

# AAUW Howard County Branch NEWSLETTER



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

## AUGUST 2022

Hello, Members -

Here we are in August – one month into Fiscal Year 2023 and about to kick off our new year with a newsletter to bring you up to speed since our last one in February, when the weather was a bit different, and give you a snapshot of what’s planned ahead. To catch you up, the various committee reports can be found in the body of this newsletter. Future plans are outlined in the calendar at the end of the newsletter. We’ve overcome Covid challenges and are ready to take on new “adventures!”

To start things off, in place of our traditional potluck dinner, we will hold our branch meeting at **Bertucci’s Restaurant on Tuesday, September 13 at 4 pm** and our speaker will be Tracy Lantz, newly elected president of AAUW Maryland. What could be more fitting than to hear about how branch activities can support current AAUW national and state priorities?

Ask yourself, “Why am I a member of AAUW?” and I think you’ll answer that we want to help women and girls achieve equity in education, the workplace and our communities. I am asking you to get personally involved in our planning, activities, committees, and fundraisers because we need everyone if our branch is going to be successful in fulfilling its mission.

We all enjoy socializing so I encourage you to attend the AAUW MD 2022 Summer Convention on Saturday, August 20 at 9 am in Rockville, MD where you can meet other members from various parts of Maryland and learn about health care inequalities. Registration is \$25 (by Aug. 10) for in-person attendance (and lunch) or \$15 for virtual attendance via Zoom. Check your *Marylander* for details.

See you all soon!

Beth Hayden, President

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## Programs

### Susan Hailman, VP

#### ***September Branch Meeting***

#### ***Tracy Lantz, Newly Elected State President, Visits Howard County!***

**Tuesday, September 13 4:00 – 7:00 pm**

Bertucci's Italian Restaurant, 9081 Snowden River Parkway, Columbia

### **'Planning Branch Activities with State and National Priorities in Mind'**

Our kick off meeting for the fall will be an in-person meeting on **Tuesday, September 13 at Bertucci's at 9081 Snowden River Parkway, Columbia.**

**Our speaker will be Tracy Lantz who is the new state AAUW President.** She plans to visit all the Maryland branches and we are delighted to be her first visit. As you may have read in the *Marylander*, her focus will be exploring inequities faced by women and girls and how we can work to make change at the local, state and national level. It will be an informal presentation and she will join us for dinner, so lots of time to continue to get to know her.

**We have the room from 4-7 pm, so plan on coming early** to catch up with friends and peruse the menu. We're hoping to order our food before our program starts. It would be really helpful if food orders went in together, so plan to arrive early if possible. Dinner orders should be given to servers by 4:30. **Our business meeting will start by 4:45 pm. Every committee has plans to share for the coming year-- this is your opportunity to learn more, offer your input and sign up if interested.** Dinner will be served close to 6 pm after Tracy finishes her presentation.

Since meeting for a meal as well as a meeting seems popular with our members, we'd like to do this more frequently, but are still working out the timing that will facilitate smoother transitions and fewer disruptions in both business meeting and presentation. We also want to make it easier for wait staff to serve our meals expeditiously. We are so fortunate to be able to use this facility free-of-charge -- we want to be able to return!

Let's get off to a strong start! Hope to see you there!

Please contact Connie Palmieri and let her know that you will attend.  
([Conniempalmieri@yahoo.com](mailto:Conniempalmieri@yahoo.com) or 410-489-5654)

*Susan Hailman, Program VP*

## New Members

We are delighted to welcome three new members to the branch: Cynthia Graham, Sze-Ping Kuo and Pamela Buzzerd. It will be a pleasure to get acquainted at our next meeting!

## AAUW Maryland Summer Meeting

### AAUW Maryland Summer Conference

Hosted by AAUW Kensington-Rockville

Saturday, August 20, 2022 9:00 am – 3:30 pm

#### [Inequalities in Health Care Affecting Women and Girls](#)

Location: Cultural Arts Center, Ingleside at King Farm 701 King Farm Blvd, Rockville, MD

*Register and come to explore this significant topic. Carpools can be arranged as needed.*

Event details and a registration form are in the Summer 2022 issue of the *Marylander*. Highlight the link below and *Click* or select *Open Hyperlink* from the dropdown menu.

