



Upcoming Meetings:

Tech Savvy (no regular Branch meeting)

Branch meeting.
Pay Equity month.

State Convention/Wahpeton

Branch meeting

Potluck salad get-together at
CenterPoint Condo 1208

Garden Tour

Steering Committee

The Steering Committee meets the Thursday following the regular Branch meetings.

2nd Thursdays @ 6pm

Locations: TBA

Bunsen Burner Day is WHEN?

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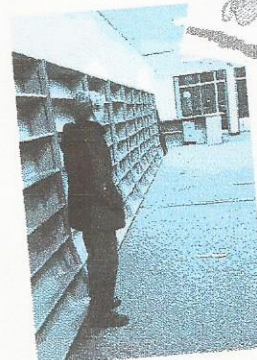
Bookstore News

After moving the store twice in less than a year, it looks like we may soon have a more permanent home. We had planned to store our inventory and fixtures in a space across the hall, but the Mall informed us last Monday that it wouldn't be available. Thus, we had to move everything out, and it is now stored at a quonset at Lloyd's Toyota. We were able to borrow a large flat-bed trailer and also used three pickups to haul all the boxes of books, shelves and miscellaneous fixtures. Thanks to many members and friends who secured boxes, packed all the inventory, took down shelves, etc. before hauling everything to the quonset and unloading it.



BEFORE

AFTER



Members and friends who helped were: Jody Larson, Barb Lang, Patsy & Lemoine Klose, Kelly & Larry Krein, John Craft, Tom Enderle, LeRoy Moser, Jim Rexin, Linda Johnson, Linda & Bob Todd, three JHS students and seven UJ students. It was a "small army" and we completed the job ahead of schedule, by Saturday, Feb. 25th!

The exciting news is that we are hoping to move into the former Music Corner building on 1st Avenue, just south of the KC Hall. We are working on a cooperative venture with the Dakota Store and Jamestown Volunteer Center and will share rent and other expenses. We plan to be open every day and some Saturdays, but will have other volunteers besides AAUW members helping. Our groups hope to complement one another and bring more people to the store as a result. We will have good signage and marketing to promote the new store. An opening date has not been set as the lease hasn't been signed, but we're anticipating the move into the store by mid-April and an opening sometime in May. More details will follow and we're hoping for help with the move and set-up in a few weeks.

NCCWSL* Scholarship



Victoria Getchell, a senior at University of Jamestown, with a Major in Political Science & a Minor in English & Philosophy.

Since coming to Jamestown she has been involved in all different types of activities on campus:

1. Softball team-freshman year before injury
2. Student Senate 2013-2017 serving as a sitting senator, parliamentarian, Student Body President
3. SAGA/PRISM 2013-2017
4. History club 2014-2016
5. ND4FLINT
6. Community Action volunteer
7. Salvation Army Advisory Board and volunteer
8. Relay for Life Team Captain
9. Penny Wars Chair
10. "Trick-or-Can"
11. Commencement Committee
12. Innovation Committee (Hanson Cntr)

13. Look Inward Committee

Why you are interested in attending the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders and learning about Women in Leadership:

My name is Tori Getchell and I am a political science major at the University of Jamestown in North Dakota. I want to attend this conference to learn how to become a more effective leader. I want to be around women who have worked through the struggles that I find myself facing on a daily basis in my leadership roles on campus. This opportunity could potentially help me make the connections that I am currently missing to continue to succeed in the work force and be a successful Jimmie.

One of my main goals in life is to help women from all corners of the earth and be happy doing it. I was lucky enough to be able to go to one of the best schools in the Midwest and I understand that most do not have that opportunity. I want to extend education accessibility to whoever wants and needs to learn. I want to work on bridging the gap in equality between men and women and I cannot think of a better learning environment than this conference. This

experience is what I have been looking for, a guide for me to reach my full potential. I am extremely self-motivated, but I cannot do everything alone. I want to grow and learn not only as a woman but as a humanitarian.

My purpose in life is to give a voice to those who do not have one. I no longer can sit by while the cries of my fellow women are falling on deaf ears. This is the direction I need my life to go in. I want to be a part of something bigger than myself, to learn how I can help others in ways I would not have thought about previously. If chosen to possibly represent Jamestown at this conference I assure you I will soak in every minute of it and extend the knowledge that I picked up to anyone willing to listen.

Thank you for your time,
Tori Getchell

**National Conference for College Women Student Leaders*

Tech Savvy Set for March 7

Tech Savvy Jamestown is from 8:40 a.m. to 2:40 p.m. Tuesday, March 7, on the University of Jamestown campus.

Tech Savvy is a daylong science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) career conference designed to attract girls in sixth through eighth grades to these fields and to inform parents about STEM education and careers. The day will be filled with hands-on activities led by STEM professionals, a skills workshop, lunch and a keynote speaker.

