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What's Coming Up

Date	What	Where
April 15 - June 19, 2015 -	AAUW National Elections	
June 18-21, 2015 -	AAUW National Convention	San Diego, California
July 25, 2015 Summer	Leadership Conference	Easton Branch hosting
Sept. 1, 2015	Fall <i>Marylander</i> copy due	Bernadette Low
Likely October 3, 2015	Fall Board Meeting/Conference Call	Maryland Women's Heritage Center
Dec. 1, 2015	Winter <i>Marylander</i> copy due for December 21	Bernadette Low
January 2016	Winter Board Meeting -	
March 1, 2016	Winter 2016 - Nominations committee identifies candidates	Co- Presidents and Bernadette Low
March 1, 2016	Spring <i>Marylander</i> copy due for March 21 Newsletter	Bernadette Low
April 30, 2016	AAUW Maryland Convention	Howard County Branch
June 1, 2016	Summer <i>Marylander</i> copy due	Bernadette Low

Greetings from the Presidents

Dear AAUW members,

As the weather starts to warm up, so should our efforts in becoming more visible not only for our branch members but also for women who

can and will be catalysts to promote the many issues that AAUW national has rallied behind. As a Co-president of Maryland I have made myself more visible as I recently visited with the Patuxent River Branch and had a wonderful time. I was warmly welcome by Barbara Fetterhoff and her branches. We had an engaging presentation on Peru, a place so near and dear to my heart.

Our 2015 leadership conference proved to be a great success as did the State Convention in the spring. Please do read the State Convention review elsewhere in this *Marylander*. In addition, Sally Anne Goodson, AAUW Director and New Jersey AAUW President, joined us at the State Convention on behalf of AAUW. She

spoke on the current state of AAUW and showed a promotional video. She encouraged all members to attend the National Convention this June in San Diego and to vote in the upcoming election. Sally Anne stayed through the Business Meeting where she provided background on a number of the proposed By-Laws changes.

We also point out information in this *Marylander* on the Summer Meeting and Training this July. Leadership training is one benefit of AAUW membership. The training will be helpful for any board member or leader who takes on responsibilities in her branch. All leaders, from the branch president to the chair in charge of one specific event, will find tips applicable to their work. In addition to learning concrete steps and tips for delegating effectively, participants will be asked to explore the barriers and the benefits of delegating to help them get over their mental roadblocks. Building AAUW leaders by inviting members to take on smaller responsibilities before they join the board is the first step to filling board positions. New board members also help relieve burnout among board members who have served many terms. There will be a Board Meeting in conjunction

with the Summer Meeting. The main topics of the Board Meeting are to approve the budget, discuss the use of Constant Contact for e-mailing newsletters and other information to State and Branch members, and to continue our discussion on the Maryland Women's Heritage Center. A draft agenda will be e-mailed to Board Members and Branch Presidents in advance of the meeting.

So as we prepare for our National Conference in San Diego, it is with great pride and excitement that I anticipate representing Maryland proudly, knowing that I will come away with skills, techniques and advice that I can share with our state members. I encourage all who can attend to join me for this momentous opportunity to grow and learn.

As we enter our second year as Co-Presidents, we will strive to visit more branches. As you plan special events, please make us aware of it, so that we can mingle with you all and converse about the issues you wish to elevate within AAUW.

Last but certainly not least, DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!!!

Dorothy Fraquelli and Sandra (SassC) Smith

The State Convention

The 2015 Convention

Susan Wierman and Markonette Richardson, Co-Vice Presidents for Program

Honoring our Past, Protecting our Future –
Report on the 2015 Maryland State Convention Program.

Nearly 50 enthusiastic members participated in AAUW Maryland's 2015 Convention, most wearing something orange to symbolize our

commitment to a brighter future for all women and girls that is free of violence. The orange color was selected by the United Nations' Secretary-General to mark the sixteen days of activism around the world last December that called attention to this important issue. Thanks to Dr. Angela Mickalide, Dr. Carol Rognrud, and the members of the Kensington-Rockville Branch, arrangements were exceptionally well done.