[Summer-2022-Marylander-14-July.pdf \(aauw.net\)](#) (Pages 2, 10, 11)



## Education Suzanne Soules VP

Daria J. Willis, PhD. is the newly appointed President of Howard Community College. Originally from Atlanta, she earned her Bachelor of Arts and her Masters Degrees in History at Florida A&M University. Her PhD is from Florida State University. She comes to HCC by way of colleges in Texas, New York and Washington State. There is a President's Gala, Black Tie event planned for October 15, 2022, that will raise money for Education Foundation scholarships. Go to HCC website for information if you are interested in attending. There will be diner, dancing and a diamond drawing!

On August 18, Beth Hayden, Diane Roca and Suzanne Soules will meet with Dr. Willis and Missy Mattey to let her know about our AAUW – Howard County Branch and our activities over the years. We want to hear how she envisions where we can partner to create support and enrichment for women students.

Looking forward to the year ahead, we have already funded \$3,000 for scholarships through the Education Foundation. I have asked Missy Mattey to give us the names of those women who receive the awards so we can potentially have a more personal relationship with them. Two \$1,000 awards will go specifically to the non-traditional women students identified through Career Links. One \$1,000 award is for any woman with a focus on any STEM specific course of study. All these women have financial need.

*Suzanne Soules, Education VP*



## AAUW HOWARD COUNTY FY 2023 BUDGET

	PROPOSED BUDGET	PRIOR YEAR (2021-2022) BUDGET	PRIOR YEAR (2021-2022) ACTUALS	
<b>INCOME</b>				
DUES	715	755	715	55 members @ \$13
PINOT'S PAINT	300	300	325	
TEA (Net)		1500	0	
FASHION SHOW (Net)		2000	0	
HOLIDAY EVENT - TOBY's Theater	500	600	905	
TINO'S/OTHER RESTAURANTS	100	0	0	
OTHER INCOME/ DONATIONS	3400	0	421	Includes a member's \$3K donation in July direct to HCC Educ Foundation
RESERVE/SAVINGS	1850	2050	2343	Reserve amt needed depends upon fundraising budget
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>6865</b>	<b>7205</b>	<b>4709</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
ROOM RENTAL	100	200	0	
ZOOM ACCOUNT	0	150	0	
PROGRAM	100	100	23	
NEWSLETTER	50	50	0	
MEMBERSHIP/DIVERSITY	200	275	21	
EDUCATION	200	200	0	
WEBSITE	120	120	0	
SOCIAL - MEETINGS	50	150	0	
PUBLIC POLICY/MLAW	75	100	75	Includes MLAW dues of \$75
PRESIDENT	50	50	0	
TREASURER	20	20	0	
INSURANCE	200	190	200	
MARKETING/PUBLICITY	100			
<b>SUBTOTAL OPERATIONS</b>	<b>1265</b>	<b>1605</b>	<b>319</b>	
HCC EDUCATION FUND	4000	4000	4000	\$3K member donation given directly to HCC in July 2023
NCCWSL - 2 STUDENTS	1100	1100	390	Depends upon NCCWSL happening in person
NATIONAL UNRESTRICTED	250	250	0	
MD WOMAN OF DISTINCTION FUND	250	250	0	Depends upon State AAUW decision
<b>SUBTOTAL EDUCATION EXPENSES</b>	<b>5600</b>	<b>5600</b>	<b>4390</b>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>6865</b>	<b>7205</b>	<b>4709</b>	

Cash balances as of 6/30//2022

Checking	\$2,992.97
Savings	<u>\$4,502.64</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,495.61</b>

## Interest Groups

### GREAT DECISIONS

Great Decisions is a foreign policy discussion program. We meet monthly on the third Monday of the month from 2:00 – 4:00 PM.

