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What's Coming Up

Date	What	Where
June 1	Women of Distinction Ceremony at the National Conference of Student Women Leaders (NCCWSL)	College Park, MD
June 14 -17	AAUW Convention	Washington, D.C.
June 14	Lobby Day Training: 1:30-4 p.m. (mandatory)	Renaissance Hotel, Washington, D.C.
June 15	Morning Briefing: 8-9 a.m. (mandatory)	Renaissance Hotel, Washington, D.C.
June 15	Lobby Day: 9-3 p.m.	
July 29	Leadership Conference and Board Meeting	Frederick, MD
September 1	Copy due for Fall Marylander	Bernadette Low, bernadette.low@gmail.com
October 21,	Program and Board Meeting	Gaithersburg, MD
January tba	Board Meeting	Conference call

Greetings from the President

Welcome Spring

Eileen Menton

What a convention! When officers and organizers began planning for the 75th Convention, everyone dreamed of an exciting event with members from all over the state. It happened! Friday night featured a celebration of our past at the Miles River Yacht Club. Dian Belanger and Terry Saylor prepared a wonderful slide show that played in the background throughout the evening. Kate Campbell Stevenson hosted the program and sang. Fourteen of the eighteen living past presidents reminisced about their time in office. On Saturday, more than sixty members from thirteen of the fourteen branches met at Chesapeake College. Patricia Fae Ho, AAUW Board Chair, and Adjutant General Linda Singh offered inspiring messages about all the AAUW does for women and the ways persistent and determined women can change the course of one life or more.

National Conference of Student Women Leaders (NCCWSL) attendees Queen Nwafor and Emily Dreszer described the value of the leadership training provided by this program, and Cleopatra Campbell, who will be honored as Woman of Distinction, recounted highlights of her journey from a farm in Maryland to a judgeship.

Sixteen past state presidents recalled their presidential goals at the celebratory dinner.

The annual membership meeting featured the election of new officers. Congratulations to the new officers who were elected – Mary Anne Williams and Heather Reichardt, Co Secretaries; Christine Schmitz, Treasurer; Carol Mueller, Membership; and Erin Prangle, Public Policy VP. They assume their responsibilities on July 1. Anne Arundel, Bethesda-Chevy Chase, Garrett, and Howard County will serve on the Nominating Committee for 2018.

The meeting celebrated branch's achievements. Each branch representatives described its centerpieces and special branches activities of the year. Reports on activities during the Maryland Legislative session demonstrated the efforts put forth by AAUW women this past spring.

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AAUW Maryland again offers thanks to Linda Tebbs, Mettah Kollmann and the members of the Easton Branch and to Co-Vice Presidents for Programs, Markonette Richardson and Kate Campbell Stevenson, for planning and executing a weekend to remember.

Last June and July, AAUW Members from throughout the state met to develop a strategic plan for the state organization. During the past year, we have moved forward with several initiatives to change the climate for women and girls in Maryland: specifically the state has worked toward:

- increased member participation,

- increased AAUW Maryland visibility in the Public Policy area,
- establishment of an on-line community that provides state-level membership for those who are not able to join individual branches.

Fifteen members participated in Lobby Day in Annapolis on February 6. They – along with other AAUW Maryland members – have contacted legislators, written letters of support, made calls, and testified at hearings. AAUW Maryland established the AAUW Maryland On-Line Community. This initiative has received AAUW board and IRS approval. The website is up and running (www.md-online@aauw.net) and members can join on-line through the AAUW Membership Services Database. Once again, AAUW Maryland was a platinum sponsor of the Women of Distinction Awards Ceremony at the National Conference of Women Student Leaders.

In the coming year, our organization will continue these efforts and will focus on supporting the branches by building connections throughout the state with like-minded organizations, the military community, and women's professional groups; providing leadership training for branch members; and supporting initiatives such as salary negotiation training for students and working women and advocacy for Title IX.

