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FALLS NOTES



AAUW-River Falls, WI <u>aauwrf@gmail.com</u> Branch Newsletter: December 2019-delayed

Next regular meeting will be Saturday, January 25, 2020

Business Meeting at 1:00 p.m. Program at 1:30 - Women in STEM – guest speaker will be **River Falls City Engineer, Crystal Raleigh**, who will talk about her career in a STEM field. The 2020 winners of the Women in Math and Science Essay Contest will be there to receive their awards and to tell about the women they chose to write about. The meeting takes place on Saturday, January 25th at 1:00 at the River Falls Public Library.

Guests are welcome.

PLEASE BRING A FRIEND

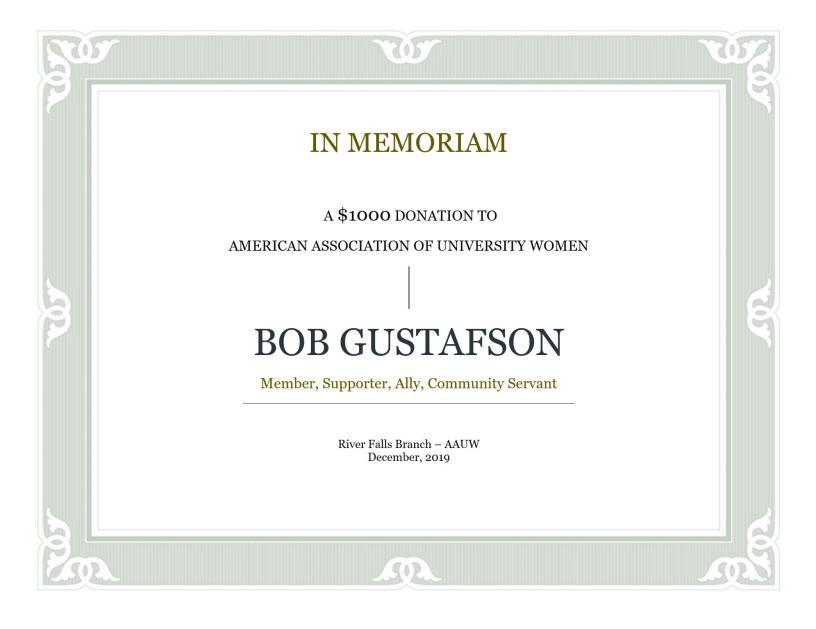
PRESIDENT' S COLUMN Suzanne Hagen, Branch President

President's Column – January 2020 Suzanne Hagen, Branch President

As 2020 begins, let's give our branch a collective pat on the back for all we've accomplished in the past year. A few examples include excellent public programming (including suffrage recognition), scholarship and NCWSSL support (that successful book sale!), STEM initiatives, policy advocacy, and women's leadership development and recognition. (Please support women's leadership recognition with nominations for our 2020 Role Model for Equity Award. Nomination form in this newsletter; deadline January 25.)

Our history and current efforts position us well to earn National AAUW's recognition as a 2019-20 Five Star Branch – an award we agreed to pursue at our September meeting. In early 2020, the Board will be working to track and document our progress in meeting the criteria for this recognition. We'll also be doing some strategic planning for our branch, coordinating our goals with National AAUW's three strategic priorities: Education & Training, Economic Security, and Leadership Development. We'll work hard to keep members informed and involved as these efforts continue. Two themes of our spring programs are STEM support and Economic Security, particularly as that affects women. Please plan to attend our January 25th session on women in STEM and our subsequent programs on the River Falls' food pantry, higher education funding and financial planning. (And have the State AAUW convention in LaCrosse on your calendar for April 17-18.) I look forward to our productive work this spring – and, as always, our good fellowship (woman-ship?). Happy New Year!

Bob Gustafson Memorial Donation: AAUW-RF annually contributes \$1000 to the national AAUW organization. Our 2019 donation is made in memory of long time member Bob Gustafson. Bob supported scholarship initiatives, participated in programs and raised branch funds with his great auctioneering skills. He was a supporter, ally, and community servant; he will be missed.



