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February 2018 Through March 2018

We are moving forward with the possibility of grants being awarded in **STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) training for some of our local young women. (More on that in the future.) It is always exciting to have the possibility of giving others a hand up with advancing their educations. Another branch of that will be the two scholarships we will award in May, as we have every year since 2008 as noted in our current year book. If we have given more than that, let me know, I don't want to do an archive hunt at this time, so that year is not written in stone!

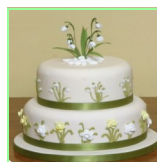
So many of us have had a long, hard walk to gain our educations, but we all know that the most valuable gift of an education is to learn how to gather, use, and disseminate knowledge. We can all celebrate in participating in that learning process throughout our lives.

What is your most valuable gift from knowledge?

Pat Andrews,
Clallam Co. AAUW Branch President

Happy Birthday To You!

February:	Cheri Hammond	2/3
	Ruth Ludeke	2/16
	Susan Harris	2/22



Snowdrop Cake

March:	Betty Newlon	3/6
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In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.

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**Clallam (WA) Branch of AAUW ---General Membership Meeting
Downriggers Restaurant---January 13, 2018**

Pat A. called the meeting to order. Twelve people attended.

Next general meeting: February 17th, 2018

New Business:

Pat A. read from “The State of AAUW”, a publication from the national AAUW sent on January 5, 2018. Part of the emphasis for 2018 is about going to a digital environment. To streamline local efforts, the “Sea Breeze” may go digital in the next few months unless you prefer to receive a paper copy. A Survey of your wishes will be made.

Webinars include topics like finding new members or securing new funding sources. (see page 3). Please copy this link into your browser to access our Clallam (WA) Branch website:

<https://clallam-wa.aauw.net/> or this one: <https://www.aauw.org/> to access the National Web site.

Susan H. suggested three improvements: (1) an officer should include in her will that Clallam (WA) Branch of AAUW have partial computer access for pertinent documents; (2) cross-training would be useful; and (3) every month a disc should be saved in a secure location. Another suggestion recommended using “the cloud” for storage. Further information needs to be gathered on this.

Members are urged to submit items for the “Sea Breeze”, and to do so in a timely manner. An item might be a recipe, book review, or description of our beautiful part of the world.

Newspapers will print a Public Service Announcement. We may consider doing that, or other means of publicity.

Old Business:

Pat A. and Jo Ann T. reviewed the IRS review of the non-profit status of Clallam AAUW.

Speaker:

Linda H. discussed “Drilling a **Deepwater Well, Part 2: Well Bores and Mud Systems**” with illustrations on posters. Members asked questions.

Adjourned: Pat A. moved for the meeting to be adjourned, and Linda H. seconded the motion.

Submitted by:

 ★ FINANCIAL FYI! ★
 ★ \$46 of your AAUW dues is tax deductible. The balance of your ★
 ★ membership fee goes to State and Local organizations, and they are ★
 ★ NOT tax deductible. ★
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**The State of AAUW
 Excerpt of Points**

Dear AAUW Members,

In November AAUW turned 136 years old. . . .It has grown from the [original 17](#) brave and visionary women who started us on this path. AAUW has developed and transformed since then, adapting to new technology and expanding the range of activities, initiatives, and programs. . . . Marion Talbot would still recognize the organization today. . . . Because our foundational theme and mission remain the advancement of equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

As we grow . . . we should ensure that we are relevant, effective, and efficient in [our impact](#). That means paying attention not only to issues that affect women and girls, but also strategically planning how we will best deploy our resources . . . and make sure that we are inclusive as we chart our way forward. T . . . he AAUW Board of Directors has approved a recommendation to develop [a new strategic plan](#); in the first quarter of 2018. You will be hearing more about that undertaking. This effort will involve staff, board, and member and stakeholder input. Since this is an organization-wide effort, states and branches are encouraged to embrace the goals and strategies that will emerge from the plan, establish their own plans, and determine how they can contribute to our shared organizational success within the parameters of their own resources and communities.

A few of [our accomplishments during 2017](#),

Advocacy: 270,000 messages to lawmakers.

