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Amending America Hands-on Workshop for Adults

The Fight for Women's Suffrage: Bringing Original Documents to Life

Date: Saturday September 17, 2016

Time: 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Catered box lunch- Fee \$10 [see page 9](#)

Location: New Science Center, Conference Room 152

Montgomery College Rockville Campus

51 Mannakee St, Rockville, MD 20850

Votes for Women! Help get the 19th amendment "passed!"

Join Actor/Educator **Kate Campbell Stevenson** on an *acting adventure*.



Workshop participants will study primary source materials, gain greater understanding of the women's suffrage movement and collectively bring to life a time line of suffrage snapshots with costumes and props! It's a chance to have FUN, and grasp the depth our foremothers' efforts to WIN the vote for women.

And most importantly, it reminds us today why *It's My Vote--I Will Be Heard!*



It is strongly suggested each participant wear or bring a white shirt to the Workshop. Other recommended colors would be purple or gold. The purple, white, and gold were declared the official colors of the National Women's Party in 1913 and were featured prominently in parades, plays, and campaigns nationwide.

For more information contact Kate Campbell Stevenson kcamstev@aol.com

Message from the President

Looking Ahead to a New AAUW Year

Welcome, new members—new to AAUW or new to the Kensington-Rockville Branch! We hope you find a warm, purposeful, and satisfying place among us. Welcome back, friends of recent years and decades past.

Our branch program team is planning a stimulating year to stretch our minds and move us to action. Our public policy team is preparing to tackle key issues in Annapolis and on Capitol Hill. Our interest groups solicit your ideas and participation. Our causes to advance equity for women and girls seek as always your generous support. Please join in wherever you feel tugged.

On the state level, I'm excited to report that AAUW Maryland will continue to fund the Women of Distinction Awards Ceremony, the highlight event of the National Conference for (about 1,000) College Women Student Leaders, held annually in early June at the University of Maryland—an evening not to be missed.

The big news nationally is AAUW's recent move to new headquarters at 1310 L Street, NW. (See photos.) Our top three floors of the 10-story building shine with newness and acres of glass. Every new technology lives here; staff love the convenience, comfort, and efficiency. If we occasional visitors feel the ambience a tad stark, we're delighted to see numerous historical artifacts, works of art, photos, and documents on prominent display.

Another, unexpected, national change is that Linda Hallman has retired after eight productive years as AAUW's chief executive. Her sudden departure was startling, but Mark Hopkins, chief strategic officer (and prime move planner), has been named acting CEO while a search for a new head of staff gets underway.

More to come, Dian Belanger
President dobelanger@comcast.net

Join the Corps!

Does the Past stir your juices? Are you curious about what AAUW has done to keep women loyal and committed for 135 years, and counting? Have you ever wondered who all those thousands of women were, and would become, that we have supported with AAUW fellowships and grants since 1888? Do you enjoy piecing together long-forgotten stories from fragile, faded papers?

Join the AAUW Archive Corps to work with other local members, under staff direction, to rediscover, process, and preserve for future use the documentary record of AAUW's extraordinary history. Archives volunteers commit to one partial day per month, usually the first Monday or Tuesday. Intrigued? Query Dian Belanger, dobelanger@comcast.net.

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.



New AAUW Headquarters
1310 L Street, NW, Suite 1000
Washington, DC 20005



Reception Area, 10th floor
Logo screen's colors and patterns evolve



Displays highlight AAUW's history in three former DC buildings.
Wooden trunk was AAUW's first (traveling) "office."



AAUW's past presidents appear one by one on this video screen

Photos by Dian Belanger

Charting the Course: **Reminder**

It's not too late if you would like to help our branch become a **Navigator** in AAUW's **Charting the Course** major gift campaign, in honor and recognition of Janet Crampton's munificent giving, which already qualifies us dollar-wise. But we must also show broad support people-wise. Please go online to **Charting the Course** at <https://ww2.aauw.org/ctc-gift/?treatment=AAUW4402-1>. It's easy, and your donation will automatically be credited to the Kensington-Rockville Branch. (If you are a dual member, let Dian know and she'll alert staff to assign your gift to KR.)

