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January Meeting Focusses on Women Artists



Linda Duke poses with her favorite artwork by Shirley Smith, N.E. of Wichita (Goats)

In January, the Manhattan branch of AAUW celebrated its 95th anniversary and kicked off the new year with a branch meeting featuring Linda Duke, Director of the Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art. Duke has been museum director at K-State since 2011. Before coming to the Beach Museum of Art, Duke served as director of audience engagement for the Indianapolis Museum of

Art. Duke has two degrees in the history of art from the University of Illinois, where she also studied studio art. Her M.A. degree focused on Asian art history.

Duke's talk focused upon "Women Artists You Should Know," and gave a wonderful, visual introduction to three artists whose work is held in the museum collection: Elizabeth "Grandma" Layton, Patricia DuBose Duncan, and Shirley Smith.

Elizabeth Layton did not begin her art career until in her sixties. By that time, she had raised a large family, been married twice, and persevered through a lifelong struggle with depression. Her drawings and prints are known for their subtle qualities of color and line, as well as their frank questioning of attitudes toward women and aging.

While living in Kansas City, Patricia DuBose Duncan became friends with two scientists who inspired her to learn more about the tallgrass prairie. She spent a number of years in the early 70s, sponsored by Hallmark Cards, creating a Smithsonian traveling exhibition about the tallgrass prairie. The exhibit spanned pre-history to her present day. The panel exhibit travelled to all 50 states. The end result was that the US Congress passed legislation to create the Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve.

In the process, she attracted many artists to the cause of setting aside a prairie park. Among these was Gordon Parks, the world-renowned photographer, filmmaker, and writer. Their friendship helped Parks explore his prairie roots, including his childhood in Fort Scott, Kansas. Duke notes two museums in Wichita have shows related to parks on exhibit now: the Wichita Art Museum and Ulrich Museum of Contemporary Art.

Shirley Smith was a beauty queen from Manhattan, Kansas who went on to be a model, stage actress, and artist in New York City. Her work was described as lyrical abstraction. She was an urban pioneer in SoHo, where she kept a loft until she had to move to a care facility. She was making work in New York all year, but returning to Kansas in summers, living in a trailer on rural property and painting scenes she found there.

Linda Duke and museum curator Liz Seaton had the chance to visit Smith late in her life and spent a birthday evening with her in the care home where she lived. Duke showed an image of an unglued collage on Smith's work table, that may have been a late in life work, never finished when she died in 2013. The collage is of a pale palette like some of Smith's paintings and has a joyous, lyrical movement in the arrangement of materials.

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Branch Meeting — February 8, 2016 Women in STEM - A Good Fit



Speaker: **Cindy Wallace-Lage**
President, Black & Veatch's Global Water Business

Location: First Congregational Church, 700 Poyntz Ave
Dinner - 6:00 p. m. Program - 6:45 p. m.
Cost for dinner: \$12. Make checks payable to AAUW.

Make reservations by email to manhattanksaauw@gmail.com (preferred) or call Connie Noble at (785) 539-5522. Deadline for reservations is Tuesday, February 2 at noon. If you need or can provide transportation, contact Dede Brokesh at (785) 410-4335.

About our February Speaker: **Cindy Wallis-Lage**

Cindy Wallis-Lage is the President of Black & Veatch's global water business, leading the company's efforts to address billions of dollars in water infrastructure needs around the world. She is based out of Black & Veatch's World Headquarters in Overland Park, Kansas but she spends a lot of her time traveling all over the world working on various projects concerning water safety and conservation. Cindy joined the company in 1987 and has provided project leadership to more than 100 municipal and industrial facilities throughout the United States, the UK, and Asia Pacific. She joined the Black & Veatch Board of Directors in 2012. She is a licensed Professional Engineer, earning her Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Kansas State University in 1985 and her Master's degree in Environmental Health Engineering from the University of Kansas. Cindy has authored more than 50 papers, 20 technical articles and 10 textbook chapters. She is currently on the Board of Directors for the WaterReuse Association and is also active as a member of the Engineering Council at K-State and as a member of the Girl Scout Board of Directors for the 47 county area around Kansas City.

