

## Highlights of AAUW Activities

### AAUW At the National Level

- Provides scholarships and fellowships to women pursuing post-graduate education
- Advocates for women who have been discriminated against in the workplace
- Lobbies Congress for education, civil rights, reproductive rights, and economic security for women

### AAUW At the State Level

- Lobbies the Washington State Legislature on issues affecting women & hosts annual Lobby Day
- Sponsors two Tech Trek summer camps where young women can learn about STEM careers
- Has blog & on Facebook, Pinterest

### AAUW At the Local Level

#### Lewis County Branch

- Focuses on education for women in Lewis County
- Holds a monthly branch meeting • Has special interest groups that meet regularly
- Sponsors a STEM career day conference for middle school girls • Raises money with an annual used book sale
- Gives college scholarships and scholarships to middle school girls to promote STEM careers
- Hosts Lunafest, a film festival for, by and about women

**Branch meetings** are held the first Thursday of the month at 6:45 p.m., September to May, at The Gathering Place in Stillwaters Estates, Centralia. A Zoom connection is also available.

Programs for 2021-2022 are:

**September 1:** Planning Ahead – It’s Always a Good Idea, by Will Baynum, Bill Harwell & Bob Willey

**October 6:** Four Masterworks and Their Stories, by Nancy Leventon

**November 3:** Reliable Enterprises – Providing Opportunity and Hope, by Brett Mitchell

**December 1:** Winter Holiday Banquet

**January 5:** There Is No Place For Hate In Our Country: What You Need To Know About Hate Groups, by Reiko Callner

**February 2:** The Theft and Recovery of William de Kooning’s “Woman-Ochre”. Zoom presentation by Olivia Miller.

**March 2:** Challenges and Opportunities: Education in Our State and Across the Nation, by Terry Bergeson

**April 6:** The Bountiful Chehalis River: Challenges, Opportunities and Change, by Brian Stewart

**May 4:** Mother Lode: Confessions of a Reluctant Caregiver, by Gretchen Staebler

**June 1:** Year End Potluck

## JOIN AAUW

Membership in AAUW is open to all persons holding an associate, baccalaureate or higher degree. Annual dues are \$87. Persons not meeting the degree requirement may join the Lewis County Branch as a Friend for \$10 per year.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

Degree \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I’d like to join now. My check for \$87 to Lewis County AAUW is enclosed

\_\_\_\_ I’m interested in learning more. Send me announcements of future meetings

Mail to Lewis County AAUW  
c/o Donna Loucks, Treasurer  
P.O. Box 244, Chehalis, WA 98532

## INTEREST GROUPS

### Art Group

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. with potluck lunch. Bonnie Blake, leader.

### Ravenous Readers Book Group

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in members' homes. Nancy Leventon, leader.

### Pages & Beans Book Group

Meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month at 2:00 p.m. Corene Jones-Litteer, leader.

### Cinema Chicks Movie Group

Meets at various times and theaters. Nancy Krueger, leader.

### Early Morning Discussion Group

*Chooses a topic for the year and discusses different aspects of it each month.* The topic for this year is Poetry. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month, 8 – 10 a.m. Norma Green, leader.

### Travel Group

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of some months at 6:45 p.m. in members' homes. Donna Loucks, leader.

### Movers & Shakers

Meets monthly to discuss issues affecting women. Cathay Cavness, Kathy Halsan, Carol Kostanich, leaders.

### Miles & Smiles Walking Group

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. at various locations. Laura Hewett, leader.

Guests are welcome to attend all Branch and Interest Group meetings.

## PROJECTS

**Expanding Your Horizons (EYH)** The Branch works with Centralia College to host a career day for middle-school girls each October, focusing on pursuits in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). [aauwlceyh@gmail.com](mailto:aauwlceyh@gmail.com)

### Book Sale

A used book sale is held each year to raise money to support our activities and scholarships. All books are obtained by donation. Call Betty Garrett, 360-748-7977, to donate books at any time.

### Scholarships

Multiple \$1000 college scholarships are given each year. For details, contact Kathy Tennyson, chair, 360-736-3092. The Branch also gives scholarships to camps for younger girls.

**LUNAFEST – A Film Festival by, for and about Women.** Held each spring.

### 2022-2023 OFFICERS

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The purpose of AAUW is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

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Invites You To  
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