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## President's Message ~ Carol Arnosky

Hello everyone! For the entire month of September several of us have been working at the Used Book Sort Room, retrieving, evaluating and organizing the 20,000 books that come in for our Book Sale. I was inspired by the many famous poets and their works that fill our "Literature" tables:

We are the SCRUB team  
Mighty mighty SCRUB team!  
We can sort a book  
With just one look.  
New, old, fiction or true  
We know just what to do with you!  
Cook books, bios, Dr. Seuss and more  
We look forward to what comes through the door

20,000 items will be evaluated.  
We choose to sell only the top-rated.  
Our customers know our sale is the best.  
For fifty years, it has outshined the rest.  
\$500,000 in scholarships have been given  
To High School, Trade, and Transition Women.  
Our Team thoroughly enjoys what we do;  
Join us next time! You will too!



Carol has  
a hefty  
load.



## Branch Meeting to Feature Midland Recyclers ~ Chris Ferrando, 1<sup>st</sup> VP Program Development

Thursday, October 13, Program 6:30 pm, Doors open 6:00 pm.  
Grace A. Dow Memorial Library Community Room (Handicapped Accessible)

The Midland Branch will welcome members, guests and prospective members at the October meeting to hear how local recyclers are striving to help communities become Environmentally Conscious Communities.

Midland Recyclers' mission is to inspire the community to make a positive impact on the environment by providing the means and know-how to reuse and recycle. Located in Midland, they serve the Great Lakes Bay Region as a do-it-yourself drop-off recycling center.

They are not a city or county agency and they are not the ones that pick up your curbside recycling. Midland Recyclers offers a wide range of services and programs. Many are unique due to their nonprofit status: drop off recyclables from home and business; residential pickup of moving and/or large boxes; shredding confidential documents; educational tours and programs; Upcyclers Shoppe where you can purchase low cost moving and craft supplies, selected electronics items; and the newest program, recycling colored glass.

The Midland Recyclers are reaching out to educate the public about the importance of recycling and striving to inspire people to make a difference individually and in the community. Let's do our part. Bring a friend. Together, we will learn to make that positive impact on the environment in our Midland community.

Light refreshments will be served. So that we have an accurate count, please make a reservation with Liz Kapla by October 10. Contact Liz.

# AAUW Fall Book Sale ~Trudy Dutot, Used Book Sale Chair

The Fall 2022 Used Book Sale was a great success thanks to the many hours of hard work by dedicated AAUW Midland Branch members and friends. This sale grossed over \$16,000. Thousands of books were donated. We started with 270 banana boxes and had only about 26 banana boxes left. Branch members, spouses and friends listed below are to be thanked for their contributions towards the success of the Fall sale. A special thanks to the Exchange Club for bringing out the banana boxes and helping to put books out.

Carol Arnosky	Judy Donahue	Marge Haskell	Pat Naessens
Dorothy Arthur	Trudy & Mike Dutot	Carol Hoerneman-Plaush	Laila Oudman
Teresa Beadlescomb	Chris & Dick Ferrando	Marie Johansen	Gina Pederson
Roxanne Brooks	Mary Crane-Franek	Jean & Bob Julier	Pauline Pittsley
Kerry & Kelly Buell	Barb & Tom Galloway	Deb Kaiser	Joe Sepesy
Gloria Miller Bukowski	Berta Gebo	Liz & Roger Kapla	Kim Stienke
Annette Clapp	Mary Gilbert	Candy Keysor-Oudman	Terry & Duane Townley
Sandy Collinson	Robin Glenn	Mary Sydney Matuska	Val Trabucchi
Ruth Copp	Mary Graiver	Alice & Jim Morgan	Donna & Roy Wedge
Judi Cox & Nate V.	Nancy & Ed Hannum	Pam Murchison	Jane & Dave Wirth

## Your Vote on November 8 is Very Important

### Jane Wirth, Public Policy Chair

The upcoming mid-term election couldn't be more important for assuring equity and fostering economic security for women and girls in our state. I trust you have a plan for the election—either voting absentee or in-person. The time to make a plan is now!! Take time to learn the philosophies and goals of the candidates. Go to the polls with a list of your choices in hand.

You will be voting for Midland Public School Board Members (3), State Supreme Court Justices, a Midland County Commissioner, a State Representative and a State Senator, a U.S. Representative, and deciding three state constitution amendments among other matters.

The MPS School Board Forum will include 8 of the 9 candidates for 3 positions and will have taken place before you receive The TWIG. However, you can view rebroadcasts of these forums and other League of Women Voters (LWV) forums as follows: Replays and on-demand playback for the school board forum and other LWV forums will be available on Charter Spectrum 191, AT&T U-Verse 99, and streaming devices. Watch these forums live or on demand through the Cablecast Community Media iOS and Android mobile app or through MCTV's website at [www.cityofmidlandmi.gov/MCTV](http://www.cityofmidlandmi.gov/MCTV).

**Vote411.com** is the LWV site for reviewing who and what will be on your ballot; a printed voter guide supplement will be published with the Midland Daily News later in the month. The supplement will also be available at local libraries. "AAUW believes everyone has the right to make decisions about their own reproductive lives without government interference. . . . Being able to choose whether and when to become a parent improves women's well-being and fosters economic security—a crucial component of AAUW's mission. This is particularly important in a country that lacks accessible maternal health care, paid caregiving leave and workplace protections for pregnant workers," Gloria L. Blackwell, AAUW Chief Executive Officer declared in June

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