

# AAUW Howard County Branch NEWSLETTER



OUR MISSION: *To advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.*

May 2014

## CALENDAR

### May

#### Adventures in Dining

May 6, 6:30pm

*Dimitri's In Catonsville*

#### Annual Year-End Brunch Meeting

May 17, 10:30am

*Union Jack's, Columbia*

#### Joint Board Meeting (Incoming and Outgoing Boards)

May 20, 7pm

*Miller Library*

#### Great Decisions

May 19, 7pm

*Trent Kittleman's Home*

#### Lunch Bunch

May 29, 11:30am

*Nordstrom Café, Columbia Mall*

#### Spring Orientation Meeting

May 27

*Janet Hoch's Home*

### June

#### Cultural Committee

June 1

*Columbia House Tour*

#### Adventures in Dining

June 3, 6:30pm

*Helmand In Baltimore*

#### Branch Meeting – Salad Supper and Desserts with the Board

June 10, 7pm

*Ellicott City Senior Center*

#### Practice SAT/ACT Test

June 14, 7pm

*Vantage House*

#### Great Decisions

June 16, 7pm

*Gaynel Allen's Home*

#### Joint Board Meeting (Incoming and Outgoing Boards)

June 17, 7pm

*East Columbia Library*

**Reminder:** *Anyone who needs a ride or a special accommodation to attend a branch event, contact Diversity Chair, Peggy Wong at [my\\_nest@verizon.net](mailto:my_nest@verizon.net) or (410) 997-7019.*

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Everyone,

Spring is here and a rite of passage is our Annual Fashion Show. This year's theme, "A Celebration of Style" fits so well with celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Vantage House provided a lovely venue for the show and Lord and Taylor's beautiful clothes completed the look for the most beautiful models in the county.

Kathy McCarthy and Phyllis McGlothlin lead the Fashion Show Committee again this year. Thank you to them and everyone who bought ticket, served on the committee, modeled, contributed items to the boutique, as well as, to Vantage House and Lord and Taylor. These combined efforts raised money to significantly replenish the Branch's philanthropy funds.

Pat Reber, Schnell Reed Garrett, Donna Aycock and Rita Kaiser handed out candy and information pamphlets at Howard Community College for Equal Pay Day on April 8. Thanks for keeping this important issue alive with the students.

The next Branch meeting is a brunch and the installation of officers on May 17 at Union Jack's in Columbia. The next two Board meetings will be for outgoing and incoming board members so that we can begin the transfer of responsibilities.

The Cultural Committee is planning a house tour on June 1, details will follow.

The Education Committee is sponsoring a Practice SAT/ACT Test on June 14 at Vantage House.

The Branch had another busy month and we all look forward to the upcoming events.

Please plan to attend and ask a friend to come along!

Congratulations Sandra Smith, Co First Vice President, AAUW Howard County. Sandra was elected Co President of AAUW Maryland.

*Lorraine Tropf, President*



<http://www.howardcounty-md.aauw.net>

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**Adventures in Dining**

We will be dining at Dimitri's on Frederick Road in Catonsville on Tuesday, **May 6** at 6:30pm. Please RSVP to me if you do plan to attend so that I may make reservations. Hope to see you there!



Our **June 3<sup>rd</sup>** selection is The Helmand in Baltimore. Please let me know if you plan on being part of that adventure since reservations need to be made way in advance. Thanks.

*Carol McAuliffe, Chair, Adventures in Dining*

**May Meeting**

Our May meeting will be a celebration of friends and fellowship at Union Jack's Restaurant in Columbia. Mark your calendar for **May 17<sup>th</sup>** beginning at 10:30am. As we close the 2013/2014 year and all of the chapter's accomplishment, we thank our departing Board members and welcome the new Board.

Choose from a delicious assortment of brunch entrees and be sure to mail your checks to Bea Dane to reserve your spot.

Due to an unexpected change in scheduling, Liz Bobo, our planned speaker will be unable to join us. However, we hope you all will be there for this fun annual event.

For more information, see the flyer.

