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"Jingle and Mingle" at the AAUW Holiday Social Dec. 10 at the Mt. Baker Theatre Encore Room 10 a.m. to noon

Plan to come and bring a friend! The Bellingham High School Showstoppers will perform. They sang (and danced) for us in December 2019, and put us all in a holiday mood.

We can socialize over a brunch of quiche and fruit, and several Executive Board members have promised to bake cookies for dessert (and for the Showstoppers).



Due to the space needed to accommodate the entertainers, there will not be a Zoom component for this meeting

(Please see information about College Pantry donations on Page 4.)

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Women's Rights Tea Party Time!



Clockwise from upper left: Margo Hammond buys raffle tickets from Susan Moen. **Branch President** Judi Edwards and **Past President** Judith Entwife, in Suffragist attire. **Poet Leslie** Wharton with her publications. Jean **Cox-Treverton with** her guests. Sandy Lankhaar, a guest of Suzanne Thorp, gets ready for fun.



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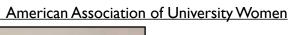
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Fashion collector and narrator Louise Sager and her granddaughter, Shaylin Leibrant, and some of the models who showed off the vintage styles. Bottom center is a Barber dress, made from fabric woven by Lummi weavers in the 1940s.















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A big THANK YOU! These four ladies planned and replanned our Tea and Vintage Fashion Show, and kept it going from the original pre-pandemic decision to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment (women's right to vote} to the postpandemic go-ahead. From left, Judy Fruhbauer, Kathy Jenkis, Esther Golde and Carol Simmer. Many others volunteered to create the teapots and teacups, handle ticketing, plan the raffle baskets, and more. Judi Edwards was our emcee and Judith Entwife our excellent keynote speaker. Again, thanks to all!

College Pantry

We will be collecting donations for the food pantries at our four local colleges at our December meeting. **Cash is always welcome, and our featured items this month are peanut butter and jelly** — the things students want most. (Other nut butters are also wanted.)



Food Items

Proteins such as peanut butter, canned and dried beans, lentils, chili, and all other canned foods containing meats, fish (tuna), poultry, and dairy (cheese or milks of all kinds); quinoa Fruits- canned and dried of all kinds; fresh firm fruits such as apples and pears Vegetables- Canned of all kinds; also, fresh veggies such as potatoes, onions, and garlic are appreciated.

Baked goods such as breads Pasta, Rice, Crackers

Non-food Items

Toothpaste, tooth brushes, dental floss, soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, shaving supplies

Welcome to AAUW!

The Whatcom Branch of American Association of University Women invites you to join us.

Membership is open to college graduates and those with associate degrees from accredited schools. We offer speakers and various interest groups.

Our mission is to offer scholarships and support numerous programs to help women and girls gain equity in all areas of life.

Contact Lynda Buehring, goldracket@aol.com

Mark your calendar

January 30, 2023, will be Lobby Day for AAUW at the State Capitol. As in the past two years, the meeting to discuss bills will be held over Zoom. The follow-up meetings with individual legislators will also be held virtually.

Don't forget Book Club!

Dec. 8, noon at Affinity Apartments in the first floor library. Book is *Soul* of a Woman by Isabel Allende. Contact Kay Davin for entry to building.

Paint a Christmas present?

The members of AAUW Whatcom Branch are getting together for some fun and socialization! Join us on Wednesday, Dec 7th, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at CreativiTea, 1312 11th St.,Bellingham, WA.

This is a social for members to catch up and for our guests to learn more about what we do and who we are!

A pot of tea, glass of wine, savory snack, or sweet treat will be available for purchase.

If you are planning to attend, we urge you to RSVP, at the link below.

Link to Meetup Event to RSVP!: https:// www.meetup.com/american-association-ofwomen-whatcom-branch/events/289612397/



The cost of doing business

Many people are finding it handy to use a credit or debit card to pay dues or others purchases. AAUW is now using Venmo and Square to facilitate payments, but there is a cost to use these systems. There will be an addition of 3% for charges paid by Venmo or Square.

Calendar of coming events

Dec. 7 Meetup at Creativitea 5:30 to 7:30, 1312 11th St.,Fairhaven

Dec. 8 AAUW Book Club, noon at Affinity Apartments in the **first floor library.** Book is *Soul of a Woman* by Isabel Allende

Dec. 10 Holiday meeting, 10 a.m. at Mt. Baker Theatre Encore Room

Jan. 14 General meeting at Encore Room

Jan. 28 Exec Board meeting, 9 a.m. .via Zoom.

Spread some sunshine!

Do you know an AAUW member who is ailing or has suffered a loss? If so, please email our Sunshine Lady, Suzanne Thorp, who will mail a card from our branch. <u>sthorp5@comcast.net</u>

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