January 2017

## NEWSLETTER AAUW

FAIRBANKS (AK) BRANCH AAUW



January Meeting
No Host Lunch @ Lemon Grass
388 Old Chena Pump Rd Fairbanks
Saturday, January 21 @ 11:30 am
Join us for conversation, a chance to
connect with old friends and new, in a lunch
get together at Lemon Grass

Join us to start our
AAUW Fairbanks Branch 2017
meetings off at an informal nohost luncheon at the Lemon
Grass Thai restaurant on
Saturday, January 21 at 11:30
am. There are vegetarian and
gluten free options available.
What a wonderful opportunity
to gather with friends, old and
new, for conversation and
yummy food. Lemon Grass is
located in the Chena Pump
Plaza, 388 Old Chena Pump
Road in Fairbanks.

Please RSVP to Rita Osborne ritaosborne@gmail.com or by phone @ 479-4535. We'll try to coordinate rides if needed.

Hope you made it to the
AAUW annual Holiday party and
gift exchange at the home of
Ritchie and Mike Musick in
December. Reports are that a

good time was had by all!
The holiday spirit was shared
by members and their
spouses, contributing to an
evening of good cheer.

Check out pictures from the party on the photos pages of this newsletter.

# LOST / Found

Ritchie found a nice pair of black gloves left at the Holiday Party. The gloves have the words "Humane Society" embroidered on them. Contact Ritchie if you are missing these gloves, or know who might be. Ritchie is hoping to connect the gloves with their owner.

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#### Have news or items for the Newsletter?

Send them by the last Thursday of the month, to <a href="mailto:kayt.sunwood@alaska.edu">kayt.sunwood@alaska.edu</a> with the subject line: AAUW Newsletter Item. Please send "Have You Heard" Member News to keep us up on what you are doing, where you are going. Also send reports on Branch activities, pictures, and other items of interest. Future Newsletters will feature profiles of our members so that we can all get to know each other. Newsletters will also feature exciting and engaging new items to facilitate connections. Please send your news to make this NEWSLETTER all that it can be <a href="mailto:open.equalitate">open.equalitate</a> (so that we can all get to know each other. Newsletters will also feature exciting and engaging new items to facilitate connections. Please send your news to make this NEWSLETTER all that it can be <a href="mailto:open.equalitate">open.equalitate</a> (so that we can all get to know each other.

#### Fairbanks AAUW Branch Facebook Page

Find the Facebook public page for our Fairbanks AAUW branch at:

#### www.facebook.com/AAUWFairbanksAKBranch

Anyone can view this page. Please "like" our page and visit often to catch up on what's happening.

#### Help build our AAUW community by inviting new members to join

Let your neighbors, local students, colleagues, and acquaintances know that by <u>joining AAUW</u> they can help break through barriers for women in government, in the workplace, and on campus.

AAUW's values are non-negotiable. We believe that bias and discrimination of any kind are unacceptable in our national dialogue and that our government must represent all of us. Throughout our 135-year history, we've always stood for solutions that work for all women and families — and we don't intend to quit now. With your support, AAUW will continue to speak truth to power and fight for gender equity from the White House to the statehouse.

#### **Upcoming Book Group Meetings**

Date: January 9, (Monday), 1:30 pm

Topic: Bring to share a book or poem that is a favorite or one that simply interested/impressed you.

Since we don't have a particular title selected, this is a chance to share/discuss

what we like and don't like in the things we read and why.

Location: Home of Jodi Gouwens, Linck Estates, 924 Kellum, Unit #304, 474-9144

[off Cowles & 10th, behind Arctic Bowl]

Date: February 13, (Monday), 1:30 pm

Title/Author: To the Bright Edge of the World: A Novel / by Eowyn Ivey [Alaskan author]

NOTE: Library audio and printed copies are frequently in use so

you may need to place a hold on this title \* Library phone : 459-1020

Available on Kindle.

Location: Home of Margret Van Flein, Linck Estates, 924 Kellum Street, Unit #208,

Phone 322-0621

[off Cowles & 10th, behind Arctic Bowl]

#### **FEBRUARY BOOK DESCRIPTION:**

To the Bright Edge of the World: A Novel / by Eowyn Ivey {An Amazon Best Book of August 2016} I'm just going to say it: Eowyn Ivey can really write. For those who read The Snow Child this statement comes as no surprise. In To the Bright Edge of the World, her second novel, Ivey manages to turn an adventure set in Alaska into much more. The book begins with a contemporary relative donating to a small museum the journals and other artifacts from an 1885 expedition. The journals were written by his great-uncle, Colonel Alan Forrester, and his great-aunt, Sophie. While we read about Alan's accounts of his full-on Alaskan adventure, we are also introduced to Sophie's struggles back in Vancouver. Each experiences a shift in the prism through which they see reality—Sophie takes up photography, and Alan begins to develop a more wild view of the world around him. Read it for the adventure. Read it for the time you'll spend thinking about it long after you've turned the last page.

December Book Club / Musical Gathering (Thanks Rita for the pix and Laura for the venue and wonderful music)







#### **Branch Directory**

The **Branch Directory** is being updated. If you have contact information updates or errors in your listing from last year, please contact Gael at <a href="mailto:gaelmurakami@gmail.com">gaelmurakami@gmail.com</a>. We are working on making the information available on-line in a "Members Only" area of the website. We currently have a copy of the national roster in pdf format available for you to view at:

#### http://fairbanks-ak.aauw.net/members-only/

This is a password protected area, contact the webmaster at FairbanksAK.AAUW@gmail.com for the password.

### 2016 Holiday Party Pix

Thanks Ritchie and Mike for this wonderful holiday tradition!













#### Upcoming Dates to Put on Your Calendar

Our meeting calendar has been organized by our Program VP Pat Babcock.

#### Mark Your Calendars

Saturday, January 21	11:30 am No Host Luncheon @ Lemon Grass
Saturday, February 18	Panel Discussion on Green Dot Community Bystander Intervention Program
March 18 or 20 ?	Annual Meeting
Saturday, April 22	Scholarship Luncheon
Friday, May 19	Wine & Cheese

AAUW Mission: Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

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