

American Association of University Women AAUW Austin (Texas) Branch



The Complete Works of Shakespeare (Abridged)
(All 37 Plays in 97 Minutes!)* **

*Warning! "This show is a high-speed roller-coaster type condensation of all of Shakespeare's plays and is not recommended for people with heart ailments, bladder problems, inner-ear disorders, and/or people inclined to motion sickness. The RSC cannot be held responsible for expectant mothers!"

**"If you like Shakespeare, you'll like this show. If you hate Shakespeare, you'll love this show!" *The Today Show*

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(between Burnet and Lamar, south of North Loop Blvd.)

Complete sponsorship & ticket information for this major Branch fundraiser appears on page 2.

BRANCH BUSINESS

A Night at the Theater to Benefit the AAUW Ann Richards Fellowship

The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged)

All 37 Plays in 97 Minutes! This irreverent, fast-paced romp through the Bard's plays was London's longest-running comedy – 10 years in the West End! Join these madcap men in tights as they weave their wicked way through all of Shakespeare's comedies, histories and tragedies in one wild ride that will leave you breathless and helpless with laughter.

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This comfortable venue is small (only 90 seats), so get your tickets now. You won't want to miss the play the Montreal *Gazette* has called, "The funniest show you are likely to see in your entire lifetime."

Interested in being a Sponsor?

Sponsors help cover the costs of the production, increase our contribution to the Ann Richards Fellowship, and are eligible for a tax deduction. Sponsor-level support can be made by check (print and mail order form below) or online via PayPal at www.austin-tx.aauw.net.

Sponsor Levels

Ann Richards - \$200 includes 2 tickets & recognition in program [\$160 tax deductible gift]

Barbara Jordan - \$100 includes 2 tickets & recognition in program [\$60 tax deductible gift]

Annie Webb Blanton- \$50 includes 1 ticket & recognition in program [\$30 tax deductible gift]

Tickets are **\$20** in advance [\$25 at the door, if available], include light refreshments, and can be purchased by check (print and mail order form below) or online via PayPal at www.austin-tx.aauw.net.

Contact Mary Braunagel-Brown for more information (mbbsbb@earthlink.net; 512-301-4568)

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Annie Webb Blanton level Sponsor - \$50 includes 1 ticket & recognition in program [\$30 tax deductible gift]
tickets @ \$20/ticket = \$

Make your check payable to "AAUW-Austin" and mail check and form to branch treasurer

Ruth Falck, 8110 Ranch Road 2222 #83, Austin, TX 78730

MEMBERSHIP NEWS with Diane Brewer

AAUW Austin continues to grow! We have 175 members at present, and many thanks to **Inés Garcia**, who initiated a second printing of our yearbook so that these newest members can more easily become involved in Branch activities.

President Anita Knight began 2012 by recruiting new member, Barbara Fry, who attended the terrific Branch meeting January 19th and is already making plans to attend the NOLA AAUW Convention later this year. Also at Anita's invitation, Johanna Atkins came to the Branch breakfast meeting to see what we are about. Our website is working well to make it easier for women to find us. We regularly receive inquiries about membership and recently met Jaime **Knoedler**, of a Florida AAUW Branch as a result. Jaime also came to the Branch meeting on the 19th because she is interested in finding some stimulating company and in networking while she is in Austin looking for a job. She wants something in museum or science work. We have invited her to participate as a guest member, and we hope she stays and becomes a permanent part of our Branch! Jaime can be reached at knoedlerj76@yahoo.com.

Jeanine Finn, another new member, joined through our online connections, and we hope to learn more about her, once she completes our request for more information! In the meantime, we know Jeanine resides at 3100 Hunt Trail, Austin, TX 78757; her email is jeanine_finn@yahoo.com.

Barbara J. Fry and husband Bill live at 4609 Tello Path, Austin, TX 78749; home phone is (292.3842); cell is (468.1567); her email is barbarafry1@me.com. Barbara received her BA in education from Central State University, Edmond, Oklahoma, and her MA in social work from the University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa. She is a former U.S. probation officer and is now a self-employed therapist offering "Strength in Women," a program designed for women.

At this writing, the January Branch meeting is fresh on my mind. The topic, venue, and program inspired thirty-eight members to enjoy breakfast and several others to attend just to hear about presidential politics and U.S. foreign policy. Speaker and author Dr. Peter Trubowitz did not disappoint. He spoke elegantly and positively about the changes that are occurring right now in U.S. foreign policy and spoke of past presidents and the effects of their varied approaches on our world relationships. Dr. Trubowitz spends time with UT students in China each summer which adds to his depth as a



Girlstart liaison and women's issues chair **Lilac Bauer** listens to Dr. Peter Trubowitz at the January meeting.

scholar of international relations. He spoke quite well of AAUW, too, as his wife was the recipient of an AAUW fellowship some years ago. He said that when he was asked by **Dr. Carol Fritz*** to speak, he couldn't refuse!

