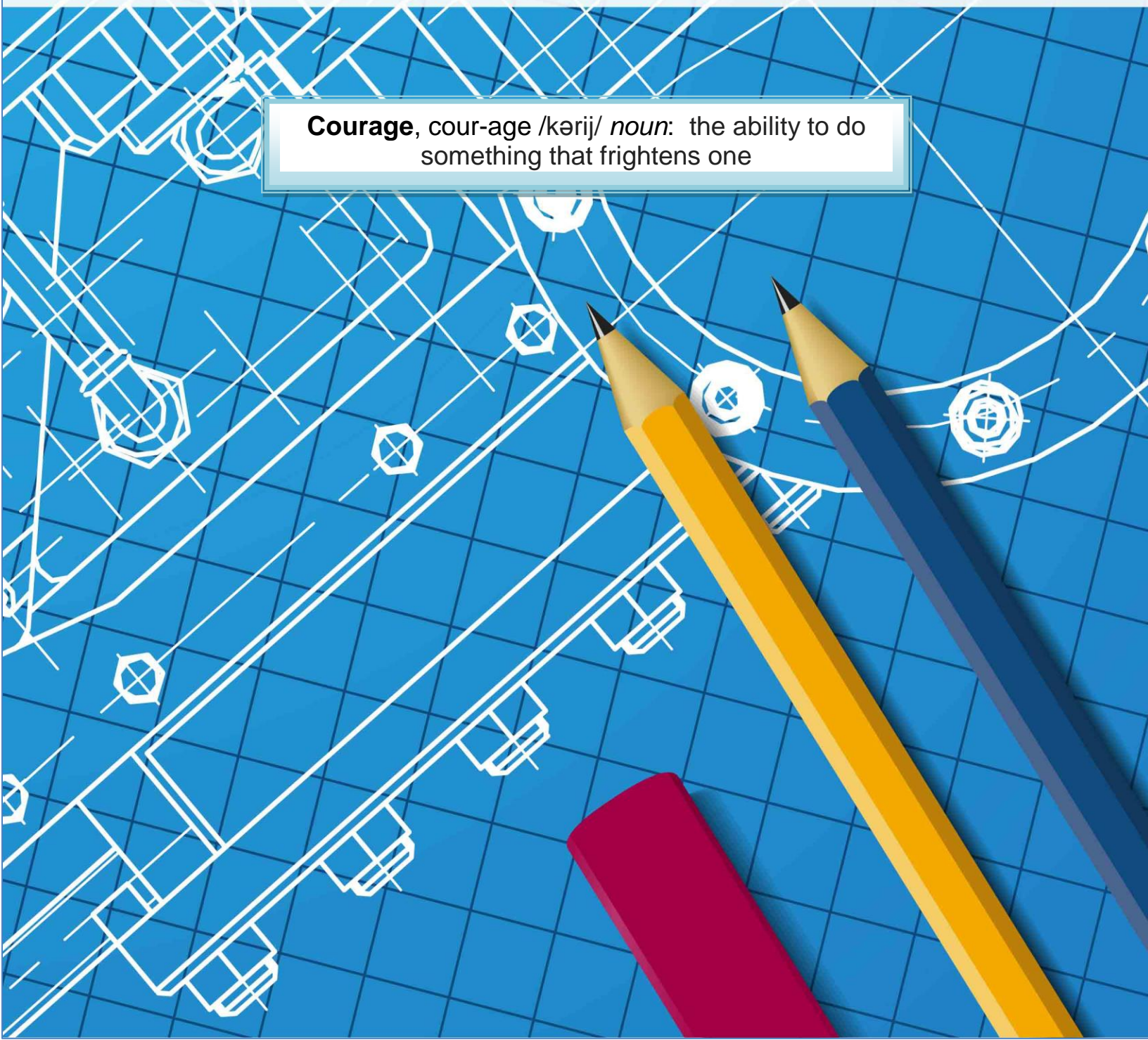


# TechSavvy

 A program of AAUW

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**Courage**, cour-age /kərij/ *noun*: the ability to do something that frightens one



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*"Courage doesn't always roar. Sometimes courage is the little voice at the end of the day that says I'll try again tomorrow." – Mary Anne Radmacher  
artist, writer, motivational speaker*

*"All you need is the plan, the road map, and the courage to press on to your destination." – E. Nightingale  
radio personality, writer, speaker, and author*

