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OUR MISSION: To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

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Letter from our President



Dear Members of AAUW TCB,

Spring approaches! As we follow the winds of March into the new season, I am ever grateful for the tireless efforts of officers and members who have been working to offer great programs to round out the year.

Let's take a quick look at the wonderful opportunities for the spring program. At our general meeting in March we will learn new things about the Blue Zones Project that shines a light on the city of Fort Worth. You won't want to miss our dynamic speaker and the silly fun that will start off the evening. The April general meeting promises to be exciting with five of our own who will offer a glimpse of their secret talents. The interest groups continue to offer experiences in learning, culture, cuisine, wine, fitness, and friendship. How amazing is that! In May we will celebrate the past year and have a bird's eye view of next year. I hope you all will be able to enjoy these fine events.

Author Marjorie Herrera Lewis is thrilled to be with us for our Spring Fundraiser. Please invite your friends and family to join you for this tailgate party on Tuesday, 6-8 pm on April 28. Let's make this a super successful event. I know we all want to deliver on our promise to help women and girls know a better life.

John Muir speaks of the "joyful enthusiasm" of spring. My wish for you all is that you may know that joyful enthusiasm.

Thank you for the honor and privilege to serve as your president.

Blue Skies, **Orlew**

Proposed Slate of Officers for 2020 - 2021

The AAUW Tarrant County Branch **Nominating Committee** is pleased to present the **Proposed Slate of Officers** for the upcoming year, **2020 - 2021**. These members have said they are excited to accept the opportunity to serve!

- Programs and Facilities: Co-VP's Merrissa Kuylen; Berry Bock
- Membership: Co-VP's Elizabeth Barron; Ellen Myers
- AAUW Funds: Co-VP's Joyce Raessler, Cindy Ford
- Finance: Deborah Roszek

Continuing Officers:

- President: Orlew Lauger
- Secretary: Susan Davis

Voting to accept the slate will take place at the April 15 General Meeting and installation at the May 20 Meeting. The term for the new year begins July 1, 2020.

-- **Gloria Morris**, Chair. Nominating Committee

RSVP Now for our Blue Zones Program - March 18



Join us March 18, 5:30 pm, at the Stayton, to learn more about the Blue Zones Project and ways to better well-being. **Matt DuFrene**, VP, Blue Zones Project/North Texas Healthy Communities will speak. \$16 per person. **Reservations requested by Mon, March 16, 6 pm.** Reserve now using this [PayPal link](#). Or mail a check by March 13, written to "AAUW-TCB" to **Rebecca Griffith**, 6057 Paddlefish Dr, Fort Worth, TX 76179. Invite a friend who might be interested in our organization.

Let's all WEAR BLUE! To get plugged in, sign up here for the Blue Zones newsletter: <https://www.bluezones.com/>

In light of the coronavirus, if you have ANY symptoms of illness, we encourage you to stay home. If you must cancel, a refund can be made. Thorough hand-washing is also requested before the event. This is to honor those who live at the Stayton, as well as those who have a compromised immune system.

Cultural Outing - Kimbell Museum - March 26



Flesh and Blood, Italian Masterpieces from the Capodimonte Museum. Docent Orlew Lauger will lead a tour for AAUW on Thursday, March 26, 1:00, in the Piano Pavillion. Lunch at 12:00 in the Kahn Cafeteria.

Email **Joyce Raessler** at jrcompanyjoyce@gmail.com for reservations by March 24.

Let Your Light Shine at our April 15 meeting - Volunteer as a Presenter by March 25!



Our members are so full of wonderful talents that light our world! We would like 5 members to share your talents during our April meeting. Members could team up or share individually about how their light(s) shines. **Deadline for submitting your team or individual idea is March 25. (Submit to Lisa and Heather through email).** For questions, please contact Program Co-VP's, Lisa Wan at lisarbw@gmail.com or Heather Labansat at labasant@tarleton.edu. Don't miss this opportunity to share about your talents!