Our opening panel featured four distinguished speakers on preventing violence and helping victims and was facilitated by Dr. Catherine Hill, AAUW Vice President for Research. Laurie Duker talked about Court Watch Montgomery County—a program that fights domestic violence by improving the process that victims face in County courts. Ryan Wechsler of the State's Attorney's Office in Montgomery County is part of a specially-trained group that prosecutes child, domestic, and elder abuse cases in the County. A partnership between the criminal justice and human services organizations in Montgomery County facilitates a coordinated approach to ending violence. The Safe Start Kids Group is a County program where licensed counselors help children deal with fears, conflicts, guilt, and self-esteem issues. Safe Start's head of clinical services, Dr. Mindy Thiel impressed us with their work. Amber Guthrie of the Maryland Network against Domestic Violence represents a coalition of groups striving to reduce violence through education, training, resources and advocacy to advance victim safety and abuser accountability. She taught us three important things to say: "It's not your fault. You deserve better than this. I believe you." And she

encouraged us to get in touch with our own county programs and donate our skills, important food products like flour, sugar, peanut butter, hair care products, or other items needed by the specific program.

After the panel small groups focused on membership, public policy, and programming for branches. We shared what has worked for our branches and learned from each other. Barbara Fetterhoff, Anita Rosen, and Susan Wierman were group facilitators.

Our keynote speaker was Suzanne Gould, AAUW's archivist. She shared some fascinating and unexpected stories as well as highlighting exceptional women. An early goal of the women who formed AAUW was to help college graduates productively use their education. AAUW improved education for women by requiring colleges to meet guidelines for equitable pay for women faculty and equitable educational opportunities for women students. It was an honor for graduates of a college to be eligible to join AAUW. AAUW Maryland formed in 1942. You can learn more by signing up for AAUW's weekly blog on AAUW history or by joining the archive corps, which meets monthly and helps preserve AAUW records.

At lunch we had an opportunity to hear from Sally Anne Goodson, President of AAUW New Jersey and a member of AAUW's Board of Directors. She showed a video about AAUW and emphasized the importance of individual members.

All in all, this was a well-received program.

State Conference Participant Discuss Membership- Building Strategies

Barbara Fetterhoff



Pictured below are three long-time champions of AAUW, Ms. Barbara Fetterhoff, Dr. Judy Flood, and Dr. Pat Stocker, having a little chat over lunch at the convention.

The Membership workshop heard advice about recruiting new members and Members at Large. Barbara Fetterhoff distributed sample branch brochures and directories. She also reviewed handouts and statistics of 1980s membership. There were more than 2300 state members in 1980; there were 27 branches in 1982. At that time the largest branches were Hagerstown and Baltimore.



Reports

AAUW Funds Report-- June 2015

CHRISTINE SCHMITZ, VP FOR AAUW FUNDS, MARYLAND

I am sending out a big thank you to everyone for helping AAUW Maryland reach the \$20,000 goal to be the Platinum Sponsor of the "Women of Distinction" Ceremony at the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders held at the University of Maryland College Park last month. It was once again a great success and a wonderful inspiration for nearly 1,000 college women attendees.

Our honoree, retired Maryland State Senator Jennie M. Forehand, did us proud. She was an inspiration to these women with her thoughts and was greeted by many of them personally afterwards. It was truly a wonderful night for all. We should be thrilled that we were once again successful in sponsoring this event.

You may have already read in a letter from AAUW National that for the 2014-2015 academic year, AAUW awarded more than \$3.7 million in fellowships and grants to women nationwide, giving them the opportunity to pursue their dreams and break through barriers for women everywhere. What a tremendous opportunity we give to so many women by being supporters of AAUW Funds.

If your Branch needs to know more about giving to the various AAUW Funds, please call or email me personally if I can be of assistance.

Thanks again for all of your support!

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Hail and Farewell to the Outgoing Treasurers

Dr. Judy Flood, AAUW-MD State Finance Office

Your hard work is greatly appreciated and we thank you for your efforts during the last two years. Please work with your incoming counterpart to ensure there is a seamless transition, and then take time to celebrate your hard work. Now is a good time to sit down and show your new branch treasurer how to navigate Member Services and how to download the *Branch and State Finance Tool Kit*.

It's important during the transition that you: Notify National AAUW of the changeover, so the new treasurer can gain access to the financial records of your branch. This is **time-sensitive** since members are paying dues and new people joining your branch.