**Monday, August 15**, at 2:00 pm

Topic #5: *Xi's China Takes on the Quad*

**Monday, September 19** at 2:00 pm

Topic #6: *No End in Sight: A Century of Drug Wars*

Location for both meetings: Brightview Senior Living, 6670 Martin Rd, Columbia, MD 21044

Each meeting will start with viewing the related Master Class on the Great Decisions DVD.

Contact: Diane Roca

[dbroca@comcast.net](mailto:dbroca@comcast.net) or

410-964-3523

### ADVENTURES IN DINING

The group will not meet in September. We can get together at the Branch meeting at Bertucci's on September 13.

Contact: Carol Phelps,

[carolmcauliffe@verizon.net](mailto:carolmcauliffe@verizon.net)

### LUNCH BUNCH

The Lunch Bunch is ready to start meeting again! We meet on the last Thursday of the month. Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday,

September 29,

11:30 am at Nordstrom Café.

Contact: Gail Rust [ggrust@comcast.net](mailto:ggrust@comcast.net)

or 443-864-4189.

### AAUW READERS

Meetings take place on Thursdays at 10:30 am. Our in-person meetings have been taking place at the 50+ Center at the East Columbia Branch Library.

#### **2022**

September 15 - **Free Love** by Tessa Hadley

November 17 - **The Lincoln Highway** by Amor Towles

#### **2023**

January 18 - **The Midnight Library** by Matt Haig

March 16 - **You Don't Belong Here: How Three Women Rewrote the Story of War** by Elizabeth Becker

May 18 - **Grandmothers Who Inspired Us Across the World** by Merry Adler

July 20 - **The Clockmaker's Daughter** by Kate Morton

Anyone with questions should feel free to email me.

Contact: Roberta Rood

[robertarood@earthlink.net](mailto:robertarood@earthlink.net)

**2022-2023 AAUW Howard County Branch Officers**

*President: Beth Hayden (410)-707-2018*

*First Vice President: Position open*

*Financial Officer: Bea Dane (410) 299-8403*

*Vice President, Programs: Susan Hailman  
(443) 994-5453, [shailman@comcast.net](mailto:shailman@comcast.net)*

*Vice President, Philanthropy: Position open*

*Co-Vice Presidents, Meetings/Social: Carol Phelps  
(410) 381-7076; and Connie Palmieri (410) 489-5654*

*Secretary: Jean Parr (410) 381-6351;*

*Alt: Bobbi Brooks (443) 545-5642*

*Vice President, Education: Suzanne Soules (410) 872-8603*

*Vice President, Public Policy: Position open*

*Vice President, Membership and Diversity:*

*Debra Wade (410) 531-2072*

*Vice President, Communications:*

*Diane Roca (410) 964-3523*

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*Website Manager: Position open*

*Adventures in Dining: Carol Phelps (410) 381-7076*

*AAUW Readers: Roberta Rood (410) 461-0017*

*Great Decisions: Diane Roca (410) 964-3523*

*Lunch Bunch: Gail Rust (443) 864-4189*

# 2022-2023 Branch Calendar

Planned items are tentative and will be confirmed closer to the date

## 2022

### JULY 2022

- 1 -- Help at HoCo Food Bank; 10 am to 12 pm; Columbia
- 19 -- Board Meeting; 2 pm at Susan Hailman's house

### AUGUST

- 5 -- Help at HoCo Food Bank; 10 am to 12 pm; Columbia
- 8 -- Publish Branch Newsletter
- 10 -- Early Registration Deadline for AAUW MD Summer Conference
- 15 -- Great Decisions; 2 pm location TBD
- 18 -- Meeting with HCC President, Dr. Daria Willis; 10 a.m. on campus
- 20 -- AAUW MD Summer Conference; 9 am to 3:30 pm, Rockville
- 26 -- Women's Equality Day

