

September 7, 2015

Greetings Branch Presidents and Public Policy Chairs -

In recent years at our annual AAUW-Wisconsin State Convention, resolutions were passed to express concerns about important issues such as the rise in human trafficking, burden of student loans, gun violence, maintaining voting rights, and the way Wisconsin districts have been manipulated to serve political party interests. We in AAUW care about such matters and how we are affected by what goes on inside the State Capitol in Madison.

Now we have an opportunity to take action. Wisconsin legislators DO care about what we think about the issues and legislation that comes before them. The best way to get them to listen – to make our voice heard – is to stand before them – in person – to tell them our stories and state our concerns about issues that affect all women such as healthcare, pay equity and family leave, reproductive rights, school vouchers and education budgets, ALEC, good governance and campaign finance reform.

Women are wielding great political power today simply because women vote more often than men. Women often are the ones to decide who gets to become an elected official and who does not. Showing up at their offices makes a big impression on those elected officials. Let's remind them that you met them on the campaign trail and want to continue the conversations.

So, join us from 8:30 am – 3 pm on Thursday, October 15, for AAUW-WI's Legislative Day in Madison. This event will start at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 4402 East Washington Ave., Madison, WI, 53704, (608) 244-4703, where we will have a training session on our issues and advocacy, plus lunch, before proceeding to the State Capitol from 1 pm to 3 pm to meet with our own legislators. (You will need to make appointments with your state senator and assemblyperson's offices in advance. You can contact them quickly through the Two-Minute Activist Wisconsin at www.aauw-wi.aauw.net.)

The cost for training and lunch is **\$20.00 for AAUW members** and **\$25.00 for advocacy partners**. Please register asap before the **deadline of October 10**.

If you have questions, contact State Public Policy Coordinator Mary Modder at <u>marymodder@hotmail.com</u> or (262) 595-0329.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Legislative Day on October 15.

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Crowne Pla	aza Hotel – 4402 East Washing	gton Ave., Madison, WI	53704 (608) 244-4703
8:30 am 9 am – 12:30 pm	Registration Speakers on issues and advocacy training Lunch		
1:00 – 3 pm	Meetings with your State Senator and Assemblyperson at the State Capitol (Use Two Minute Activist at www.aauw-wi.aauw.net to contact.)		
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Make check payable	to AAUW-WI and send to:		
	AAUW-WI Legislative Day c/o Mary Modder Public Policy Coordinator 600 – 10 th Place Kenosha, WI 53140		
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