Complete the **transition at the bank**. Contact your financial institution and find out what papers you need and who should go to the bank. Each bank has its own rules and regulation, so call before you plan a road trip. Make sure there are two (2) names on the account.

Take the time now and share with the new treasurer how to access the **AAUW Member Services Database (MSD)**. The MSD makes it faster and easier to control the accuracy of the membership and financial records.

Advise the members from your branch about how to use the MSD as a tool. This powerful database gives each member an opportunity to update email and snail addresses, make an online contribution, as well as track membership. Make sure you do this, so **our system of online communications will be successful**. Name changes must go through National AAUW, so email connect@aauw.org directly to make that happen.

Discuss that AAUW now provides a “giving history” for tax purposes that members can access; they may also view the branch member roster, and access leader contacts.

Send me an email with the name and contact information for your incoming treasurer at jdflood723@hotmail.com, so your new treasurer can be welcomed, and we can begin working together right away. Thanks! Contact me if you and your new branch treasurer have any questions.

Branch Happenings

AAUW Maryland Honored Retired Senator Jennie Forehand at NCCWSL Women of Distinction Ceremony

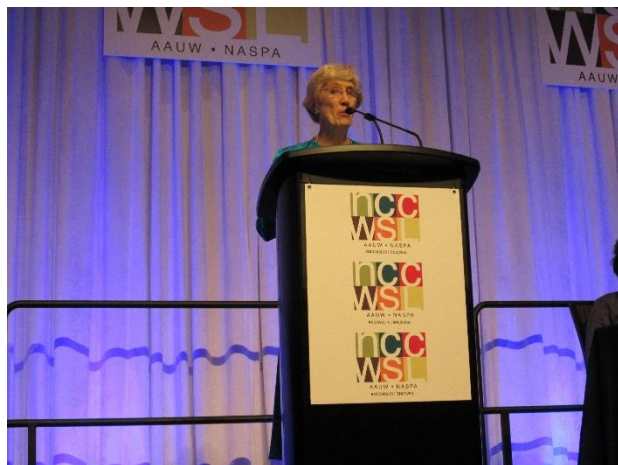
Eileen Menton

Senator Jennie Forehand who retired at the end of last year from the Maryland State Senate is AAUW Maryland's Woman of Distinction. Senator Forehand has been a strong advocate and friend of AAUW causes. Maryland AAUW successfully raised \$20,000 so that it could continue its support as the platinum sponsor of the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) Women of Distinction Ceremony at College Park on May 28.

After being introduced by AAUW Kensington-Rockville member, Kate Campbell Stevens, Senator Forehand spoke to the 1,000 women student leaders attending NCCWSL. In her remarks, she offered four pieces of advice: seize every opportunity, engage your community, trust your feelings, and find a way around that high wall. Her full remarks are available on the AAUW Maryland website (<http://aauw-md.aauw.net/about/aauw-funds/senator-forehands-remarks-at-2015-nccwsl-women-of-distinction-ceremony/>).

AAUW also honored Amanda R. Simpson, the executive director of the Army Office of Energy Initiatives; Lynn Rosenthal, a former White House adviser and current National Domestic Violence Hotline executive; and Miriam W. Yeung, the executive director of the National Asian Pacific American Women's

Forum All accepted Women of Distinction Awards at NCCWSL. Marcia Ann Gillespie, former editor-in-chief of *Essence* and *Ms.*, and Debbie Sterling, CEO of GoldieBlox, who were unable to attend, were also honored. Each of them had to draw her own blueprints for leadership. Each Woman of Distinction was introduced by a member of the Student Advisory Council. Read more about the NCCWSL conference at www.nccwsl.org.



Senator Jennie Forehand, a strong advocate and friend of AAUW causes, addresses the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) Women of Distinction Ceremony at College Park on May 28.

Pictured below are the young women of distinction honored at the (NCCWSL). Each Woman of Distinction was introduced by a member of the Student Advisory Council.



HER COMMENTS

Seize every opportunity.

Professor Al Lowenstein, my beloved mentor at the University of North Carolina in the 1950s, one day invited me to attend the college president's upcoming luncheon for Eleanor Roosevelt, if I would help serve the meal. Would I! Unfortunately, at the event, the other student waiter accidentally spilled soup on the great lady's sleeve. Not missing a beat, she looked up at my mortified friend and said gently, "Don't be upset, my dear. I brought a new dress just for this occasion, but I didn't have time to change. I'll be right back."

