



Kensington-Rockville Newsletter

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Kensington-Rockville Branch Annual Meeting

Potluck Luncheon and Installation of Officers Noon Saturday May 12

At the home of Anita Rosen, 3800 Glen Eagles Dr. Leisure
World, Silver Spring

This is a fantastic way to celebrate our 2017 – 2018 Kensington-Rockville Branch success. Please come prepared to hear about the achievements of this past year and to discuss ideas and activities for the coming 2018-2019 year. Share fellowship with your AAUW friends and meet our special guests- our current Montgomery College scholars! Please bring your favorite hors' d'oeuvre, goodie, or dessert for the potluck menu, which we will all enjoy!

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RSVP Anita 301-847-9563 or email anitarosen123@gmail.com

Directions to the Rosen's home:

From Western Montgomery County: Rte. 28 Norbeck to Bel Pre. Right on Bel Pre. Left on Georgia Ave. Right into Leisure World on Rossmoor Blvd. Look for the big globe. Stop at the gate and say you are going to Anita Rosen's. **Enter and turn right on Leisure World Blvd. Go 2 blocks and turn right on Glen Eagles Drive. Immediately turn left on first street, come to end and turn right. Follow to 3800. Park on the street but only on out house's side, on our driveway, or in guest parking spaces near

the house and around the corner.

From Eastern Montgomery County: Take Randolph Road or Bel Pre to at Left on Georgia Ave. Turn right on Rossmoor Blvd and follow direction at asterisks above.

From Connecticut Ave. North: Take Connecticut Ave. North to the end at Bel Pre, past K-Mart, turn left on Bel Pre. Turn right on Georgia Ave. Turn right on Rossmoor Blvd and follow direction at the asterisks above.

Intercountry Connector: Take the Intercountry Connector to Georgia Ave. Exit toward Turn right at the exit. Then left on Rossmoor Blvd and follow direction from the asterisks.

Agenda for the Meeting

Welcome and Introductions

Officers' Reports

Report of the Nominating Committee

Elections of Officers

Report and Discussion of AAUW Maryland
Convention

Special Interest Group Reports:

Great Decisions, Literature Group,

Le Groupe Francaise

Installation of incoming Branch Officers

Montgomery College Student Scholarships

Adjournment

Kensington-Rockville Nominating Committee Report

The 2018 nominating committee is delighted to present the following slate of officers for elective positions in 2018-2019:

President Erin Prangley

Program Co-Vice Anita Rosen

Presidents Pat Ameling

Membership Co- Sylvia Crowder

Vice Presidents Maritsa George

Co-Treasurers Ella Iams

Joyce Graf

Co-Secretaries Michele Beach
 Margaret Schweitzer

Election and installation of officers will take place at the Annual Meeting on Saturday, 12 May. Other positions are appointed by the incoming president with the approval of the board of directors.

2018 Nominating Committee

Joyce Graf

Sylvia Crowder

Dian Belanger

Be Prepared and VOTE on the new By-Laws!

The voting information will be sent out via the OUTLOOK magazine email OR snail mail if you do not have an email address on file with AAUW National Office. It should arrive around April 21-23. In this communication each member will find YOUR membership number and YOUR unique PIN number. SAVE that info. You will need both numbers to vote. Instructions should be in the communication you receive. IF you want to vote by paper ballot and you did not already receive one in the mail-you can call AAUW @800-326-2289 and request a paper ballot to be mailed to you. You will need to provide your membership number. I talked with Alex today (4-19-18) and he said anyone who answers the phone should be able to help you with getting a paper ballot. Voting begins April 25 and closes June 9th at 9 p.m. Submitted by Kate Campbell Stevenson

See more below.

Most importantly- VOTE!

AAUW Funds Chair

Ella Iams

Montgomery College Scholarship Donation

Spring has arrived, and students are making college plans for next year. Many students rely on financial aid to attend the college so please consider donating to

the Montgomery College Foundation and add Kensington/Rockville Scholarship on the notation line. The donation can be mailed to Montgomery College Foundation, 9221 Corporate Blvd, 3rd Floor, Rockville, MD 20850. You may also donate on-line at <https://appserv.montgomerycollege.edu/onlinegiving/>

AAUW Funds

At the March Branch meeting AAUW, we heard three Fellowship recipients speak about what they are studying, what they plan to do when they finish their degrees and how they heard about the Fellowships. They were inspiring and a bright light to the future of young women of the world. I encourage you to donate to AAUW Funds (#4336 Fellowships and Grants) to enable AAUW to continue making these awards.

AAUW Membership Dues for 2018-2019

Effective March 16, 2018, AAUW National Membership dues will increase from \$49 to \$59, of which \$56 is tax deductible as a charitable contribution. The remaining \$3 is not tax deductible because it supports the AAUW Action Fund's section 501(c)(4) Capitol Hill Lobby Corps and get-out-the-vote activities.

Paid Life Membership Individuals who qualify for national membership may pay 20 times the national rate one time and become exempt from further national dues. AAUW national life membership is \$1,180 and is fully tax deductible.

Honorary Life Membership Individuals who qualify for national membership and have been members for 50 years can apply for honorary life membership and become exempt from further national dues.

