



## Jottings from Janet



Thanks to members and their family and friends for supporting our annual flower sale. A special thank you to Sally Edgett and Mary Tysver for organizing, processing the orders, and supplying a place for pick up.

Tuesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> was Equal Pay Day. This day represents the 110 additional days in 2010 it takes a female to earn the same amount a male made in 2009. Women continue to earn only 77 cents on the dollar to their male counterparts.

One way to achieve equity in salaries is through The Paycheck Fairness Act. This act is a comprehensive bill that would create stronger incentives for employers to follow the law, empower women to negotiate for equal pay, strengthen federal outreach, education and enforcement efforts, and strengthen penalties for equal pay violations. Senator Feingold is a sponsor of the Paycheck Fairness Act. Senator Kohl has not signed on. Please write to your Senators, thanking Feingold for his support and asking Kohl to support this important legislation. Emails are preferred. With your help, we can get this bill out of committee and voted on soon. The senators email addresses are: <http://kohl.senate.gov/contact.cfm> and [http://feingold.senate.gov/contact\\_opinion.html](http://feingold.senate.gov/contact_opinion.html)

Sister Patrice Coletti informed and raised the audience's awareness of human trafficking in our communities at our well attended April branch meeting. The disturbing presentation included case studies in Brookfield, neighboring states, and throughout the world. I was amazed at the scope of the problem. Human trafficking cannot be ignored. Sister Patrice distributed a handout with additional resources and ways to take action. If you were unable to attend the meeting, there are extra copies for you to pick up at the May dinner

By the time you receive this issue, Janet Nortrom, Maria Olsen, Audrey Keyes, and I have attended the state convention. One of my goals is to learn ideas for recruiting and retaining members. We are all recruiters for our branch. Continue to ask neighbors, friends, and family to attend our branch meetings and activities. Local and national brochures are available to give to prospective members.

Contact Mary Tysver or Annette O'Brien if you need brochures.

AAUW's web site has a new look! Find out what changes were made by going to [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org). Take a virtual tour of the AAUW community. You've never seen AAUW like this before.

On behalf of the two Janet's I would like to thank everyone for helping us in our roles as co-presidents of our branch. It has been an honor to work with dedicated women who reach out to help others and promote equity. Thank you to our board members who gave us support throughout the year. We (both Janet's) look forward to seeing you at the May dinner at the Woman's Club of Wisconsin.

Have a wonderful summer. I look forward to seeing everyone in the fall. Janet Nortrom will continue as co-president with Susan Little. I will have a new role as state Finance VP

Envisioning Equity, Janet Quail

*From Janet Nortrom:* It was a pleasure to work hand-in-hand with Janet Quail as co-chair. Janet brings great joy with her organizational ability that helped to enrich our North Shore Branch. I am so happy that she will continue to use her great skills for AAUW on the state level as our Vice-President of Finance. Congratulations to Janet Quail, she was elected and attended her first state board meeting in Sheboygan at the WI AAUW convention, April 23-25, 2010. Thankfully, she will continue to stay involved in our branch.

You will all get a chance to thank her at the May 18, meeting at the Woman's Club.

## Directory News

Ads pay for the printing of the directory. A half page costs \$5.00 and a full page costs \$10.00. Submit ads by July 31<sup>st</sup> to Janet Quail ([jquail@aol.com](mailto:jquail@aol.com)) or 414-967-7942.

**Paying your membership dues on time insures that you are included in the directory. Make sure that you note any changes in your information on the dues form**

## Supporting Women and Girls

### Public Policy

To add to what Janet Quail said in her "Jottings," the White House also announced the establishment of a National Equal Pay Enforcement Task Force to improve compliance, public education, and enforcement of equal pay laws. Secretary of Labor, Hilda Solis wrote on the White House blog, reiterating that pay equity is "Not Just a 'Women's Issue.'" We must urge our senators to quickly pass the **Paycheck Fairness Act (S. 182)**. So, I am asking our AAUW North Shore branch to join me in this fight for pay equity as well.

Thanks to the dedication and leadership of AAUW and our Action Network members, **we won a major victory for Title IX -- and girls and women in sports -- this week**. The Obama administration and the Department of Education's [Office for Civil Rights](#) issued new guidance for Title IX, rescinding the deeply flawed March 2005 policy that allowed schools to use email surveys to gauge the athletic interests of female students.

Go to AAUW Action Network and sign up- Also go to the new AAUW website and AAUW experience.

Janet Nortrom, Public Policy Chair

### WOMEN'S COURT & CIVIC CONFERENCE Italian Conference Center

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

11:00 a.m. = Business Meeting  
11:15 a.m. Social  
Noon Luncheon  
1 p.m. - Speaker: Justice Michael J. Gableman, WI Supreme Court. Installation of Officers.

### EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION (EF) and LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND (LAF) SUPPORTING AAUW'S PROGRAMS

AAUW has signed an amicus brief for *Christian Legal Society v. Martinez*, a case that will be argued before the U. S. Supreme Court. A ruling will be made as to whether or not the University of California Hastings College of Law can deny school funding to a religious student organization. This group requires its officers and voting members to agree with its religious viewpoints. AAUW has joined other signers in supporting the school, the separation of church and state and religious liberty.

There are no new updates on the five cases LAF currently supports. LAF is actively reviewing new case support applications. If you would like to make a case recommendation, contact [lafaauw.org](mailto:lafaauw.org).