## 2017 SCHEDULE – GIRLS

Time	Activity	Location
8:30–9:00 am	<b>Check in and Breakfast</b>	GHS Commons
9:00–9:20 am	<b>Welcome</b> (for girls and adults)	GHS Auditorium
9:30–10:20 am	<b>Tech Workshop</b> or <b>College Savvy</b>	UCG (see below)
10:30–11:20 am	<b>Tech Workshop</b> or <b>College Savvy</b>	UCG (see below)
11:30–12:20 pm	<b>Tech Workshop</b> or <b>College Savvy</b>	UCG (see below)
12:30–1:15 pm	<b>Lunch</b>	GHS Commons
1:30–2:20 pm	<b>STEM Panel</b> – recent college graduates and young STEM professionals (for girls and adults)	GHS Auditorium
2:30–3:15 pm	<b>Savvy Skills Workshop</b>	Assigned by grade; see below
3:30–4:15 pm	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> (for girls and adults)	GHS Auditorium
4:15–4:30 pm	<b>Closing Remarks/Evaluations/Prizes</b> (for girls and adults)	GHS Auditorium

### Morning Tech Workshops / Room

<b>Get Creative, Get Coding</b>	U-101
<b>London Bridges Falling Down</b>	U-111
<b>A World of Plastics</b>	U-112
<b>Light Up Your Brain with Science</b>	U-113
<b>Ms. Scarlett’s Mysterious Rash</b>	U-109
<b>Water: Wet, Sticky or Both?</b>	U-107
<b>Liquid Sunshine</b>	U-111
<b>Life’s a Beach in Ancient Reefs!</b>	U-105
<b>College Savvy *</b>	M-101

### Afternoon Savvy Skills Workshops / Room

<b>The Science of Mindfulness</b>	Grade 6	U-111/112
<b>Online Etiquette in a Digital Age</b>	Grade 7	M-103/105
<b>Courage to Be Yourself</b>	Grade 8	U-107
	Grade 9	U-107

\* PLEASE VISIT THE TWO SPECIAL EXHIBITS:  
 THE **STEMinist** EXHIBIT FROM MICHIGAN WOMEN’S HISTORICAL CENTER & HALL OF FAME AND THE **WATER SCIENCES** EXHIBIT BY WOMEN FROM MICHIGAN WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION



## 2017 TECH WORKSHOPS - GIRLS

### **Get Creative, Get Coding**

*Presented by Jessica Kane*

*Line 45, Data & Geospatial Solutions*

Learn the basics of HTML and CSS – building blocks of the World Wide Web – and use these skills to create your very first web page. This workshop will introduce you to a fun, interactive learning environment that you can continue to use throughout the year.

### **London Bridges Falling Down**

*Presented by Dr. Tess Ahlborn*

*Michigan Technological University*

Learn what makes bridges stand up and what causes them to fall down by building your very own models. Discover the art and the science of engineering bridges.

### **A World of Plastics**

*Presented by Elizabeth Egan*

*Hoffman Plastics/ PlastiVan*

*Educational Outreach*

See and experience hands-on activities that include chemistry, history, and social impact of plastics in our world while exploring related career choices and educational connections.

### **Light Up Your Brain with Science**

*Presented by Lori Kindsvatter*

*Gaylord High School*

Learn about electrical circuits by seeing how many lemons and limes it takes to light up an LED bulb. Feeling creative? Learn how to build a paper circuit to create your own LED light up card or display! Right brain meets left brain!!

### **Ms. Scarlett's Mysterious Rash**

*Presented by Dr. Katie Coady,*

*Jennifer Williams and Jessica Sampson*

*The DOW Chemical Company*

Solve the mystery of Ms. Scarlett's rash which she acquired after the purchase of several new personal care products, and a weekend get-away dining and swimming at Walloon Lake (Charlevoix, MI). Work in small groups to conduct risk assessments to determine the cause of the mysterious rash. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about STEM careers in toxicology, risk assessment and related fields.

### **Water: Wet, Sticky or Both?**

*Presented by Dr. Kathy Whitaker*

*and Dr. Jill Emerson*

*The DOW Chemical Company*

Learn how scientists manipulate the surface tension of liquids to engineer products that improve quality of life on a daily basis. Use the scientific method to explore the effect of surface tension on water droplet formation.

