**AAUW Kensington-Rockville Branch**

**Special Meeting**

**and Happy Hour!**

**Tuesday, July 11, 2023, 4:00-6:00pm, Derwood Room**

**Ingleside at King Farm**

Please come to lend your voice and vote as we:

1. Elect and install new officers for 2023-24.

Proposed officers:

Co-Presidents Dian Belanger and Maritsa George

Co-Program VPs Anita Rosen and tbd

Membership VP tbd

Co-Treasurers Ella Iams and Joyce Graf

Secretary tbd

The bylaws note that appointed officers shall be Public Policy Chair, Newsletter Editor, Fundraising Chair, Webmaster, and others as authorized by the board. These are appointed by the president with consent of the board and will be announced as available.

We have some names and seek yours!

1. Brainstorm for program planning and implementation for 2023-24. Bring your ideas!

Map is attached

**AAUW Archives Corps Needs YOU!**

Do you enjoy discovering hidden treasures? Are you curious about AAUW’s amazing past? Would you like to make a significant contribution with no ongoing advance preparing?

If so, please join other dedicated member volunteers from the DMV area who comprise the AAUW Archives Corps. We meet on the 4th Monday of alternate months at our national office at 1310 L Street NW, Washington, DC, 10:00a-2:00p. Training is provided so you can process and preserve historic records that, thankfully, have been saved and stored. Our important efforts make them usable and accessible to present and future researchers.

Yes, much of what we do is scut work: remove staples, provide chronological (or other logical) order, cull duplicates, transfer organized records to acid-free folders. But what a thrill it is to uncover something awesome, unusual, or long forgotten. My favorite find: A member/leader bequeathed to AAUW a Montana gold mine!

Questions? Ready to sign up?

Please contact Dian Belanger, dobelanger@comcast.net

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**Extra Help Needed to Cover the Branch email Account**

The branch has an email account, AAUWKenRoc@gmail.com

It comes in automatically to my cell phone, but I sometimes miss messages.

I need at least two other responsible people to monitor this account.  The only rule is to BLIND copy the others who are checking messages on your responses.  If you are willing to check this account periodically, I will call you with the password and help you to set it up. If you already have a Gmail account, you may already know how to do it.

Joyce Graf

**Upcoming Events:**

ERA Centennial Convention Seneca Falls, NY **July 21-22**

Summer AAUW-MD Conference **July 29** Harford County

**Deadline for the next Newsletter is August 20.**

**Literature Group**

Joyce Graf

joyce@regraf.com

Literature Group will meet by ZOOM at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, January 24, 2023
The book to be discussed is THE PIONEERS by David McCullough. The Pulitzer Prize–winning historian relates the story of settling of the Northwest Territory by pioneers who overcame incredible hardships to build a community based on ideals that would come to define the United States.

To attend, send a message to joyce@regraf.com

Literature Group

No meeting in December

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

***The Afternoon Literature Group***

Judy Burr judyb429@verizon.net

October 17, 2017, the group will be discussing My Brilliant Friend by Elena Ferrante

**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.***

**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.**

**In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks and inclusive membership, workforce, leadership team, and board of directors. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization based on age, disability, ethnicity, gender identity, geographical location, national origin, race, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic status.**

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