Please come meet Cindy Wallis-Lage on February 8, as she shares her enthusiasm and passion for Science and Technology and the next generation of leaders in these fields.

STEM Scholarship Update

AAUW will again offer six \$100 scholarships for girls to attend the Summer STEM Institute offered through a cooperative effort of a DoDA grant, USD 383 and Kansas State University. More information is available on the website www.usd383.org/stem. The \$100 will provide a full funding for each student. This year, we will offer it to 7th grade girls instead of 6th grade girls. The STEM staff at USD 383 support this change as there is a drop off in girls that participate in the STEM Summer Institute after 6th grade. Hopefully, this will encourage some girls that might not go as 7th graders, to participate! It is also a good way for me to see if the same number of girls apply and if not, some encouragement might be offered.

Thank you for the support in this effort. If any of you would like to help with the selection process, please let me know. I would give you a copy of each essay and you would rate them. It is not very time consuming and your input is so important. Last year we had eleven essays to evaluate. If you are interested in helping, just email me and I will send or deliver the essays to you after March 2nd. My email is wbfoxy@hotmail.com

Marilyn Fox
STEM Subcommittee



AAUW at Kansas State University Officially Founded and Officers Selected



From left: Dr. Annelise Nguyen, Reily Goyne, Kseniya Chumachenko, Siba Khojah, Tara Terwilliger, Taylor Stebbins, and Dr. Glenda Leung

We are pleased to announce that **AAUW at Kansas State University** was officially founded on Thursday, January 21, 2016 at a 4:00 p.m. meeting in the Staley School of Leadership Studies, room 201. AAUW Manhattan Branch members and Co-advisors for the new student organization, Dr. Glenda Leung and Dr. Annelise Nguyen, coordinated the meeting and selection of officers. The new officers are: President: Tara Terwilliger (tara102@k-state.edu), Vice President: Taylor Stebbins (bstebbi@k-state.edu), Treasurer: Reily Goyne (argoyne@k-state.edu), Secretary: Kseniya Chumachenko (chumache@k-state.edu), and Advocacy Chair/Event Planner: Siba Khojah (skhojah@k-state.edu). They will serve for spring/summer 2016 and the 2016-2017 academic year.

The officers met on January 24 to start drafting the constitution for the new student organization and will submit it to the Co-advisors on February 1 for review and approval before submitting it to the SGA (Student Government Association) Office. The officers also will begin reviewing the application process for registering the organization with AAUW National. Key resources for registering a student organization at K-State and AAUW were reviewed by the advisors.

AAUW Manhattan Branch Past President, Barbara Gatewood provided information on the upcoming visit of women and human rights activist, Noorjahan Akbar on March 7-9 in conjunction with International Women's Day. Noorjahan will give two presentations/discussions on March 8 in addition to the keynote address *Empowering Women to Lead Worldwide: Overcoming Political and Social Struggles* in Forum Hall at 4:00 p.m. The officers agreed to host Noorjahan with a meeting and luncheon on March 8 in the Leadership Studies Building. (The event times are to be determined). A budget of \$250 was allocated by Barbara for the event on behalf of the Akbar Planning Committee. Taylor Stebbins will make inquiries about room availability.

At the end of the meeting Barbara provided information to the students about the webinar on the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) on January 26, 7-8 p.m. CT. Interested students must register online (<http://www.aauw.org>) by 8 a.m. CT on the morning of the webinar. The students were encouraged to consider attending the NCCWSL Conference, June 2-4 at the University of Maryland. The Kansas AAUW Board has committed funds to support one or two students to attend. For more information about AAUW at Kansas State University, contact the Co-advisors: Glenda Leung (785-532-1181, glendaleung@k-state.edu) or Annelise Nguyen (785-532-4429, tnguyen@vet.k-state.edu).