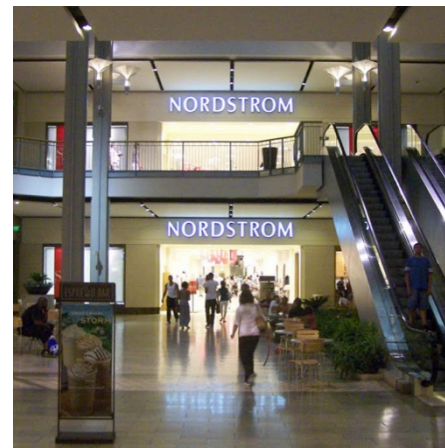
*Gail Brown, Vice President, Programs*



**Lunch Bunch**

The Lunch Bunch will meet on Thursday, **May 29<sup>th</sup>**, in Nordstrom's Cafe at 11:30am, Columbia Mall.

*Gail Rust, Chair, Lunch Bunch*



**Cultural Committee**

As we've done for the past several years, the cultural committee is putting together a group to attend the annual Columbia Home Tour. This year, the event will take place on Sunday, **June 1** from one to four PM. Tickets can be purchased at any of the ten Columbia village centers. The cost is \$20 in advance, and \$25 at the door.

The tour ends with free refreshments at Amherst House in King's Contrivance from 1:00-3:00pm. It might make sense at the start of the tour to meet at the parking lot in front of that site, but that will be decided after we assess how many will be joining us.

Here is the address for the web site: <http://www.columbiahometour.org/2014-tour.html>

We've had an enjoyable time doing this in past years. If you think you'd like to join us this time, please contact Emma Pope at 410-997-7688 or Jean Salkeld at 410-992-4198. You can also email jean at [jesalkeld@gmail.com](mailto:jesalkeld@gmail.com).

**Great Decisions** Monday, **May 19**, 7-9 pm  
Topic: *Energy Dependence*  
Home of Trent Kittleman

Great Decisions is a grassroots discussion program sponsored by the Foreign Policy Association to promote citizens' knowledge of world affairs.

Meetings are held on the third Monday of the month from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. If you wish to receive a monthly e-mail with meeting details, contact Diane Roca at [dbroca@comcast.net](mailto:dbroca@comcast.net) or 410-964-3523.

Order your own discussion book at [www.fpa.org](http://www.fpa.org). The cost is \$20.

*Diane Roca, Chair, Great Decisions*

**Future Meetings**  
All on Mondays, 7pm

(NOTE: No meetings in July and August):

**June 16**  
*Food and Climate*  
Gaynel Allen's home

**September 15**  
*China's Foreign Policy*  
Laura Violand's home

**October 20**  
*U.S. Trade Policy*  
Gail Rust' home





### **Education Committee**

#### **Practice SAT for AAUW on June 14**

As many of you know we will again be hosting a practice SAT on **June 14** at Vantage House with a follow up session on **July 12**. The length of the test will be about the same but the format will be different. It will combine aspects of both the SAT and ACT tests to give students a chance to try both and judge which one might be better for them. The Princeton Review is also giving away one of their prep courses to one of our test takers. See the attached flier for details. I will need help on the day of the test and follow up session but the most important thing now is for us to get the word out about the test to our friends, family, schools, churches and other community groups.

*Amy Robinson, Co Vice President, Education*

### **Philanthropy Committee**

The fashion show was a huge success!!!! Thanks to all the models (they all looked fabulous), and the fashion show committee. The accessory sale was also a big success! More details to come. It was a lot of fun, the "VintageModels" were hilarious!

*Phyllis McGlothlin, Co Vice President  
Philanthropy*

### **AAUW in Howard Community College Wellness Fair**

The AAUW Equal Pay Day table on **April 8<sup>th</sup>** was at the Howard Community College during the Wellness Fair. Equal Pay Day is the symbolic day when the average woman earns what a man earned in 2013.

AAUW member, Schnell Reed Garrett, the Assistant Director of Student Life at HCC, reserved a table and enlisted six exuberant student volunteers to help Pat Reber, Rita Kaiser and Donna Aycock at the AAUW table.

Pat's idea of using Pay Day candy bars passed out by the student volunteers was a success to send students over to the table. Over 160 visitors viewed visual posters that Schnell made, *The Simple Truth* booklet with a mailing label designed by Rhonda Tomlinson (with contact information for the branch) and other printed materials explaining the gender pay gap.

Engaging incredulous males with the displays, papers and informing them that equal pay will enrich the lives of everyone was stimulating dialog. Many visitors were unaware of the gender gap so we will have to keep informing the public each year till women reach equality in pay.

A special thanks to Schnell and all the student volunteers for making Equal Pay Day a success.

