

AAUW

CORTLAND BRANCH



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NEWSLETTER



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EQUAL PAY FOR ALL

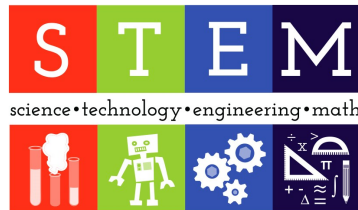


PLEASE RSVP for the April 2 AAUW meeting to Sara Earl at sara@cortlandywca.org or 753-9651 by March 30.

AAUW Branch Meeting is April 2 at the YWCA

The Monday, April 2nd meeting will be held in the YWCA Auditorium/ Child Care Room on the second floor. There is an elevator off the lobby which will take you to the hallway next to the room. Social time starts at 5:30 and dinner at 6:00. Catering by M&D Deli includes roast chicken with potatoes and bow tie pasta with broccoli. Tossed salad, dessert, coffee, tea and ice water will also be included. The cost is \$15. Checks can be made out to AAUW.

Jan Ochs will bring some of her college students who will present on the STEM activities they have been providing for area youth.



THANK YOU to all who came to the March BUNCO games. We received lots of positive feedback and it seems everyone had fun. Thank you to Charlotte Farris for her help and donation of prize items. A big thanks to Sheila Cohen for donating the yummy food and thank you to Jan Ochs for being the MC for the evening— explaining the rules of the game and keeping us moving through the games. The fundraiser raised \$680 to be used for child care scholarships for low-income single moms.



AAUW NEWS

April 10, 2018- All women’s Equal Pay Day
August 7, 2018- African American women’s Equal Pay Day
November 1, 2018- Latinas’ Equal Pay Day

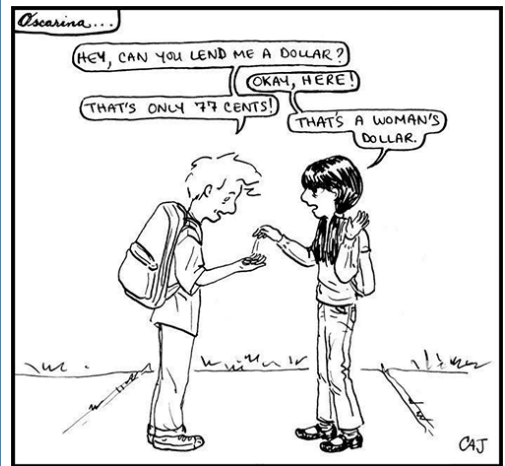


Equal Pay Day is the symbolic day when women’s earnings “catch up” to men’s earnings from the previous year. The gender pay gap is a primary issue for AAUW and one that we have been working on for years. As early as 1922, AAUW’s legislative program called for a reclassification of the U.S. Civil Service and repeal of salary restrictions in the Women’s Bureau. In 1955, AAUW supported a bill introduced by Reps. Edith Green (D-OR) and Edith Rogers (R-MA) requiring “equal pay for work of comparable value requiring comparable skills.” Congress finally enacted the Equal Pay Act, a version of the 1955 bill, in 1963. Despite the Equal Pay Act, the gender pay gap persists; women are typically paid just 80 cents for every dollar paid to men — and that number has barely budged in a decade.

Planning is in the works for a Start Smart Workshop in April.

AAUW Start Smart is specifically designed to teach women how to negotiate salaries for a new job. Women gain confidence in their negotiation style through facilitated discussion and role-play and learn how to identify and articulate their personal value, how to develop an arsenal of persuasive responses and other strategies to use when negotiating, how to conduct objective market research to benchmark a target salary and benefits, and about the pay gap, including its long-term consequences. Meredith Morrell will be facilitating the workshop for Jena Curtis’ class of 150 students. The class will be broken up into smaller groups.

We are looking for more trainers. The training is April 12 from 4-5:30 online and is free to AAUW members. Let Sheila Cohen know if you are interested!



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GERANIUM SALE

Time to sell! This is our fundraiser for the Eleanor Blodgett Scholarship for a non-traditional student at TC3 or SUNY Cortland.

