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### Administrator's message

We are all tired of this very long, snowy, and cold winter. Let us hope that spring will come soon. Hopefully by our May celebration of our branch's accomplishments the weather will be warm. Our thanks to Christine for arranging the Gatherings of lunch and a play on May 12.

It is crucial we have a quorum of members attend the Annual Meeting April 11. Without a quorum the branch cannot complete the process to dissolve. Be sure to read the minutes of our January meeting as printed in the web pages to see what you missed. In January, Joan was the only member outside of leadership who attended the meeting. If we are dissolving from lack of leaders to fulfill the four required roles, we plan to ask for your ideas on how, we as friends, wish to stay connected in the future.

Your board has been busy taking care of things as they arise, more about that at our meeting. Getting the documents to possibly dissolve our branch has been very, very time consuming.

I want to give a big thank you to Doris for keeping track to things, of people and keeping us all on track.

Submitted by Janet, Administrator

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Event: Annual business Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 11, 2023 Time: 1:30 PM Meeting location: Ramsey County Library, Lion's Den 2150 2<sup>nd</sup> Street White Bear Lake, MN 55110

This crucial meeting is where members volunteer themselves for the roles of Administrator, Financial Officer, Record Keeper, and Communications Liaison for the next fiscal year.

From our branch Bylaws (effective July 1, 2019)

ARTICLE IX., REQUIRED POSITIONS Section 1. Officers and Volunteers, ...

c. If volunteers for the two officers, record keeper, and communications liaison roles have not come forward by the end of the last branch meeting of the fiscal year, the current officers will take action to dissolve the branch.

**It is important to note**, the board has been advised for the sake of our members, if the branch is dissolving, we should be submitting the <u>AAUW Affiliate Disbandment Form</u> to AAUW (national) in late May. Should the slate of volunteers needed not be filled, members at the Annual Meeting will be asked to approve completing the process to dissolve by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

### Opportunities for you to volunteer!

- **1.** A volunteer is needed to take the minutes before our business meeting can begin. Our Administrator, Janet is designing the agenda to be user friendly for taking of the minutes.
- 2. A volunteer is needed to provide refreshments for the group. As long as we clean up the room, food and beverages are allowed in the Lion's Den.

Contact Janet if you are willing to volunteer for either task.

### Submitted by Doris, Communications Liaison

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

Early March, Sonja LaFoy, Scholarship Coordinator at Century College checked in one more time, prior to her team beginning the process of selecting a recipient for our 2023-2024 scholarship. I responded to her email with our thanks, declining the opportunity of our involvement noting;

"We trust going forward that your team will be making the best decision on our scholarship recipient each year based upon the documents and agreement signed/shared August 22-23, 2023.

I did request to be notified as to who the recipient is each year.

Submitted by Doris, Communications Liaison

# Gathering; Celebrating AAUW Northeast Metro Branch!

## Friday May 12, 2023

**12:15 PM** Gather together for lunch to reminisce our accomplishments Reservations are at Washington Square Bar & Grill,

## 4736 Washington Square, White Bear Lake

**Important** to be aware, it is a Friday and downtown White Bear is usually busy so parking may be a problem, suggest you come early.

### ~1:30 PM, we head to *Hanifl Performing Arts Center*, 4941 Long Avenue, White Bear Lake.

**2:00 PM** performance of the play <u>La Cage aux Folles</u> performed by Lakeshore Players. If you have not paid for your ticket or made arrangements to do so with Lakeshore Players, please, do so as soon as possible.

For those members not attending the play, we really hope you will join us for lunch! Please let me know by Monday, May 8, 2023 if you are planning to attend just the lunch.

Submitted by Christine, Volunteer planning our Gathering

## Mark your Calendar

April 11, 2023 Annual branch business meeting

May 12, 2023 Gatherings to Celebrate our accomplishments