### SEPTEMBER

- 2 -- Help at HoCo Food Bank; 10 am to 12 pm; Columbia
- 7 -- Board Meeting; 2 pm at Susan Hailman's house
- 13 -- Branch Meeting; 4:00 pm; Bertucci's Restaurant; speaker-Tracy Lantz, President of AAUW MD
- 15 -- AAUW Readers; 11:30 am; 50+ Center East Columbia Library
- 19 -- Great Decisions; 2 pm location TBD
- 21 -- Black Women's Equal Pay Day
- 29 -- Lunch Bunch; 11:30 am; Nordstrom Café

### OCTOBER



- 5 -- Board Meeting; 2 pm; location TBD
- 7 -- Help at HoCo Food Bank; 10 am to 12 pm; Columbia
- 11 -- Branch Meeting; 2 pm; E Columbia Library
- 17 -- Great Decisions; 2 pm location TBD
- 23 -- Toby's Dinner Theater; *Ghost*
- 27 -- Lunch Bunch; 11:30 am; Nordstrom Café

## NOVEMBER

- 4 -- Help at HoCo Food Bank; 10 am to 12 pm; Columbia
- 9 -- Board Meeting; 2 pm location TBD
- 17 -- AAUW Readers; 10:30 am; 50+ Center East Columbia Library
- 21 - Great Decisions; 2 pm; location TBD
- ?? -- Pinot's Palette; alternate date in January
- ?? -- MLAW Conference

### **No Branch Meeting**

## DECEMBER

- 2 -- Help at HoCo Food Bank; 10 am to 12 pm; Columbia
- 6 -- King's Contrivance Holiday Dinner, Branch Meeting and Silent Auction

## **2023**

## JANUARY 2023

- 6 -- Help at HoCo Food Bank; 10 am to 12 pm; Columbia
- 16 -- Great Decisions; 2 pm location TBD
- 18 -- AAUW Readers; 10:30 am; 50+ Center East Columbia Library
- 26 -- Lunch Bunch; 11:30 am; Nordstrom Cafe
- ?? -- League of Women Voters Legislative Briefing
- ?? -- Pinot's Palette alternate date

### **No Branch Meeting**

## FEBRUARY

- 1 -- Board Meeting; 2 pm; location TBD
- 3 -- Help at HoCo Food Bank; 10 am to 12 pm; Columbia
- 11 -- Branch Meeting; location TBD, Women's Heritage Center speaker
- 20 -- Great Decisions; 2 pm location TBD
- 23 -- Lunch Bunch; 11:30 am; Nordstrom Cafe

## MARCH – Women's History Month

- 3 -- Help at HoCo Food Bank; 10 am to 12 pm; Columbia
- 7 -- Board Meeting; 2 pm; location TBD
- 14 -- Book Bash and Branch Meeting at Union Jack's restaurant; 11:30 am
- 16 -- AAUW Readers; 10:30 am; 50+ Center East Columbia Library
- 20 -- Great Decisions; 2 pm location TBD
- 30 -- Lunch Bunch; 11:30 am; Nordstrom Cafe
- ?? -- Girl Power; John's Hopkins Applied Physics Lab; Laurel

## APRIL

- 4 -- Adventures in Dining; LaPalapa 2 restaurant; Laurel
- 6 -- Board Meeting; 2 pm; location TBD
- 7 -- Help at HoCo Food Bank; 10 am to 12 pm; Columbia
- 11 -- Branch Meeting – Diversity: Latin community; location TBD
- 17 -- Great Decisions; 2 pm location TBD
- 27 -- Lunch Bunch; 11:30 am; Nordstrom Cafe
- ?? -- AAUW Maryland Annual Meeting

## MAY

5 -- Help at HoCo Food Bank; 10 am to 12 pm; Columbia

7 -- Board Meeting; 2 pm; location TBD

9 -- Branch Meeting, Pot Luck, New Officers; location TBD;

15 - Great Decisions; 2 pm location TBD

18 – AAUW Readers; 10:30 am; 50+ Center East Columbia Library

25 – Lunch Bunch; 11:30 am; Nordstrom Café

?? -- NCCWSL, U of MD, College Park, MD