All members are reminded to vote in the AAUW National elections. There are important issues on the ballot, including two proposals to change the membership requirements and a reduction in the voting quorum from 5% to 3%. Details are available online at <http://www.aauw.org/resource/national-election/> and in your Outlook. Voting must be completed online by June 15, 2017, at 9 p.m. ET.

AAUW Maryland members look forward to seeing each other at the National Convention in Washington and Lobby Day in June and at the Leadership Training Conference on July 29 in Frederick, Maryland.

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Spring Convention

Patricia Fae Ho from National AAUW, who honored the state with her presence at the evening anniversary dinner, began the convention day meeting with a summary of the many ways AAUW has empowered women and continues to do so. Here she is pictured at the reception.

Linda Singh, the keynote speaker, inspired the audience with the story of her struggle through a difficult childhood to her discovery of the opportunity presented by the National Guard. Her perseverance and determination were rewarded as she steadily rose in this organization to her present position as Adjutant General of Maryland.

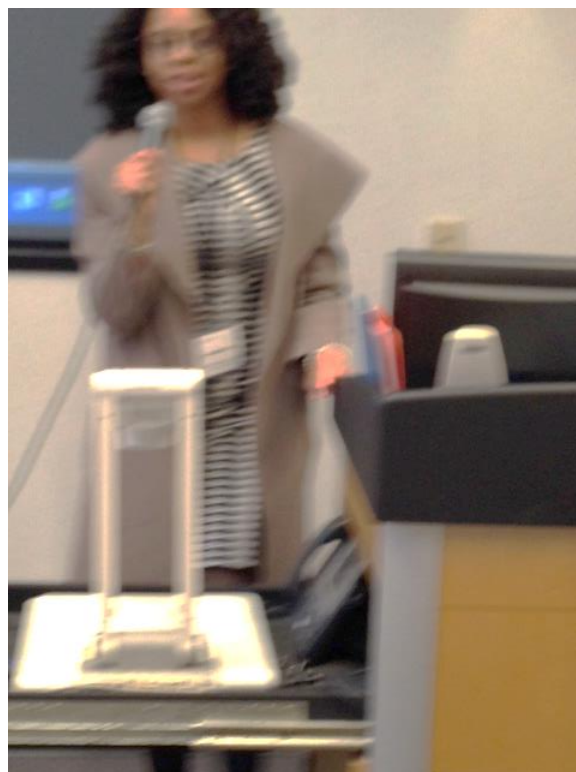




Cleopatra Campbell

Also inspiring was AAUW Maryland's Cleopatra Campbell, who in a brief but cogent message, described her path to a judgeship. She advised the audience to invest in themselves and choose quality over quantity. Cleopatra has been honored as recipient of the AAUW Woman of Distinction award.

Cleopatra was followed by two young women who participated in the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) program that culminates in the annual dinner. Each of them described the particular ways this experience enabled them to grow, develop confidence, and recognize themselves as leaders.



Pictured above is Queen Nwafor.



Above is Emily Dreszer.

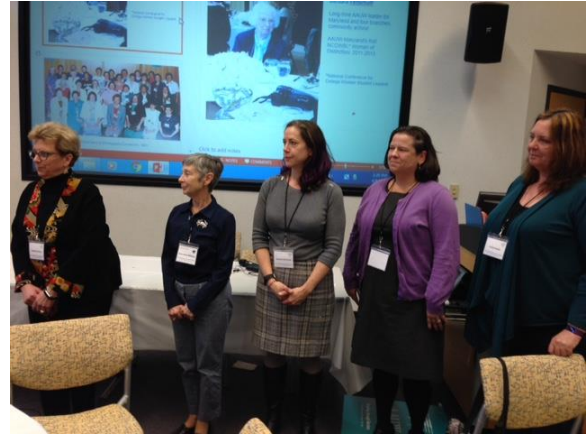
Outgoing officers were commended, and new officers were installed. Outgoing officers pictured below.

