

*Their group is older than ours!*

## Jan. 13th meeting will feature YWCA VIPs

Our sister in service, the Bellingham YWCA was founded in 1907. To begin our 100th anniversary year, **Jo Collinge**, Board Secretary of the Bellingham YWCA and **Lynne Masland**, author of *100 Years of Challenge and Change: Whatcom Women and the Bellingham YWCA*, will speak about the role of the YWCA in serving women of Bellingham for over a century.

**Place:** Bellingham YWCA, 1026 N. Forest St.

**Time:** The meeting begins at 10 a.m. with a 15-minute social time for getting coffee and chatting.

**Food:** Persons with names ending in N through Z are asked to bring snacks.

**Guests are welcome!**

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**THE OFFICIAL CHARTER FOR THE BELLINGHAM BRANCH OF AAUW WAS SUBMITTED IN SEPTEMBER 1918. THE ORIGINAL GROUP HAD 24 MEMBERS. WE CURRENTLY HAVE 70 MEMBERS.**

## March fashion show ticket sales continue

As part of our **Centennial Year Celebration**, we are having a **Vintage Fashion Show on March 10th** from 12:00 – 3:00 at the Holiday Inn Bellingham Airport. The price of the ticket is \$35.00 which includes lunch (creamy chicken linguini or vegetarian quiche) and a narrated vintage fashion show. There will also be a fund raising dessert dash.

**Everyone is encouraged to wear any vintage clothing that they might have** – hats, jewelry, etc. In order to make this a success, we are encouraging all members to buy a ticket for themselves and sell two tickets to friends and neighbors. We are anticipating that this will sell out. Tickets will be available at the January meeting from Cathie Oberg or Carol Simmer and also from Brown Paper Tickets: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3195451>



December meeting at Old City Hall – Members eat and exchange cookies; Elsie Heinrick and Kathy Jenkis share a laugh; Inge Paulus views our AAUW Christmas tree; pianist Roger Quiggle accompanies our holiday song leader Robin Kagan and Catherine Chambers' granddaughter Layla.



## ***We march again!***

**“March on Bellingham — Women Marching for Unity, Equity, Justice and Humanity” is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, January 20.**

Bellingham Branch will staff an AAUW informational table in front of City Hall, 210 Lottie Street, just as we did at last year’s March for Science.

Those who wish to join other AAUW members to march are asked to search out our booth and meet there to listen to speakers and join the walk. Volunteers to staff our booth are also welcome.

This will be the third time Bellingham Branch members have marched. In 2017, we joined both the March for Science and the Women’s March. Dress for the weather.



**Donor recognition:** A new signboard honoring donors to our scholarship programs has been created by Bellingham Branch member Esther Golde. Each card indicates a donation of \$250 or more in the past three years, with space for more to come. Signs at the top of the board list our scholarship projects: Scholarships at Western Washington University, Whatcom Community College, Bellingham Technical College and Northwest Indian College; Tech Trek; High School Scholars, and WCC’s Girls Go Tech.

### **Just for fun - and cash!**

**There will be a Give a Little, Get a Lot table at our January 13 meeting.** Please bring unwanted new gifts you’ve received to offer for sale to fellow members. Bring cash or checks to buy the treasures you find. Proceeds go to HS Scholars program.

### INTEREST GROUP NEWS

#### YA GOTTA HAVE ART !

In February, our branch is sponsoring the showing of *Equal Means Equal* at the **Human Rights Film Festival** at Fairhaven College. We have donated \$100 to help defray the cost of the showing, but an even more important contribution can be our attending the showing and staffing an information table at the event.

Any member can propose a date and meeting place to take advantage of local art shows, museums, special art projects and the incredible sculptures of our city and campus. Please contact Susan Moen if you are interested in joining other members to view the shows and possibly have lunch to complete the outing: [susanmoen@comcast.net](mailto:susanmoen@comcast.net), or 206-399-4909 cell.

#### ADELANTE! BOOK CLUB

Adelante! meets (usually) monthly at Arlis's Restaurant, 1525 Cornwall Ave. in Bellingham, at noon. Newcomers are welcome. The next meeting will be January 25. The book to be reviewed is *The Bees: A Novel*, by Laline Paull. Contact: Gwen Parker, 360-933-4314.

#### Lobby Day coming soon

Lobby Day in Olympia is January 29<sup>th</sup>. Get training in lobbying for women's equity issues and put it to work when you meet with your Washington State representatives. Call Catherine Chambers for more information.

*Happy Birthday*

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