District IV Meeting Update, Nov. 16, LaCrosse, WI.

The recent District meeting focused primarily on planning for the **April 17-18, 2020 AAUW-WI convention** at the LaCrosse Radisson. Our planning committee representatives are Sue Danielson, Ann Gustafson, Maureen Olie-LaJoie and Barbara Peterson.

The convention theme is "Reflect on the Past, Prepare for the Future". Several good topics and speakers are being firmed up. We also had a tour of the Radisson facilities which seem to be excellent and should serve us well. It's great to have the convention only a two hour drive away!

Please put it on your calendars and plan to attend **April 17-18, 2020**. Our travel fund will provide reimbursement for lodging, convention registration, mileage and convention-sponsored meals.

The meeting also included an overview of national AAUW's 5 Star Branch Program which we've agreed to pursue. This program recognizes outstanding AAUW branches. We have already met several benchmarks for this designation.

Suzanne Hagen and Ann Gustafson will keep you updated on the 5 Star Branch Program efforts.

NEW FACEBOOK PAGE - Kendra Morgan is the administrator for our AAUW branch Facebook Page. Our new page has the URL: <u>https://www.facebook.com/AAUW.RiverFalls</u>. Please "like it." by clicking at the top left side under the title. Also, if you have any events or information which are relevant, please send your postings to <u>moke1202@outlook.com</u>. Thank you, Kendra, for assuming this responsibility.

Also, we continue to work on making our Facebook page effective and for that we need everyone's support. If you have things to share, contact Kendra Morgan <u>moke1202@outlook.com</u>

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RIVER FALLS BRANCH MEETING MINUTES

Gretchen Toman, Secretary

WILL BE SENT AT A LATER DATE FOR APPROVAL AT THE NEXT MEETING.

MEMBERSHIP NOTES – Kendra Morgan, Vice-President Membership

Membership Note: Phyllis Jaworski, a branch member from Hudson, is sharing information about AAU-W's mission and our branch activities with her networks of friends, parents, and colleagues in the Hudson area. We hope to see guests from Hudson at our spring meetings. We know you'll welcome them warm-ly. This is an excellent opportunity to expand our AAUW network; thank you, Phyllis!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2019-20

Thanks to everyone who has renewed their membership for the coming year. If you have not renewed as yet, we hope you will continue to support our work on behalf of women and girls. Our 2019-20 program plans in this newsletter show the relevance, value, energy, and creativity of our work together!

Please renew your membership before Nov. 30, 2019 to keep your name on our membership roster

Membership dues are:

\$59.00 – national dues (\$56 of which are tax deductible)
\$13.00 – state dues
\$11.00 – branch dues
\$83.00 - Total

You may renew on line at <u>aauw.org</u> or by check, payable to AAUW-RF and mailed to: Tina Kelly W9908 State Rd 35

Hager City, WI 54014-8343

Fund Raising Success! Thanks to all the enthusiastic bidders at our holiday auction in December. We raised \$1045 to add to our operating funds!

FINANCE REPORT

Tina Kelly, Finance Chair

AAUW-River Falls Finance Report

December 02, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Checking balance 12/31/2019	\$ 9078.26
Receipts	
Membership Dues	\$ 83
Book Sale	25
Note Cards	40
Auction	1045
Contribution to General Fund	72
Total receipts (12/2/2019 – 12/31/19)	\$1265

Disbursements AAUW Renewal Fees	\$ 72
CVTC Scholarship Fund Donation AAUW Contribution Scholarship Fund AAUW Contribution Greatest Need	525 500 500
Total disbursements (12/2/2019 - 12/31/2019)	\$1597

Balances 12/31/2019

Checking: \$8746.26 Savings: \$1714.94 Total: \$10461.20

AAUW will be cosponsoring this STEM event again this year. Please alert your friends and family of this wonderful event. Registration will be coming out in the Community Education Spring bulletin.

