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Deadline for
March issue:
February 26

American Association of University Women Virginia Beach Branch

February Program

(Lack of) Pay Equity

Sally Daniel, a member of the Virginia Beach Branch, has worked at Tidewater Community College's Women's Center for the past nine years. For the majority of those years, Sally has been active in women's employment issues. She is the coordinator of Women Expanding Boundaries—TCC's program designed to interest and retain women in educational opportunities leading to non-traditional career paths. One reason why this is so important is that typical "women's jobs" pay so poorly when compared to those jobs that men tend to do. Perhaps there may be a day when "women's work" is properly compensated, but that time is not now. Last year, Sally coordinated a joint effort between local branches of the AAUW and TCC's Women's Center to participate in "Equal Pay Day" demonstrations at TCC.

February and March Program Information

Please note that February's branch meeting will be held on THURSDAY, February 16 instead of Wednesday, February 15.

Our program for March 21, 2012, which will feature the film *Iron Jawed Angels* starring Hillary Swank, will be starting at 6:00 p.m. in the Auditorium at the Virginia Beach Central Library. The movie tells the story of a pivotal event in the history of women's suffrage in the United States.

Public Policy Grant

AAUW of Virginia has received a public policy grant from AAUW to increase the number of women voting in the 2012 election. Each district will be recruiting a minimum of three people to attend the one-day training at the state conference in April 2012 in Newport News and to spearhead this initiative in their district. The national office will be providing data, statistics, "how-to" materials, issue statements and a part-time field coordinator from April to November 2012 to help us get out the vote. Monthly conference calls will provide us with the information and training we need. There will be a Virginia action plan with events, dates/times, budget and a timeline.

In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOUND "A FEW (VERY) GOOD WOMEN" FOR OFFICER VACANCIES

The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the following slate of nominees to fill the three upcoming officer vacancies on the Board of Directors:

President-Elect--Ruby Arredondo. The President-Elect serves a one-year term, with an automatic succession to President, for another one-year term.

Program Vice-President--Marcy Germanotta (Serves a two-year term)

Secretary--Carole Szetela (Serves a two-year term)

The slate of nominees will be voted on at our April 18, 2012 Branch meeting .The new officers will assume their offices on July 1, 2012.

Thanks to all three of the nominees for stepping forward to share their leadership skills and time with the branch.

Dining Group



Favorite recipes from "group" cookbooks will be the theme of the next Dining Group. Most of us have one or two or ten of these collections of recipes compiled by churches, women's groups or other organizations and we'll be using them to create a very creative meal. Participants will be asked to choose a recipe for one part of the meal, such as appetizer, entrée, etc. If you don't own a group cookbook, some of us have more than we know what to do with and will be happy to loan you one or several and the library also has a good collection. We're tentatively planning to enjoy this dinner on March 31, so mark your calendars now. If you'd like to sign up or would like more information please contact Toni Lohman at 463-9135 or tlohman@verizon.net.

Evening Book Group

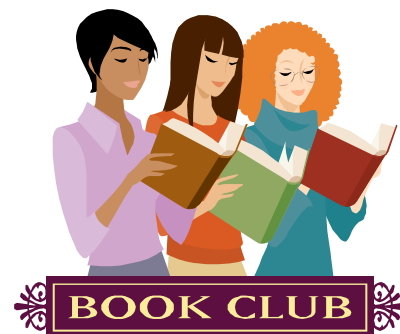
Our AAUW Evening Book Group meets, as a rule, on the second Tuesday of each month, September through June. We read well recommended and prize winning literature which all the members suggest and then vote to select at our final meeting in June. We alternate dessert meetings and potluck dinners, which are held at volunteering members' homes. The book we read for the month is reviewed by one of the members and a discussion of the book follows. Please call Maryann Walsh at 412-2030 if you need further information or would like to explore or join this group.

Morning Book Group

Morning Book Group meets the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 am for breakfast and discussion. Questions? Call Mary Kirby at 467-1918 or email mary.k.beagle@cox.net.

Adelante Book Group

The Adelante Book Group usually meets every other month on the 4th Thursday. Books are chosen from the Adelante Book of the Month Club list, which is located on the AAUW national website (www.aauw.org). Our next meeting will be on March 22, 2012. We will discuss the book *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortenson. For more information, contact Dana Henning at 390-4355.