New Member Profiles



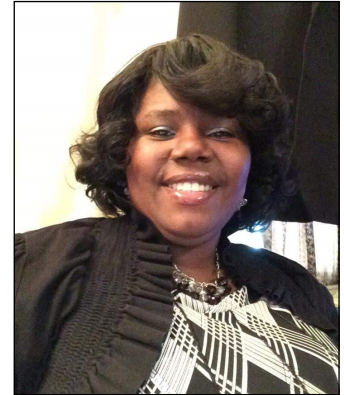
Rosie Mitchell is a native born Kansan who graduated from Kansas State University in Family and Child Development and then moved out of state to investigate the rest of the United States. She spent most of that time in the state of Washington and returned to Kansas in 2014 to accept a job with KSU as

director of the K-State Center for Child Development. She additionally wanted to be closer to her parents to help care for them.

Her working career includes 27 years in management with licensed child care programs. Rosie's daughter, Sarah is attending KSU and Rosie plans to start working on her MBA in the fall of 2016 at KSU also. In her free time Rosie says number one is being with her family and second is reading.

Rosie says her current job is by far the favorite position she has ever held. She includes this position in her "bucket list" saying she would like to win the lottery and "build the most awesome child care center for children and families AND pay my employees appropriately for the wonderful work they are doing!!!"

Tamara Denson was born in North Carolina and has been living at Ft. Riley for the last year where her husband, Corey, is stationed. They have been a part of the military community for 21 years. They have two sons, Corey Jr. 22 years and Darius, 19.



Tamara received a BS from the University of Louisville in Kentucky and a Masters of Education from Tarleton State University in Texas. She is currently working on a Doctorate in Philosophy of Education at North Central University in Arizona. She likes to read and write poetry and is currently working on her first book. She enjoys sewing, crafting and spending time with her family and good friends. She says "I am a total people's person".

She also says, "2016 is going to be a great year for me, I will be finishing up my first book and I will also be taking a lot of trips." One of the things on her "bucket list" is to travel to Dubai, however closer to the present she hopes to travel to New York, California and possibly Puerto Rico. She wants to take a class, read a certain book and maybe get a pet! Tamara's e-mail address is quite unique, "livin4tamara@yahoo.com"!



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It's fitting that the branch celebrate 95 years while at the museum. In 1934, the K-State Friends of Art formed as an outgrowth of an art lecture series sponsored by the our local branch of AAUW. Now known as the Friends of the Beach Museum of Art, the group was established to raise funds for the acquisition and care of work in the museum's permanent collection.

Programs Vice President, Mary Stamey, thanked Duke for her talk, our open tour of the museum, and hosting our branch meeting. The branch also thanked museum curator, Liz Seaton, for hosting an open tour of the galleries. The museum and its staff are a treasure of this community!



AAUW members and guests view the Art for Every Home exhibition with Liz Seaton, Senior Curator (center with book). Front: Candi White and Adena Weiser. Back: Theresa Keene, Rosie Mitchell, Nancy Bolsen, Joan Strickler, Patricia Floros, Ursula Weiser, and Mary Tolar.

Public Policy – Hot Topics!



Maurine Pruitt, Public Policy/
LWV Coordinator

Because of our recent visit to the Beach Art Museum and discussions about three Kansas artists, I would like to recap an artist who was featured as a speaker at the 2015 Convention in San Diego who did help break the glass ceiling in the art world. I am quoting from the Spring/Summer 2015 AAUW Outlook and have gotten information from the following computer address https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Faith_Ringgold. Artist Faith Ringgold received the AAUW Alumnae Recognition Award at the convention. Faith paints and sculpts the story of black women’s experiences in the African American folklore tradition. In the 1960’s Faith was told that the museums would finally admit African American artists, but because she was a woman she would not be one of them to be featured. Consequently, Faith Ringgold became an advocate for bringing more women and black artists’ work into U.S. museums. Among other organizations, Faith became active in Women Artists in Revolution

