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AAUW Midland Branch Newsletter

May
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May Branch Meeting to Celebrate AAUW's History

by Chris Ferrando

Thursday, May 16, 2024 at 12:00 pm (doors open at 11:30 am)
Midland Country Club – Ballroom C (handicapped accessible)



An invitation is extended to all members, guests, and prospective members to come celebrate the 90th Anniversary of the Midland Branch of AAUW. The Branch was established in 1934, and its first president was Mary Caldwell. Branch member Jane Wirth will present the history of the Midland Branch highlighting our rich heritage of accomplishments.

The Annual Meeting will include the election of Branch officers for 2024 – 2025, the presentation of the 2024 Named Gift Honoree, an update on the State Convention from Carol Arnosky and Judi Cox, and an update on the Spring Used Book Sale.

The anniversary luncheon will be served around 12:00 pm. Lunch will feature grilled chicken almond citrus salad, bread basket, AAUW birthday cake and vanilla ice cream à la mode, coffee and tea. Guests are welcome. The cost is \$20.00 per person. Reservations are required by May 14th. Make checks payable to AAUW – Midland Branch. Send your payment to Liz Kapla, 1205 Bayberry Lane, Midland, MI 48640. You can contact Liz at ekapla@charter.net or call her at 989-631-7365.

Program Committee: Chris Ferrando, Barb Galloway, Liz Kapla

President's Message by Carol Arnosky

Whew! Our April Book Sale is over! The sales total was second highest ever and, in my opinion, we received the second highest quantity of donated books ever. A huge thank you to everyone who worked on the sale. According to my Fitbit, I walked 79,074 steps (34 miles) over the three days of the sale. I feel that it is extremely important to keep the sale

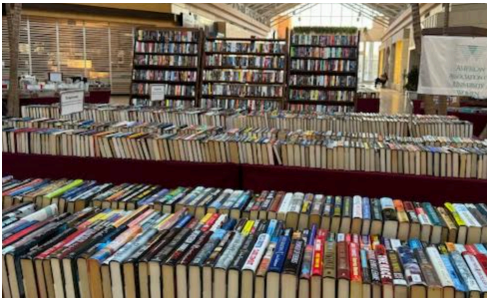
as neat and organized as possible, by constantly straightening books, removing empty baskets and putting books 'flat' (if you know, you know) for best viewing. I am sure our customers appreciate all of our efforts as reflected by the incredible sales and positive comments. Have a wonderful May and enjoy the spring flowers!



Used Book Sale Success by Trudy Dutot

The Spring 2024 Used Book Sale was a huge success thanks to the many hours of hard work by dedicated AAUW Midland Branch members, family, and friends. The deposits for this sale, including net credit card deposits totaled \$18,680. This is our second highest sale ever! Thousands of books were donated. We started with 325 banana boxes and had about 62 banana boxes left at the end of the sale. Just over 80% of the books sold!

The next sale is scheduled for September 27, 28, 29, 2024. See you then.



Countless hours of hard work paid off



A shirt after our hearts



Eager shoppers perusing our many tables

Branch members, spouses and friends listed below are to be thanked for their contributions towards the success of the Spring sale. Thank you to the newer members who helped with the sort room and the sale. A special thanks to the Exchange Club for bringing out the banana boxes and for helping to put books out on the tables.

thank you

Carol & Steve Arnosky
Teresa Beadlescomb
Roxanne & Brent Brooks
Kerry & Kelly Buell
Sandy Collinson
Ruth Copp
Judi Cox & Nate V.
Lauren (Judi's friend)
Judy & Tom Donahue
Trudy & Mike Dutot
Chris & Dick Ferrando

Becky & Jim Fuller
Barb & Tom Galloway
Robin Glenn
Mary Graiver
Nancy & Ed Hannum
Mary Harding
Meg Harding and Stan
Halpin
Marge Haskell
Julie Hyatt
Carol Hoerneman-Plaush
Marie Johansen
Paula Jonas
Jean & Bob Julier
Deb Kaiser

Liz & Roger Kapla
Mary Sydney Matuska
Jan Lanter
Bethany Law
Ann Moe
Alice Morgan
Pam Murchison
Gina Pederson
Pauline Pittsley
Carolyn Robert
Joe Sepesy
Kim Steinke
Valerie Trabucchi
Sharon Voss
Jane & Dave Wirth