Along with the thrill of speaking with Mrs. Roosevelt later, I took away a life lesson: Be gracious. It costs nothing and such good can come from it.

Engage your community.

I started small. My neighbor, running for mayor, asked me to host a candidate coffee for him. I had to ask, "What's a coffee?" but I said yes. He won. Within a week of the election, he named



Baltimore Branch Dinner Hosts International Fellow

Eileen Menton

The Baltimore Branch enjoyed a most interesting program in May featuring Dr. Ofure Omokhodion, Obstetrics and Gynecology resident from Ibadan, Nigeria. Dr. Omokhodion just completed an 11-month AAUW International Fellowship at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. She earned a Masters in Public Health and a Certificate in Maternal and Child Health. The AAUW International Fellowship was partially funded by a donation from Baltimore Branch member Eileen Menton and her mother.

Dr. Omokhodion's interests lie in adolescent gynecology and sex education. She shared experiences from her life and career, her plans on return to Nigeria, and her gratitude to AAUW for fulfilling her dream of expanding her education, training, and research.

Her presentation was followed by a lively and informative question and answer session. Members appreciated Dr. Omokhodion's dedication, compassion, and warmth during this special evening.

Dr. Omokhodion was accompanied by her family from Nigeria including her husband, Dr. Femi Oyekunle, a second year psychiatry resident, her mother, Dr. Folashade Omokhodion, an Occupational Medicine specialist, and her infant daughter, Abigail, who was born in Baltimore last winter.

SENATOR'S COMMENTS

me to a city committee
Before I knew it I was
serving on many other
community boards and had
contacts all over the
county—experts I could
later call upon. For
example, early in my
Annapolis years, my mother
faced a stay in a psychiatric
hospital after my father
died. I knew people I could
ask, "What would you do if
you were in my shoes?"
That personal trial also
helped me lead on
legislation to improve
mental health services in
Maryland.

Trust your feelings. I first
ran for the Maryland
Legislature in 1974 because
at a candidate forum one
incumbent struck me as so
dismissive, lazy, and
uncaring, he disgusted and
embarrassed me. Someone
had to replace him. Anyone
could do better. Why, I
could! So I went for it. I lost.
But I learned a lot and met a
lot of people. Four years
later I ran again and won.
That was the start of my 36-
year legislative career.

STEM Is In Elementary School Too

Barbara Fetterhoff

In 2015 the Patuxent River branch supported MESA, a STEM-based national competition dealing with mathematics, engineering and science achievement by contributing money to the STEM project at Berry Elementary School in Waldorf, Charles County. The branch provided \$250 to enable 4th and 5th grade students to work on building bridges and on amusement park ride models, and to take field trips. The projects gave students an opportunity to apply scientific and mathematical skills to real-life projects and the field trips enabled them to see other successful projects. . The branch plans to extend its support to another STEM-based program at Huntingtown Elementary School in Calvert County. This project called Destination Imagination, formerly referred to as Odyssey of the Mind, is an education program engaging student teams to compete in problem solving tournaments.

Top Female Science and Math Students Honored at Harford Branch Judith Resnik Awards Luncheon

Alice Leeds and Hazel Hopkins

The Harford County Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) recently honored 12 Harford County High School junior female students for their academic achievements, in science and mathematics.

The awards were presented to the young women at the Harford County Branch's annual Dr. Judith Resnik Awards Luncheon held at Harford Community College. The luncheon is a celebration of the young women's scholastic achievements as evidenced by their high grade point averages overall and their superior knowledge of science and mathematics.

Bernadette Low, president of the Harford County Branch, welcomed guests, provided a brief history of the American Association of University Women, and offered an invocation recognizing the joy the young honorees bring to family, friends, teachers, and the Harford County community.

Anne Heidenreich, chair of the event, also welcomed the audience--honorees, their family members, teachers, administrators and local government officials. Heidenreich described the history of the awards luncheon, originating twenty-nine years ago when the branch sought to honor Dr. Judith Resnik, after she was killed in the Challenger explosion in 1986. Resnik, an AAUW member, received educational grants from AAUW.