(WAR) and with Lucy Lippard and Poppy Johnson founded the Ad Hoc Women’s Art Committee where they protested an art exhibit at the Whitney Museum of American Art. The committee demanded that women artists account for fifty percent of the exhibitors. Through demonstrations she helped blow the whistle on gender and racial inequality in the art world. Now her work has been in our greatest museums including the Museum of Modern Art, the Guggenheim Museum and the Whitney Museum of American Art.

Besides her work in the art field, Faith Ringgold has written and illustrated seventeen children’s books one which is *Tar Beach*. In 1995, Faith Ringgold published her first autobiography *We Flew Over the Bridge* which details her journey as an artist and her life events from her childhood to marriage, to her professional career as an artist.

Faith Ringgold is a wonderful person to study as she did accomplish much toward gender and racial equality in the art world.

LWV (League of Women Voters) Upcoming Events

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| January 18 –10-4:00-pm | Voter Registration Table at Martin Luther King Celebration at Manhattan Town Center. |
| February 11- 11:30-1:00pm | Lunch with League – at the Tallgrass Taphouse-“Engaging Young Citizens” Manhattan High School Principal, Greg Hoyt, will speak about young people’s civic responsibility including being informed, registering to vote and voting. |
| February 13- 9:30-11:30am | “Financing Public Education.” Learn about this crucial topic for our children and community. Location TBA. See http://lwvmrc.org . Speakers Pat Hudgins and Leah Fliter. |
| March 10-11:30-1:00pm | Lunch with League- at the Tallgrass Taphouse- “What’s Happening in the Kansas Legislature?” Katha Hurt, Assistant to Kansas Senator Tom Hawk will inform us about current legislation and issues of concern for the League and our citizens. |

Volunteers needed for Community Fair

The **Community Fair** is sponsored by the Manhattan Town Center as an opportunity for local organizations to interact with visitors at the mall.

On Saturday, February 6 , 10am- 3pm, AAUW will have a table with member volunteers to distribute information, brochures and Equal Pay Day bars.

If interested in volunteering for an hour or two, please contact Patricia Floros at pbf58@yahoo.com or call (814) 441-9229.

Plan on stopping by our table located between the fountain and the food court.

Join-in! Share the history and future efforts of our Manhattan Branch, State and National AAUW!

Why President Obama's Final State of the Union Matters for Women and Girls

by Lisa Maatz, AAUW Vice President of Government Relations



President Barack Obama delivered his final State of the Union address on January 12, 2016. He hit on four major themes: giving everyone a fair economic shot at achieving the middle class dream, using technology to tackle [policy challenges](#) such as climate change, ensuring the nation's safety without becoming the world's "policeman," and reforming our dysfunctional political system. The president urged all of us to work to cross the partisan divide and . . . to "embrace change as a force for good." As a nonpartisan organization, we like that message. We want all elected officials to understand that listening



to women is a smart thing to do if you want to get elected — or re-elected. Obama's speech outlined unfinished business of his presidency. "I'll keep pushing for progress on the work that still needs doing: fixing a broken immigration system, protecting our kids from gun violence, [equal pay for equal work](#), [paid leave](#), and [raising the minimum wage](#). All these things still matter to hardworking families; they are still the right thing to do; and I will not let up until they get done." We hope the Obama administration will finalize the regulations from a series of executive orders before he leaves office. Further, we believe that access to policies that support employees — who balance the demands of their jobs with the [needs of their families](#) and their own health and well-being — is critical to the success of our country's economy.