Or, make your check payable to AAUW, with **Charting the Course**, #4402 on the memo line, and send it to: AAUW Development Office, PO Box 98045, Washington, DC 20090.

To learn more about this campaign, which seeks to raise \$1 million by December 31, 2016, in unrestricted funds, see: <http://www.aauw.org/chartingthecourse/>. **We're getting there!**

AAUW Funds

AAUW Funds Chair Ella Iams AAUWKenRock@gmail.com

AAUW Fund (# 9110) is the general fund of AAUW. The donations are *unrestricted* and will allow AAUW to use the gifts where AAUW needs to react to new challenges, and develop, disseminate and sustain programs such as camps, trainings and advocacy efforts. The funds will support existing programs and allow AAUW the flexibility to act quickly and responsibly as new challenges facing women and girls arise. If you want to contribute to this campaign or any other AAUW fund, go on-line or refer to your new Kensington-Rockville Directory on how to contribute.

The Educational Opportunities Fund (# 4336). During the 2015-16 academic year, AAUW is providing more than \$3.7 million in funding for more than 241 fellowships and grants.

Fund # 4355 supports the Women of Distinction ceremony of the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders. The Maryland Woman of Distinction for 2016-17 will be announced by the end of October.

AAUW MD

The Power Conference

Angela Mickalide, AAUW Maryland VP of Membership and Anita Rosen, AAUW Maryland co-VP of Public Policy set up and staffed an AAUW booth at **The Power**



Angela Mickalide and Anita Rosen staffing AAUW booth

Conference: Women Doing Business, at the Montgomery County Conference Center, on August 25th. Heather Reichardt of Gaithersburg and Pat Stocker of Bethesda Chevy Chase attended. There was good interest in our booth by the diverse group of over 200 women who participated, and we even recruited new members to AAUW and to **Action Alerts**. Many attendees did not know what AAUW was and we had a great opportunity to educate quite a number of women about our history and impact on their lives nationally and in Maryland related to fellowships, support for girls and STEM, Title IX, equal pay, campus safety, and more.



Heather Reichardt (Right) President of Gaithersburg Brand and Lorna P. Forde, President of the Montgomery County Commission for Women

The annual Power Conference is aimed at women business owners or those with interest in starting a business and is sponsored by the Women's Business Consortium from Montgomery and Prince Georges counties and the Women in Business Education Consortium. The conference provided numerous workshops, networking opportunities, master classes and speakers on a variety of important topics: doing business with government, public utilities, or large businesses; legal issues; marketing; branding; communications skills; using the media; and other interesting sessions. Crystal McCrary, the Keynote presenter is an award-winning film, and television producer, director and author. Her latest publication is ***Inspirations: Profiles of Black Women Changing Our World***.

Welcome to transferring members from the Silver Spring Branch

Sara Long and Mary Ann Zimmerman

You're Invited to the Lobby Corps Open House

Whether it's fighting for Title IX and gender equity in education, championing equal pay legislation, or fighting improve campus safety, the **AAUW Action Fund Capitol Hill Lobby Corps** is on the scene.

Once a week, volunteer AAUW members and college student interns give the AAUW Action Fund a voice and a face on Capitol Hill. For over 40 years, the Lobby Corps has made tens of thousands of visits to congressional offices, making AAUW a familiar and respected name among members of Congress and their staffs – and making some great policy progress as well!

But this powerful and effective presence on Capitol Hill doesn't work without the dedication of AAUW members and volunteers.

WHERE: AAUW Headquarters, 1310 L Street NW, Washington, DC 20005

WHEN: Wednesday, September 7, 2016

TIME: 10 a.m. - 2:00p.m.