Please stress that we are using a NEW flower distributor this year who has gorgeous plants and has experience in fundraising.

See the order form in the back of this newsletter.

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TOPS cards on “HOLD”

TOPS has declared bankruptcy and so, for the time being, the TOPS fundraiser is on hold. If you currently have gift cards, please use them!

Want to get involved?

The District Director is seeking nominations for AAUW District 3 Coordinator. The responsibilities include: Facilitating the Fall District Conference along with host Branch leaders, Facilitating District meeting at Convention and Summer Leadership Conference, Recruiting AAUW-NYS Nominating Committee members from their District, Communicating with the District Director at least quarterly to keep the District Director informed about happenings and needs in their District. The term is 2 years. Contact Janet Forbes District Director AAUW-NYS at jlforbes@hotmail.com or 716-490-2616.

LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

WWT

Friday, April 6, 2018
The Sherman House Restaurant
11 North Main Street, Homer

Mary Kimberly and Sharon Stevans will present a program on the New York Central College, "A Beacon on the Hill" 1849-1860. New York Central College offered education to both black and white students, female and male with integrated classes. The college had three black professors on its teaching staff. A video was produced, presented and accepted to the Smithsonian's African American History & Culture Museum for its permanent collection. Join us as we learn more about NYCC located in what is now McGraw, NY. We will view the video and learn some fascinating facts about our local history.

Buffet style service begins at 11:45 AM

Lunch is \$13, cash or check

Payable at the door to "Linani's"

Please RSVP to 753-9651 or mary@cortlandywca.org

The Sherman House opens at 11:30 AM

Women Working Together is sponsored by the YWCA Cortland



NOMINATE A LEADER FOR LWV ALICE A. WALKER AWARD

Nomination Form for 2018 — Due Friday March 30, 2018

The League of Women Voters announces its Alice A. Walker award to honor a member of the Cortland County community whose volunteer leadership demonstrates:

- a commitment to community service
- an independent spirit and outlook
- a clear sense of justice, and
- an ability to focus on an area of need in the community

The deadline for receiving nominations is Friday, March 30, 2018. The recipient will be our dinner guest and receive the award at the League's annual meeting Tuesday June 12th.

Email lwvcortland@gmail.com for an application form.

**AAUW New York State
2018 Convention**

April 20-22, 2018
Radisson Hotel, Corning, NY



The 2018 Zonta Woman of Achievement is Elsie Gutchess!

Please join the community in honoring Elsie at the Woman of Achievement Luncheon at Tinelli's Hathaway House in Solon on Sunday, May 6 at noon. Tickets are \$30/person and are available from Deb Wines at 756-2681 or dwwines54@gmail.com. RSVP by May 2 to Deb.

The May 7 meeting is the Annual Business Meeting which will be held at The Sherman House (Linani's) in Homer.

Officers are needed! Please let Sheila Cohen know if you are interested in information about an executive position in our branch. We will vote on the budget at this meeting, celebrate our branch history, and discuss future plans for our Cortland branch.



Geranium Sale

Supports the AAUW Eleanor Blodgett Scholarship Fund

This year we have a new supplier: Schaeffer Gardens, known for their hardy plants and active fundraising program.

2018 marks the 24th year of the AAUW Cortland Geranium Sale fundraiser. These funds provide scholarships to women continuing their education at Tompkins Cortland and SUNY Cortland.

Just in time for Memorial Day weekend...



Price: \$3.50 each or 3 plants for \$10.00 (4 1/2 inch pots)

Make checks payable to AAUW Cortland Branch.

Order forms with payment are due by May 10th.

Mail form & payment to Mary Roberts, 782 Clark St. Extension, Groton, NY 13073

Pick-up: TUESDAY, MAY 22nd from 1:00 - 3:00 at Yaman Park (1 day only)

Geranium Order Form

Name: _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Address: _____

COLOR	NUMBER of PLANTS	COST (1 for \$3.50 or 3 for \$10.00)
White		
Salmon		
Red		
Pink		