Heidenreich explained that each Harford County high school selects its honoree by evaluating the student's overall grades, academic success in science and mathematics, and leadership. Branch members thoughtfully and thoroughly introduced each honoree, describing her scholastic achievement and community leadership.

Keynote speaker, Christine Harvey grew up in Harford County. She described the academic and career path that led to her success today. She holds a position with Mitre Corporation in McLean, Virginia,

focusing her research on data analysis of the national organ transplant system. She is currently working on a Ph.D. at George Mason University.



The honorees pictured here are seated from the left, Madelyn Brainard, Emma Stump, Julia Arbutus, Hannah Del Rosario, Isha Mehta, and Samantha Bowen. Standing from the left are Megan O'Neill, Taylor May, Claire Marie Grunewald, Kellie Trusty, Amelia Robinson, and Mikaela Christian Boyanich.

What College Park Has Been Doing

Raluca Rosca

It has been a busy year for the small College Park branch on the rebound.

In October the branch hosted a “Focus on Fellows and Grantees” meeting. Lesley Perry and Shana Sabbath from AAUW National office talked about the different AAUW grants and how to apply.

Several students Kristin Williams, Yu Son Hwang, and Shanee' Frazier, all master's students at University of Maryland, College Park, talked about their experience in applying for, winning and using a Career Development Grant. Brenda Silvils of Silver Spring talked about what winning a Community-Action Grant meant for her.

On April 13, 2015 the branch celebrated the 95th birthday and the hard work of long-time branch member, Dr. Virginia Beauchamp, who contributed so much to equity for women. This event was co-organized with the University of Maryland's President's Commission for Women's, Dr. Augustine Pounds. She was assisted by branch members, Edith Beauchamp, Linda Fihelly and Renee Nicolas. Linda Shevitz of the Maryland Women's Heritage Center was speaker. Many state members celebrated the day with the branch.

In April the regular meeting focusing on financial issues. Entitled "Financial Planning: Questions and Answers for Women of All Ages" The discussion explored financial planning and featured Rochelle Brown, Financial Advisor with Edward Jones. She reminded everyone the power of investing and doing an annual 'financial health check-up.

The May meeting, was a celebration of Stem students and mentors Pictured below are Edie Crocker, branch member and STEM students, Rachael Brown and Mia Chen.



The branch welcomes all who want to help us re-build the College Park branch to the powerhouse that it once was. Join the group with a check of \$18 made to AAUW College Park and addressed to PO Box 56, College Park, MD 20740 and/or friending AAUW College Park - MD on Facebook.

Angela D. Mickalide Receives Prestigious Award



Angela D. Mickalide PhD, MCHES, Principal Investigator and Program Director, Emergency Medical Services for Children National Resource Center at Children's National Health System has received the 2015 American Burn Association Burn Prevention Award. ABA President David H. Ahrenholz, MD, FACS, awarded her the prestigious accolade during the opening plenary at the 47th Annual Meeting in Chicago on April 22. Dr. Mickalide, a member of the Kensington-Rockville branch, recently chaired the local arrangements committee for the Maryland AAUW state convention and is the incoming Vice President for Membership.

Obit: Marjorie Brugger

Raluca Rosca

Marjorie Brugger, an honorary life member of AAUW College Park Branch and a long-time resident of Asbury Village, passed away on April of this year. A mother of three and a grandmother of two, she was a retired federal worker, an avid traveler and reader, and a loyal member of University Park Women's Club, Wichita State Alumni Association, her college sorority Alpha Chi Omega, and University United Methodist Church, College Park. The family suggested that contributions can be made to William D. and Alice Nash Royer Scholarship Fund, McPherson College, 1600 E. Euclid St., P.O. Box 1402, McPherson, KS 67460.

A Tribute to Dr. Nancy Grace Roman

Pat Stocker

In late April, our country celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Hubble Telescope. The Hubble helped astronomers pinpoint the age of the universe, revealed the birthplace of stars and planets, advanced our understanding of dark energy and cosmic expansion, and uncovered black holes lurking at the heart of galaxies. AAUW members at the Bethesda-Chevy Chase branch take extraordinary pride in the role of our member Dr. Nancy Grace Roman as the "Mother of Hubble." She spent 25 years planning the telescope, and was the force who pushed the idea forward, even before the technology was available which enabled it to be built. Her dream was a telescope which was above the earth's atmosphere and which, therefore, allowed us to see deep into the cosmos.