### **Liquid Sunshine**

*Presented by Terri VanUum*

*and Tracy Goble*

*CMS Energy*

Learn more about the importance of a clean water supply and factors that impact its availability. Explore ways to produce “cleaner” water by making your own “solar still”. Understand what we can learn from the problems with drinking water in Flint, and how environmental scientists, conservationists and engineers, work to maintain, preserve, and clean up our water resources.

### **Life's a Beach in Ancient Reefs!**

*Presented by Amber Conner*

*and Autumn Haagsma*

*Battelle Memorial Institute*

Explore 420 million year-old coral reefs located in northern Michigan, how they formed, and how they provide energy and environmental benefits for us today. Groups will learn hands-on geologic techniques to find these reefs, test their resources, and analyze reef structures.

### **College Savvy**

*Facilitated by Sheila Simpson*

*AAUW Gaylord Area Branch*

Become college savvy by learning what it takes to go to college. Take action, use your voice, and put your best self forward. After completing a sample application, you'll visit various college and career tables, talk to representatives, and have them punch your ticket to college! Once your ticket is complete, you'll be eligible for awesome prize drawings at the end of the day.

# 2017 SAVVY LIFE SKILLS WORKSHOPS - GIRLS

## 6th Grade Girls: The Science of Mindfulness

Presented by Leila Jeanne Greer, Teacher and Yoga Instructor and Ali Hill, Certified Yoga Instructor and U.S. Sailing Instructor/Coach

Discover how schoolwork and relationships benefit from a clear focus and attentive presence. Practice the art of mindfulness and how to use it in everyday life.

## 7th Grade Girls: Online Etiquette in a Digital Age

Presented by Elizabeth VanPate Mancelona Public Schools

Learn online and social media best practices to assure that you leave a positive “digital footprint” for years to come.

## 8th and 9th Grade Girls: Courage to be Yourself

Presented by Kristy Torsky Northern Family Intervention Services

Gain skills that will build your courage and confidence to be who you are. Fun self-discovery exercises will draw from What Do You Really Want? How to Set a Goal and Go For It! - a gift to every 8th and 9th grade girl at registration.

*“Courage doesn’t mean you don’t get afraid. Courage means you don’t let fear stop you.” - Bethany Hamilton*

*shark attack survivor, amputee, professional surfer*



**STEMinists Exhibit**  
on display from March 15 through April 23, 2017  
at Otsego County Library  
with portions of the exhibit on display at community events

This exhibit was brought to our community through the efforts of AAUW Gaylord Area Branch. Funding was provided through the Community Fund of the Otsego County Community Foundation and AT&T. The exhibit is courtesy of Michigan Women’s Historical Center & Hall of Fame.

**Michigan Women’s**  
HISTORICAL CENTER & HALL OF FAME

**Otsego County**  
community foundation  
Give. Gather. Grant. Grow.

**AAUW**  
empowering women since 1881

Despite the passage of Title IX, women remain underrepresented in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). This new exhibit aims to combat barriers remaining to women’s equal participation in STEM fields by sharing what it means to work in STEM, the stories of successful female role models, and steps to pursue a career in STEM.

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is a nationwide organization that advances equity and education for women and girls. The Gaylord Area Branch empowers through scholarships, educational programs, and honoring the achievements of local women.

**STEMinists**  
MICHIGAN WOMEN IN

**STEM**  
science technology engineering mathematics

## 2017 SCHEDULE – ADULTS

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>
8:30–9:00 am	<b>Check in and Breakfast</b>	GHS Commons
9:00–9:20 am	<b>Welcome</b> (for girls and adults)	GHS Auditorium
9:35–10:20 am	<b>Anticipating College: Finding the Right Fit and Available Funding</b> <i>Luann Mabarak, Director/Academic Advisor, Kirtland MTEC</i>	GHS Auditorium
10:30–11:15 am	<b>Becoming College Savvy</b> (visit College Savvy tables)	UCG Corridor
11:15–noon	<b>Online Etiquette - What Adults/Mentors Need to Know</b> <i>Elizabeth VanPate, Media Specialist</i>	M-103/105
Noon -12:20 pm	<b>Group Discussion - Questions, Concerns, Information Needs</b>	M-103/105
12:30–1:15 pm	<b>Lunch</b> (girls and adults)	GHS Commons
1:30–2:20 pm	<b>STEM Panel</b> (for girls and adults) - see description below	GHS Auditorium
2:30–3:15 pm	<b>Encouraging Girls in STEM</b> <i>Dr. DJ Boehm STEM Professional</i>	GHS Auditorium
3:30–4:15 pm	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> (girls and adults)	GHS Auditorium
4:15–4:30 pm	<b>Closing Remarks / Evaluations</b> / (girls and adults)	GHS Auditorium

