

AAUW Boise News and Events
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AAUW Mission

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

Welcome New Members

LORI FASCILLA
ARLENE MCCARTHY
KIM MCCLAIN
ALLISON MOLITOR
ROCHELLE SCHAETTEN
RHONDA SMITH
AMY TAIVALKOSKI

who joined our branch in September 2023.

Presidents' Message by Ann Lewis and David Scott





Happy Autumn. None of us can be sorry that the extreme heat has gone but are we ready for cold weather? Probably not, so let's enjoy these last warm days and think about fried green tomatoes and raking leaves. The excitement is building for Dr. David Adler, our guest speaker for the October meeting. We have 84 members signed up to attend so far. If you haven't registered yet, it's not too late. You have until midnight, Thursday, October 5, to do so.

At our September meeting, we had many members sign up for the interest groups, and our <u>AAUW Boise website</u> and <u>Directory Spot</u> have been updated to reflect the continuing and new members. As a reminder, members can join most interest groups during the year, with the exception of the wine groups (size limitations) and Great Decisions once the accompanying books are ordered. Interest groups are a great way to build strong relationships with other members. If you have any questions, please contact the interest group facilitators.

October Branch Meeting by Sheila Robbins and Fran Voulelis







Dr. David Adler will be guest speaker at our dinner meeting on Wednesday, October 11th. Hear from a scholar whose writings have been quoted by the U.S. Supreme Court, Attorneys General, White House Counsels, and by Republicans and Democrats in both houses of Congress on a variety of

constitutional issues. Not only is he exceptionally knowledgeable, but he is so entertaining that you should register ASAP because seating will be limited. Dr. Adler is President of <u>The Alturas Institute</u>, a non-profit organization created to promote the Constitution, gender equality, and civic education.

Membership Update by Pam Cardinale and Beth Popish





Our September general meeting felt like the first day of school! We got to catch up and hug our dear friends. We also got to meet new people, any one of whom could possibly be our new best friend! It was exciting. We hope that you all were able to spend time talking about the special interest groups. These small groups are a great way to really get to know other members. The activities are also fun or enriching or social or impactful.

Also, remember that it is easy to recruit new members! It usually just takes telling the person about our AAUW mission. It really is an easy sell. New members keep our organization dynamic and diverse.

If you have any questions on membership renewal or interest groups or any other questions about AAUW, feel free to contact Pam at 208-573-2284 (phone or text) or cardinales@frontier.com. Beth can be reached at 307-262-2944 (phone or text) or elizabethpopish@gmail.com. One or both of us are at all general meetings and usually one of us is at Newcomers as well. We are here for you!

Funds Update by Karen Hineman



Raffle baskets are back! The In-person unday Book Group put together a fabulous basket for our October meeting. Tickets will be sold in \$5 increments. Please bring cash (no cards accepted) to have a chance to win. If you are interested in being on the Fundraising committee, please let Kathy Haze or me know. We need a lot of help and new and fun ideas to make our 2024 Spring fundraiser an even bigger success than last year! The fundraising committee efforts will kick off in January but don't wait till then to share your ideas or your interest to help put together our April event.

Book Group (Mystery) by Linda Anderson



The Mystery Book Group will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 9th, at Kay Reed's house, 3200 Agate Court, in Boise. The book is "The Black Echo," by Michael Connelly, his first book in the Harry Bosch series. Carolyn King will

lead the discussion. Please bring what you would like to drink and an appetizer to share with the group. Hope to see you there.

Book Group (Sunday) - In Person by Carolyn Lunstrum



The AAUW Sunday afternoon in-person book group will meet at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, October 15th, at the Pioneer Federal Credit Union Building at 2350 S. Broadway Avenue in Boise. We will discuss "The Girl with the Louding Voice" by Abi Dare.

Book Group (Sunday) - Zoom by Valerie Steffen



I will facilitate the Zoomer Book Group's discussion of *Dawn* by Octavia Butler. The Zoom-based discussion begins at 2pm on Sunday, October 15th. If you are not yet a group member, but wish to join, please contact Kathy Scott (kascott1088@msn.com) or Valerie Steffen (valerie@electric-logic.com) to be added to the invitation list.

Book Group (Thursday) by Linda Simmons



The AAUW Thursday Evening Book Group will meet on October 12th at 6:30 p.m., at the Cole & Ustick Library. Marcy Embry will be the discussion facilitator. The book we are reviewing is MURDER ON BANK STREET by Victoria Thompson.

Bowling Groupby Karen Haven and Deborah Newton





We are so excited. We had two new bowlers sign up after the September meeting.

Everyone is welcome to join us. No requirement on skill level. Just be prepared to have fun.

Bowling is at 10:00 a.m. the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month at Westy's Garden Lanes in Garden City.

Daytimers Group by Marsha Bravo and Roberta Olson





DAYTIMERS

COMING IN NOVEMBER

November 12, 10:30 a.m. to Noon

Alternative Christmas Market

First United Methodist Church

717 N. 11th St., Boise

Lunch to follow at 13th Street Grill

Nonprofit groups will be selling unique handcrafted and fair trade products and/or sharing information about their mission. We can browse the offerings, chat with the volunteers about different nonprofits and their work in our community. Then on to a fun lunch at 13th Street Grill (1520 N. 13th Street—handicapped parking is available).

Some of the Participants include:

Artisans for Hope

Dunia

Interfaith Sanctuary

<u>Habitat for Humanity</u>

DominiFarm Animal Sanctuary

Safe Families

Faces of Hope

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Thank you, Katie Wynkoop, for recommending this event!

Movie Group by Pat Alpine



The October film for the movie group will be *Killers of the Flower Moon*. We will meet on Sunday October 22, 2023 at The Flicks. The exact showtime of this film is TBD.

Killers of the Flower Moon is a 2023 American epic Western crime drama film directed and produced by Martin Scorsese, who co-wrote the screenplay with Eric Roth, based on the 2017 book of the same name by David Grann. Its plot centers on a series of Oklahoma murders in the Osage Nation during the 1920s, committed after oil was discovered on tribal land. The film stars Leonardo DiCaprio, Robert De Niro, and Lily Gladstone, with Jesse Plemons, Tantoo Cardinal, John Lithgow, and Brendan Fraser in supporting roles.

Newcomers Group by Stacy Urban



Newcomers Group meets the first Thursday of each month, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at various members' homes. We enjoy a potluck dinner and discuss all things AAUW and get to know our newest members. Our next meeting is Thursday, Oct. 5th. Please contact Stacy Urban for details. 360-914-8866

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Valerie Steffen (Zoom)

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Bowling

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David Scott

Wine Tasting #2

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Wine Tasting #3

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