LAF is hosting a LAF Webinar with its staff on May 11, 2010. The 45 minutes webinar will cover the latest information about LAF case updates and programs. If you are interested in participating in this webinar, contact the LAF website to receive the call information

To help the scales of justice for women, remember you can always make a tax-deductible donation to LAF.

Marge Henderson  
LAF/EF Chair

A special thanks to Janet Nortrom and Marge Henderson for all their efforts in putting together baskets for the Silent Auction at the state convention.

*In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.*



## **BOOK CLUB**

The AAUW book club will meet on Tuesday, May 11 (2nd Tuesday), 7:15 p.m. at Pat Ulman's house. The book is INFIDEL by Ayaan Hirsi Ali. It is an autobiography with a vivid chronicle of a triumphant escape from Muslim cultural confinement.

This is the last meeting for this year. We will need to vote on next year's books. Please contact Pat at 414 332 2956 or [patulman@gmail.com](mailto:patulman@gmail.com). All members are welcome.

## **BREAKFAST CLUB**



Join us for a delicious breakfast and good conversation!

Thursday, May 13, 9 a.m., Cafe 1505 in Mequon's East Towne Center.

Take I-43 or Port Washington Road to Mequon Road, go west about a quarter mile, then turn left onto Market, by the M&I Bank. Cafe 1505 is east of Laacke and Joys.

Please let me know if you plan to attend, so the restaurant can prepare seating if necessary.

Mary Jacobson  
(262) 377-1128

## Tutors Needed

Remember Mrs. Tucker and her 4th grade at Silver Spring School ? Pat Wilmeth has been tutoring in Mrs. Tucker's classroom for the past 19 years. After hearing Mrs. Tucker talk about her class and the Silver Spring School, Pat Ulman decided to give it a try as well. She had been an English tutor in Chicago about 30 years ago and thought maybe she could tutor reading. So she volunteered. Pat has 4 third graders for a half hour each/once a week. And she loves it ! Loretto Steinmetz, the coordinator of the volunteer program, is seeking more volunteers for the Learn to Succeed Program, a community outreach program through the Methodist Church of Whitefish Bay. You do not have to have been a teacher to tutor. (Pat was a nurse.) Silver Spring School is at 5131 N. Green Bay Ave at Villard. Please consider volunteering. As it is always said, "You get back so much more than you give". Loretto's phone is 414-352-3578. And yes, Loretto is the correct spelling Pat Ulman

**MAY 8,**

### **Womanspirit Meeting and Brunch**

**JUSTICE for ALL**

Saturday, 10 to 1PM

First Unitarian Society

1342 N Astor Street, Milwaukee

All are invited. Meet with the Milwaukee United Nations Group, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, American Association of University Women, and other groups working on CEDAW-"The Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women."  
Questions: Call Janet Nortrom, 414-964-3764

**A Powerful  
Network of EDUCATED WOMEN**  
IT'S TIME TO RENEW

Pay your dues before or at the May dinner and be eligible for a prize drawing! We Need You!  
Combine your voice and energies with other women!

Due date: June 5, 2010

| DUES         | Branch Member  | Paid Life/Dual<br>branch Member | Honorary Life Member<br>(been a member over 50<br>years) |
|--------------|----------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Association  | \$49.00        | \$0.00                          | \$0.00   |
| State        | \$10.00        | \$10.00                         | \$0.00   |
| Branch       | \$ 8.00        | \$ 8.00                         | \$0.00   |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>\$67.00</b> | <b>\$18.00</b>                  | <b>\$0.00</b>  |

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| _____ | <i>Dues amount plus optional donation to branch</i>            |
| _____ | <i>Optional donation to the Philanthropic fund</i>             |
| _____ | <i>Optional donation to the Beth Mason scholarship Fund</i>    |
| _____ | Total—Make check payable to: <b>North Shore Milwaukee AAUW</b> |

**Dues/Directory Information: (please print)**

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

*If information is the same as the current directory, check here  (You do not need to complete remainder of form unless anything has changed)*

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

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Husband's Name (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

College/Degree/Area of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

As we recruit new members, it is often helpful to let members know about other branch members with shared backgrounds or interests. By completing the following you'll help us make the connection. The information is optional.

Profession: \_\_\_\_\_

Current/Last Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Retired? \_\_\_\_\_

*Send your checks and this form to  
Maria Olsen, 2101 W. Good Hope Rd  
Milwaukee, WI 53209*



AMERICAN  
ASSOCIATION OF  
UNIVERSITY  
WOMEN

**Annual May Dinner and Installation of Officers**

Tuesday, May 18, 2010

6:00 Social – Cash Bar  
6:30 Buffet Dinner  
7:15 Installation of Officers  
7:30 Program:  
Presented by

Margaret Henningsen, co-founder of Legacy Bank

Please join us at **Woman’s Club of Wisconsin**  
813 East Kilbourn Avenue ( Corner of Cass and Kilbourn)  
(Valet parking available or on street parking)



Reservations by May 11, 2010

Cost: \$30.00

Make checks payable to North Shore Milwaukee AAUW

If you are paying for both the dinner and your annual dues (\$97), you may send one check. Please be sure to include the dues form. Please send your check - to Pat Ulman at 3132 E.Kenwood Blvd. Milwaukee 53211

**GUEST ARE WELCOME**

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Name

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Phone #

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Amount Enclosed