The Jamestown branch of AAUW was selected as one of 23 sites across the nation to hold Tech Savvy in 2017. The conference is free to attend thanks to AAUW Jamestown branch, an AAUW grant, North Dakota STEM and local sponsors.



Tech Savvy also includes a program for adults to encourage and reinforce interest in STEM fields in the Reiland Fine Arts Center on the UJ campus. Topics include: "Why So Few?", "Living on Line (Social Media)," "College Savvy," "Financial Aid/Financial preparedness" and "College SAVE." There will also be time to ask questions to college staff members and listen to keynote speakers.

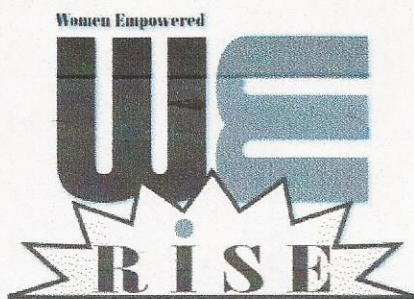
The cost to attend the adult program is \$10 and includes lunch. To register, visit <http://bit.ly/2IV6u5S>. For more information on the adult program, contact Mindi Schmitz at (701) 320-46178 or mschmitz@daktel.com.

STEMtastic! will engage boys in

sixth through eighth grades in hands-on activities Tuesday, March 7, at the Jamestown Middle School. Jamie Wirth, executive director of the Great Plains STEM Education Center at Valley City State University, will lead the program.

The day will start with keynote speakers, and students will engage in STEM workshops for most of the day. Students will also learn engineering problem solving principles and put their knowledge to use in a team activity.

STEMtastic! is funded by North Dakota STEM and local sponsors.



Join us in Bismarck on
Monday, March 13th, 2017
 to participate the 5th biennial
 WE Rise: Women Empowered!

WE Rise: Women Empowered offers behind the scenes insight, meetings with local lawmakers, and training on how to lobby. March 13th will be a day filled with learning, listening and lobbying for policies that enhance and enrich the lives of women and families. WE Rise will highlight....

Freedom from Violence

**Economic Security
 Reproductive Health
 Education**

**Bring a Friend to
 this Event!**

The **North Dakota Women's Network** is sponsoring an advocacy training and a progressive women networking event on *Sunday, March 12th*.

Are you interested in meeting North Dakotans working toward change? Do you want to network and learn more about the political process? Are you interested in learning the process of grassroots organizing?

NDWN will host an interesting and interactive advocacy training. **Empower yourself to be your own advocate!** We will walk participants through *lobbying tips, political structure, and testimony preparation*.

The North Dakota Women's Network is sponsoring a

1. **Advocacy Training and progressive networking event on Sunday, March 12th, 2017**
2. **And a Lobby Day on March 13th, 2017.**

Additionally, the **North Dakota Women's Network** would like to invite you to participate in an evening of fun and socializing with

other progressive women from across the state! We are hosting a social with legislators the evening of March 12th.

REGISTER HERE

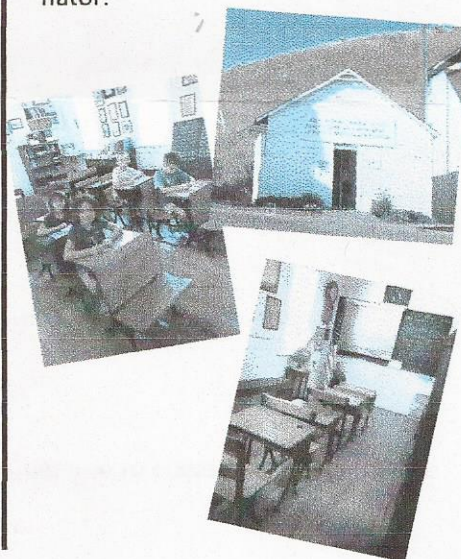
<http://www.ndwomen.org/events/we-rise-women-empowered-2017>

We have donated money for this event, so take advantage of the sessions.

Pioneer School House

Debbie, Kelly and Patsy met with the Retired Teachers Association about *manning the one-room school house*. Kelly gave the history of the school house. We discussed various ways that we could get volunteers. Art Mitzel suggested that the teachers take a whole month and man it every afternoon. Everyone who had volunteered in the past had great and enjoyable experiences.

We said we would get in contact with them in early May so they could sign up. We told them our problem was not having a coordinator for the sign up which they agreed. The Retired Teachers meet the 4th Tuesday of the month. At our next Steering Committee meeting we decide about the school house and find a coordinator.



2017 Annual Meeting April 21-22 Wahpeton

Mark your calendars for the 2017 AAUW North Dakota Annual Meeting that will be held at the ND State College of Science, Red River Valley Room in Wahpeton, ND on April 21-22.

The convention will be hosted by the Wahpeton branch. A social for all members will be held on Friday, April 21 followed by educational



information and our business meeting on Saturday, April 22. Additional details will be coming soon. Please save the date and plan to attend.