Community Outreach

FARM FRESH 1-2-3-4 COMMUNITY PROGRAM

- Once again, we are asking for your help with a community project that will benefit the children at the Pendleton Child Service Center. Pendleton, which is located right here in Virginia Beach, addresses the needs of children with behavioral and emotional problems. The Pendleton Child Service Center is participating in the Farm Fresh 1-2-3-4 Community Program which allows the Center the opportunity to earn free educational equipment by saving Farm Fresh receipts. The regular portion of the receipts that detail your purchases will be honored or the 1-2-3-4 Community portion (when available). Over half of the total receipts received were contributed by our branch, and the staff and students at Pendleton were most

appreciative of our help. Please keep saving your receipts from Farm Fresh, G.W. Marketplace and the Market at Tobacco Row. At each branch meeting, there will be an envelope for your receipts. I will take the receipts to the Pendleton Child Service Center periodically. At the end of our fiscal year, I will report to our branch how the children at the Center will benefit from the receipts our branch has collected. This is a rare opportunity to participate in a program that has no cost to our members, but will provide benefits for an organization in our community. Arlene Ney, 464-5394

PENNIES FOR PRESCRIPTIONS -

Our Pennies for Prescription outreach program now supports the efforts of the Beach Free Clinic. Our small but

steady donations help the less fortunate in our community to stay on their medications. Get your friends, families and co-workers involved. By making a difference in the community, everyone wins! Keep those pennies coming and many thanks for all your help.

SUITED FOR SUCCESS

- Time to check your closets again. Remember, we also accept more casual clothes since S.F.S. also is supplying shelters. Men and women's clothes welcome. Daisy Smith 467-2270

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

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Virginia Beach Branch Local Scholarship

One of the main goals of the Virginia Beach Branch is to help advance the education of women. We established a scholarship in 1994 to provide funds for a student currently enrolled in an undergraduate program. We offer at least one \$500.00 scholarship each spring to a local female resident who has returned to school after a lapse of time. We have presented 39 scholarships as of 2011, representing almost \$18,000.

Applications will be accepted through April 15, 2012. The scholarship recipient will be honored at the May dinner meeting of AAUW. Applications and criteria can be found on the web link listed below or by sending a stamped self-addressed envelope to:

Linda Todd
1124 Kittery Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23464

All applications should be sent to the above address. If you have questions, call Linda Todd at 757-467-1119. If you know someone interested in applying for this scholarship, have them click onto <http://www.aauwofva.org/branches/vabeach.htm> for the application.

Short of our Goal

We raised \$904 from our Norfolk Florist fundraiser and donations for our local scholarship funds. We are \$106 short of being able to present two \$500.00 scholarships to women returning to college. If you were not able to participate in the fundraiser, please consider making a donation to our branch local scholarship. Members may contribute to this fund at any time by giving/sending a check to:

Connie Davis, Treasurer
4250 Granby Street, #207
Norfolk, VA 23504

Thank you for your continued support of this endeavor.

Tax Deduction Reminder

Reminder: The personal tax deduction for AAUW National individual membership dues is as follows: \$46 is tax deductible, and \$3 is not tax deductible (because it supports the AAUW Action Fund's Section 501(c) (4) Lobby Corps and get-out-the-vote activities).

Theatre Event

We are happy to report that we raised \$1086.89 for AAUW Funds with our theatre event. Please give a big thank you to Fran Adams and Inez Jones, who did a bang up job selling tickets, as well as Louise Wild and Lisa Somerville, who did an awesome job on the wine and cheese reception. A great time was had by all who attended the event.

News from AAUW of Virginia

The State board conference-call-meeting was on January 4, 2012. Much of the meeting was focused on the **April 20-22, AAUW of Virginia conference in Newport News: Making Waves**. Things are coming together and the conference looks to be outstanding. There will be lots of conference information in the upcoming Winter/Spring *Vision*, which should be out sometime in February.

For the first ever One Member/One Vote (OM/OV), the *Vision* will also include the **Voter Guide, Public Policy Priorities, Proposed Bylaws Amendments and the candidates for state office**. This is important information for this historic Virginia initiative, so, when you receive it, please read it AND SAVE IT for later use. Voting will actually occur after the conference in April.

For this Winter/Spring issue, everyone will receive the *Vision* in the mail. The *Vision* is also posted on www.aauw.org. You can always read it from there, or print it to read later.

Did you opt-out of print? With the summer 2012 issue, those members who opted to receive the *Vision* online will not receive it through the mail. They will receive an email containing a link to click and open/read/and or print the *Vision* online. That email will be sent through an email service called **MailChimp**. *AAUW of Virginia Vision* will be in the subject line.

HAVE YOU... reviewed your information in the AAUW Member Services Database (MSD)?

If you haven't reviewed your information in MSD recently, **put it on your to-do list today**. It's easy to do: go to <http://www.aauw.org/login.cfm> and log in. Once logged in, click on *my profile* to check your information and make any changes. If you don't have your member number, which is needed, you will find it on the address label of the *Vision*, just above your name. Obtaining your member number from national takes only seconds right there at the log-in location above.

