

Monday, November 22, 2010**Cedar Falls Woman's Club****Third and Clay Streets**

Gather 5:00 p.m.

AAUW Program 5:30 p.m.

Dinner and Business Meeting 6:15 p.m.

Celebrating Our 85 Years of Empowering Women

Empowering Women Through Fair Trade

Mission:

AAUW Cedar Falls Branch advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research.

Vision:

AAUW Cedar Falls Branch will be recognized as a leader in the community in advocating for women and girls.

Diversity Statement:

In principle and in practice, the AAUW, Cedar Falls Branch, values and seeks diversity. 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.

Board of Directors:

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The purpose of AAUW is to promote equality for women and girls. What happens if you live in a country that does not believe that? What happens if your husband dies and you have no one to support you? What happens if your husband can't find a job and you have children to feed? In some countries the only solution might be the to sell your oldest daughter as a way to get needed income.

These problems and many more are what our sisters in other countries and even in the USA must face daily. Marcia Street and Bonnie Smith will be sharing information about how Fair Trade organizations make a difference in the lives of women and girls around the world. Learn how your can make a difference in the lives of others just by the way you shop. Hear the stories about how women have been empowered through Fair Trade. You will receive information about products available at the only Fair Trade store in Cedar Falls, **World's Window**. Receive a voucher from World's Window that will allow our AAUW branch to receive 10% of your purchase price when you shop there on Tuesday, November 23.

Menu:

Bourbon Glazed Pot Roast
Creamed Potatoes and Peas
Waldorf Salad
Chocolate Cookie Cheesecake
Dessert
or Chef Salad, regular or vegetarian

Reservations:

Allaire George 233-5320
allaireg7@mchsi.com
8 pm Thursday, November 18,
\$11 State your menu choice
*** **You MUST call or email**
Allaire and give her your meal
choice if you plan to eat ***



aureen White & Mary Dove, Co-Presidents

Your co-presidents ~

Cedar Falls Woman's Club Restoration Project

Recognizing AAUW's collective appreciation and concern for the lovely house where we hold our meetings, I appreciate the opportunity to share information about the restoration of the house. About six years ago a focus group of community members and CFWC members held meetings to assess structural and decorative concerns of the Victorian house built in 1867, purchased by the Woman's Club in 1929, and found it very "needy". An architectural study of all aspects led to a total restoration cost of \$907,000. First priority was to replace the leaking roof, rotting fascia, gutters and metal coverings of the dormer windows. The cost of this part of the total project was \$83,000. It is completed and paid in full.

The second priority is to make the south entrance handicap accessible with a ground level, double door entrance and an inside ramp to the dining room. This same project included new restrooms that are handicap accessible for guests confined to wheel chairs or those using a walker. The new area includes a small office, a nice change from the closet which the manager now uses. The cost is projected at \$175,000 with architects' fees and contingency funds bringing the total to \$220,000. This is a big price but the house will have a safe for all seasons entrance and be truly in compliance with the American Disability Act.

The \$165,000 we have raised so far for this project has come from individuals, organizations that meet at the Woman's Club and \$40,000 in grant monies. All monies are received by the Cedar Falls Civic Foundation, our 501C3 fiscal agent. No monies are channeled through the Woman's Club treasury. Donors' checks should be made out to the Cedar Falls Civic Foundation with the memo line marked CFWC Building Fund. All donations are tax deductible. Donors may send their checks directly to the Civic Foundation or to the Woman's Club at 304 Clay Street.

Please do consider contributing to the restoration project. The Woman's Club needs your help to meet the goal and proceed with this important project. Thanking you in advance, Doris Mauer

Make a Difference for Us, and Invest in Your World!

You are invited to attend a special fundraising event at World's Window. A percentage of your fair trade purchase made that day with this voucher will benefit our cause! Every product purchased at World's Window gives three ways: to a needy artist or farmer, to our organization, and to the lucky recipient of your purchase.



AAUW Shopping Day
Tuesday, November 23, 2010
10 am to 5 pm



Shop Fair Trade
Invest in Your World

World's Window, a nonprofit organization since 1984, markets fair trade products from around the globe. Every purchase helps low-income artisans and farmers make a dignified living. From home décor, jewelry, personal accessories, books and music to coffee, chocolate and tea, every purchase helps change someone's life. Your purchase also helps our cause!

Fair Trade Means Sustainability

Net \$ Amount _____
Customer Name _____
Customer Assistant initials _____

This voucher must be presented at time of sale. Cannot be combined with any other discount or offers.

World's Window 214 Main Street Cedar Falls 268-1584



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### **Report From the Board of Directors**

#### **Dates to remember:**

**Monday, November 22, 2010 -**  
Branch Program and Dinner meeting,  
5 pm social, 5:30 pm program, and  
6:15 pm dinner and brief business  
meeting.

**Tuesday, November 23, 2010 -**  
Shop at World's Window with  
AAUW vouchers day - a percentage  
of the sales will be donated to  
AAUW.

#### **Announcements:**

There will NOT be a board meeting on Monday, December 4, 2010.

There will NOT be a Branch Program and Dinner meeting, Monday, December 20, 2010.

