

# **You're Invited**

*to AAUW --Wausau's*

*95th Anniversary Celebration*

*Marathon County Historical Society*

*Saturday, March 18 from 2:00 to 4:00*

***Let's celebrate the history of our branch together. We'll listen to recollections and talk about projects, people, and progress during the last 95 years.***

***Please RSVP to Alana Holt at (715) 359-4329***

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## THE LEAFLET



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### **"WOMEN IN THE NEWS" AAUW Program RESCHEDULED TO**

Date: Monday, February 20, 2017

Program: 2:00-4:00 P.M.

Where: UWMC Terrace Room

**Participants: Nora Hertel, Wausau Daily Herald**

**Shereen Siewert, City Pages**

We look forward to hearing:

how people and events are selected;

what they look for in preparation to write;

what parameters they are given for news they cover;

their favorite kind of stories to cover;

if they felt uncomfortable asking questions or being in particular situations;

their most uncomfortable or even possibly scary experiences in their jobs;

and whatever else they would like to share and Q and A



Last week Nancy Schulz shared her insights about the **culture and people of India** based upon her recent travels there. An inquisitive audience heard about visiting temples, taking part in daily street activity, learning about education, and volunteering at the Mother Teresa Center. Nancy's colorful photos brought everything to life.

Also, Carolyn Michalski provided a colorful display from her trip to India. The follow-up discussion was also lively with quite varied questions. Thank you, Nancy and Carolyn, for an informative and pleasurable evening.

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### NOTICE CHANGE IN DATE. NEW DATE IS MARCH 18

Get ready for a 95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration!! Our Wausau Branch has been active and engaged for 95 years – count 'em –95 years. Now it's time to celebrate with a get-together at the Marathon County Historical Society on March 18 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Marathon County Historical Society also houses our AAUW historical collection, so it will be enlightening to hear what research into those 95 years reveals about our branch's activities. Mark your calendar and get ready to join AAUW-Wausau's 95 Anniversary Celebration on March 18.



Thanks, Sande Sliwicki, for setting up Lunch Bunch again! We gathered on a slippery day when the speaker called to say she couldn't come. Sande, being a Plan B person was undaunted and initiated a lively discussion about AAUW Public Policy issues.

It was good to be together looking at issues from multiple perspectives and discussing ways to effectively bring about opportunities for women and girls.

As Sande said "I've missed this group." We all agreed!



**COME ON ALONG !!**  
**Saturday, February 25**

### **AAUW of Wisconsin District 5**

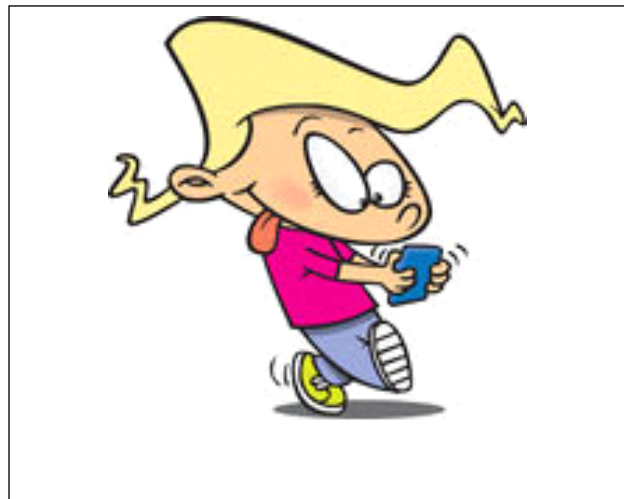
AAUW of Wisconsin holds a state convention each April where AAUW members from throughout the state gather to be informed, inspired and to network. This year **AAUW of Wisconsin state convention will be Friday-Saturday, April 21-22, 2017 at Bridgewood Conference Center, Neenah** with the theme "Amplify our voices together."

