

## Plans, Paradise, 'OHANA and the Summer Conference



**Aloha ma kakou (Hi everyone!).** We are so excited to begin another year of AAUW-MD activity. Kate and Markonette truly set a high bar for executing state events. With your input and participation, we can continue that excellent tradition.

**Paradise.** Tracy Lantz and Nora Putt have taken up the Program VP baton, or shall we say fire knife, with enthusiasm drawn from Hawaiian culture. Yes, with inspiration from tropical paradise, this year they are committed to bringing the spirit of aloha to every AAUW endeavor. That means AAUW-MD experiences infused with love, respect, appreciation, joy, and most of all unconditional acceptance.

**'OHANA.** 'Ohana is the Hawaiian word for family, but it means more. From the word's origin, 'Oha is the shoot of the taro plant (staple food of ancient Polynesians) which is cut from the root (the food part) and re-planted to create the next crop. Ana means regeneration or procreation. 'Ohana includes all people you care deeply about and who reciprocate that commitment. 'Ohanas are not closed (not limited to only blood relation), but belonging is a give and take proposition and comes with the responsibility to behave with honor and integrity. Within the 'ohana is embedded the sacred responsibility for nourishing future generations. We will talk more about how the concept of 'ohana relates to our AAUW-MD organization at the summer event. A great link with a more complete explanation is: <https://harvestinghappiness.com/ohana-aloha-spirit-gives-hawaiian-perspective-good-life>.

**Summer Conference.** Speaking of the AAUW-MD Summer Conference and Board Meeting, on July 21 the Harford County branch will host the event at Harford County Community College. Thanks to faculty and AAUW member Carol Mueller who has arranged for our use of this wonderful facility. The summer event will provide members and guests with many opportunities to network, problem solve, make new friends, and learn. Mark your calendar now and attend this fun event!

**Plan.** We will discuss the outcome of The Association's (AAUW National) strategic plan proposal as well the results of the vote on the National bylaws changes. We will collectively and collaboratively discuss opportunities and challenges for Maryland women 2018-2020 and explore potential contributions AAUW-MD might make and how. There will be "training" sessions for incoming and continuing branch leaders: president, membership, program, treasurer, secretary, funds/fundraising, communications, C/U partner liaison/student member outreach, and special interest groups. Please contact Tracy or Nora if there is another session that would be helpful for your branch leaders. Anyone can attend any session. Prospective members and guests are welcome to participate. Yes there will be food, flowers, and fun - all are ohana!

**P.S.** If you are a past or present branch leader who would like to volunteer to lead a "training" session, please contact Tracy Lantz. We want to share **Brilliance from the Branches**. Let Tracy know which session(s) will best showcase your expertise. Expect to have about an hour for each session (flexible as required).

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**AAUW In Paradise**  
**AAUW-MD 2018 Summer Conference - 21 July - Begins at 9:00 AM**

**Break out your ALOHA WEAR and join the fun!**  
**Prize awarded for most tropical attire!**



**Draft Agenda**

8:30 – Registration/Continental Breakfast

9:00 – Aloha! Welcome to Paradise

9:45 – Program Session I - Understanding our KULEANA – Status of Association Initiatives

10:15 – Program Session II - Defining our 'OHANA – Maryland Present and Future

11:30 – Program Session III (concurrent)

Ka'ana like ke akamai – The Passing of Wisdom 1

Brilliant Branch Leaders Workshops

Membership, Communication, Secretary, Treasurer

KOKUA – Advocacy + Strategy + Synergy = Program

12:30 – Lunch/Networking /Presenter(s) – TBD

1:30 – Program Session IV (concurrent)

Ka'ana like ke akamai – The Passing of Wisdom 2

Brilliant Branch Leaders Workshops

President, Funds

KAKOU - Building Unity with Special Interest Groups

IKE HAWAII - Hawaiian Cultural Presentations

2:30 – Aloha Oe and Wrap Up (Until we meet again!)

3:00 – 4:30 State Board Meeting – all members welcome.

Questions: Contact Tracy <tklantz@verizon.net> or Nora <njputt@gmail.com>

## Directions and Lodging

### **Directions:** From South of Campus (Baltimore/Washington)

- Take Interstate 95-North to Exit 80 Churchville (Route 543).
- Travel North toward Churchville for approximately 6 miles to the traffic light at the intersection of Route 543 and Route 22.
- Turn right on Route 22 to the light at Thomas Run Road.
- Turn left on Thomas Run Road.
- The College campus is on the right.
- On campus, take second entrance (roundabout). Turn right. Edgewood Hall is first building on right.

### From North of Campus (Elkton/Wilmington/New York)

- Take Interstate 95 South to Exit 85 Aberdeen (Highway 22 West).
- Travel Route 22 West to the light at Thomas Run Road.
- Turn right onto Thomas Run Road.
- The College campus is on the right.

### **Lodging:**

Hampton Inn, \$119 for two queens, \$109 for a king. They are setting aside 10 rooms on hold until **June 27**. 410-670-6000. Edgewood address 2110 Emmorton Park Rd. Edgewood, MD 21040

Booking Link: Please note, the entire URL must be copied and pasted for it to work properly.

[https://secure3.hilton.com/en\\_US/hp/reservation/book.htm?inputModule=HOTEL&ctyhocn=BALEGHX&spec\\_plan=CHHAWM&arrival=20180720&departure=20180721&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT](https://secure3.hilton.com/en_US/hp/reservation/book.htm?inputModule=HOTEL&ctyhocn=BALEGHX&spec_plan=CHHAWM&arrival=20180720&departure=20180721&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT)

Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites Edgewood/Aberdeen-South

Group Name: AAUW Maryland

Arrival Date: 20-Jul-2018

Departure Date: 21-Jul-2018

### **Directions to the Hotel:**

Follow I-95 North and take exit 77A for MD-24 South. Turn right at Edgewood Road (First right) and turn right at Emmorton Park Road (First right).

### **Directions from the Hotel to the College**

Follow I-95 North and take exit 80. Follow the directions above.

## Registration Form

### AAUW In Paradise

**AAUW-MD 2018 Summer Conference - 21 July - Begins at 9:00 AM**  
**Harford Community County, 401 Thomas Run Rd, Bel Air, MD**  
**Edgewood Hall #132, Dr. James F. LaCalle Conference Room**

**Check must be received by July 12, 2018, to receive early bird fee of \$35**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Badge Info:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch (if member): \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Status: Circle one

Branch                      MD Online Branch                      National                      Student                      Not a  
member

\_\_\_\_\_ **Fee: \$35** – Early-Bird Registration. Must be received by July 12

\_\_\_\_\_ **Fee: \$40** - Late Registration (after July 12)

Fee includes light breakfast and lunch, and handouts

Special Dietary Request (gluten free or vegetarian):

I am interested in attending the following sessions:

Morning: Membership    Communications    Secretary    Treasurer  
(Circle

One)

Afternoon: President    Funds    (Circle One)

Afternoon: I will attend the Board meeting    Yes    No    (Circle One)



Contact Info:

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: AAUW Maryland . Please register by July 12.**

**Mail payment to:** Wendi Compton, 1951 White House Rd, Bel Air, MD 21015

Questions? - [wecompton@hotmail.com](mailto:wecompton@hotmail.com), 443.640.6467 or 410.618.7605