Dr. Judy Flood, Treasurer; Angela Mickalide, Membership Vice President; Anita Rosen, Public Policy Vice President; and Mary Anne Williams, Secretary.



Patricia Fae Ho led new officers in pledge to service. They are pictured below

Christine Schmidt, Treasurer; Mary Ann Williams, Co-Secretary with Heather Reichardt, Co-Secretary; Erin Prangley, Public Policy Vice President; and Carol Mueller, Membership Vice President.



The Celebration before the Conference at the Yacht Club in St. Michaels

The Anniversary Dinner

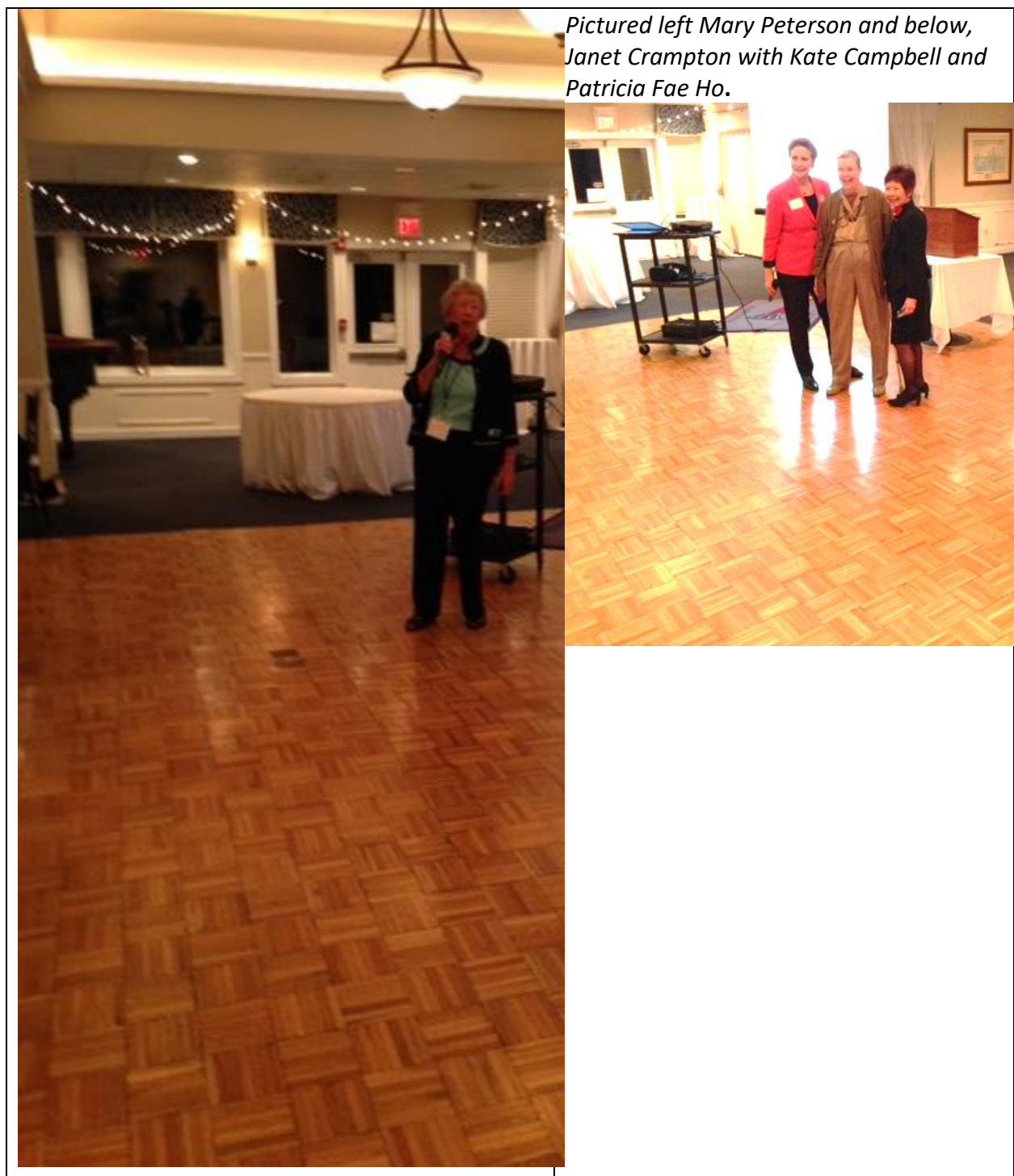
The spring convention began Friday evening with an elegant meal and a celebration at the Yacht Club in St. Michaels. Special Guest and speaker Patricia Fae Ho kicked off the celebration of the 75th anniversary of AAUW Maryland by reminding guests of the special qualities of leadership. She pointed out that there are two important qualities that are often overlooked in the list. These two are empathy and composure.