Hosting this year will be the nine branches that make up our district. Our next district 5 meeting to plan the convention will be **Saturday, February 25, 2017 at 10 AM at the convention site in Neenah**. As District 5 Coordinator I'll be going and welcome warm conversation and camaraderie. See me about riding together. Nancy L. Schulz, AAUW of Wisconsin District 5 Coordinator.

### **AAUW-Wausau Technology Task Force**

Weds. February 22 at 5:00 until....

Come for soup and salad and then strategizing on how to use Facebook and a website to make our Branch activities more timely and visible. Bring your laptop or look over someone's shoulder. Should be a good evening for sharing ideas. Thanks, Laura Syring and Jana Schleis for taking the lead on this endeavor.



### **Directions to Lucy Harvey's Home:**

From Interstate 39/Hwy 51 head west on North Mountain Road (NN) about one mile. Watch to the right. You will pass Wellington Place assisted living facility, and one driveway. The NEXT driveway to the right has a white sign hanging down that says **4302**. Turn into that driveway and go alllll the way back. Pass the brick home (they aren't expecting you), pass the **totem pole**, and curve into our garage. You can't see the home from the road. If you get to Bobwhite road, you have passed our driveway. 848-3545 if you get lost. Be careful; the yard is icy!

A meeting with State Representative Jerry Petrowski is still in the works. We await his feedback.



## Equality and inclusion – What's RIGHT about that ?

Women's March was the collective voice of advocates for equality and inclusion. We are committed to fighting for the safety, health, and success of our communities.

Let no voice go unheard. Let no one live in fear. Let all of us rise up for equal opportunity.

AAUW members enthusiastically marched in Washington, D.C

### March in Washington, D.C.



AAUW Wausau Branch was well represented at the Women's March in Madison on January 21, 2017. Nancy Schulz, Florina Ackley, Nancy Stencil, Marian Seagren-Hall, and Rita Pachal joined over 75,000 people from all ages, gender, and ethnicity who were standing up for women's rights.

The peaceful march was to start at 1:00 pm, but at noon when we arrived, the streets were clogged with people. It was truly an awesome sight to be part of and to see.

Our president, Nancy Schulz, provided us with signs to wear showing our Wausau AAUW allegiance. Many women from other AAUW branches approached us saying they were also AAUW members. It was nice to connect with them.

I, for one, am very glad I was part of this beginning movement. In order to empower women and girls we need to stand up and be counted. The organizers of the march are encouraging actions to take every 10 days. In this first action we are sending postcards to our representatives expressing our need for our rights. After all, women's rights are human rights.

--Rita Pachal

In solidarity with the Women's March that happened in Washington, DC, this march took place peacefully in Madison on Jan. 21.





## AAUW 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday BOOK GROUP

Second Tuesday of the Month at 12:45-3:00

Chair, Marlene Lau. 715-675-9266

### ***The Woman Behind the New Deal: The Life and Legacy of Francis Perkins* by Kristin Downey**

#### **March Discussion Leader—to be determined**

Based on eight years of research, extensive archival materials, new documents, and exclusive access to Perkins's family members and friends, this biography is the first complete portrait of a devoted public servant with a passionate personal life, a mother who changed the landscape of American business and society.

Frances Perkins was named Secretary of Labor by Franklin Roosevelt in 1933. As the first female cabinet secretary, she spearheaded the fight to improve the lives of America's working people while juggling her own complex family responsibilities

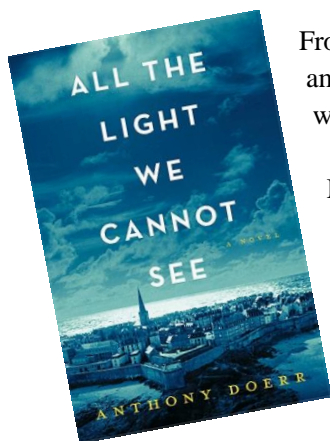
Arriving in Washington at the height of the Great Depression, Perkins pushed for massive public works projects that created millions of jobs for unemployed workers. She breathed life back into the nation's labor movement, boosting living standards across the country. As head of the Immigration Service, she fought to bring European refugees to safety in the United States. Her greatest triumph was creating Social Security.