[AAUW Start Smart and Work Smart](#) workshops 17,000 people learned to negotiate their salaries

We plan to train 20,000 women by 2020 — and that’s just in [San Francisco](#) with a new partnership launched in December 2017!

Stay tuned for news about additional partnerships we’re launching across the country.

We awarded \$3.7 million to women and community projects,

held science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) programs in 35 states.

We celebrated 100 years of awarding International Fellowships to more than 3,600 women representing more than 140 countries

We travelled to Morocco, Tunisia, and Dubai to share our research and programs with women leaders and activists.

Whether we’re talking about [public policy](#), [legal case support](#), [member leadership training](#), [global connections](#), or [educational funding](#), the state of AAUW is sound. We’re planning for our move forward to the next level. Thanks to each of you for your support and hard work in helping to make sure that we remain the nation’s leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls. Onward and upward in 2018!

Sincerely,
 Julia T. B., Esq.
 Board Chair

Weather Prediction?

Be prepared!



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[2017–18 Skill-Training Webinars: Upcoming events](https://www.aauw.org/event/2018/02/skill-training-webinars/)

Load this web address into your browser: <https://www.aauw.org/event/2018/02/skill-training-webinars/> or click on the line above if you are reading this on our website.

February 13, 2018: Inclusion and Equity Committee

Learn more about how to welcome and engage a diverse membership.

March 13, 2018: How to Get Publicity

Your branch holds great events and does wonderful things in your community. How do you get the publicity you deserve?

April 2018

Hiatus for state conventions.

May 8, 2018: Writing to Engage

Find out how to make the most of your websites, brochures, newsletters, and emails!

June 12, 2018: Creating the Value of Membership

Learn how to help current and future members feel connected to AAUW's work and realize the value of their membership.

Notice in Peninsula Daily News: This Could be Us!

On February 17th at 11:30 AM, Clallam (WA) AAUW General Meeting will happen at Las Palomas in Sequim. We hope you will be there. When I checked on our announcement in the Peninsula Daily News Calendar, I noticed that Pt. Townsend AAUW is also having an event on the same day in Pt. Townsend. They will be participating in a Silent Auction to fund scholarships and Educational projects.

AAUW Port Townsend hosts its annual Silent Auction on Saturday morning, February 17, featuring an array of new or gently used items and special experiences up for bid. Auction proceeds will go directly toward AAUW educational projects and scholarships. Local musicians . . . will provide live music ranging from jazz and Calypso to Latin and novelty tunes. The public is welcome. Cash and checks only.

It is not beyond the realm of possibility here, either. You will notice it is featuring new or “gently used” items. The only other thing required is a venue, coffee, tea, and cookies. We might even be able to scare up a musician or two. What do you think?

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February AAUW Meeting



WHEN: Saturday, Feb. 17th, 2018 at 11:30

WHERE: The Las Palomas Restaurant
1085 E Washington ST, Sequim WA 98382

PROGRAM: Dr. John Maxwell: "103 Years of Protecting Wild Birds at Dungeness Wildlife Refuge."



Dr. Maxwell has been volunteering at the refuge since 2010. He is the current President of the Friends of Dungeness NWR. He has also served as historian and created presentations and newspaper articles to celebrate the refuge's centennial in 2015.

RSVP: An RSVP is needed by Wednesday the 14th at 4 p.m. A yes is preferred, but if you really can not come then let me know that too. Please call or email Jo Ann Thompson at 417-1152, or email her at bobthom37@tfon.com.

March AAUW Meeting



WHEN: Saturday, March 10th 2018 at 11:30

WHERE: Café Garden
1506 East First Street, Port Angeles WA 98362

PROGRAM: Joan Cotta will provide a report on the content and training available through the AAUW National Web site

TEAM BUILDING WEBINAR:

<https://www.aauw.org/resources/by-leadership-comp/team-building/>

See Page 4 for more!


RSVP: An RSVP is needed by Wednesday the 7th at 4 p.m. A yes is preferred, but if you really can not come then let me know that too. Please call or email Jo Ann Thompson at 417-1152, or email her at bobthom37@tfon.com.

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Be sure to and thank our fans!



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