### STEM Panel Presentation (1:30–2:20 pm)

Meet a number of young women from northern Michigan who have chosen studies and careers in typically male-dominated STEM fields. Learn about their experiences, what led to their career choices, challenges they may have encountered along the way, and keys to their successes. Time will be allotted for Q & A with the audience. Questions are encouraged.

*Moderator:* Sheila Simpson *AAUW Gaylord Area Branch*

<i>Panelists:</i>	Katie Amar-Fox Morgan Armstrong Diane Bomer Kayti Brinkman Emma Byrne	Amber Conner Autumn Haagsma Maghan Homan Elizabeth Keysor Hannah Smith
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# COLLEGE SAVVY

Tables Located in UCG-Central Corridor

## COLLEGES / UNIVERSITIES / EXHIBITS

**Ferris State University**

Table 1

**Kirtland Gaylord M-TEC**

Table 2

**Michigan Technological University**

Table 3

**North Central Michigan College**

Table 4

**Michigan Water Environment Association**

Table 5

**STEMinist Display - Michigan Women's Historical Center & Hall of Fame**

UCG - Entrance Lobby

*"You must do the thing you think you cannot do." – Eleanor Roosevelt*

*"When we're simply ourselves, in the everyday act of being, we don't have to move mountains or make miracles...but sometimes we do anyway." – The Courage Code by Megan Raphael and Jennifer Byron*

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

### Laura Jackson Young, Ph.D.

GHS Auditorium, 3:30-4:15 pm



**Dr. Laura Jackson Young** is a professor of economics at Bentley University in Waltham, MA. She grew up in Mio, MI and after graduating from Mio AuSable High School in 2006 she moved to Boston, MA where she earned a degree in business at Bentley University. During college, Laura developed a passion for studying and teaching economics\*, which led her to pursue her Ph.D. in economics at the University of North Carolina. Since 2010, Dr. Jackson Young has traveled to conferences in Italy, Norway, and Vancouver, BC to present

her work in the fields of macroeconomics and monetary policy. She has held research internships at Federal Reserve Banks of Boston and Kansas City and continues to work with colleagues at the Federal Reserve Bank of Saint Louis as a visiting scholar. At Bentley, Laura teaches the capstone course for seniors in the Economics-Finance major. She also helped to compile resources on women in economics for the Gender Equality component of the United Nations PRME (Principles for Responsible Management Education) Global Repository.

In her free time, Laura enjoys cooking and experimenting with new recipes, as well as playing golf with her husband. She also loves to travel, and feels fortunate that visiting new places is a benefit that comes with her job when she travels to present her research.

\*Economics involves the study of what impacts the value of a dollar over time. Economists might ask questions such as: Why do apartments cost more in New York City than in northern Michigan? What can you afford if you earn minimum wage today, and how / why might that be different than a few decades ago? To address such questions, economists look at data such as prices, employment, and interest rates to build a picture of the economy overall. They try to figure out why the economy in one place (Michigan, for example) might differ from the United States as a whole.



## MEET THE PRESENTERS



### **Dr. Tess Ahlborn**

Dr. Ahlborn is a Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering at Michigan Technological University and is a licensed Professional Engineer. She holds B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. degrees in civil engineering and is experienced in the design of bridges, dams, and hydropower support structures. Dr. Ahlborn's work in concrete materials for bridges led to her recognition as a 2013 Woman of the Year by WTS, an organization for advancement of women in transportation, and in 2014, she was honored with the *Michigan Tech Distinguished Faculty Teaching Award* recognizing excellence and passion for education.

### **Katie Amar-Fox**

Katie Amar-Fox just completed her second year at Michigan Technological University in Houghton, MI. She is pursuing a B.S. in Materials Science and Engineering, the study of material compositions how they can be altered to be better their function. Katie decided on a STEM pathway after attending a Women in Engineering camp at Michigan Tech in the summer of 2013. She is learning so much every day and loves it. Ask her what favorite lab she did this past year. This summer she will be interning with the steel company, Nucor, in Decatur, Alabama. On campus she is actively involved doing research, volunteering and mentoring. She is so happy that you all came to this event and hopes you are having an awesome day.



