



November 2023 AAUW - Madison Area Branch Newsletter

Message from the President



Dear Members,

This has been an amazing year. This month we had another wonderful program to Meet and Greet our grant recipients and STEM campers.

I had to miss the meeting at the last minute, but I heard our college students were very eloquent; and our younger students were lively and participated gracefully.

There are two photos below. Guess which ones were college students! Judy Vernon is chairing this year's STEM campers selection committee, which will be starting its work soon. If you would like to participate in the selection process, please reach out to Judy.

Her contact info is in the membership folder.

We also had another successful book sale. We all worked hard, but seeing these young women working towards completing their education makes it all worthwhile.

By the time you read this message, you will be getting ready for Thanksgiving. I would like to wish you all a happy, thankful holiday.

Sincerely,

Ann Huber



November Program Features AAUW President

On Monday, November 6, 2023 at 7PM our branch will host a program entitled, "***How Did I Get Here?***"

The speaker is our own AAUW Madison Area Branch President, Ann Huber from Madison. The event will be held at Florham Park Library, Akhoury Meeting Room, 107 Ridgedale Avenue, Florham Park. All are welcome.

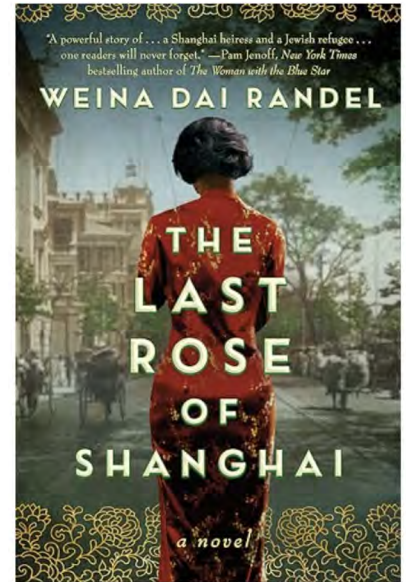
Ann will discuss her memoir, *Lost and Found, Surviving Displacement, Finding Love, Uncovering Secrets*. She will talk about her journey from one country to another, learning new languages and adapting to different cultures, while struggling to figure out where she fits in. The book can be purchased online and copies are available thru the MAIN Library system. Reading the book is suggested but not required to attend and enjoy the program.

Visit <https://madisonareaaaaw.org/> to learn more.

Next Book Club November 8

The book group will hold its next hybrid meeting on November 8th at the home of Marianne Belock. There will be a brown bag lunch at 12:30PM with the discussion to follow at 1PM. We will be discussing *The Last Rose of Shanghai* by Weina Dai Randel.

The group welcomes new participants! If you want to receive information on meeting locations, books being discussed and the Zoom links, please contact Susan Mennella at smennella@verizon.net or call/text 201-424-1267.



Save the Date: Holiday Luncheon December 4



Save the date! Our holiday luncheon will be a catered meal at the home of Ann Huber on Monday, December 4 at 12:30 p.m.

Please keep in mind - this event is not included on our calendar because it is for members only.

More details (including cost) will be available soon.



You're Invited: 2023 Alumnae Recognition Award Ceremony

All members are invited to join the 2023 Alumnae Recognition Award ceremony on November 2, 2023, from 4:30 to 5:30 pm EST. This event honors our alumnae and celebrates both AAUW's 135th Anniversary of AAUW's American Fellowship Program, the first fellowship program established by AAUW, and the 10th anniversary of the award.

This year, we're thrilled to honor Black feminist pioneer, activist, author, publisher, and AAUW American Fellowship alumna Barbara Smith.

[Reserve your spot here.](#)

Mahjongg Tournament: Nearly Sold Out!

Register today for the mahjongg tournament - it's nearly sold out!

The mahjongg tournament will be held November 15, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Madison Community Arts Center. The cost is \$55 per person. Lunch will be served; there will also be a door prize and a 50/50. All proceeds benefit girls' and women's education.

[Register here.](#)



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