Written with a wit that echoes Frances Perkins's own, award-winning journalist Kirstin Downey gives us a riveting exploration of how and why Perkins slipped into historical oblivion, and restores Perkins to her proper place in history.



### ***All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr**

#### **April Discussion Leader, Florina Ackley**



From the highly acclaimed, multiple award-winning Anthony Doerr, the beautiful, stunningly ambitious instant New York Times bestseller about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of World War II.

Marie-Laure lives with her father in Paris near the Museum of Natural History, where he works as the master of its thousands of locks. When she is six, Marie-Laure goes blind and her father builds a perfect miniature of their neighborhood so she can memorize it by touch and navigate her way home. When she is twelve, the Nazis occupy Paris and father and daughter flee to the walled citadel of Saint-Malo, where Marie-Laure's reclusive great-uncle lives in a tall house by the sea. With them they carry what might be the museum's most valuable and dangerous jewel.

In a mining town in Germany, the orphan Werner grows up with his younger sister, enchanted by a crude radio they find. Werner becomes an expert at building and fixing these crucial new instruments, a talent that wins him a place at a brutal academy for Hitler Youth, then a special assignment to track the resistance. More and more aware of the human cost of his intelligence, Werner travels through the heart of the war and, finally, into Saint-Malo, where his story and Marie-Laure's converge.

Doerr's "stunning sense of physical detail and gorgeous metaphors" (San Francisco Chronicle) are dazzling. Deftly interweaving the lives of Marie-Laure and Werner, he illuminates the ways, against all odds, people try to be good to one another. Ten years in the writing, a National Book Award finalist, *All the Light We Cannot See* is a magnificent, deeply moving novel from a writer "whose sentences never fail to thrill" (Los Angeles Times).

## AAUW MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



New email address for Sande Sliwicki is [sandesl@charter.net](mailto:sandesl@charter.net). Please update your AAUW Membership Booklet.

### Back by Popular Request ~ Lunch Bunch

We are planning a luncheon with several new women leaders in our community. Information will be sent out by email, so be watching for the opportunity to engage with these women. We meet, we eat, and we learn about their new roles. Thanks, Sande Sliwicki, for making the arrangements.

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HELP! I NEED HELP ! If you would be willing to help bake, set-up, or handle beverages for the 95<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, please call Lucy Harvey at 715-848-3545 or e-mail her at [LOIS3545@aol.com](mailto:LOIS3545@aol.com).  
I cannot do it without you!!! PLEASE HELP ME!!

### YAY!!! OUR BRANCH BY-LAWS ARE NOW IN WASHINGTON, D.C.!!! YAY!!!

Despite Lucy's ranting, raving, and complaining, Nancy made her put nose to the printed word and they got the by-laws finished ! YAY!! We received the following confirmation:

Nancy:

Thank you for submitting the bylaws. They have been uploaded to the Member Services Database (MSD).

Thank you,

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Tues. Feb 14	AAUW Afternoon Book Group
Mon, Feb 20 2 to 4:00 p.m	<b>Women in the News ~ Nora Hertel and Shereen Siewert</b>
Weds., Feb 22 5:00	<i>Soup, Salad and Technology Strategizing</i> At Lucy Harvey's home
Sat. Feb. 25	District Meeting in Neenah where we will co-host the AAUW State Convention
Weds, March 1	AAUW Board Meeting at Marathon County Public Library Second Floor Conference Room – All are welcome !
Tues.March 14	AAUW Afternoon Book Group
Sat. March 18 2:00 – 4:00	<b>A Celebration of our Branch's 95th Anniversary !</b>
Fri & Sat. April 21-22,	AAUW State Convention in Neenah hosted by our District
June 14-17	AAUW National Convention in Washington, D.C.