Girls in SCIENCE Event 2020

Seeing, Creating, Inventing, Exploring, Naming, Cooperating, and Experimenting. Meet UWRF professors, scientists, and science students; and experience four hands-on STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) activities. New topics added! All welcome. Light snack provided, please bring a water bottle. Please indicate t-shirt size (Youth S/M/L or Adult S/M/L/XL/XXL). Space limited. Scholarships available via Allina Health. For scholarship info, grouping requests, and questions, email <u>rellen.hardtke@uwrf.edu</u> or call 715.425.4230.

Date: Saturday April 18, 2020

Grades 3–6: 8:15 am–12:15 pm (8am check-in, 12:20 pick-up) Grades 6–9: 1–5 pm (12:45 check-in, 5:05 pick-up) Place: 160 Hagestad Hall, UWRF, 262 E Cascade Ave, RF Fee: \$19 (+\$11 for t-shirt, optional)

PUBLIC POLICY

Barb Peterson, Chair

2020 is an election year. Our nation is 243 years old but we women have had voting rights for only 100 of those years. AAUW encourages you to exercise your rights! Recently I read this in a blog –

Not voting is not a statement. It's rendering yourself invisible It is silencing your own voice. It is self-marginalization It is allowing your future to be determined by other people and pretending that's a victory Author Unknown On **February 28th** there will be a primary for the vacant 7th District House seat once held by Sean Duffy. The candidates are listed here:

Name	City of Residence	Party Affiliation
Tom Tiffany	Minocqua	Republican
Jason Church	Hudson	Republican
Lawrence Dale	Eagle River	Democrat
Tricia Zunker	Wausau	Democrat

The general election for the winning candidates (one from each party) will be held on **May 12th**. Residents of St. Croix County will be represented by this candidate.

April 7th is the Wisconsin presidential primary. This is also the date for the non-partisan city and county elections and the WI Supreme Court. The presidential election will be held on **November** 3^{rd} , 2020. There is ample time for you to get out the vote for candidates that represent your issues. Please remind people of these election dates.

Did you know, Rachel Carson used her 1956 AAUW Achievement Award funds to research and write her groundbreaking environmental work, *Silent Spring*. And, did you know that in the late 1960s and early 1970s AAUW undertook a battle for **environmental** reform? AAUW has often been a leader in issues. Today, several River Falls AAUW members are part of a group, Hope For Creation, that is encouraging our citizens to act locally for our sustainable environment. Much has already been accomplished locally. You are encouraged to join many RF citizens in a discussion of "What's Next" in our challenge. We hope you will come and contribute to this discussion. Free registration is encouraged at <u>www.rflearns.org</u>

Thank you, Phyllis Goldin:

Member Phyllis Golden has shared multiple copies of her father's book, <u>An Affair with my City</u>, with the branch. Max Goldin's selected works are a compendium of his wisdom, humor and life experiences in Winnipeg and reflects the prestigious writing awards he received. Email Lorraine Davis (<u>Idavis4762@aol.com</u>) if you would like a copy.

PROGRAMS

Sue Danielson, VP Program Chair

Come meet the new River Falls City Engineer, Crystal Raleigh, who will talk about her career in a STEM field. The 2020 winners of the Women in Math and Science Essay Contest will be there to receive their awards and to tell about the women they chose to write about. The meeting business takes place on Saturday, January 25th at 1:00 at the River Falls Public Library with our STEM program beginning at 1:30 p.m. Many of our Branch members contribute a great deal to our community. If you know of any members who have been recognized for their achievements, let Gretchen Toman (gretchentoman@gmail.com), our secretary, know and she will send a letter of congratulations on behalf of AAUW. Let's celebrate one another.



CARDS FOR SALE

We have reissued notecards recreating the pen and ink drawings of past member, Helen B. Wyman.

The cards show four views of River Falls' bridges and are packaged in groups of eight.

They are available from Suzanne Hagen for \$10.00.

