



MANHATTAN KS BRANCH ORGANIZED 1920

2025-2026 AAUW MANHATTAN BRANCH PROGRAMS

SEPTEMBER 8, 2025, 6:00 pm, Meadowlark Hills Prairie Star Restaurant. **MARTHA MATHER**, President-Elect AAUW. *AAUW Member Introduction/Orientation.*

OCTOBER 13, 2025, 6:00 pm, MHK Public Library Auditorium. **JULIE GOVERT WALTER**, Executive Director. *North Central-Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging.*

NOVEMBER 10, 2025, 6:00 pm, Meadowlark Hills Prairie Star Restaurant. **MARC JOHNSON** (President University of Nevada, retired) and **DEBBIE MERCER**, K-State Dean of College of Education. *Federal Policies' Impact on Underrepresented Populations and Inclusive Education at K-State.*

DECEMBER 8, 2025, 6:00 pm, MHK Public Library Auditorium. **CARSON KOBER**, CASA/Sunflower Children's Collective Executive Director and **Nancy Mayberry**, Executive Director KS Guardianship Program. Holiday celebration and free-will shower for CASA.

JANUARY 12, 2026, 6:00 pm, Meadowlark Hills Prairie Star Restaurant. **MEGAN DOUGHERTY**, Riley County Extension Agent. *Updates to Medicare/Medicaid.*

FEBRUARY 9, 2026, 6:00 pm, Meadowlark Hills Prairie Star Restaurant. **STEPHANIE JOHNSON, PT, MPT**, Maximum Performance Physical Therapy & Fitness Co-founder and **SARAH DUGGAN**, Meadowlark Community Relations Director. *Meadowlark Cancer Program.*

MARCH 8, 2026, 6:00 pm meal, 7:00 pm program, Holiday Inn at the Campus (tentative location). **INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY PROGRAM.**

APRIL 13, 2026, 6:00 pm, Meadowlark Hills Prairie Star Restaurant. **LEGISLATIVE PANEL**, *AAUW's Mission and Legislative Round Robin.*

MAY 11, 2026, 6:00 pm, Meadowlark Hills Prairie Star Restaurant. **YEAR END CELEBRATION, PRESIDENT'S AWARDS, & NEW OFFICER INITIATION.** *AAUW Mission Accomplishments.*

We would love for you to attend one of the programs!

If you would like to become a member of AAUW, please contact manhattanksaauw@gmail.com. You also can sponsor a program or donate to AAUW.

AAUW is 501 c (4) nonprofit organization

AAUW is the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls. Since our founding in 1881, AAUW members have examined and taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day: educational, social, economic, and political.

Mission

Advancing gender equity through research, education, and advocacy

Values

Intersectional. Inclusive. Intergenerational. Empowering.

Focus

Economic security, education, and advocacy

Inclusion at AAUW

In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks an inclusive membership, workforce, leadership team, and board of directors. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of age, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, geographical location, national origin, race, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic status.

AAUW Manhattan, Kansas Branch

For 100 years and counting, our branch has provided members with enriching opportunities for professional and personal growth, life-long learning, networking, and socializing through our many activities.

Here is a sampling of what we currently do:

- Enjoy learning together, forming friendships, and networking through our monthly branch meetings, mission-based programs, and interest groups.
- Keep informed of important branch, state, and national initiatives/public policy issues; and co-sponsor candidate forums with the League of Women Voters.
- Fund scholarships for nontraditional Kansas State University students and promote AAUW National fellowships and grants.
- Work with Kansas State University to serve women students and faculty in the areas of educational opportunities, funding, leadership, and pay equity.
- Engage members and recognize leadership in the branch with the award of several member honors each year.
- Grow our organization through membership recruitment; learning opportunities; and participation in International Women's Day, and other events.
- Provide an informative branch website, Facebook, and yearbook.
- <https://manhattan-ks.aauw.net/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/AAUW.Manhattan>