The Maryland AAUW dues of \$16 and the Kensington Rockville Branch dues of \$10 are not being increased. **For 2018-2019, members of the branch will pay \$85 and paid life members will pay \$26.** Current branch members' dues expire on 6/30/2018

<https://www.aauw.org/membership/>

BECOME A TWO-MINUTE ACTIVIST

Action Network is the cornerstone of AAUW's e-advocacy efforts. By signing up, you will join **AAUW Action Network** and receive urgent e-mail notices to contact your elected officials. With our online Two-Minute Activist tool, it takes just minutes to make your voice heard!

To sign up, go to www.aauw.org. Scroll down on right side of screen to "TAKE ACTION." Click on and then scroll down to "Become a Two-Minute Activist" and register.

Join the AAUW Archives Corps!

Does the Past stir your juices? Are you curious about what AAUW has done to keep women loyal and committed for 136 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 Archives 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.

Join the AAUW Lobby Corps!

Does the Future push your buttons, especially the future for women and girls? Do you care about Title IX, sexual harassment, pay equity, voting and human rights? Does today's political atmosphere keep you up at night? Would you like to rationally promote and influence nonpartisan progress at the highest level?

Join the AAUW Lobby Corps on Capitol Hill to inform and urge legislative action for a more just world. Volunteer lobbyists, trained and briefed by AAUW public policy staff, commit to Thursday mornings when Congress is in session. Impassioned? Query Erin Prangle, erin.prangle@gmail.com.

Interest Groups

GREAT DECISIONS

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Le Groupe Française

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Le Groupe Francaise

The Afternoon Literature Group

Judy Burr

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May 15, 2018

A Call to Action: Women, Religion, Violence, and Power by Jimmy Carter

News from the AAUW Maryland Convention

Incoming State Officers

Please welcome our new state officers, whose terms begin July 1:

- Kate Campbell Stevenson and Susan Wierman- Co-Presidents
- Tracy Lantz and Nora Putt – Co-Vice Presidents for Programs
- Bea Dane - Funds VP
- Eileen Menton – Vice President for Communications

The following officers continue in the second year of their two-year terms:

- Christine Schmitz - Treasurer
- Mary Anne Williams and Heather Reichardt Co-Secretary
- Carol Mueller Membership Vice President-
- Erin Pranglely Public Policy Vice President

AAUW Strategic Plan

AAUW CEO KIm Churches has sent an email to every member with an email address a request for input on the strategic plan. Please review the plan and complete the survey by **6:00 pm ET Tuesday, May 1.**

- The welcome page for the survey provides an update on the overall development of this plan.
- The full plan is attached and is **accessible online**. Please refer to this document as you answer questions in the survey.
- Survey completion should take 10–15 minutes. You can leave the survey and return later to complete it if you return on the same device and with the same browser.
- Results will be folded back into the plan draft and then further discussed by the Strategic Planning Task Force and AAUW Board of Directors.
- **[Access the survey.](#)**

Bylaws Vote

The **Outlook** is being mailed to those with no email address on record at AAUW. For those with an email address, the Outlook and voter information will be sent electronically on April 25, the day voting opens. Paper ballots must be postmarked by May 21, 11:59 p.m. ET to be counted. Online voting ends June 9, 9 p.m. ET.

As we discussed at the state convention, it is important for branch leaders to encourage every member to vote. (Last year only about 10% of member voted and there were only 2 paper ballots from Maryland.) Branch presidents can request paper ballots on behalf of their members. between April 16 and May 7; email connect@aauw.org or call 800.326.2289 to request ballots. Please include their names, member ID numbers, city, and state with requests.

AAUW Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 10 at 8:45 am.

Results will be announced at the AAUW Annual Meeting on Sunday, June 10 at 8:45 am. The meeting is in conjunction with the Board Meeting which runs from Saturday, June 9, 9:00 am – 4:30 pm and Sunday, June 10: from 9:00 am – 12 Noon. **Members can attend but not speak or vote and must RSVP.**

Upcoming Events

The AAUW Summer Leadership Conference and Board Meeting is taking place July 21, 2018 The Harford County Branch will be hosting the Summer Leadership Training Conference and Board Meeting at Harford Community College on Saturday, July 21. Details in the next edition of the ***Marylander***.

Upcoming voter education events

Maryland Legislative Agenda for Women Legislative Wrap-Up Reception

May 2, 7:00 to 9:00 pm

HomeSlice, 9400 Snowden River Pkwy #127, Columbia, MD

Several MLAW and AAUW's priority bills have passed the General Assembly! Let's come together and raise a glass to celebrate how we made a difference for women and families in Maryland! Come out for some great food and drink (available for purchase), learn about MLAW's successes in Annapolis, make new connections and get involved!

Maryland Gubernatorial Candidates' Forum

Co-hosted by Business and Professional Women and AAUW Maryland

Friday, May 4, 6:30 - 9:00 pm

Hilton Garden Inn, 7226 Corporate Ct, Frederick

LWV Montgomery County Trending Topic -- Legislative Wrap-Up

May 21, 6:45 to 8:15 pm

Silver Spring Library, 900 Wayne Ave, Silver Spring, MD

Speakers: Erin Prangle, AAUW Maryland, Public Policy Vice President; Lois Hybl, 1st Vice President - Action, League of Women Voters Maryland (LWVMD) and Report from State Circle; Jacquie Coolidge, Lobby Corps Team for the LWV National Capital Area (LWV NCA)

Deadline for the June Newsletter is May 20.

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

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 measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

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