A great gift!!!! A great support for AAUW efforts!!!!

IT'S AAUW'S ART CONTEST TIME!

Are you a passionate painter? A skillful sketch artist? Do you have a great eye for photography? If so, AAUW is offering the perfect opportunity for you to show off your artistic talents — by submitting to our 11th annual art contest!

The contest opens today. The rules are simple: <u>submit your photography or a digital image of</u> <u>your painting or sketch</u> through the AAUW website by **January 28, 2020.** All entries are accepted, but we encourage you to consider works that speak to AAUW's mission of advancing gender equity.

AAUW members can then vote for the artwork they would like to see featured on a collection of notecards we will mail this spring. The back of the cards will include the winning artist's biography, branch affiliation (if applicable) and an interesting fact about AAUW.

Visit us online for more information or to view last year's gallery of submissions.

We hope to receive submissions from all AAUW artists this year, so please spread the word. Feel free to forward this email through your branch and state communications.

We look forward to seeing your work! Sincerely,



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Kendra L. Davis Senior Vice President, Advancement and Partnerships

ETHEL JOHNSON MEMORIAL

Submitted by Jean Johnson, Committee Chair of The Ethel Johnson Memorial Fund

The Ethel Johnson Memorial honors a woman dedicated to learning. AAUW wishes to remember Ethel for her many roles of service to our organization and the community. Her life is an example of what education and a spirit of giving can inspire in all of us. The fund will be used for grants that promote literacy, such as books for the food shelf or the public school back pack program. By sustaining this memorial, AAUW continues the values by which Ethel lived as a teacher, mentor, traveler, and friend.

Please send your monetary support to Tina Kelly, W9908 State Rd 35. Hager City WI 54014 or donate at our monthly AAUW meetings.

Ethel Johnson Literacy Grants

The first set of Ethel Johnson Literacy Grants has been announced by the River Falls Branch of AAUW. Twenty-four excellent grant applications were reviewed by a committee of Jean Johnson, Sue Danielson and Lorraine Davis. There were requests of over \$8000 for the available \$2400. Eight grants were awarded on merit of objectives and population served.

Requests were from both Pierce and St Croix Counties and varied in grade level, school location, and curriculum. Not all literacy program proposals were school based.

The grant was named after AAUW member Ethel Johnson who taught in the public schools until she was 70. She touched the lives of many and in honor of her memory; her friends have established this fund to promote her greatest educational love, literacy.

The awards committee is grateful to those donors who made this project possible. Additional donations to sustain the fund can be made in her honor to Ethel Johnson Fund, c/0 Jean Johnson, N8048 1094th St, River Falls WI 54022

Winners:

Becky Fortney, Prescott Second Grade Jennifer Langer, Prescott Elementary Terrance Neumann, New Richmond Senior High Science Tracy Preece, New Richmond grade 3-5 Literacy Coach Kara Rowan, River Falls Montessori Lacey Sheridan, New Richmond Special Services Candice Skow, River Falls Rocky Branch Title 1 Kristin Taipale, New Richmond Early Childhood /4K

The committee acknowledges the worth of all applications. The wonderful response renews our commitment to raising funds for the Ethel Johnson Literacy Fund. How They Used Their Grants

Candice Skow - Title 1 Reading teacher, Rocky Branch Elementary, River Falls School District

Dear AAUW-RF supporters, I'd like to tell you how thrilled I was to be selected to receive the Ethel Johnson Literacy Grant money to purchase high interest literature for my students. My 4th and 5th grade students have debates about which book should be our next. It is wonderful to see them SO excited.

These book sets include free on line comprehension activities. we have used Venn diagrams to compare, KWL charts (know, want to know, what I learned), Photo Scrapbook graphic organizers to draw pictures and add captions, and Just the Facts charts. My main objective, getting students excited about reading while building comprehension skills, has been met. I have never seen my students so excited about reading. My current students as well as future students for years to come will benefit from these books. On a personal note, the books and the enjoyment they provide has been invigorating. I also glad I applied.