Introducing our TCC Scholarship Recipients



We are proud to introduce to the branch our three scholarship recipients for 2019-2020:

Emily Harding – Emily is our STEM scholar who receives \$900.00 per semester. Her career goal is to be a behavioral psychologist. Emily states, “Knowing that I will be another strong female, working in a science career field means so much to me and to have this STEM scholarship makes it even more special.” In her thank you letter, Emily states, “I just want to thank you for giving me a chance to prove myself in the science field.”

Jazmine Lumbrera - Jazmine is our education scholar who receives \$750.00 per semester. Her educational goals are to retain her 3.70 GPA, complete TCC, and apply to TCU’s McNeely School of Business. Jazmine would like to be a high school business teacher and be a part of the CTE program to help get our young adult students ready for their future careers.

Amber Patrick – Amber is also an education scholar who receives \$750.00 per semester. Amber’s goal is to complete a degree in early childhood education with a teaching certificate. In her own words, “This scholarship means so much to me. This scholarship will help me to stay focused so that I can achieve my goals and finish sooner than expected.”

We thank you for your continued support of AAUW TCB’s scholarship program. These young women have varied backgrounds from a freshman newly graduated from high school, a single mom of two young girls, and a working college student. Oftentimes, these scholarships make the difference for these students to complete their college education. For instance, Jazmine contemplated quitting her studies temporarily to provide for her two young girls. With this scholarship, she has become re-energized to fulfill her career path. -- **Pat Auping** and **BJ Hoskins**, Scholarship Co-Chairs

Gratitude for Donation in Memory of Betty Poage

The Scholarship Fundraiser at Tributary Café on Monday, November 4, 2019, was a success with forty-six attending. The food was great, as well as the vibrant conversation you could hear throughout the room!

At the Tributary Cafe event, our previous member and Fundraising Co-VP, Betty Poage, who passed away in February, 2019, was honored by her sister, Billie Farr with a generous donation of \$750.00 to the Tarrant County College Scholarship Foundation in memory of Betty.

We are grateful to Betty and her family for being so generous. **This donation will fund one full semester scholarship for a student at TCC. The memory of Betty continues with this scholarship donation and honors Betty in a way of which she would be proud.** The Scholarship Co-chairs, Pat Auping and BJ Hoskins have acknowledged Billie Farr and family for their thoughtfulness and generous heart that will be a blessing to a deserving student at Tarrant County College.

Come to the Texas Convening! April 17-18



AAUW TEXAS CONVENING -- April 17-18, 2020 -- PFLUGERVILLE, TX -- Early Bird Deadline March 10

A CENTENNIAL OF WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

To celebrate the anniversary of 100 years of women's suffrage and recognize the fight for equality remains ongoing.

To join in take these two steps:

1. Register for the Convening using this [Registration Form](#) **Early Bird Rate \$155 through March 10. \$205 after March 10.**

2. Book a room at the Marriott Courtyard, Pflugerville, \$129 per night using this [Room Reservation Form](#).
Deadline for room reservations: March 27, 2020

Convening Update 3/9/2020: We will follow CDC protocols. If the convening is cancelled you will be refunded.

Join the AAUW Team - Victory Over Violence 5K - 4/18



Victory over Violence 5K Run/Walk happening **April 18, 2020**. Please come out and walk/run with us on the AAUW team. **We need at least 10 team members**. If you know anyone that would like to participate, please invite them to join our team!! **We all need to sign up by April 1st**.

See March 4 email for instructions to register for the AAUW Team with Team Captain Sara Crowley.

<https://www.vovfw.org/register/>

This event exists to raise funds in support of The Women's Center's services that empower survivors of sexual assault, child sexual abuse, and other violent crimes. More than that, we hope to raise awareness about how these issues affect women, men, and children in our community. Our AAUW branch purchases a sign each year and has had a team for the last many years. Hope to see you there!!!

-- **Sara Crowley**, Active Outings Group Leader

Get Your Tickets for the Spring Fundraiser - 4/28

The AAUW Tarrant County Spring Fundraiser will be held Tuesday, April 28, 6 to 8 pm. Meet the Author Marjorie Herrera Lewis of *WHEN THE MEN WERE GONE*. UNT Health Science Center, 1000 Montgomery St. FW 76107.

