



**Presidents Message:** Hello AAUW Corpus Christi Branch, I hope that all of you are well and investing in your joy. **Our branch nominating committee** has nominated Dottie Ewing for VP of AAUW Funds and Shirley Selz for Secretary. The election will be held at the April meeting and installation of officers will be in May. Thank you to Janis Wood, Margaret De Ville, and Kristin Conlan for serving as our nominating committee.

**Bookfinders** will be holding a Spring Book Sale March 10-12<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Lynne Brickman at \_\_\_\_\_ to volunteer to help with the sale.

**The 2016 AAUW State Convention** will be in San Antonio at the Hyatt Place San Antonio Airport-Quarry. Contact me for a room if you plan to attend; unused rooms will be cancelled April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Our March 5<sup>th</sup> meeting** will be at the YWCA at 10AM. Dr. Amy Aldridge Sanford will be our speaker, and I am looking forward to her presentation. See March 5<sup>th</sup> at 10AM.

**Please contact Evelyn DeLaPaz-Rios** at \_\_\_\_\_

**to bring a baked good, tea, water, or coffee.** Thank you, Agnes Hamilton.



*March 2016 Newsletter*

**March Branch Meeting,  
Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>  
10:00 AM at the YWCA  
4639 Corona Dr.**

**“Women in Texas History”  
by Amy Sanford**



Dr. Amy Aldridge Sanford is a department chair and associate professor in the Department of Communication & Media at TAMU-CC. Additionally, she is serving as an administrative fellow in the Provost's office this semester.

Currently, Amy is writing a book about student activism and occasionally pens op-eds for *The Caller-Times*. In the past five years, Amy has been a presenter on more than 30 academic panels and given nearly 50 invited lectures.

Locally, Amy is a member of AAUW and has served on the city's Cable Commission and volunteers for UIL Speech & Debate, Battleground Texas, and YWCA. Amy will attend the prestigious HERS Institute at Bryn Mawr College this summer. In her leisure time, she enjoys reading, traveling, watching documentaries, attending university events, and spending time with her spouse and their five rescued pets.

The YWIC Dinner/Gala is held at the YWIC Building on Corona on March 3, 2016. It begins at 6:30 in the evening. The cost is \$80.00 per person or \$1,000.00 for a table.  
Margaret De Ville



*A note from Michelle Balis:  
Corpus Christi Literary Reading Series has Jill McCorble reading from her work on Saturday, March 12 at 7pm at the Art Museum of South Texas. Tickets are \$10 at the door. It is always great to hear the author read their work and tell of their process. Hope to see you there.*

AAUW Sponsored the Teen Author Dinner held Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. It was a dinner for the young adult authors coming for the Teens by the Bay Book Festival. The Library and area High School Librarians put this special event together for the second year. The dinner was held at the Keach Memorial Library in Robstown with a cowboy theme and a BBQ Dinner.

\*\*\*\*\*DayLight Saving Time Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>\*\*\*

#### INTEREST GROUPS

Remember to RSVP Your Hostess

**Book Finders** Chair - Betty Maroney  
Every Tues. @ 1:30; Neyland Library.

March 10th - 12th Book Finders Book Sale at Neyland Library.

**Call Lynne Brickman to volunteer.**  
Text, email, and/or call your friends and family to check out all the books and support AAUW.



**Bridge** Chair- Joanna Huckabee. For next meeting information contact chair at

**Classics Book Group** – Chair: Irene O'Connor,  
. Next meeting: Wednesday, Mar 30<sup>th</sup>  
@ 6:30pm; call for restaurant information.

**Community Outreach** – Chair- Dottie Ewing at  
. Next Meeting:

Mon., Mar 14th at 6pm @ YWCA on Corona.  
The Community Outreach Committee will assist the YW Teens in making cards & pictures for the children at Driscoll Children's Hospital on Mar 16, 2016; 1 p.m. We will have three stations for preparing different art works. We will be in the meeting room at the end of the hall on the second floor. Bring your creative juices and come have fun with the YW Teens.

**Evening Contemporary Literature** Chair- Nancy Horsley . Next meeting: Mon., Mar 28th at Janis Woods,

**Out-to-Lunch Bunch** – Chair: Margaret DeVille, Call for get-together info. Next Meeting: Tues., Mar 8th at 11:30am; call for restaurant information.

**Poetry Appreciation** – Chair: Pam Davis, . Next Meeting; Wed. Mar 9th, at Glass Pavilion, Omni Bayfront at 6:30 pm (Dorothy Parker)

**Reader's Round Table** - Chairs: Dottie Ewing, & Betty Maroney . Next Meeting: Mon., Mar 7th at 7pm at Betty Maroney's

**Theatre Guild** – Chair: Michelle Balis . Interested in seeing this romantic comedy at Del Mar Mar. 8-12? I can go Tues., 8th or Thurs., 10th Tickets are \$6. Let me know. Heidi chronicles will be at TAMUCC Mar. 1-6. The Heidi Chronicles is a 1988 play by Wendy Wasserstein. The play won the 1989 Pulitzer Prize for Drama. The plot follows Heidi Holland from high school in the 1960s to her career as a successful art historian more than twenty years later. The play's main themes deals with the changing role of women during this time period,

describing both Heidi's ardent feminism during the 1970s and her eventual sense of betrayal during the 1980s. Is anyone interested in seeing it Weds. March 2?

**Wine and Cheese** – Chair- Janis Wood.

. Next Meeting: Sun., Mar 13th  
5-7pm Jeanne Ferraro & Kristin Conlan;

(DAY LIGHT

SAVING TIME BEGINS Mar.13)

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The Corpus Christi AAUW Branch was featured in a Webinar : Recruitment Share and Learn. Four branches discussed recruitment, and shared ideas. Participants gave a 7 minute presentation on branch recruitment activities, and there was a question and answer session after presentations. A lot of good information was shared. Note from Carla Boisvenue

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**In the News at AAUW .Org**. Women are half of the world's population but only a fraction of the world's heads of state and government leaders. Why does that matter? Because the world needs the talents, values, and contributions of women to be seen as just as important as those of men in order to create a world that provides economic opportunity, peace, and security to us all. **Visit AAUW.org**

**AAUW Friendship Committee-**  
**Please contact Audrey Jones at**  
**when you know**  
**of an AAUW member who is sick**  
**or hurt, in the hospital, or has suffered**  
**a loss of a loved one.**



*Published by Jeanne Ferraro*