With deepest gratitude, Candice Skow

Acknowledgement of persons honored with monetary gifts to the Ethel Johnson Literacy Grant.

The students of today benefit from their generous lives. Deep thanks to all who gave in memory of the following:

Anne Anderson Pearl Crank Bob Gustafson Ethel Johnson Lee Matzek Roberta Wunrow



Attention AAUW Members: There is still time to place your order for the navy blue AAUW t-shirts. They are regular cotton t-shirts with the white AAUW logo printed on the front (see photo). The shirt is optional but will be used to increase awareness at our tabling and volunteer events. The cost per shirt is \$10 which can be paid by cash/check to Kendra before or at pick-up.

* * * Please contact Kendra Morgan at 715-450-6870 or <u>moke1202@outlook.com</u> with your size if you are interested in getting an AAUW t-shirt. She has three orders waiting and will send in the ordr when she gets a total of 12 orders, so help out your fellow AAUW members and order an AAUW t-shirt now.

INTERNATIONAL ISSUES

Yolanda Dewar, Chair

DECEMBER 2019 INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Greta Thurnberg is TIME 2019 "Person of the Year", by Matthew Rozsa, Salon.com Newsletter, 12/12/19

The Swedish Climate Change activist is the youngest person to ever earn the coveted distinction at 16 years old.

Thunberg, who at 16 is the youngest person to ever earn the coveted distinction, was described by Time's editor-in-chief Edward Felsenthal as part of a rising generation of "leaders with a cause and a phone who don't fit the old rubrics but who connect with us in ways that institutions can't and perhaps never could." <u>https://www.salon.com/2019/12/11/greta-thunberg-is-times-2019-person-of-the-year/</u>

Women Take Finland Leadership, by Johanna Lemola and Megan Specia, New York Times, 12/09/19, Updated Dec. 10, 2019

Sanna Marin of Finland to Become World's Youngest Prime Minister. At 34, Ms. Marin will head a coalition made up of five parties, in a government led by women, which includes Minister of Education Li Andersson, Minister of Interior Maria Ohisalo, and Minister of Finance Katri Kulmuni.

Marin, a rising star in the Social Democratic Party since first entering Parliament in 2015, was voted by her party after a turbulent week in which Prime Minister Antti Rinne resigned over criticism from within his coalition government of the handling of the postal worker s' strike. Rinne will continue as the head of the Social Democrats.

https://www.nytimes.com/2019/12/09/world/europe/finland-prime-minister-sanna-marin.html

AFFDU hosts Bookfair and talk on identity, from GWI gwi@graduatewomen.org, 11/27/2019

The Association Française des Femmes Diplômées des Universités (AFFDU) held a bookfair on 23 November 2019 at a town hall in Paris, France. More than 70 women authors of non-fiction books ranging from geography, medicine and sociology were present to sell their books. AFFDU also successfully sold their last copies of their review, Diplômées, which was met with much interest. Additionally, a talk and discussion entitled "Questioning Identity" was facilitated by feminist and philosopher Geneviève Fraisse. The session gave a glimpse of the milestone Centenary of AFFDU to be held 18 to 22 September 2020 and which all Graduate Women International (GWI) members are warmly welcome.

The Truth Teller of Henan, from The Economist, October 12, 2019

Shuping Wang, the first doctor to expose HIV scandal in Central China died on September 21st, age 59. <u>https://www.economist.com/obituary/2019/10/10/obituary-shuping-wang-died-on-september-21st</u>

629 Pakistani Women and girls have been sold as brides to Chinese

men: Report, by Kathy Gannon, Associated Press December 4, 2019

Investigations into the trafficking networks have reportedly are stalled due to pressure from government officials fearful of hurting Pakistan's lucrative ties to Beijing