*Donna Aycock*





**AAUW Howard County Branch  
Annual Year End Event  
“Brunch”**

Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup> 2014  
10:30am to 12:30pm  
\$20 per member (inclusive)

Union Jack's Restaurant  
10400 Little Patuxent Parkway  
Columbia, MD 21044  
410-740-5225

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RSVP by May 12<sup>th</sup> with your \$20 check  
Payable to: AAUW Howard County

Please choose entrée selection:

- Crème Brulee French Toast
- Banana Pancakes
- Open Faced Banger Omelette
- Eggs Benedict
- Eggs Benedict – Florentine

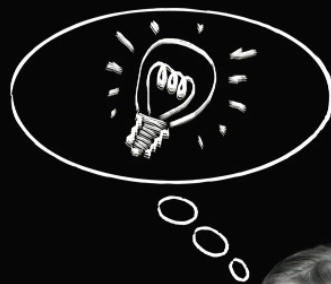
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Number of people attending: \_\_\_\_\_

# Should you take the SAT or ACT?



The road to college is paved with many choices. Among the first of those is whether to take the ACT or the SAT. In lieu of a crystal ball, we created The Princeton Review Assessment (PRA). Designed to help you determine which test you'd score higher on, the PRA is a great way to "meet" both tests.

The American Association of University Women of Howard County in partnership with The Princeton Review is offering a practice PRA on:

Saturday, June 14th

10 am - 2 pm

Vantage House Auditorium, 5400 Vantage Point Rd., Columbia, MD 21044

\*\$15 registration fee. All proceeds will be donated to the AAUW scholarship fund.

Parents and students are invited to review the results on:

Saturday, July 12th

2 pm - 3:30 pm

Vantage House Auditorium, 5400 Vantage Point Rd., Columbia, MD 21044

\*All in attendance will be entered in a drawing to win a FREE SAT or ACT Ultimate course with The Princeton Review.

**TO ENROLL**, please call 800-2REVIEW or visit [PrincetonReview.com](http://PrincetonReview.com).

Remit \$15 cash or check made out to  
AAUW Howard County and send to:  
Amy Robinson  
5563 Nettlebed Court  
Columbia, MD 21045



Please direct questions about donations to [AAUWHowardCounty@gmail.com](mailto:AAUWHowardCounty@gmail.com).

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**Membership News**

**Give a Gift to a Grad...for FREE!**

AAUW members can give recent college graduates, who are within two years of their actual graduation date, a free, one-year AAUW *national* membership, at no cost to you or them. Graduates holding an associate or equivalent, baccalaureate, or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution qualify. Just go to [www.aauw.org/resource/give-a-grad-a-gift](http://www.aauw.org/resource/give-a-grad-a-gift) and signup your friends and relatives.

We at the Howard County Branch of AAUW are in the process of Giving a Gift to the Grad of a National AAUW membership to our 5 recent scholarship winners.

In addition, we at Howard County AAUW branch will waive Howard County Branch membership dues and pay state dues for one year for any Grad brought into the Howard County Branch by a current HOCO member through the Give a Grad a Gift program. Please contact Janet Hoch at 301-725-1807 or [janetahoch@verizon.net](mailto:janetahoch@verizon.net) if interested in giving your grad a gift membership.

**Membership Renewals—Chance to Win Your Renewal for Free!**

*Now is the time to renew your Membership!* The renewal for National, State and Branch membership is \$72 due by June 30.

To encourage members to renew EARLY, the branch is raffling three, one-year memberships. To be in the raffle, members must send their renewal checks to Bea Dane by **June 15<sup>th</sup>**. Bea's address is 4050 Hobbs Hill Road, Genelg, MD 21737. Please note this applies to check renewals only. You can renew your membership online; however, online memberships are not included in the raffle. The President and Co-Membership VPs are not eligible for the raffle.

After June 15, you are encouraged to renew online at <http://howardcounty-md.aauw.net/members-only/> or at AAUW.org. Or send a check to Bea Dane at 4050 Hobbs Hill Road, Genelg, MD 21737 by June 30.

*Janet Hoch, Co-Vice President, Membership*

Please contact Janet Hoch at 301-725-1807 or [janetahoch@verizon.net](mailto:janetahoch@verizon.net) if you have any questions.

**Deadline for the April newsletter is May 25. Please send items to Candace dePass and Josie Thompson at [ccdepass@gmail.com](mailto:ccdepass@gmail.com) and [josie@josiedesigns.com](mailto:josie@josiedesigns.com)**