Among the recollections of the state's history during the evening, was a tribute to past presidents. All were invited to say a few words about their presidency and what they focused on accomplishing.

Kate Campbell began the introductions with her own song.



Below are the presidents who were there and commented. Presidents are pictured below in a series of photos.



Pictured left Mary Peterson and below, Janet Crampton with Kate Campbell and Patricia Fae Ho.



Pictured left Dian Belanger and below, Carol Graves with Kate and Patricia.





Pictured left Veronica Roberts with Kate and Patricia and below, Lynn Hapchuk.





Pictured left Edith Allison and below, Dorothy Fraquelli with Kate and Patricia.





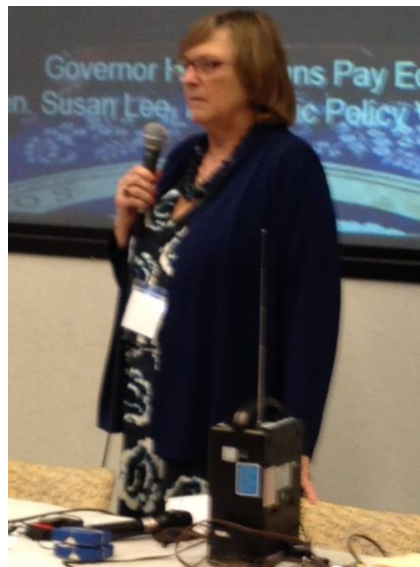
Pictured left Nora Putt and below, Marylyn Leist.







Pictured left Pat Stocker and below, President Eileen Menton at the meeting



Public Policy

Public Policy Marylander - Summer 2017

Anita Rosen Vice President for Public Policy

AAUW Maryland looks forward to having a very active Lobby Day on Capitol Hill at the AAUW convention in DC June 15. In addition to members who will be attending the entire Convention, attendees will be joined by AAUW Maryland Lobby Corps members and by AAUW members who want to participate but will not be attending the Convention. An email notice with information has been sent to all AAUW members to sign up. The first 50 will be added to the Lobby Day list of participants. This contingent looks forward to taking interested AAUW members to the Hill to educate and advocate for important AAUW issues that are critical for women, girls and families today. There will be a prep session the day before, a morning with our Senators, and then visits to Representatives' offices. Erin Prangle and Anita Rosen will be organizing and leading visits for Maryland members (who will be wearing AAUW T-shirts).

Two of the Maryland Legislative Agenda for Women bills AAUW Maryland strongly supported have passed the House of Delegates and Senate: **HB 1/SB 230 § Labor and Employment – Maryland Healthy Working Families Act**. This legislation, which was introduced for the first time in 2013, requires Maryland employers to allow workers to earn a certain number of annual paid sick and safe days. The

“safe time” component of the legislation requires employers to allow employees who have been victims of domestic abuse or sexual assault to use their accrued paid sick leave to care for their health after these incidents or to seek legal protections or new housing.

HB 429/SB 217 § Criminal Law – Sexual Offenses – Physical Resistance

This bill clarifies and modernizes Maryland’s sex crimes statutes by making it clear that rape victims are not required to physically resist sexual assault.