The NOVA special “Invisible Universe Revealed: 25 Years of the Hubble Space Telescope” tells the remarkable story of the Hubble and how it forever changed our understanding of the cosmos. No one is more important in the development of the Hubble than Nancy Grace Roman. Her interviews were included in the NOVA special, and her humility, her passion for science, her wit, and her pride in the Hubble were a joy to see.

Despite her accomplishment and celebrity, Nancy faced the problems of being a woman in the sciences in the mid twentieth century like most other women. She was discouraged from going into astronomy by people around her. In spite of her intelligence and her PhD in astronomy from the University of Chicago, she ended up leaving academia because of the difficulty for a woman to receive tenure in a research position. She explained that as a junior professor she earned less than the receptionists and the janitors. At a lecture in 1959, Nancy was approached by Jack Clark who asked if she knew someone interested in creating a program for space astronomy at NASA. She was the one who accepted the position. She was the first Chief of Astronomy in NASA's Office of Space Science and the first woman to hold an executive position at the space agency. Part of her job was traveling the country and speaking with astronomy departments, where she discussed the fact that the space telescope program – later to be called Hubble - was in development. Nancy also was looking to find out what other astronomers wanted. She was Chief of Astronomy and Solar Physics at NASA from 1961 to 1963. She held various other positions in NASA, including Chief of Astronomy and Relativity.

During her employment at NASA, Nancy developed many programs and organized NASA's scientific participation. She was involved in launching three Orbiting Solar Observatories and three Small Astronomical Satellites. She also oversaw the launches of other Orbiting Astronomical Observatories that used optical and ultraviolet measurement. Her other launches included four Geodetic Satellites. She planned other smaller programs such as the Astronomy Rocket Program, High Energy Astronomy Observatories, the Scout Probe to measure the relativistic gravity redshift and other experiments on Spacelab, Gemini, Apollo and Skylab. The culmination of her achievements and the subject of her work for many years was the Hubble Telescope. Nancy was very involved with the early planning and specifically the setting up of the program's structure. Because of her contribution she is often called the “Mother of Hubble.” The lure of getting a telescope above the earth's atmosphere captivated her, and we now all benefit from her vision of what was possible.

Nancy Grace Roman, is a true pioneer in science, a long-time AAUW activist, and a delightful woman.

Summer Training

2015 AAUW Maryland Leadership Training Conference

Cultivating Current and Future Leaders

Saturday, July 25, 2015

Eastern Shore Higher Education Center, Chesapeake College

Your opportunity to grow: Come to this meeting to:

- Learn to help new members become stellar leaders
- Hone your skills
- Meet and greet experienced and new AAUW leaders
- Share your good ideas and find more to take home
- Improve your ability to delegate and reduce stress

PROGRAM

8:30 – 9:15 Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:15 – 9:30 Welcome

Linda Tebbs – Easton Branch Co-President

Dorothy Fraquelli and Sandra Smith– Co-Presidents, AAUW Maryland

9:30 – 11:00 Your Opportunity to Grow: Cultivating Leadership and Teamwork

Expert trainer, Erica Stout of AAUW, will help you discover how to engage members and lighten your work load. Her interactive session includes what you need to know to successfully cultivate volunteers and delegate effectively. You'll learn what kind of tasks and responsibilities to delegate and find a process that will ensure you get the results you want. Plus, you'll leave with a list of potential volunteers and a list of tasks you're ready to hand off.

11:00 – 11:15 Break

11:15 – 12:15 Concurrent training sessions: Choose one that fits your interests

Group 1: Weeding and mulching: Public policy 2015 (Led by Anita Rosen)

Group 2: Broadcasting and flowering: Websites and communications techniques (Led by Eileen Menton)

Group 3: Watering and feeding: Training for Treasurers (Led by Dr. Judy Flood)

12:15 – 1:00 Lunch (included in registration)

1:00 – 1:45 Focus Group Reports & Best Practice Roll Call:

Share highlights of your branch's successful programs, projects, and ways to have fun and nurture community spirit. Focus group reports.

1:45 – 2:00 It's a wrap: What have we learned today & what's next?

