicated in notes to the AAUW-IL Board and to me that she could not think of a better way to be honored for her long service to AAUW. She has had a huge role in the growing success of NCCWSL, is dedicated to its continuance, and richly deserves this honor and recognition. Many thanks to AAUW-IL, many Illinois branches, and several individual Illinois AAUW members who contributed to Ruth's Fund so that she might be rightfully recognized.

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Call for Nominations for State Officers

Carol A. Heisler, Nominating Committee Chair

The Nominating committee seeks AAUW members to fill elective state offices for the 2011-2013 biennium. The committee is made up of representatives from the 5 districts. The 2011-2013 slate includes:

President-Elect – Shall have served one or more two-year terms as a member of the State Board, and shall have had extensive Branch experience including the Branch Presidency.

Membership Co-Vice President (2 needed) – Shall have served one or more terms as a member of the State Board and shall have had extensive Branch experience as Branch President and/or Branch Membership Chair.

Secretary – Shall possess the required skills to perform the duties of the office.

Nomination forms will be available at the Fall Conference. They may be submitted then or mailed/e-mailed to the committee chair at 461 Rockland Road, Crystal Lake IL 60014; carolheisler@gmail.com (please put "nomination" in the subject line) Any AAUW member in good standing may make a nomination.

International Affairs Faye Marcus, Chair



The International Affairs committee includes: Barbara Evans (Elgin-Dist. 5), Donna Sproston (Monmouth-District 3), & Diane Balin (Riverside-Dist. 4).

The focus for International Affairs is two-fold: Programming and Advocacy.

AAUW's work extends globally via our memberships in coalitions to support human rights treaties, partnerships with international organizations such as CARE and the U.N. as well as the promotion of major events such as International Women's Day.

The trend toward globalization and the dominant role of the United States inspires AAUW to seek strategic opportunities to increase our awareness of issues facing the lives of women and girls throughout the world. We, in AAUW, work to fulfill this goal by engaging in targeted activities and projects nationally and at the state and grassroots level to break through barriers globally. At the national and local level, AAUW promotes the dissemination of programs highlighting issues of concern to women around the world, hosts international visitors, and promotes global linkages.

Both nationally and at the grassroots level, AAUW continues to be committed to improving the status of women globally. This is accomplished through fellowships, programs highlighting important issues facing women and girls worldwide, supporting legislation and treaties via the AAUW Public Policy platform, and participating in UN-related activities. These are the ways in which AAUW continues to "break through barriers" so that all women and girls can have a fair chance.

Now that you know what the International Affairs connection of AAUW does, how can you help? First you can go to AAUW.org and click onto the link across the top of the opening page "ABOUT AAUW". After that click on the link at the left of the page: "International Connections". This will bring you to more information: International Programs, Partnerships, and Affiliations; Affiliations with International Organizations and Coalitions; and AAUW International Programs and Partnerships. Within these broad areas are many other links to great information.

Now, you can use this information to develop programs, study groups, and do advocacy.

That's what AAUW's International Affairs is all about! Join us. If you have ideas for programs please email us. We would love to hear from you!

Become an International Affairs Advocate!

Faye Marcus: fe.marcus@comcast.net

**AAUW advances equity for women and girls through
advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.**

Happy 150th Birthday Jane Addams!

Jane Addams was born in Cedarville, Illinois on September 6, 1860. She is best known as the founder of Hull House, offering women the opportunity to become agents for social, political, educational, and economic change in their own lives and in the lives of others. Hull House settlement played a vital role in redefining American democracy in the modern age. Addams was a strong advocate for labor rights, particularly pertaining to children, and co-founded the first national women's trade union organization

On December 10, 1931, Jane Addams became the first American woman to receive the Nobel Prize for Peace, honoring her work as the leader of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. In awarding her the Prize, Halvdan Koht declared Addams to be "the leading woman in the nation, one might almost say its leading citizen." She was such a prominent figure in the national Progressive movement that Theodore Roosevelt planned to appoint her to his cabinet if he had won the presidency in 1912; this would have made her the first woman cabinet member. Additionally, Addams was a founding member of the American Civil Liberties Union and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and was active in the suffrage and pacifist movements. Addams died in Chicago on May 21, 1935.

In 2007, after two years of work, Dongola (IL) Unit School teacher Cindy Vines and 5 of her students approached Illinois District #115 Representative Mike Bost, with the idea of creating a commemorative day in honor of Jane Addams. Cindy and her students were supported in their efforts by several members of the AAUW Carbondale branch, including Public Policy Chair Olga Weidner and Professor Joan McDermott, Director of SIU-Carbondale's Women's Studies program. Bost called on House Majority Leader Barbara Flynn Currie, to introduce HB 5243 on January 27, 2007. On April 12, after having passed both the House and the Senate under the watchful eye of AAUW-Illinois lobbyist Paula Johnson Purdue, HB 5243 was sent up to the governor's desk for his signature.

2010 EVENTS PLANNED IN HONOR OF THE 150th ANNIVERSARY OF MS. ADDAMS' BIRTH

Friday, Dec. 10 - Jane Addams Day

Sunday Dec. 12 – 10:30am, the Jane Addams Committee of AAUW-IL is co-hosting a brunch with the Jane Addams Hull-House Museum. It will be an historic brunch featuring foods that would have been popular in Jane Addams' time, and will take place at the newly renovated and expanded museum. More information is available on the registration form included in this newsletter, or at www.aauw-il.org.

