

AAUW Howard County Branch NEWSLETTER



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

May 2015

CALENDAR

May

Adventures in Dining

May 5, 6:30pm

Kelsey's, Ellicott City

AAUW Readers

May 7, Noon

Doris Raytkwich's Home

Branch Meeting

May 16, 11am

*Brunch and Officer Installation
Union Jack's*

Great Decisions

May 18, 7pm

Trent Kittlemans Home

Board Meeting

May 19, 7pm – 8:45pm

Savage Library

Lunch Bunch

May 28, 11:30am

*Nordstrom Café at the Mall in
Columbia*

June

Membership Orientation

June 3

Kathy Schofield's Home

Branch Meeting

June 9, 7pm

*Ellicott City Senior Center
New Building*

Great Decisions

June 15, 7pm

Board Meeting

June 16, 7pm – 8:45pm

Savage Library



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Fashion Show on April 18th was such a fun day! This is our biggest scholarship fundraiser of the year, and once again Philanthropy VPs, Phyllis McGlothlin and Kathy McCarthy, staged a wonderful event. Vantage House provided tasty food and drink, and the fashions by Baliwalou were inspiring—I'm ready to go to the store in Ellicott City to shop for some spring clothes! Thanks to everyone who volunteered at the event and to everyone who attended and supported us.

On April 25th, Diane Roca, Connie Palmieri and I attended the AAUW State Convention in Rockville as delegates for the Howard County Branch. The all-day event included a panel discussion on Violence against Women; breakout groups on Membership, Public Policy, and Programs; a talk on the AAUW Archiving Project, and the annual meeting during which State Officers were elected.

Congratulations to our Howard County Branch newly elected officers:

Financial VP: Carol Phelps

Co VPs Social: Caroline Tunison and Gail Burke

Co VPs Secretary: Connie Palmieri, Jeannie Parr and Donna Levinson

VP Communications: Grace Aderogba-Olaiya

(still unfilled are VP, Philanthropy and VP, Advocacy—still available for YOU to volunteer!)

Installation of the new officers will take place at our Brunch on May 16th at Union Jack's Restaurant. Please come to the Brunch to thank the outgoing officers and welcome the incoming ones. You will also get to meet our new scholarship winners. The sign-up form for the Brunch can be found in this newsletter, and was also emailed earlier to all members.

On June 9th, we will be in the NEW Ellicott City Senior Center building for our Salad Supper and Desserts with the Board. This is always a favorite meeting when the VPs and Committee chairs make delectable desserts to vie for your attention to sign up for their committee!! More info will be available later in May.

DUES ARE DUE! You may now renew your dues either on-line or by giving to Carol Phelps at a meeting or event, or mailing to Carol at 6680 Star Path, Columbia, MD 21045. Dues are \$72 for July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016. The breakdown of dues is: \$49 National, \$10 State, and \$13 Howard County Branch. You must pay your dues by June 9th to be included in our raffle for free memberships.

Remember to VOTE in the AAUW National Election at aauw.org. You will need the PIN from your National Outlook magazine. If you no longer have your magazine, I am sure you can contact National at connect@aauw.org or call 800-326-2289 to get instructions.

We already have many events in the works for our next AAUW year—but they can only be successful if you continue your membership, volunteer and come out and enjoy them!

—Bea Dane, President



Adventures in Dining

The May Adventures in Dining outing is at Kelsey's Restaurant and Irish Pub on **Tuesday, May 5** at 6:30pm. An email will be sent out for reservations. Hope you can join us!

Carol Phelps, Chair, Adventures in Dining

AAUW Readers

The May meeting of the AAUW Readers will take place on Thursday May 7 at 12:00 noon at the home of Doris Raytkwich, 9521 White Spring Way in Columbia. Doris will be serving a light lunch, to be followed by a planning meeting. Her email address is dwhitespring@verizon.net.

Membership News

Please welcome new member, Kathy Schofield, as she has recently been appointed to complete April North's term as one of the two co-VPs of the Membership Committee. Thank you to April for her support and efforts during this past year! April will continue to be a member of the Membership committee.

Our next combination **Orientation meeting** (for new members) and **Information session** (for potential new members) is scheduled for **June 3rd**. Kathy has graciously offered to host the meeting at her house. Details to be emailed in early May.