As this is written it is still unsure if Governor Hogan will be signing the Healthy Families Act (Paid Sick Days) that AAUW and others provided testimony for and that so many AAUW members supported. A State alert was sent to each member to ask the Governor to sign the legislation. All supporters of the bill hope this important and necessary legislation will be enacted.

Public Policy Vice Presidents hope to see many AAUW Maryland women at the Summer leadership meeting in Frederick where members can learn about some exciting new ways to promote AAUW issues in Maryland, learn about issues that are important to all women, and brainstorm ways to make it easier and more effective to enable voices to be voices heard in Annapolis and around the State.

Summer Meeting

Welcome from AAUW FREDERICK BRANCH:

AAUW Frederick welcomes all who come to attend the Summer Leadership Conference and Board Meeting on **July 29**. The meeting will be held at the South End Baptist Church, 506 Carrollton Drive, Frederick.

AAUW members should not just come for the meeting but should also plan to enjoy beautiful, lively, scenic and historic Frederick! Here visitors can

- shop along the unique boutiques on Market Street, Church Street, Patrick Street, and East Street,
- refresh themselves at one of the many fine restaurants, tea and coffee shops, and pubs in that area,
- visit the Museum of Civil War Medicine and Schifferstadt Architectural Museum,
- learn about Frederick's history by stopping by the Visitors Center and exploring with a map of a walking tour of the historic district.

Those planning to arrive on Friday, should come early in the day. The roads leading into Frederick become snarled with traffic beginning as early as 2:30 on Fridays. There is plenty to do to make Friday fun and stimulating.

Overnight visitors may stay at the Comfort Inn Red Horse, at the intersection of Rt. 15 and Rt. 40, near many dining establishments. The attached Red Horse Inn is a Frederick favorite for its steaks and seafood.

The \$20 registration fee includes the use of the facility and its equipment as well as a continental breakfast and informal lunch provided by local vendors. Such a deal!

2017 AAUW Maryland Summer Leadership Conference

Actions to Bold Effective Leadership

Saturday, July 29, 2017

South End Baptist Church

506 Carrollton Drive

Frederick, MD 21701

PROGRAM

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| 8:30 – 9:15 | Registration & Continental Breakfast |
| 9:15 – 9:30 | Welcome |
| | Frederick Branch President |
| | Eileen Menton (Baltimore) – President, AAUW Maryland |
| | Introduction of members– Just Name and Branch and Office |
| 9:30 – 10:45 | Update from National Conference |
| | State Strategic Plan Update |
| | Salary Negotiation Workshop Overview |
| 10:45 - 11:00 | Break |
| 11:00 – 12:15 | Break-Out Sessions -What is my role now that I have this job? |
| | (Pick One) |
| | Fundraising |
| | Membership |
| | President |
| | Program |
| | Public Policy |
| | Treasurer |
| 12:30 - 1:30 | Lunch – Networking with other branch members |
| 1:30 - 3:00 | State Board Meeting – State Officers and Branch Presidents |
| | (Separate agenda) All members are encouraged to attend! |

Directions

DIRECTIONS FROM THE COMFORT INN RED HORSE to SOUTH END BAPTIST CHURCH:

Turn East onto Rt. 40. Stay in the right lane.

Turn onto Rt. 15 South. Stay in the right lane.

Take the next exit for US -340, Rt. 15, marked towards Charlestown and Leesburg. Stay in the left lane.

Take the exit ramp onto US – 340, South Jefferson Street. Stay in the right lane.

At the next light, turn a hard right onto Prospect Blvd.

Turn left onto Carrollton Drive. The church is on your right.

DIRECTIONS TO SOUTH END BAPTIST CHURCH:

FROM I-70 TRAVELING WEST:

Take Exit 53B, to Rt. 15 North towards Gettysburg. Stay in the right lane.

Take the next exit onto South Jefferson Street. Stay to the right to go onto S. Jefferson St.

At the light, take a hard right onto Prospect Blvd.