Wednesday, September 8, from noon – 1pm, the Mayor's Office of Special Events will host Jane Addams 150th Birthday event at Daley Plaza on behalf of the Jane Addams Hull House Association.

Fall 2010 - release of **Jane Addams: Spirit in Action**, part II of a biography by Lucy Knight. There are plans to rededicate the **Jane Addams Tollway** and reissue the **Jane Addams commemorative stamp**.

Barbara Flynn Currie is working to introduce legislation to create a new **Jane Addams Illinois license plate**.

Jane Addams Day Celebration 2010

Linda Henning Cohen, Jane Addams Day Chair



Join us to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of this remarkable woman. Our celebration will take place in the newly remodeled and expanded Hull House Museum. The museum has been partially funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, along with matching funds from local organizations such as AAUW-IL. Enjoy an historic brunch prepared by the Hull House chef, hear Lucy Knight speak about part two of her Addams biography, Jane Addams: Spirit in Action, learn more about the museum expansion project from Hull House Museum Director Lisa Lee, and tour the museum. Of special interest is the newly displayed Nobel Peace Prize awarded Ms. Addams, the first American woman and second woman to ever receive this honor.

REGISTRATION FORM 150TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF JANE ADDAMS' BIRTH

Sunday, December 12, 2010

Jane Addams Hull House Museum

800 S. Halsted Street – Chicago

Historic Brunch 10:30 Cost - \$25

Speakers:

Author **Lucy Knight** speaking on Jane Addams: Spirit in Action
(Lucy will have books with her to sell and sign)

Lisa Lee, Dir. of Hull House Museum, speaking on the museum renovation process

**12:00 - Tour the newly renovated and expanded Jane Addams
Hull House Museum**

(Cut on this line and return completed form)

Jane Addams 150th Anniversary Celebration December 12, 2010

(Reservation Deadline - December 6, 2010 – Maximum 75 reservations accepted)

Name: _____ Guests Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Number Attending _____ @ \$25 each Total amount enclosed _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO AAUW-IL

**Mail to: Harriett Lindstrom, 3812 Patty Berg Court, Woodridge, IL 60517
630-416-7903, e-mail: hlindstrom@aol.com**

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Breakout sessions:

Leadership in Your Branch – Carlynne McDonnell

Come Play in the Sandbox – Explore the Chapter Leaders Playground -- Jennifer Urish, AAUW-IL Membership Co-VP, will show you how to get the most from CLP, a dynamic online resource available to all AAUW members.

Jane Addams Branch – an in-person meeting for AAUW-IL’s online branch, led by JAB facilitator Kate Skegg.

Demystifying the AAUW Funds – Kathy Brenniman and Sharon Urban, AAUW-IL Funds Co-Directors, will reveal how to designate your contributions to AAUW’s philanthropic projects and provide the latest about current Funds initiatives.

Legislative Update – Paula and Jenni Purdue, AAUW-IL Legislative Consultants, will bring you up-to-date on the mid-term elections and the situation in Springfield.

International Affairs Spotlight – How can your branch further women’s status globally? Faye Marcus, International Affairs Co-Chair, will share ideas.

Fall Conference Schedule

9:00-9:30	Registration, continental breakfast
9:30-10:00	Welcome, announcements, AAUW updates
10:15-11:30	Keynote: Creating a Healthy Branch Culture Carlynne McDonnell, AAUW-California
11:30-12:30	Box lunch: District Meetings
12:40-1:10	Breakout Sessions A: Leadership B: Come Play in the Sandbox: Explore the Chapter Leaders Playground C: Legislative Update
1:15-1:45	Breakout Sessions A: Demystifying the AAUW Funds B: Jane Addams Branch C: International Affairs Spotlight
1:45-2:00	Wrap up, evaluations, and thank you

LOCATION:

Joliet Junior College is on the southwest side of Joliet off I-80 east of I-55.

<http://www.jjc.edu/about/campuses/Pages/main-campus.aspx>

Our meeting is in the K Building, our meeting location (parking lot is adjacent to K):

<http://www.jjc.edu/about/campuses/Documents/main-campus-map.pdf>

COST: \$25 includes registration, continental breakfast, and box lunch.

LODGING: A block of rooms has been reserved at the Fairfield Inn Joliet South, 1501 Riverboat Center Drive South. It is 1/2 mile from JJC, I-80 exit 127 (Houbolt Road). Mention Promo Code “AAUW” to get the special rate of \$79 (\$90.39 with tax). Room rate includes complimentary continental breakfast.

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Fall Conference Registration Form

Detach this form and mail it with \$25 check payable to AAUW-IL, Inc., and mail it to Andi Danis, 24 Scarsdale Rd., Montgomery, IL 60538 by OCTOBER 6. (Make a copy for your records.)

Name _____

Address _____

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Phone _____ **E-mail** _____

SANDWICH CHOICE: Ham ___ **Turkey** ___ **Roast Beef** ___ **Meatless** ___

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Branch _____ **Branch position** _____

Are you a new AAUW member (joined within the last 12 months)? Yes ___ No ___

Is this your first Fall Conference? Yes ___ No ___

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 December 12 Jane Addams Event, Chicago
 April 29-30, 2011 – State Convention, East Peoria
 June 16-19, 2011 – National Convention, Wash. D.C.