He also decried the influence of money in politics, which has unique ramifications for women. Although women are the majority of registered voters, studies show we are less [likely to make political contributions](#) (hello, [gender pay gap!](#)), and women list fundraising as [their](#) biggest barrier to [running for elected office](#). If money remains the most respected and effective form of speech, women become even more marginalized. The president also stressed his support for voting rights, and the need to find ways to [remove barriers](#) and [encourage more women, especially younger and minority women, to vote](#). He said he intends to "travel the country to push for reforms," and we expect he'll find AAUW members waiting with pertinent questions for him at every stop.

The president reminded us that a bipartisan bill has finally updated the federal role in K–12 education policy. He boasted that our country has "increased early childhood education, lifted high school graduation rates, and boosted graduates in fields like [engineering](#)." We will be watching carefully how the new law is implemented to make sure we don't lose ground in these areas, and that we focus on [gender equity in science, technology, engineering, and math \(STEM\) fields](#). President Obama once again pushed for two years of free [community college](#) and universal pre-K programs, an idea that AAUW supports. [Loan repayment, which the president also mentioned, is an even more significant burden for women, who earn less on average over the course of their lives](#) than their male counterparts.

Much more needs to be done to create an environment in STEM fields that supports success for women. Although the president boasted of giving "scientists at the National Institutes of Health [NIH] the strongest resources they've had in over a decade," he needs to address the fact that NIH does not conduct legally required [Title IX](#) compliance reviews to ensure the universities they fund are addressing gender bias within their research programs. We must hold NIH responsible for ensuring that their billions of dollars go to research institutions that are following all civil rights laws, including anti-sex discrimination laws and [Title IX](#).

Two key AAUW priorities missing from President Obama's last State of the Union address were the issues of ending [violence against women, especially campus sexual assault](#), as well as the attacks on women's access to [reproductive health services and birth control](#). That was disappointing to say the least, given the prominence of both issues in the country's national conversation in 2015. As we embark on the 2016 election season, AAUW and the [AAUW Action Fund](#) will continue to work with state leaders, branches, and allies to ensure that voters know the [registration rules in their state, their rights, and what to bring to the polls](#) on Election Day. [Voting](#) is the best way to ensure that women's voices are heard and that the issues directly affecting women and girls are respected and addressed. We hope you'll join us! Please visit <http://www.aauw.org/2016/01/14/obamas-final-sotu/> for the complete text.

Education in Manhattan and in Kansas Focus of W4KS Meeting



Patricia Hudgins and Leah Fliter

Issues impacting **Education in Manhattan and in Kansas** were the focus at the *Women for Kansas* (W4KS) meeting on January 9 at the public library. AAUW's **Patricia Hudgins** and **Leah Fliter**, Manhattan Ogden School Board members, presented the program. Leah noted that the **Kansas 2015-16 Legislative Session** convenes on **January 11**. The education committees are considering bills on important topics, including K-12 curriculum standards, educational finance, and safety policies (visit: www.kslegislature.org). The state education budget will continue to shrink if federal money isn't accepted or more taxes generated. When asked what can we do to improve the educational system, they stressed "paying attention" to issues and voting in elections. Patricia discussed opportunities for involvement in the local schools district (visit www.usd383.org), including the

Curriculum and Technology Committees and Head Start Policy Council. For more information contact Leah (usd383.fliter@gmail.com), Patricia (usd383.hudgins@gmail.com) or board president Marcia Rozell (usd383.rozell@gmail.com).

W4KS coordinator **Lora Boyer** provided updates and facilitated discussion on many topics. The **2016 Kansas Presidential Caucuses** are on **Saturday, March 5**. Voters interested in participating in the Republican caucus must be registered by February 4. Democrats can either preregister or register onsite. The Republican caucus will be held 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Manhattan High School. The Democratic caucus will meet 1 - 5 p.m. at Anthony Middle School for voters in Senate Dist. #22 (most of Manhattan) and at Atchison High School for voters in Dist. 1 (north and east of Tuttle Creek Blvd). What is done at a caucus? **Sydney Carlin** replied that party members discuss the candidates, then candidate preferences are counted. State delegates are also selected.