### **Morgan Armstrong**

Morgan is a senior at Gaylord High School and captain of the Gaylord Devilbots robotics team. She is enrolled in the Early College Program and will receive her Associate Degree of Science at North Central Michigan College this fall. After that she plans on transferring to Michigan Technological University to pursue a degree in Forensic Archaeology and Anthropology.

### **Dr. D.J. Boehm**

Dr. Boehm has a Ph.D. in Cellular and Molecular Biology from the University of Michigan. She combined her love of science with communication skills in the medical device industry (Becton-Dickinson) to lead development of an instrument to detect deadly blood infections, edited a microbiology "best seller," and headed the global Technical Services Team for 15 years. Embracing change, she moved to Pfizer pharmaceuticals where she led a human clinical trial team working on the important medicines Lyrica™ and Chantix™. She's an expert in large-scale change education. DJ's served on several boards including United Way of Washtenaw County, Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation, Ann Arbor Hands On Museum and the University Musical Society. Currently an independent consultant, DJ and her husband are avid golfers and love the Gaylord area.



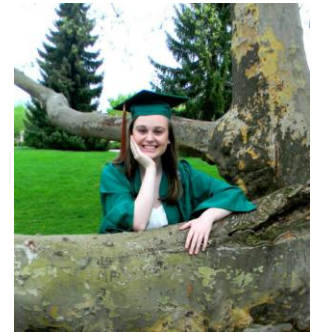


**Diane Bomer**

Diane is a forester with the Otsego and Crawford-Roscommon Conservation Districts and is based out of Gaylord. She graduated from Michigan Technological University with a B.S. degree in Forestry. After graduation, Diane worked for the Forest Service in California for six years as a forestry technician and wildland firefighter. She is a member of the Society of American Foresters. Diane is passionate about education and forestry. In her position with the conservation districts, she educates landowners on the benefits of proper forest management.

**Kayti Brinkman**

Kayti is a 2011 graduate of Gaylord High School and 2015 graduate of Michigan State University. With a degree in Forestry, she joined Martell Forestry as a consulting forester. She works with private and municipal landowners to help sustainably manage their forests for timber, wildlife, recreation, water, and more. Kayti serves as a member of the Michigan Tree Farm Committee, Michigan Forest Association, Michigan Society of American Foresters, and the Michigan Association of Consulting Foresters.



**Emily Byrne**

Emma is a student at Michigan Technological University, majoring in Chemistry and minoring in Integrated Sciences. She was the 2016 recipient of the Zonta Women in Public Affairs Award and an AAUW Scholarship. She is also a member of the American Chemical Society and hopes to be accepted into the education program at Michigan Tech.

**Dr. Katie Coady**

Dr. Coady is an Environmental Toxicology Consulting Specialist for The Dow Chemical Company in Midland. A biology major with a minor in chemistry, Katie obtained her B.A. in Anderson, IN and later earned both her M.S. and Ph.D. from Michigan State University in Zoology and Environmental Toxicology. Dr. Coady has taught a broad range of science courses at the college level and served as a Senior Staff Scientist for an environmental consulting firm.





### **Amber Conner**

Amber Conner is a Geologist at Battelle Memorial Institute in Columbus, Ohio. She has a B. S. in geology with previous oil field industry experience. She was a Seabee in the United States Navy and has traveled the world experiencing new cultures and environments. She loves hiking, biking, reading, writing books and continuing to gain knowledge and experience in the science field.

### **Elizabeth Egan**

Mrs. Egan attended Michigan State University, graduating with a bachelor's degree in Packaging Engineering, and then earned a master's degree in Business Administration from Central Michigan University. She worked for 18 years for The Dow Chemical Company Plastics, Consumer Products, and also automotive business units. She is a member of the Society of Plastics Engineers. She is currently the owner of Hoffman Plastics, an educational consulting business supporting the education of plastics in society. She is also an elected Trustee for the Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education. Her hobbies include gardening and playing and teaching the piano.



### **Dr. Jillian Emerson**

Dr. Emerson (Jill) is a Senior Engineer with The Dow Chemical Company in Midland. Jill earned her B.S. in Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering from Johns Hopkins University in 2010 before going on to pursue her Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering at the University of Delaware. In her spare time, Jill enjoys baking delicious treats and reading great books.