Lunch will be provided.

Join us at our new headquarters for the Lobby Corps Fall Open House to learn more about how you can influence critical policy issues facing women and families. We'll provide an overview of the program, you'll hear from experienced members of the Lobby Corps, and receive the latest updates on AAUW's policy efforts from national staff.

RSVP TODAY!

For more information, contact us at VoterEd@aauw.org or 202.785.7793.

We hope to see you there – and we encourage you to bring a friend!

The Afternoon Literature Group

Judy Burr AAUWKenRock@gmail.com

The literature group will meet on Tuesday, September 20th at Margaret Schweitzer's home. We will discuss In Falling Snow by Mary-rose Mac Coll. Please let Margaret know if you plan to come.

Margaret2646@comcast.net

GREAT DECISIONS

Marianne Jacobs

AAUWKenRock@gmail.com

Friday Sept. 16 at 1 pm at the home of Ella Iams, 5516 Oakmont Ave. Bethesda MD 20817. We will discuss Chap. # 7, "Climate Geopolitics". AAUWKenRock@gmail.com

Interest Groups

Lunch Bunch

Parma Holt AAUWKenRock@gmail.com

TBA

Le Groupe Français

Ruth Spivack AAUWKenRock@gmail.com

Le Groupe Francais will meet on September 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Alisha Jacobsen. We will start reading "No Tomorrow" by Vivant Denon. You can purchase the book on line or at Politics & Prose. alisha.jacobsen@gmail.com

Le Groupe Francais usually meets the third week of the month at 7:30 p.m

Upcoming Events

October 15, 2016 October Branch Meeting will be the AAUW Maryland Fall Conference. Location to be announced. Bethesda-Chevy Chase Branch is hosting so it will be nearby.

November 19, 2016 Sonya Kovalevsky Day at Montgomery College Details to follow

Deadline for the October Newsletter is September 20.

2016-17 Kensington Rocville Budget

to be approved at the branch meeting

Bring a copy with you

Proposed Budget

EXPENSES

	Proposed 2015/16	Actual 2015/16	Proposed 2016/17
Interbranch Dues	\$28.00		
Interbranch Activity	\$50.00		
Legislative Briefing	\$65.00	\$65.00	\$65.00
		\$15.00	
Membership	\$48.00	+ \$4.00	\$25.00
Program Vice-President	\$135.00		
Newsletter mailings, stamps. & copying	\$80.00	\$89.00	\$85.00
Yearbook printing	\$40.00	\$84.00	\$85.00
Yearbook mailing	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
Presidents	\$25.00		\$25.00
AAUW National Convention	\$200.00		\$200.00
Natl Conf. for Women Student Leaders	\$200.00		\$200.00
Hospitality	\$20.00		\$25
Human Trafficking	\$0		<u>\$25.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$926.00		\$775.00

INCOME

Donations			\$24.00
In kind donation - newsletter mailing and stamps			(\$89.00)
In kind donation - yearbook mailing			(\$42.00)
dues as of 8/28/2016			
48 members			<u>\$768.00</u>
TOTAL			\$792.00

Reserve your box lunch

Name:

Email address or telephone:

Affiliation: Student, AAUW Member, Other:

Sandwich request:

Sandwich choices: Egg Salad, Ham, Herb Tuna Salad, Chicken Salad, Roast beef, Roasted Veggie, Sliced Turkey Breast, Gluten free /Vegetarian Meals are available

Box lunch includes: Sandwich, Fruit, Bag of Chips, Cookie and a bottle of water

To reserve a box lunch please send \$10 check made out to AAUW by September 9 to: Kate Campbell Stevenson, 12122 David Dr., Silver Spring, MD 20904

AAUW has been empowering women as individuals and as a community since 1881. For more than 135 years, we have worked together as a national grassroots organization to improve the lives of millions of women and their families.

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

AAUW Vision Statement: AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measureable