Mayor Karen McCulloh reported that the number of women on national boards has increased to about 35%. Numerous positions are open on Manhattan City Advisory Boards (www.cityofmhk.com), including Aggieville Business Improvement District Advisory Board, Flint Hills Discovery Center Advisory Board, and Social Services Advisory Board. Karen emphasized that the state does not have enough money to support education, human services, and KDOT projects. If you would like to have a voice in local government, public comments are a regular agenda item on the first Tuesday of every month at the Manhattan City Commission meetings, 7:00 p.m. Commissioner **Usha Reddi** encouraged attendees to be more politically active. "What happens at the national level has an impact on the state." Sydney, Karen and Usha are also AAUW branch members.

If you are concerned about how politics impact our daily lives, learning more about important issues, and promoting the active leadership of women in local and state government, consider attending the informative W4KS monthly meetings. It is an inclusive, non-partisan group that actively discusses wide-ranging topics (www.womenforkansas.org). The upcoming W4KS meetings will be on **Saturday, February 6 and April 2, 2015** (first weekend of every month), 10:30 a.m. To receive announcements, contact lora.boyer@gmail.com.

President's Notes

Well, it's that time of year again. Three of our Branch's elected positions on our executive team will be open. As you can see in your yearbooks the positions of Program Vice President, Secretary, and Directors-at-Large will become available. We want to thank Mary Stamey, Katie Kingery-Page and Connie Noble for their expertise in maintaining these leadership roles. Please be thinking if you would like to help our Branch by serving in one of these capacities. We are blessed with a strong Branch which is progressing. We would like you to join in with the Leadership-Executive Team to help our Branch grow and move forward. If you show interest in a position, please contact me, Karen, co-president. We will be needing three to four members who will be willing to serve on a nominating committee to find members to fill these positions. If you would like to serve on the nominating committee, please contact me, or I may be calling on you. This committee will meet sometime before the end of this month. Hoping to hear from you.

Karen Tinkler, co-president

AAUW Manhattan Branch 95th Anniversary



Dear AAUW Manhattan (KS) Branch Members:

On Behalf of AAUW, it is my honor to recognize the AAUW Manhattan (KS) Branch on its 95th anniversary. We applaud your exceptional service and demonstrated commitment to advancing equity for women and girls. Please accept this certificate of honor as a small token of our gratitude.

Because of your many efforts and hard work, AAUW continues to grow with more than 170,000 members and supporters nationwide. Our shared commitment to empowering women and girls translates into positive change across the globe.

Thanks to you, we've been able to make these advances for women and girls in 2015:

- AAUW awarded \$3.7 million in fellowships and grants to 241 scholars, researchers, and community-based programs.
- *Solving the Equation: The Variables for Women's Success in Engineering and Computing* was published in March 2015. This highly anticipated research report reached thousands through a live-streamed launch and was featured in prestigious outlets such as *Forbes*, *Fortune*, *USA Today*, and the *Washington Post*.
- More than 3,211 middle school girls and parents participated in 18 one-day AAUW National Tech Savvy Program conferences and 21 weeklong Tech Trek camps across the country.
- In response to AAUW's strategic advice, the U.S. Department of Education released resources for Title IX coordinators for the first time in the civil rights law's 43-year history, providing critical information and guidance to those enforcing Title IX.
- AAUW's Start Smart, Elect Her, student organizations, and e-student affiliate numbers all continue to grow, as does the number of AAUW college/university partner members.

We are proud of these accomplishments that you helped make possible. These efforts remind us why we are passionate members of AAUW—and we will not stop here. As women gain access to educational and economic opportunities, we must keep up our efforts to further their progress. As an AAUW member, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that women have a fair chance. Congratulations again on this incredible milestone! We appreciate all the hard work and activism your branch has accomplished and look forward to your continued support in the coming years.