Turn left onto Carrollton Drive. The church is on your right.

FROM I-70 TRAVELING EAST:

Take Exit 52B, US 15 North towards Gettysburg.

Merge onto US-340, which becomes South Jefferson Street. (DO NOT take the exit to I-270).

Turn right onto Prospect Blvd.

Turn left onto Carrollton Drive. The church is on your right.

FROM I-270 TRAVELING NORTH:

I-270 ends in Frederick. Continue straight to US 15 North.

Once past the exit for I-70, stay in the right lane.

Take the exit for South Jefferson Street.

At the light, turn right onto Prospect Blvd.

Turn left onto Carrollton Drive. The church is on your right.

REGISTRATION FORM

Your \$20 registration includes the use of the facility and its equipment, all materials, a continental breakfast and informal lunch. Please send the completed registration form and check payable to **AAUW Maryland by July 15, 2017 to:**

Lois Jarman
1606 New York Avenue
Knoxville, MD 21758

Name _____

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Branch Happenings

AAUW Baltimore



Dorothy Fraquelli, Baltimore Branch, AAUW, attended the March for Science in Washington, DC on April 22, 2017. The cold, rainy conditions did not stop several thousand people from gathering to express their concerns regarding proposed budget cuts that will several affect many areas of science and health.

AAUW Harford Honors Young Women at Resnik Luncheon

Bernadette Low



Honorees are pictured above. Standing in rear are Jenna Signorelli, Kacey LeBrun, Juliana Stevens, Brooke Ricky, Adelina Minter and Allison Frick. At end is speaker Dr. Jennie Hart. Seated are Lydia Thompson, Emmy Smith, Catherine Lewis, Jordon Althoff and Natalie Majerick. Not picture is Naomi Karmel, another honoree. Photo by Hazel Hopkins.

In April, AAUW Harford held its annual luncheon honoring junior girls from local high schools with high academic achievement especially in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). The festive affair features an extensive summary presentation of each student's achievements in academics as well as community service. They all receive citations from AAUW Harford as well as the County Executive, and state legislators. Their parents, friends, teachers and school administrators are guests to branch members who host each young woman and her special guests. County administrators attend as well appreciating this opportunity to congratulate personally each young woman, recognizing her as a new leader in the county. They enjoy congratulating her parents as well.

Bernadette Flynn Low, president of the Harford County Branch, welcomed all of the guests. She then summarized the history of AAUW and its mission. She also described the mission and accomplishments of the Harford Branch, which is this year celebrating its sixtieth anniversary.

Anne Heidenreich, luncheon organizer, offered a brief history of this awards luncheon, which originated thirty-one years ago. The luncheon is named in honor of Dr. Judith Resnik who was killed in the Challenger explosion in 1986. Judith Resnik was an AAUW member and had received an educational grant from AAUW to continue her graduate studies. Anne Heidenreich went on to explain that each Harford County high school selects its honoree based on her outstanding science and mathematics skills, her involvement in extracurricular activities, and her commitment to her community.

This year's honored speaker, Dr. Jennie Hart, the daughter of one of AAUW Harford members, described her journey to a medical degree outlining a path of hard work and determination. She provided hints for accomplishment so that each of these young women could keep her efforts in mind as they pursue their own dreams. Harford Community College hosted the event and provided the luncheon.

AAUW Frederick Honors Cleopatra Campbell

Mary Anne Williams

Pictured below are Cleopatra Campbell, honoree; Mary Anne Williams, AAUW Frederick President; and Denise Sparks, Co-Chair of Planning Committee for Annual Tea.



On May 7, the branch honored the AAUW Maryland Woman of Distinction with dinner at the Red Horse Inn. Stories were shared about our personal experiences with Cleopatra. Several mentioned what a great, positive impact she had on their lives, and how she continues to do so. Some words used to describe her include generous, passionate, humble, and adventurous.

Denise Sparks, co-chair of the planning committee for the 6th Annual AAUW Afternoon Tea, presented a donation of \$3,300 to Janice Brown, director of Adult Services, Frederick Community College.