Local journalist **Marjorie Herrera Lewis** is an award-winning sportswriter, named the first female Dallas Cowboys beat writer when she was with the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. While writing *When the Men Were Gone*, she became inspired to try her hand at coaching football herself and was added to the Texas Wesleyan University football coaching staff in December 2016. Ms. Lewis presently teaches media ethics at UNT. Ms. Lewis's career has shown her tenacity to reach her career goals despite institutional barriers. Her journey from journalist to novelist culminated in *When the Men Were Gone*.

Join us for a lively discussion on this new novel based on a true story in Brownwood, TX in the 1940's. Followed by a Q & A. Tailgate fare, gluten free available, wine & soft drinks. \$40.00 per person. **RSVP by April 22** at this [PayPal link](#). Or mail a check by April 17, written to "AAUW-TCB" to **Rebecca Griffith**, 6057 Paddfish Dr, Fort Worth, TX 76179. Friends and spouses are welcome! In lieu of attendance, donations are gratefully accepted. For dietary info, contact [Emelia Hoefle](#) or 817 991 7156.

AAUW Tarrant County Spring Calendar



View our [Branch Calendar](#) on our website. Upcoming events:

- Tues, Mar 10, 7 pm, **Movie Enthusiasts, “Judy”**, RSVP to host [Joyce Raessler](#), 2913 Park Arbor Court
- Wed, Mar 11, 11:30 am, **Out to Lunch, Szechuan Restaurant Cityview**, rsvp to [Marla Parvey](#)
- Mon, Mar 16, 10 am, **Adelante Book Club, Lost Roses** by Martha Hall Kelly, host Tina Caliga, 6412 Chauncery Pl, rsvp to [Tina Caliga](#) by Mar 13
- Wed, Mar 18, 5:30 pm, **AAUW Dinner, Meeting & Speaker**, The Stayton. **WEARBLUE**
- Fri, Mar 20, 6 pm, **League of Women Voters Gala**, Ridglea Country Club, <http://lwvtarrantcounty.org/>
- Tues, Mar 24, 4:30 – 6 pm, **Women Writing**, Bellaire Ranch Clubhouse, rsvp to [Eileen Frey](#) by Mar 23
- Wed, Mar 25, 4:30 pm, **Women & Wine**, Meso Maya, rsvp to [Margaret Duryee](#) by Mar 23
- Thur, Mar 26, 1 pm, **Docent Led Tour of *Flesh and Blood, Italian Masterpieces from the Capodimonte Museum***. Kimbell Piano Pavillion. Lunch at 12:00 in the Kahn Cafeteria, rsvp to [Joyce Raessler](#) by Mar 24
- Fri - Sat, Apr 17-18, **WOMEN VOTE 100 – AAUW Texas Biennial Convening**, Courtyard by Marriott Austin, Pflugerville. [Book Your Room Reservation Now](#). [Registration Form](#). Early Bird Registration until March 10.
- Tues, Apr 28, 6 - 8 pm, **Spring Fundraiser, Meet the Author Marjorie Herrera Lewis, UNT Health Science Center**
- Sat, Oct 24, 8:30 am - 4 pm, **20th Anniversary Sister-to-Sister Summit**

Social Media Photos



Group Attending the Girls, Inc. Celebration Breakfast, March 5, 2020:

L to R: Joyce Raessler, Debbie Powell, Lynn Hayes, Tina Caliga, Marsha Abeson, Orlew Lauger, Tricia Deitz, Mary Bailey, Eileen Frey.

See our event photos on our [Facebook](#) and [Website Photo](#) pages! **If you have great photos** to share with our group, send them to [Tina Caliga](#)

AAUW Tarrant County Leadership Team



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Please send your AAUW Calendar information, Interest Group Announcements, Eblast and Newsletter articles to Tina Caliga via [email](#).