### **Tracy Goble**

Tracy is the Director of Environmental Field Operations & Compliance for Consumers Energy Company. Tracy has degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Biology from Michigan Technological University and a Master of Science degree in Environmental Engineering from Michigan State University. Tracy has spent the majority of her career working in both the energy and environmental remediation areas. Tracy has two children and enjoys spending her spare time outside cross-country skiing, cycling and running.







### **Leila Jeanne Greer**

Leila Jeanne is a certified Yoga instructor who formerly taught 6th grade Language Arts and Humanities in Hailey, Idaho for more than a decade. LJ has a B.S. in Biology/History and her M.S. in Technology and Human Affairs from the School of Engineering at Washington University in St. Louis. Recently becoming a year-round Michigan resident, LJ has spent her summers in Bay View since her early childhood. She currently guest teaches in the Char-Em School District and has practiced mindfulness for over 10 years. She owns Clearing Space, a decluttering and organizing business.

### **Autumn Haagsma**

Autumn Haagsma is a research geologist at Battelle Memorial Institute in Columbus, Ohio. She has a B. S. in geology and physics from Central Michigan University and an M. S. in geophysics from the University of Minnesota. Autumn works on carbon storage projects with an emphasis on the Midwestern United States. Her jobs include geologic characterization, 3D model building, and geostatistical analysis. She also enjoys reading, writing, and crafting in her spare time.

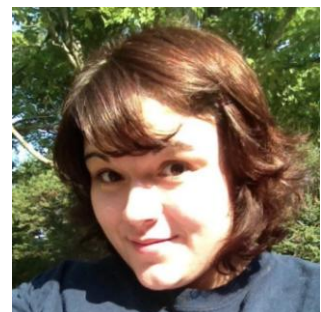


### **Ali Hill**

Ali is a RYT200 certified yoga instructor and US Sailing Level 3 sailing instructor/coach, and has experience running youth programs in both disciplines. Ali has an A.B. in American Civilization from Brown University and completed a post-baccalaureate pre-medical program at Bryn Mawr College before becoming a business owner. Currently a Harbor Springs resident, Ali sails competitively and continues to expand her study of yoga and mindfulness meditation both as a student and teacher.

### **Maghan Homan**

Maghan grew up in Mancelona and, after high school, attended North Central Michigan College on a leadership scholarship. There she received her Associate Degree of General Studies. Maghan is now in her third year at Western Michigan University studying Civil Engineering, working on a Bachelor of Science degree.







### **Jessica Kane**

Jessica Kane is part owner of Line 45, a small business that offers geographic information systems (GIS) and software solutions to conservation and natural resources organizations. She graduated from Earlham College in Richmond, IN and is currently attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison remotely, pursuing a master's degree in GIS and Web Map Programming.

### **Elizabeth Keysor**

Elizabeth is a senior at Gaylord High School. She is the GHS class of 2017 valedictorian, and beginning this fall plans on pursuing a degree in mathematics at college. She loves reading, movies, dance, and singing.



### **Lori Kindsvatter**

Lori is a physics and biology teacher at Gaylord High School. She graduated from Michigan State University with a B.S. in Medical Technology. After briefly working in Hematology, she went back to college and completed a B.S. in Science Education in Biology and Chemistry from Ferris State University. Lori then worked in Research and Development in Adhesives and Binders at Dow Chemical until she started teaching high school science at Pewamo-Westphalia High School.

Lori completed her M.S. in Biology/Conservation Biology from Central Michigan University with her research completed at the CMU Biological Station at Beaver Island. Her thesis and research entailed surgically implanting radio transmitters into snakes to monitor the habitat selection of Eastern Milk Snakes. Lori has taught for the MST@MSU for the Gifted and Talented Program at Michigan State University, as well as for the Gifted and Talented Programs at Lansing Community College. Lori lives in Indian River with her husband, Chris, and her son, Kaleb, along with her two Alaskan Malamute dogs, a cat and four snakes. Her hobbies include hiking, biking, photography and anything to do with nature.

### **Luann Mabarak**

Luann is the Director/Academic Advisor for Kirtland Community College's northern site, the M-TEC in Gaylord where she blends her passions of positive thinking, servant leadership and compassion for others. She attained Master of Art degrees in both Organizational Management and Counseling and is a Licensed Professional Counselor, HealthRHYTHMS Group Empowerment Drumming Facilitator and Certified Appreciative Inquiry Facilitator. Born with strong connections to nature, Luann credits some of her greatest lessons in life and leadership to her four-legged teachers.