Special Events

National Convention Renaissance Hotel, Washington D.C. June 14-17

AAUW Members Invited to Participate in Lobby Day

Eileen Menton

AAUW plans to allow fifty AAUW members not registered for the convention to participate in Lobby Day.

Below are details about commitment of these Lobbyists. These AAUW members are additional to convention attendees.

Wednesday, June 14: Lobby Day Training: 1:30-4 p.m. (mandatory) +

- Thursday, June 15: Morning Briefing: 8-9 a.m. (mandatory) +
- Lobby Day: 9*-3 p.m.**

- + The training and briefing take place at the Renaissance Hotel in Washington, DC.
- *First bus will likely depart earlier than 9 a.m., depending on start time of first appointment scheduled
- **End time will depend on when members have final appointments scheduled

Lobbyists will meet with Senators in the morning and small groups of Representatives in the afternoon.

AAUW Maryland hopes to have board state-wide commitment to indicate our commitment to AAUW's mission.

Eileen Menton will advise of details in an email blast to all members after details are worked out.

Preserving AAUW History

Archiving Records at University of Maryland Library

Terry Sayler

Recently four southern Maryland former branches contributed their archives to the University of Maryland Special Collections at the University Libraries in College Park. AAUW member Terry Sayler of the AAUW Anne Arundel Branch is currently in the process of sorting through the materials, including re-boxing and creating an inventory. Once this process is complete, the collection will be available to researchers in the Maryland Room,

our reading room in Hornbake Library, according to Elizabeth Novara, curator.

The Southern Maryland branches include Charles County (1980-2006), Indian Head-LaPlata Branch (1959-1979). St. Mary's City Branch (1958-2006), Calvert County (1991-2006), and Patuxent River (merger of St. Mary's City, Charles County and Calvert County branches, 2006-2016)

Archives include newsletters, directories, clippings, brochures, photos and scrapbooks (but not budgets and financial records). Other branches are encouraged to organize their histories for inclusion in the University of Maryland library. For further information, contact Terry at saylerterry2@gmail.com.

Wide spread Notoriety of AAUW's Nancy Grace Roman Reflected in a New Toy

New Lego Set Features the 'Women of NASA'

Nancy Grace Roman: Soon a Lego Action Figure

Pat Stocker

Hidden Figures, the best-picture nominated film, has begun to make its presence felt on pop culture as a whole. Lego's latest fan-designed set, based around the women of NASA, shows that the film has helped to create an atmosphere where Katherine Johnson, the main figure in the movie, and our own



Nancy Grace Roman can become mini-figures. Maia Weinstock, a deputy editor at MIT News, submitted her project through Lego Ideas – and the project elicited 10,000 supporters

The set will include Nancy Grace Roman, known as the “Mother of the Hubble Telescope,” as well as Katherine Johnson, the engineer from *Hidden Figures*; Sally Ride, the

first American woman in space; and Mae Jemison, the first African-American woman to go into space as well as the first astronaut to appear on an episode of *Star Trek*.

Angela Mickalide Inducted in Society for Public Health Education Board of Trustees



Angela Mickalide, PhD

2017-18 Board of Trustees. She was inducted with nine other newly elected officers and began her term of office on Friday, March 31, 2017, during the All Member Business Meeting at SOPHE's 68th Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado.

Dr. Mickalide, a health and safety research and program consultant in Edgewater, Maryland, will serve a three-year term as SOPHE President-Elect, President, and Immediate Past President. The SOPHE Board of Trustees is elected by the SOPHE membership and is the legal and fiduciary body responsible for the organization. Dr. Mickalide has more than thirty years of experience in public health in public health education, injury prevention, and health communication. She is completing a two-year term as AAUW MD Membership Vice President.

The Society for Public Health Education, Inc. (SOPHE) congratulated Angela D. Mickalide, PhD, MCHES on her election to the SOPHE



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