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# Book N ight

*Bring a Book*  
*Bring a Dessert*



**Tuesday, February 18 - 7 p.m.**

Kathy Bennett's home: 321 S. 6th St - Escanaba

Enjoy a relaxing night:

- share details of a favorite book - any topic
- visit with other members
- Enjoy a sweet treat!

*RSVP to Kathy at 786-3415 if you plan to attend.*



## Musical & A Meal

Please join us - *or we will taunt you a second time!*

**Sunday, March 2nd**

**Bonifas Theater - 2:00 p.m. Tickets \$15**

**Dinner at Hereford & Hops**

**"Spamalot"** is a musical comedy based on the 1975 movie *"Monty Python and the Holy Grail."* In their quest to find the Holy Grail, **King Arthur** and his **Knights of the Round Table** spread

laughter and cheer throughout the kingdom. This 2005 Tony award-winner will help you to *"always look on the bright side of life!"* RSVP to: Deb Trombly 420-3083 or [debtkmg365@charter.net](mailto:debtkmg365@charter.net)



## AAUW Fights to end Human Trafficking

AAUW members nationwide are leading efforts to fight human trafficking by starting petitions for legislative action, raising

awareness, and working to prevent sex trafficking during the 2014 Super Bowl and other similar events that bring an influx of visitors to an area.

AAUW helped pass a reauthorization of the **Violence Against Women Act** that included human trafficking provisions.

AAUW also supports the **End Sex Trafficking Act**, which will help eliminate sex-trafficking organizations by targeting those who purchase sexual acts.

Human trafficking first becoming a priority in AAUW's 2011–13 Public Policy Program. Members again approved human trafficking as part of the 2013-15 Public Policy Program.

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Engineering is one of the fastest-growing fields in the United States, so why are only 13 percent of professional engineers women? One reason is that not many girls learn about engineering in the K–12 classroom. That's why **DiscoverE** (formerly known as Engineers Week) created **Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day**, now called **Girl Day**.

AAUW encourages educational, mentoring, and job shadowing events that show girls how creative and collaborative engineering is and how engineers are changing our world, and that...**girls shouldn't feel weird for loving science and math.** AAUW-sponsored STEM programs, like Teck Trek and Teck Savy, are working to give women and girls the opportunity to explore and pursue careers in these fields.

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January 29 marked the 5th anniversary of President Obama's signing of the **Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act**. Despite the President's urging in his inaugural and State of the Union addresses, the **Paycheck Fairness Act** remains stalled in Congress.

Unfair pay hurts women and families, and has an estimated \$500 billion negative impact on the U.S. economy. The Paycheck Fairness Act would give stronger incentives to employers to evaluate and address situations where equal work is not receiving equal pay. It would also empower women to negotiate fair pay and prohibit retaliation for doing so.

AAUW is joining forces to urge President Obama to issue an **Executive Order** barring companies that do business with the federal government from firing, demoting, or otherwise retaliating against employees who ask about or share salary information. While this would not be as powerful as the provisions in the Paycheck Fairness Act, it would have a significant impact on narrowing the wage gap.

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# Another "Sellout" for Lunch with Santa!



*Merry Musicians:*  
Sara Marenger, Abbey Claes  
Megan Anderson, Kim Kang

*Merry Elves:* Margaret Carignan, Liz LaBay, Cindy Bender,  
Santa, Jan Watson, Dorothy Kollmann, Bev Ladin  
Front: Jack, Shannon, & Abby Taylor

*Merry Event Chair, Deb Trombly, thanks everyone who supported our Merry Event!*

## ♪ Oh There's No Place Like "Homes for the Holidays" ♪



Co-Chair, Kathy Bennet, hosts  
Afterglow at her festive home.

Martineau Home



JoAnn Clark, Cynthia Bender,  
Co-Chair Sue Hampton

Sandra Walker at the  
Anderson Home

Connie Martison at  
the Winneroski Home

Liz LaBay at the Hawn Home



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**Calendar**

- February -**
- 5 - Speech Trek Contest** - 1-4 ISD
- 10 - Board Meeting** - 5:30 Ferdinands
- 18 - Book Night** - 7 p.m. Kathy Bennett's
- March -**
- 2- Dinner/Theater** - 2 p.m. "Spamalot" followed by dinner @ Hereford & Hops
- 10 - Board Meeting** - 5:30 @ Positively
- 18 - Movie Night**
- April -**
- 8 - Equal Pay Day**
- TBA - **Women's History Month Event**
- TBA - **\$tart \$mart Workshop @ Bay**
- TBA - **WINGS Program Event**
- May -**
- 17- AAUW of MI Annual Convention**
- 22 - Election Dinner** - Hse of Ludington
- TBA - **High School STEM Awards**

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