The Associated Press obtained a list compiled by Pakistani investigators determined to break up trafficking networks exploiting the country's poor and vulnerable. Stalling of the investigation was due to the fact that in October, a court in Faisalabad acquitted 31 Chinese nationals charged with trafficking, and that several of the women who had initially been interviewed by police refused to testify because they were either threatened or bribed into silence. An AP investigation earlier this year revealed how Pakistan's Christian minority has become a new target of brokers who pay impoverished parents to marry off their daughters, some of them teenagers, to Chinese husbands who return with them to their homeland.

https://gulfnews.com/world/asia/pakistan/hundreds-of-pakistani-girls-sold-as-brides-to-china-1.68255992

Sudan Repeals Repressive Law that Punished Women, by Miriam Berger,

Washington Post, 12/1/19

The law had given police the power to flog women for wearing pants

It has been nearly a year since mass protests broke out in Sudan — culminating in April with the ouster of Omar Hassan al-Bashir, the African country's longtime dictator accused of war crimes.

Women were at the forefront of these protests — and they didn't stop pushing for change once Bashir resigned and the military followed by a transitional government took over. After 30 years of Bashir's repressively conservative rule based on an extreme interpretation of Islam. So, the transitional government took a significant step in addressing Sudan's troubled past by repealing a public order law that had granted police far-reaching powers to arrest people for a litany of infractions, including women who were found dancing, wearing trousers, vending on the streets or mixing with men who weren't their relatives. Punishments included flogging, fines and, in rare cases, stoning and execution, according to the BBC.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/2019/12/01/sudan-has-repealed-its-repressive-public-order-lawthat-had-let-police-flog women-wearing-pants/

Bad Luck, You're second class: Citizenship in Malaysia, The Economist -

November 30, 2019.

Citizenship laws in Malaysia still discriminate against women. The Malaysian Constitution guarantees that fathers can pass their nationality to children born abroad, but mothers must apply for it, a process that can leave foreign- born children in limbo for years.

Malaysia is one of 25 countries that restricts their women from conferring their nationality to their children, and is one of roughly 50 that limit them from passing it to foreign spouses. Still more unusually, Malaysia discriminates against some fathers, too-it is one of three countries that prevent men from passing citizenship on to their children born outside marriage. The holdouts are mostly in Africa and the Middle East. Malaysia is one of only two, alongside neighbouring Brunei, to persist with gender discrimination in their citizenship rule. "Discriminatory citizenship laws can render children stateless", says Catherine Harrington, of the New York-based Global Campaign for Equal Nationality Rights, "Xenophobia and a patriarchal mindset still is prevalent in these countries.

https://www.economist.com/asia/2019/11/28/malaysia-still-discriminates-against-women-over-citizenship

-Did you know?-From GWI gwi@graduatewomen.org, 11/27/2019

The 16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence campaign was initiated in 1991 by the first Women's Global Leadership Institute. Since then, more than 6000 organisations from approximately 187 countries have participated in the campaign. Every year, the 16 Days of Activism against GBV campaign features a theme focussing on a particular area of gender inequality to help drawing attention to these issues and provoke change that will have an impact. The dates for the campaign, 25 November-10 December were chosen to link violence against women and human rights and emphasise that GBV is a violation of human rights. Therefore, the campaign starts on 25 November, International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, and ends on 10 December, Human Rights Day. For several years now, GWI joins the campaign every year by providing its own <u>advocacy toolkit</u>, social media posts and press releases. Follow our daily posts on <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> to be up to date on every day of the campaign!

— Ot	her information and events —	
3 December	International Day of Persons with Disabilities, Global	
9 December	International Anti-Corruption Day, Global	
10 December	Human Rights Day, Global	
18 December 20 December	International Migrants Day, Global	
	International Human Solidarity Day, Global	
	bruary 2020 International Day of Zero Tolerance to Female Genital Mutilation,	
11 February 2020		
TT February 2020	International Day of Women and Girls in Science, Global	
10 Feb - 28 Feb	Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, 75 th	
2020	session, United Nations, Geneva	
9-20 March 2020	Commission on the Status of Women 64 th session, New York	
31 May-18 Jun	Iun International Labour Conference, 110 th session, Geneva	
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ARTICLE LINKS OF ONTEREST