Sincerely,

Linda D. Hamilton, CAE
AAUW Chief Executive Officer



Empowering Women to Lead Worldwide

Overcoming Political and Social Struggles

Tuesday, March 8, 4-5 p.m.
 Forum Hall, K-State Student Union

Learn more: manhattan-ks.aauw.net

Co-sponsored by American Association of University Women, Leadership Studies, Women's Studies, Women of K-State, K-State First, and International Student and Scholar Services

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Noorjahan Akbar

- Co-founder of Free Women Writers in Afghanistan
- AAUW Women of Distinction Award, 2012
- Forbes' Top 100 Most Powerful Women in the World, 2012
- Newsweek Network's One of the 150 Fearless Women Who Shake the World, 2012
- M.A., journalism and public affairs, American University

Mark Your Calendar! Our March meeting will be Tuesday, March 8th



4:00 P. M. Forum Hall KSU Union with featured speaker, Noorjahan Akbar
6:00 P. M. Branch Dinner Meeting at the HOLIDAY INN, 17th and Anderson with our featured speaker

Noorjahan (Nore-ja-'han) is a very active Afghani woman advocating for gender equality, for social & economic empowerment, and for an end to gender-based violence for women worldwide. She currently resides in Washington D.C. as a masters graduate of American University. Since September 2015 she has worked for *Women for Women International* as a writer, collaborator, press manager, and video producer. She is also working for *The Center for Diversity and Inclusion* at American University where she created *Voices of AU*, an online platform that highlights the diversity of American University. She has been published in the *New York Times*, *Al Jazeera*, and the *UN Dispatch*.

Noorjahan was recognized in 2012 by AAUW as a Woman of Distinction. Among her many and varied accomplishments in her young life is co-founding Young Women for Change in Kabul, Afghanistan, teaching creative writing to children in Afghanistan, as a way to healing, researching women's music in Takhar and Badakhshan Afghanistan, and as a media consultant for Certe Media Firm in Kabul.

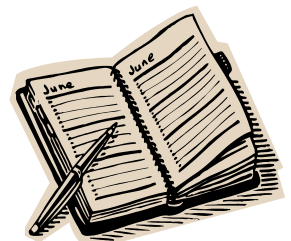
The Newsweek Network and the Daily Beast named her one of the **150 Fearless Women Who Shake the World in 2012**. She has written numerous articles and blogs, 2011-2015. Some of her speeches can be found on YouTube or our branch website. One of them can be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LtpkK7Jtp3U>

FEBRUARY BRANCH CALENDAR

Black History Month

Feb. 1	Board Meeting	Noon	Vista Drive-In, 1911 Tuttle Creek Blvd.
2	Sign-up Deadline	Noon	Feb 8 branch meeting reservation
8	Branch Meeting	6:00 p.m.	First United Methodist church
10	Creative Cookery	11:30 a.m.	Tallgrass Tap House
11	Great Decisions	10:00 a.m.	Meadowlark Hills
12	Book Talk	10:00 a.m.	Mary Stamey's house
14	Happy Valentine's Day!!!		
15	Deadline to turn in newsletter articles	- Barbara Amoah at bamoah@ksu.edu	
15	Presidents' Day	Government Offices Closed	
20	World Day of Social Justice		
23	Serendipity	11:30 a.m.	To Be Announced

Happy Valentine's Day



These are the regularly scheduled meetings. Please contact the chair listed in the yearbook/website for the most up-to-date information on Interest Groups.

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Empowering Women Since 1881



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The American Association of University Women, founded in 1881, is a nationwide community with more than 170,000 members and supporters, 1,000 local branches, and 800 college and university (C/U) partners. Our mission is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. In the 2014-2015 academic year, for example, AAUW has committed more than \$3.7 million in fellowships and grants to outstanding women, AAUW branches, and community nonprofit organizations. It continues to have a dynamic influence on policymakers, educators, employers, and communities to break through barriers and enhance opportunities for women.

We're on the Web

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