The Thursday evening bridge group, chaired by **Elaine Penn**, is still looking for more participants. Bridge is a fascinating game, and this group plays later in the day to accommodate our working members.

There are several people who are seriously interested in AAUW Austin but who have not as yet committed to membership. Keep talking about what we offer, believe, and accomplish! And wonderful recruiters, Gail Simpler and Anita Knight, keep on keeping on!

Diane Brewer,

Membership Vice President zdramamom@austin.rr.com; 328.0474

*Note from Dr. Carol Fritz, public policy chair: Several members placed orders for Dr. Trubowitz's book, *Politics and Strategy: Partisan Ambition and American Statecraft*., at a special discounted price for AAUW, and the Austin Branch will donate a copy of his book to the Austin Public Library in memory of Natalie Balden.

Changes in Contact Information

Mary Frances Rogerson has a new email address: drogerson6624@att.net

Mary Ellen Sims has a new postal address: 11100 Lagrima de Oro Rd. NE Apt 9316 Albuquerque, NM 87111

February Calendar of Branch Activities

February 1, 10 a.m.

Book Review: Hyde Park Church of Christ. *Blood, Bones, & Butter: The Inadvertent Education of a Reluctant Chef* by Gabrielle Hamilton, to be reviewed by Gayle Smith. Chair: Gayle Smith, 345.5585.

February 4, 7:15-8:30 p.m. Contemporary Literature: Home of Fern Chester. *The Warmth of Other Suns* (Isabel Wilkerson). Discussion leader: Sue Rodi. Chair: Fern Chester, 345.1102.

February 6, 2:30-4:30 p.m. Movie & Dinner: Call Dorothy Vance at 373.3612 (H), 673.9696 (C) or Lois Shaevel at 266.0273 (H) for specific details.

February 11, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. SW Book Group. *The Lemon Tree* by Sandy Tolan. Hostess & facilitator is Mary Braunagel-Brown. Chair: Marsha Endahl Kramer, 906.2033 (H) or 906.6566 (C).

February 12, 6:30 p.m. Second Tuesday Night Bridge. Contact: Elaine Penn, 970.5051.

February 13, 4 p.m. Second Wednesday Bridge. Contact: Judy Reinhart, 345.5936.

February 18 - Presidents Day

February 19, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Third Tuesday Book Group with hostess & facilitator Dorothy Vance. *Unnatural Selection: Choosing Boys over Girls* by Mara Hvistendahl. Chair: Ruth Falck (550.6449).

February 19, 11 a.m.

Out to Lunch: BJ's Brewhouse http://www.bjsbrewhouse.com/ 10515 North MOPAC, Arbor Walk, (349.9000). Hostess: Iilene Payton, (338.1058). Chair: Veronica Johnson (338.1254).

GIRLSTART

If you are interested in participating in any of the STEM activities described below, please contact **Lilac Bauer** (Girlstart Liaison & Women's Issues Chair) at 743.6338 (cell) or la_azucena@hotmail.com.

Opportunities to Be Involved with Girls in STEM or Latinitas

- February 21 (Thursday), 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Girlstart:
 Another morning workday preparing materials for the
 "Weather Fest Extravaganza" to be held at the Bob Bullock
 Museum on February 23.
- February 28 (last Thursday in February). Anyone interested in helping out with Latinitas can attend a required orientation on this date. Contact Lilac for directions and time. Although the date hasn't been set, they are planning a Saturday conference in September and would like our assistance with it.
- <u>↑ March 22 (Friday) 10 a.m.- 12 p.m. at Girlstart:</u> Clerical assistance for the Girls in STEM Conference which is April 6th.*
- March 28 (Thursday), 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Girlstart: Stuffing goodie bags for the Girls in STEM Conference and any other job needed.* More volunteers are particularly needed for this activity!
- April 27 (Saturday) 10 a.m.-3 .p.m at Girlstart: Community STEM Day on "Going Green." We may also have a workday (possibly in the evening) for this; duties on Saturday TBA.
 - * Please note that Girlstart is trying a streamlined checkin for the conference, so we will not be working that day. If anyone knows of someone who could be a presenter, please send or give a business card to Lilac, as Girlstart welcomes our referrals.



