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Open the following link to review the information on future meetings and gatherings in our branch internet CALENDAR - <u>https://nemetro-mn.aauw.net/calendar/</u>

Zoom meetings, business or gatherings, are scheduled at 3:00PM the third Tuesday of the month. Zoom invitation, expect the link via email a couple days prior to the gathering.

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# Notes from Co-Administrator

Hasn't it been great to have a few warm sunny days? Maybe soon we can have an outdoor/masked meeting in someone's yard, and the long-isolated winter will be gone.

Have you chosen your Woman of the Century for our March 16 Gathering? Let me know if you are coming, but not who you are coming as. See you then—should be fun

Submitted by Joan, Co-administrator

Editor's note; Check the branch directory for Joan's phone number or email address to notify her of your plans to attend. The Itanyan is published in public Web pages. Branch policy is to respect member's privacy. Personal information is not published in public materials.

March Gathering Tuesday, March 16, 3:00 PM on Zoom Moderated and planned by Jan and Joan – (Thank you for volunteering!) Topic; Women's History Month role plays

Jan F emailed to members on February 26 the following heads up for the March Gathering;

Our March AAUW Gathering will celebrate Women in History, and we would like you to be the program. Choose a woman from the  $19 - 21^{st}$  centuries who made a significant and lasting contribution to history/society during this time. Do not reveal her name!! Present her to the group in a role play for identification. Costumes and props are permitted but not required!

Jan and Joan

### Linda's note

A donation of \$25 was sent to AAUW in Joni's memory and a card was sent to the family from the branch. She will be sorely missed.

Submitted by Linda

## AAUW-MN

An invitation to AAUW Northeast Metro Branch arrived, mark your calendars ...

**Greetings from the Saint Cloud Area Branch! Now to the exciting news!** We will host the AAUW State Convention on April 29-30, 2022. That's also the year that we celebrate our 100th Anniversary. We're hoping that 200 branch members will attend this event. We've booked a stunning new event center that also has a lounge, restaurant, large meeting space, and hotel space - all new and fantastic. There will not be a silent auction, so all you have to bring, is yourselves.

In order to raise funds for AAUW's greatest needs fund, we will sell quality AAUW blue long-sleeved T-shirts, a hoodie, or a beautiful tote bag with the official AAUW logo screened on the front. These can be ordered along with registrations. Individual members and their branches will get full credit for any funds raised through this sale. ...

Yours, Linda MacLeod President - Saint Cloud Area Branch – AAUW

# 2020-2021 Century College Scholarship recipients

Many members volunteered to be involved in the process this past year from selecting the recipients to completing the articles for publication. Christine and I worked with Century Foundation leaders to attain the names of potential recipients. Leah Marie and LouAnn selected from applicants two recipients. Each of the recipients were contacted by Christine to get background information so we could get to know the winners. She created drafts of articles on each for publication. Joni edited one draft with an hour-long review of it in a phone chat while, I typed up her suggested changes. She noted in one of our last conversations, "One more change needs to be made to finish it. I don't remember what it is off hand. I'll get back to you." Jan F kindly completed the drafts for publication.

Submitted by - Doris

# Kudos to the volunteers!

Select the link to view the articles on our web pages; https://nemetro-mn.aauw.net/about/scholarships/

# 2020-2021 AAUW Northeast Metro Branch-Nancy Jo Hendrickson Legacy Scholarship

**Tien Kim Nguyen** the fifth recipient of the AAUW Northeast Metro Branch-Nancy Jo Hendrickson Legacy Scholarship. Tien completed her work at Century College in the spring of 2020 and has gone on to the University of St Thomas to major in computer science. Tien's goal is to complete her bachelor's degree and continue on to get a master's degree.

Tien was motivated by the AAUW NE Metro scholarship to complete her bachelor's degree and pursue her dream career as a software developer. Tien has expressed gratitude for her mother's inspiration and help in pursuing a college degree. Tien hopes that she herself will be an inspiration to other female students, especially in the STEM fields. She looks forward to being able to utilize her knowledge to help the community and her home country of Vietnam.

# 2020-2021 AAUW Northeast Metro Branch Scholarship

**Lovelyn Osaji** is the 36th recipient of the AAUW Northeast Metro Branch Scholarship. Lovelyn completed her Accounting Clerk Certificate and the transfer requirements for the University of Minnesota at Century College in the spring of 2020 and has gone on to the Carlson School of Management to pursue her bachelor's degree in Accounting.

After her family left Nigeria and settled in America, Lovelyn watched her parents struggle to put food on the table and realized early on that education was the way out of poverty. She made a promise to herself to get a college degree and help her family. Despite her obligation to her own two children and her family back home, Lovelyn maintained a GPA of 3.94 at Century. Lovelyn hopes to graduate by 2023 and be a role model to her children that they can achieve whatever they set their minds to.