*Dargy Baxter, Secretary*

# Community Action



## Cedar Valley Discuss & Discover Diversity Reading & Sharing

*Please note:  
There will be no CV3D in December.*

On Monday, January 10, 2011, Kathryn Rogers will lead the discussion of *Half Broke Horses: A True Life Novel* by Jeannette Wall. If you've read *The Glass Castle* by Jeannette Wall, you will remember this is the story of her father and mother. *Half Broke Horses* expands her family stories to include her grandmother Lily Casey Smith. CV3D meets from 4:30-5:30 pm in the classroom of the UNI Museum, Hudson Road, Cedar Falls. The facility is handicap accessible. AAUW partners with the UNI Museums, the Cedar Falls and Waterloo Public Libraries to bring you these speakers and diverse discussions. Participants do not have to have read the title to join this event.

### Coming up!

Mark your calendars for March 14, 2011. In preparation, read *Neither Wolf Nor Dog*. Kent Nerburn, author, sculptor, and theologian will speak from 4:30-5:30 and 7-8:30 pm at the Cedar Falls Public Library. This is the story of Dan, a Lakota tribal chief wishing to keep people from forgetting that land hungry whites destroyed the dreams and families of his entire race. This is an unforgettable book written by a skilled author. You still have plenty of time to get a copy of the book and read it and its sequel, *Wolf at Twilight*. For further information contact Dr. Judy Beckman at [drjudy.beckman@cfu.net](mailto:drjudy.beckman@cfu.net) or call 319-268-0544.

## Membership News

### Cedar Falls Branch Welcomes New Members



The Membership Committee wants you to meet new member Patriksha Holavannur, a graduate student at UNI in Engineering Technology. She earned her BS Degree in Engineering Technology from UNI in 2009. She is a native of Bangalore in southern India. Her favorite fun thing to do when she is not studying is hanging out with her friends. She also has a passion for learning new things. Painting is a favorite hobby that she enjoys very much. She enjoys everything about the United States, especially the people. A favorite book she is presently reading is *Everything I Know I Learned in Kindergarten* by Robert Fulgum. She will return to India when she completes her education at UNI. Welcome, Patriksha, to the Cedar Falls Branch of AAUW. We hope you continue to enjoy your stay in the United States and your participation in AAUW.

Mary Beth Dieter, another new member, resides on 1230 Clark Drive, with her husband, Bob. Bob, a lawyer, who is presently legal counsel for the Cedar Falls Utilities. Mary Beth is a UNI graduate in Elementary Education and after a year of substitute teaching at Lincoln School she taught at Orchard Hill and Cedar Heights in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades. She also taught in California, Germany and Virginia. Mary Beth and Bob have three children, a daughter and two sons. Her hobbies are reading and traveling. They recently traveled to France and spent time in the Normandy area. They have a plan to take each of their eight grandchildren on a trip to an interesting site in the United States when they are from ten to twelve years old. Their first venture was with Abby, a ten year old. They traveled to Boston, Newport and Plymouth to see the historical sites. The three of them enjoyed the trip very much and they are looking forward to the next trip. Mary Beth's favorite books are *Can't Wait to Get to Heaven* by Fannie Flagg which is about the meaning of life. A second favorite about the meaning of life for young readers is *Jeremy Fink and the Meaning of Life* by Wendy Mass. Welcome to AAUW Mary Beth. We look forward to greeting you at a general meeting or one of our study or community action groups.

### Public Policy/Voter Education

Promoting Global Awareness -  
Great Decisions

*AAUW Online*

Scholarship Committee

International Friendship Program

## Interest and Study Groups Opportunities to Participate

### International Studies

#### Books for Incarcerated Women



### Educational Opportunities and Legal Advocacy Fund

## AAUW 2011 National Convention

### Breaking through Barriers — Advocating for Change

Renaissance Washington, D.C. Hotel •  
Washington, D.C. • June 16-19, 2011



#### Cedar Falls AAUW Newsletter

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## Great Decisions / Promoting Global Awareness

This month our topic is global crime. After viewing the DVD, our topic for discussion will be: "How can we protect people from being exploited by drug cartels, human traffickers and online scam artists who benefit from our flattened world?"

Afternoon group meets Monday, November 15 at 1:15 pm and the evening group meets Tuesday, November 16 from 7-8:30 pm

Both meetings will be held at the Cedar Falls Public Library. Anyone interested in the topic is welcome to attend. *Gloria Tollefson & Marcia Street*

### Literature Interest Group

The Literature Group will meet Monday, November 8, 1:15 pm at the home of Marilyn Hanson at 2806 Edgewood Drive in Cedar Falls.

Gloria Tollefson will review the book, *Methland: the Death and Life of an American Small Town* (Oelwein, IA) by Nick Reding.

If you are interested in joining us, please call Marilyn at 266-5474.

### Bridge For Educational Foundation



**Third Wednesday Bridge for EOF** is November 17, 2010. Jean Richardson is hostess (266 - 3320). Location to be announced.

**Fourth Tuesday Bridge for EOF** is November 23, 2010. Judy Beckman is hostess (268 - 0544). The location is the Pfeiffer Lounge at Willowwood.

The hostesses will be calling members and give the time and locations for their meetings. If you have questions or if you want to be added to the calling list, contact Dargy Baxter at (319) 266 - 2890.

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