Patsy Quick
AAUW of Virginia
VP for Communications
703/360-8678

Directory Corrections

Please make the following corrections to your copy of the directory:

Torra Jacobs - replace work and home numbers with her cell 757-217-8543

Meyera Oberndorf: add email roger01@verizon.net

Tammie Mullins-Rice: change email to tmrice@obicihcf.org

Marjorie Saad, new phone numbers & address:

BayLake Retirement & Assisted Living Community

4225 Shore Dr. Apt. 146

Virginia Beach, VA 23455

Tel: 318-5023 Cell: 630-6677

Marjorie's daughter, Julie Sterzing, mentioned that Marjorie would appreciate hearing from fellow branch members.

AAUW STATE CONFERENCE BEING HELD APRIL 20-22, 2012

The AAUW of Virginia Spring Conference will be held April 20-22, 2012, at the Marriott Hotel of City Center at Oyster Point in Newport News. The registration fee is \$95 until March 15, and afterwards it is \$105. No reservations will be accepted after April 1. The registration fee includes the Saturday box lunch and the Saturday night banquet. There are extra charges for the Friday night dessert reception (\$18) and Saturday afternoon tours. (\$10).

Hotel info:

Marriott Hotel of City Center at Oyster Point, Newport News – check-in 4:00 p.m. \$99 conference rate = \$111.50 including tax. Rates may rise after March 28, 2012. (Advertised rate available until March 15). Call 757/873-9299: specify AAUW convention. Free parking across the street and in attached parking garage.

Conference Schedule:

Friday, April 20

11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Voter education workshop

2:00 - 6:30 p.m. State board meeting and dinner

4:00 – 8:00 p.m. Registration

Conference Attendees, Dinner on your own

7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Dessert reception with light local history program (\$18 per person)

Saturday, April 21

Breakfast on your own (\$10 buffet available in restaurant)

7:30 a.m. Walk around the lake led by Sally Sledge

7:30 – 9:30 a.m. Registration

9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Business session

Pat Woodbury, Newport News City Council- Welcome

Lisa Maatz, AAUW Dir. of Public Policy & Government. Relations

11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 3 workshops (see Registration Form)

12:30 – 1:45 p.m. Box lunch included in registration -Lisa Maatz, speaker (\$24/guests)

2:00 – 3:15 p.m. 3 workshops (repeated)

3:30-5:30 p.m. Leisure time (on your own)

2 tours offered - Hampton University Museum and Mariners' Museum

6:00 – 9:00 p.m. Cash bar

7:15-9:30 p.m. Banquet included in registration (\$45 for guests)

Sunday, April 22

Breakfast on your own (\$10 buffet available in restaurant)

7:30 a.m. Walk around the lake led by Sally Sledge

9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Business session

Speaker-Laura Puaca, former AAUW fellow and Christopher Newport University professor

AAUW of Virginia Spring Conference
April 20-22, 2012
Marriott Hotel of City Center at Oyster Point, Newport News
757/873-9299

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Past state president? _____ Board position? _____

Special designation: Branch president District chair Student affiliate

Registration fee received by March 15 - \$95; after March 15 \$105 \$ _____
 (includes Saturday box lunch and evening banquet)

Friday night dessert reception & The Division Executive Lady \$18 \$ _____

Guest meals Sat. box lunch - \$24 Sat. evening banquet - \$45 \$ _____

Name(s) _____

Saturday afternoon tours: 3:30-5:00 p.m. Choose one (optional):

Hampton University Museum guided tour, transportation provided \$10 \$ _____

Martinet's Museum guided tour, easy drive/no transportation provided - \$10 \$ _____

Make check to Hampton AALW/Conference TOTAL check amount \$ _____
 (no refunds after April 1)

Mail registration and check to: ○ ○ ○ ○ ○
 Mrs. Wilma S. Robinson, 1134 Cambridge Crescent, Norfolk, VA 23508-1222

Two Saturday meals are included in registration - indicate choice:

Boxed lunch vegetarian no olive bread roast beef ciabatta herb creissant

Evening banquet: vegetarian selection cashew crusted msh herb roasted chicken

Saturday Workshops (Select one under each time)

11:15-12:30

Making Waves with Social Media
 Sink or Swim - Getting & Keeping Members
 Getting the Vote Out

2:00-3:15

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Branch Calendar

Date	Event	Place	Time
February 16 (Thursday)	Branch Meeting	Central Library Folio Room	630 pm
February 22	Board Meeting	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	630 pm
February 25	Southeast District Meeting	TBA	TBA
March 21	Branch Meeting	Central Library Auditorium	600 pm
March 28	Board Meeting	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	630 pm
April 18	Branch Meeting	Central Library Folio Room	630 pm
April 25	Board Meeting	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	630 pm
May 10	Federal Lobby Day	TBA	TBA
May 16	Spring Banquet	TBA	TBA
May 23	Board Meeting	Our Lady of Perpetual Help	630 pm

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