February 23, 2013 <>10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Tornadoes, clouds, wind and more at The Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum and Girlstart's Weather Fest Extravaganza. Discover the exciting and sometimes scary world of Mother Nature Saturday, February 23rd from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Bob Bullock Museum. There will be a special screening of Tornado Alley 3D in the IMAX Theatre and FREE screenings of Wild Texas Weather. Don't miss an event the whole family will enjoy!

February Calendar of Branch Activities (continued from preceding page)

February 20, 10 a.m.

Creative Stitchery with hostess Beverly Locklin (343.0370) and co-hostess Rachel Flake (343.1742).

February 21, 8 p.m. Branch Fundraiser Theatre Night. Howson Hall Theater, First Unitarian Universalist Church, 4700 Grover Avenue.

February 22.

Hiking. Shoal Creek Greenbelt. Contact: Cherie Wilson (288.0597; cherietwilson@gmail.com).

February 24, 2 p.m.

AAUW PEARS: Georgetown Palace Theatre for the 2 p.m. performance to see *South Pacific*. Afterward get together at Nancy and Roger Danley's home in Sun City, 120 Cowan Creek Drive, 512.864.1544.

February 27, 10 a.m.

Art Tour: The Umlauf Sculpture Garden; 605 Robert E. Lee Road. Admission: \$2.50 seniors, \$3.50 adult; free parking. Hostess Ruth Falck (550.6449). Lunch: (optional) Shady Grove, 1624 Barton Springs Road. Chair: Diane Brewer (328.0474).

February 27, 4 p.m. Fourth Wednesday Bridge.

Contact Sara Ezell (343.8494).

February 28, 6:30 p.m.*

Culture & Cuisine: Hostess: Mary Owens, 6606 Argentia Road, 78757 (454.9339). Co-hostess: Anneliese Ellerton (241.8425). Irish foods. Chair: Mary Owens (454.9339).

*Note change in date due to conflict with the fundraiser event.

Every Thursday, 9:30 a.m. Bridge at the Senior Center. Call Dorothy Ramsey (442.3841) for more information.



Volunteers are still wanted for the Women's Living History Books Program, Celebrating Women's History Month on March 7 (Thursday), at the ACC Northridge Campus. Contact Branch member **Melinda Townsel** to volunteer. Come visit with **Anita Knight** as Marie Curie and **Judy Reinhart** as Amelia Earhart—great fun!



2012 AAUW MEMBER SURVEY REMINDER

Have you completed the 2012 national survey of AAUW members yet? You may complete the paper copy you received last month, or you can do it online at www.aauw.org/membersurvey2012. Either way it should be completed by April 2, 2013. You will need to use your membership number to access the online survey, and if you do the paper survey, please include your membership number.

2013 Angelina Eberly Luncheon

This annual event will be held Wednesday, February 6, at The Driskill at noon. The honorees include former Austin mayors Bruce Todd, Will Wynn, and the late Roy Butler, represented by the Butler Family. Welcoming remarks by Mayor Lee Leffingwell will be followed by a Mayor's Roundtable with Bruce Todd and Will Wynn, interviewed by Charles Betts. The event will also mark the launch of *AUSTIN: The Faces of Philanthropy 1976-2011* by Robert Godwin, a brand new Waterloo Press title. Tickets are \$125 and can be purchased at http://www.austinhistory.net. For more information call 974-7499.

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2013 Plenary: Eleanor's Legacy of Intergenerational Leadership



Eleanor Roosevelt attended the AAUW National Convention in June, 1959. (From left) Mrs. W. Louis Moore, Eleanor Roosevelt, and Mrs. Ray Townsend.

LEADING ACROSS GENERATIONS

AAUW NATIONAL CONVENTION

June 9–12 | New Orleans http://convention.aauw.org/register/

"Learn from the mistakes of others. You can't live long enough to make them all yourself." —Eleanor Roosevelt

Robin Gerber, who has been writing about women and leadership for more than three decades, has authored two books on Roosevelt: Leadership the Eleanor Roosevelt Way: Timeless Strategies from the First Lady of Courage and Eleanor vs. Ike, a novel that imagines a hypothetical Roosevelt presidential campaign in 1952.

In addition to being a renowned leader, Roosevelt cultivated and encouraged leadership across multiple generations. In her keynote address, Gerber will illustrate the methods Roosevelt used to develop and lead diverse, intergenerational coalitions throughout her career. Gerber will also draw parallels between Roosevelt's legacy and current efforts of AAUW's national office, members, and branches. Her keynote is tentatively scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 11, 2013.

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