2:15 – 3:30 State Board Meeting – State Officers and Branch Presidents

Directions to Chesapeake College

The Eastern Shore Higher Education Center (ESHEC) is on the Chesapeake College Wye Mills Campus, 1000 College Wye Mills, MD. It's about 30 miles past Annapolis. <http://www.chesapeake.edu/eshec/>



located
Circle,

From the West: Follow US 50/301 across the Chesapeake Bay Bridge. (After July 1 cash toll is \$4 and EZ Pass is \$2.50.) Keep right. At the 301 split, bear right to stay on US 50 toward Ocean City.

About 5.4 miles past the Queenstown Premium Outlets, turn right on Route 213. Turn right into the College.



After entering the main entrance to the campus, turn right to follow the large circle around the campus. The ESHEC will be on your right.

You may park on the circle or in parking lot D. There is free and ample parking available. Parking permits are not required.

The main entrance to the building faces toward US Rt.

50 near the disabled parking spaces.

Best Western Plus, Easton Inn & Suites

Contact Information & Directions to

Best Western Plus, Easton Inn & Suites

8708 Alicia Drive

Easton, Maryland, 21601-7054 Phone: 410/822-7100



A few suites have been reserved for AAUW members for July 24. Each suite includes a bedroom with a king-sized bed and a separate living room with a pull-out sofa bed. The rate is \$152.15 per night plus tax. **Call the hotel directly and make reservations by June 24.** This is a good rate for this area and date. The hotel offers a complimentary full breakfast, indoor pool, fitness center, elevator, and wireless internet access in the lobby.

Directions: Stay on Route 50 to Easton, about 13.5 miles past the College. After passing Rt. 322 and Chapel Road, make a U-turn from the left lane at the Golden Corral and then immediately turn right onto Cecil Drive. At the stop, turn right on Alicia Drive. The BEST WESTERN PLUS Easton Inn & Suites is on the right.

2015 AAUW Maryland Leadership Training Conference

Cultivating Current and Future Leaders

Saturday, July 25, 2015

Eastern Shore Higher Education Center, Chesapeake College

Easton, Maryland

"Early Bird" registration of \$30 must be postmarked by July 11.
Regular registration is \$35 if postmarked by July 18.

Mail registration form and check payable to "AAUW MD" to
April White, 2715 Bennett Point Road, Queenstown, MD 21658
410-829-8288, aprilwhite@gmail.com

Name: _____ Preferred Name on Badge: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Branch name & position:

Special request-facility/other (including request for vegetarian lunch):

Please indicate your first, second, and third choice for discussion group.

_____ Group 1: Public Policy

_____ Group 2: Website Communications

_____ Group 3: Treasurers

Do you plan to join the group for dinner Friday evening at Olive Garden?

_____ Yes, include me in the reservation for dinner (Dutch treat). _____ No thanks.

Members Offer Leadership training to Branches

In addition to the July meeting, several opportunities for developing branch leaders and growing membership and community presence are available from seasoned leaders. Here are some.

Branch Leadership Training Opportunities

Are you looking for leadership training opportunities for your Branch board or members? AAUW is piloting training for trainers. The National Office provides training templates and all necessary materials on important leadership topics related to running a successful AAUW branch, as well as preparation support from AAUW staff.

Six trainings are currently available

- **Designing Engaging Meetings:** Learn how to design meetings that are interactive, productive and inspirational. (60 minutes)
- **How to Market Your Branch:** Examine your branch brand, identify marketing strategy and tactics, and learn how to use traditional media wisely. (60 minutes)
- **No More Shooting in the Dark: How to Target New Members with Wisdom and Precision:** Identify who you want to recruit, what motivates them and how to build genuine connections to bring them in to your branch. (60 minutes)
- **Spice Up Your Programming:** Learn how to hold programming that engages your members, builds your branch and is mission based. (60 minutes)
- **Managing Volunteers:** Learn everything you need to know to be able to successfully cultivate volunteers and delegate effectively. (60 minutes)
- **Building Inclusive Branches:** Explore how building an inclusive organizational culture can help your branch become more diverse and brainstorm concrete actions to take. (90 minutes)

Three AAUW-Maryland members are members of the training corps. Contact one of them to make arrangements for a session during a branch board or membership meeting:

- Eileen Shelley Menton - ementon@gmail.com
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