Barb Peterson, our Public Policy chair, recommends the article Losing Sheila's Smile about a Wisconsin woman who was the victim of gun violence. Please note national AAUW's 2019-21 Public Policy priorities: "AAUW recognizes that gun violence is a public health crisis. . . . [A priority is] Freedom from violence and fear of violence, including hate crimes, in homes, schools, workplaces and communities." Note further that the term "gun control" is intentionally not used in AAUW materials; rather the policy and action focus is on "gun violence prevention." (See AAUW's <u>History on Gun Violence Prevention</u>)

Here is the link: <u>https://systemschangeconsulting.wordpress.com/2019/12/27/losing-sheilas-</u>smile/?fbclid=IwAR214-60iDVUQRWb5uJAN68g0FB7KwiL09gPK4wiSiqYTu2pBWwIbRpI9WY

Politico's Tim Alberta in the latest Democratic debate brought up former President <u>Barack Obama</u>'s <u>recent</u> <u>comments</u> that if women ruled every country, the world "would see a significant improvement across the board on just about everything."

River Falls Branch: 2019-20 CALENDAR OF EVENTS – SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Monthly meetings are usually the second Tuesday of each month September to May with business meetings at 6:30 and programs open to the public at 7:00 at the River Falls Public Library. Exceptions are noted.

September 6 – City Sampler at UWRF campus, 11-1 p.m. AAUW table on mall will share information.

September 10 - **Pot Luck Dinner** and business meeting **6:30**, **7:00** program presentation National Conference for College Women Student Leaders speaker – UWRF student Faith Velez, COMMUNITY ROOM at the First National Bank, 104 E Locust Street

Early September – Book donation barrels placed in Family Fresh, Dick's Grocery store and County Market in Hudson.

October 8 – Business meeting: 6:30, 7:00 - Iron Jawed Angels film co-sponsored w/library. River Falls Public Library

Book Sale dates – two successive weekends in October (possibly Oct. 11-13 and Oct. 17-19)

November 10 – Sunday, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. River Falls Moose Lodge Breakfast Fund raiser

November 12 - Business meeting 6:30 p.m., Program at 7:00 p.m. - Civil Conversations – speakers Krista Cleary and Grace Coggio, First National Bank Community Room

December 10 – Holiday gathering at 6:30 p.m. at Suzanne Hagen's House, 2464 Golf View Dr., Brief business meeting and auction (Please bring auction item and appetizer or cookies to share.)

January 25, 2020 (Saturday) – Business Meeting at 1:00 p.m. Program at 1:30 - Women in STEM – guest speaker River Falls City Engineer, Crystal Raleigh, Presentation of Women in Science essay awards, River Falls Public Library

February 11 - RF Food Shelf update and tour, Time and Location TBD

March 10 – Business meeting at 6:30 p.m. Program at 7:00 p.m. – Student Debt: Update and Implications for Students, Parents and Grandparents – Panel discussion. Role Model for Equity Award presented River Falls Public Library

March 31 - Equal Pay Day

 April 14 – Business (Annual) Meeting at 6:30 p.m. (Election of officers for 2020-2021) Program at 7:00
 p.m. – Economic Security for Women – Speaker: Kendra Morgan, Financial Advisor, Edward Jones. River Falls Public Library

STEM Program: Girls in SCIENCE at UWRF – Date to be determined

April 16-17 - State AAUW Convention in LaCrosse, Wisconsin

May 12 – Year-end business meeting and pot luck dinner, Installation of officers and Celebration, 6:30 p.m. at Lorraine Davis's House



AAUW'S MISSION STATEMENT

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

AAUW'S VALUE PROMISE

By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance. AAUW empowers all women and girls to reach their highest potential.

VISION STATEMENT

AAUW empowers all women and girls to reach their highest potential.

DIVERSITY STATEMENT

AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.