Janet Hoch joined Kathy and Rhonda to staff a table at Howard County's **WomenFest 2015**. Great event! We met a lot of fabulous women. Over two dozen expressed an interest in our branch and requested an invite to our June information session.

Membership card: You can print your personal membership card from the AAUW.org website. If you need information on how to do so, please feel free to contact Rhonda or Kathy.

*Rhonda Tomlinson and Kathy Schofield,
Co-VPs, Membership*

Philanthropy

The 2105 Fashion Show was a huge success! The fashions from Boliwalou Consignment Boutique were great and Vantage House outdid themselves with a lovely array of food! I really would like to thank new members: Gail Burke, Kathy Schofield, Debbie Munley, Barbara Brooks and Beth Hayden for modeling. Hope they had a good time and thanks for participating your first year! Thanks also for the rest of the models, we appreciate your time and energy. Two stars of the show were Hailey Sepulvado, Marcia Posner's granddaughter and Abby Smith, Marge Trautman's granddaughter!

Of most importance, thanks to the Philanthropy Committee, who worked many hours putting together this show and accessory sale. We raised \$4,000 for the scholarship fund which is really great! Thanks to the members who attended the event or, if unable to attend, still bought tickets to support this major fundraiser. Without this event, we would not be able to support the AAUW scholarships for deserving students. If you would still like to contribute, contact me or Carol Phelps....every dollar matters.

Thanks!

**Save these Dates for
Upcoming Branch Meetings!**
**May 16: Brunch and Officer
Installation**
June 9: Salad Supper

Diversity News

Nutrition Workshop - sponsored by David's Natural Market, (date, time: TBD)

Energy Medicine Workshop sponsored by the Inca Energy Institute - **Saturday, May 16** (time & location: TBD)

Annual Diversity Celebration - **October 3** (time & location: TBD) Stay tuned for exciting featured entertainment. This event will also commemorate Spanish Heritage month celebrated in October.

Shigeyo Ibrahim, Chair, Diversity Committee

Great Decisions

Great Decisions is a foreign policy discussion program. Meetings are held on the third Monday of the month from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at members' homes. Before the meeting, we read material about the month's topic in the *Great Decisions Briefing Booklet*, published by the Foreign Policy Association. At the meeting, our discussion is based on questions in the book. You may purchase a copy at www.fpa.org.

Next Meeting - **Monday, May 18**, at 7pm at the home of Trent Kittleman. Topic #4, *India Changes Course*

Future Meetings

June 15: *U.S. Policy Toward Africa*

No meetings in July and August

September 21: *Syria's Refugee Crisis*

October 19: *Human Trafficking in the 21st Century*

November 16: *Brazil's Metamorphosis*

If you are interested in learning more about Great Decisions, contact Diane Roca at dbroca@comcast.net or [410-964-3523](tel:410-964-3523).

Diane Roca, Chair, Great Decisions



Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch will meet on **Thursday, May 28** at 11:30am in Nordstrom's Cafe at the Columbia Mall. All members are welcome to attend.

Gail Rust, Chair, Lunch Bunch



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**AAUW Scholarship Winners Introduction
AAUW New Officer Installation
Luncheon - Saturday, May 16th – Union Jack’s Restaurant**

Meet our most recent scholarship winners! We fund two HCC Transfer Scholarships, a Generation Hope Scholar, and two NCCWSL (National Conference for College Women Student Leaders) attendees.

thanking officers who are ending the 2013-15 term.

Friends/prospective members are welcome! The program runs from 11:00AM to 2:00PM

Cost is \$25 per person, which includes tax and gratuity, non-alcoholic drink and lunch-sized dessert.

Choose from following menu items:

First Course

Starter Salad

Second Course

Petite Salmon with rice and asparagus (Gluten Free)

Rustic Chicken Sandwich (on Gluten Free flatbread) with fries

Reuben Sandwich with fries

Penne Pasta with Vegetables

Penne Pasta with Chicken and Vegetables

Third Course

Banoffi (toffee, bananas, graham cracker crust, whipped cream, choc)

Mini Cannoli

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Luncheon Selection:

Second Course: _____

Third Course: _____

Please mail your \$25 check payable to **Howard County AAUW** along with your lunch selections by May 12th to: *Karen Ownbey, 5960 Autumn Spell, Elkridge, MD 21075*

Union Jack’s is located at 10400 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia, MD (across from the south entrance to the Columbia Mall)