### **Lisa Patishnock**

Lisa Patishnock graduated from the University of Michigan with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering. Three years in England and two children later, she returned to the U.S. to work for 16 years in a variety of engineering positions in diverse industries. For the past 10 years, she has been employed as a Manufacturing Engineer by Springs Window Fashions, LLC at the Grayling, Michigan plant.

### **Jessica Sampson**

Jessica is a Consulting Support Specialist at The Dow Chemical Company in Toxicology and Environmental Research and Consulting. She began working at the Dow Corning Corporation in the Bioassurance Quality Control Lab before becoming a quality control technician in 2011. Jessica graduated from CMU with a B.S. in Environmental Science and Biology.



### **Hannah Smith**

Hannah graduated from St. Mary Cathedral in 2015 and is currently a sophomore at the University of Michigan, majoring in Biomolecular Science with a minor in Gender and Health. She is currently part of the Emergency Medicine Club and helps with fundraising for Camp Discovery, a camp for children with epilepsy. She will be pursuing a career in the health field and will be applying to graduate and professional schools in the upcoming year.

### **Kristy Torsky**

Kristy is a family therapist at Northern Family Intervention Services and works in conjunction with human service agencies all across Northern Michigan to provide home-based, intensive therapy for children and families. As a Solution-Focused therapist, Kristy is able to help those in her care discover what is going right and how to accomplish more of it! She graduated with a M.A. in counselor education from Western Michigan University and did continuing education in SFBT at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.





### **Elizabeth Van Pate**

Elizabeth is the District Media Specialist at Mancelona Public Schools where she addresses technology needs throughout the schools, coaches high school robotics, and creates technology curricula including classes on social media. Elizabeth grew up in rural northern Florida, and has worked in public, private, and international education. She holds a B.S. and two master's degrees and is currently working on her doctorate degree in instructional systems design at Indiana University.

### **Terri VanUum**

Terri acts as a project coordinator for the Customer Energy Management area of Consumers Energy. Terri is a graduate of Western Michigan University and continues online training to keep up with the changing world. Terri has spent almost two decades at Consumers Energy, designing and coordinating gas and electric facilities, both downstate and in Northern Michigan. A grandmother to five, Terri enjoys the outdoors and a good book.



### **Dr. Kathryn Whitaker**

Dr. Kathy Whitaker works in the Formulation Science group at The Dow Chemical Company in Midland. Kathy earned her B.S. in Chemical Engineering at Rowan University in New Jersey. In 2015, she received her Ph.D. from the Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering Department at the University of Delaware. Kathy's interest in the science of everyday things motivated her to pursue a research career in colloidal science, where she gets to study particle suspensions, surfactants, gels, and rheology of many familiar products. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, sewing, and running.

### **Jennifer Williams**

Jennifer, a Consulting Support Specialist for The Dow Chemical Company, graduated from CMU in 2010 with her B.S. in Biology with a focus on Microscopy. Jennifer has worked at Dow in Toxicology and Environmental Research and Consulting since 2011.







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*Join us* and your membership can help make AAUW's powerful voice even stronger. In addition to membership meetings, learn from and connect with other members through both committee meetings and our local special interest groups including the Book Club and Gourmet Group.



Stop by and check us out. AAUW Gaylord Area Branch meets at noon the second Wednesday of each month at University Center Gaylord, 80 Livingston Blvd. Feel free to bring a sack lunch.

If you cannot make our lunch meetings, you can still be involved in our mission through various activities.

Visit [aauw.org](http://aauw.org) to learn about benefits of membership nationally.



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Candidate Forums

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Christmas Giving to Local Women  
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This event truly would not have been possible without all of our volunteers. If we have missed naming volunteers who signed up after our program was assembled, we sincerely apologize.

**We greatly appreciate all of your time and energy. Thank you!**



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Judy Burkhardt's "Transition Class" at Gaylord High School  
Zound Industries**

Many in our town and the surrounding area believe in our goal to inspire girls toward STEM education and career opportunities. Thank you to everyone who had a part in supporting Tech Savvy.

***Watch for 2018 Tech-Savvy registration information opening in  
February, 2018***