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## November 2018 Newsletter

### LETTER FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS

By Barbara Marder and Michele Brillon Hauf

At our October meeting, we enjoyed learning about the Legacy Leadership Program held annually at the University of Maryland, College Park, providing training for retired seniors to participate in the state legislative process through direct work in a senator or delegate's office. Thanks to Vera Torrence and the Program Committee for bringing Wes Queen, program director, to speak to us, explaining the program and encouraging members to consider participation. Vera remains our local resource on this program as she completed the program and participated in a state delegate's office.

The news for this month is our BOOK SALE! All members, friends, teen and older children, significant others, etc., can help us make this, our one big fundraiser, another huge success. An article from the Book Sale chairs and your reminder emails provide the details, but it is participation and verbal publicity that make the sale a winner. The books are ready to move to the sale site; your help is needed to sort and display our treasures from Friday afternoon, Nov. 2, through our Wednesday night Members Party. Then more help is needed staffing the site during the sale and clearing it on the final day, Sunday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. Not only does the sale support our scholarships, our charity donations, and a small portion of our operating expenses, it provides the number one opportunity for our members to meet and greet one another in an informal work setting. Come on out and make new friends while you provide community service.

Rounding out our post Book Sale activities for 2018, plan to attend the C & C just after the sale and the Holiday Luncheon on December 8<sup>th</sup> (details below)

See you all in Pasadena with our BOOKS!

### PROGRAM COMMITTEE

By Robin Mayberry-Hembree and Miriam Morrow

After everyone has pitched in for our AAUW Used Book Sale, we're going to need a well-deserved C&C! Join Miriam Morrow, our Branch Programs Co-Chair, for Convos & Cocktails (Happy Hour until closing) at Carrol's Creek from 4-7pm On Tuesday, November 13, 2018. Located at 410 Severn Avenue, #100, Annapolis, MD 21403 (410-236-8102). Plenty of free parking.

Our next big AAUW get together is our Annual Holiday Luncheon. Mark your calendar for Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018, 11-2pm at Cafe Mezzanotte, 760 Ritchie Highway, Severna Park, MD. Great Friends, Great Food and Some Special Music will all be on tap. **\*Reservations will be limited to 60 and all reservations must be made no later than December 4<sup>th</sup>.** Come join us for a Winter Wonderful Time! See attached flyer for more details.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!

## **AAUW USED BOOK SALE**

**By Stacey Hilder and Linda King**

Thank you to all who helped us collect the thousands of books that we will be selling at our Used Book Sale next month!! It has been a VERY SUCCESSFUL collection due to the work of a lot of committed members, especially the packers and sorters who worked many hours beyond the collection times to process the many books donated to our cause. Thank you especially to Jeanne Hawn, Barb Marder, Cindy Neseth, Terry Sayler, Janice Holmes and Stacey Hilder for the extra hours and work they have done and continue to do.

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup> is the set-up of the sale** at 8159-B Ritchie Highway, in the Festival at Pasadena Shopping Center. Members will start at 9:00 am, setting up the tables and sorting books into categories. We have hired a company to move the books from EZStorage to the sale site. However, in order to keep costs down, we are looking for volunteers with trucks, SUVs, trailers and strong backs to move the books from Jeanne's garage to the storefront. Dave Hilder will be organizing that process. **Set up will begin on Friday, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>, and continue until Wednesday, Nov 7<sup>th</sup>. We will need all members to give as many hours as they can to get all of the work done.** There will be a sign up sheet available on SignupGenius that breaks the day into 3 hour shifts, but feel free to come for more than 3 hours if you can or, if that is too much, come for an hour or two. Signups help us plan the day, but if you find yourself available on a day you have not signed up for come anyway for as long as you can.. Spouses, friends and potential AAUW members are also welcome

**WEDNESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> is our Members Friends and Family Night.** Come from 6:30 to 9:00 pm to celebrate our hard work and begin the sale. Bring family and friends and enjoy some social time as you purchase the books you will be reading during the next year.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> the sale starts!** Dealers and members of the community pay \$25 to shop from 8 to 10 am. It is an exciting and very busy 2 hours and we need lots of hands to make it successful. AT 10 am, the sale opens to the public, and our job until 3:00 pm Sunday,

Nov 11<sup>th</sup>, is to work as cashiers, table restockers, greeters and helpful sales people.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00pm the sale ends** and the cleanup work begins. All left-over books need to be packed into boxes and loaded into the U-Haul trucks to be transported to the wholesaler in Frederick. Feel free to invite your spouses, kids, and grandkids to help. Tables are taken down and stacked for pick up, the room is cleaned, and all leftover cardboard boxes have to be broken down and recycled or discarded.

It takes many hands to make this sale a success. So watch for sign up information and plan to be as much a part of this process as you can. The Anne Arundel County Branch of the AAUW needs your time, energy and help during these 10 days of the year. Let's work together to make this sale the most successful yet!

## **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

**By Debby Chessin and Ashley Schaeffer**

Please join us in welcoming new member, Mary Beth Nikitin! Mary Beth earned a B.A. from Dartmouth College and an M.S. from Monterey Institute of International Studies and Policy. She currently serves as an analyst specializing in nonproliferation for the Congressional Research Service at the Library of Congress. She is interested in working with the student scholarship and grants committee.

If you haven't joined our 'Meetup Group' yet, please join us at <https://www.meetup.com/AAUW-American-Assoc-of-University-Women-Anne-Arundel-Co/> for automatic reminders about our events. It serves as an external marketing tool for our Branch.

Also, we still have some membership renewals outstanding. If you haven't renewed yet, please do so online at <http://www.aauw.org/resource/join-a-branch-or-renew-branch-membership/> or mail a check for the amount of \$70 made out to "AAUW – AACO" to Dianne Dezio at 8607 Wintergreen Ct, Unit 403, Odenton, MD 21113. Please note that you will need to join by November 20<sup>th</sup> in order to have your name and contact information in the 2018-2019 Membership Directory!

## **PUBLIC POLICY**

**By Roxann King and Vera Torrence**

October was a busy month for public Policy. At the October 8<sup>th</sup> Branch meeting, Wes Queen explained the Legacy Leadership Program run by University of Maryland for retired Marylanders. The program prepares volunteers to work during the 90-day Maryland General Assembly session.

Branch members co-sponsored three candidate forums with the League of Women Voters of Anne Arundel County: in Annapolis on October 10<sup>th</sup>; in Severna Park on October 11<sup>th</sup>; and in Odenton on October 17<sup>th</sup>. There were some glitches due to candidates not being able to attend. The forum planned for October 9<sup>th</sup> had to be cancelled; House of Delegates candidates were not able to attend the Annapolis forum; and the Senate candidates could not participate in the Odenton forum. Nevertheless the three forums held were well received with good attendance. We wish to thank all Branch members who helped with the forums.

The AAUW Maryland Public Policy Vice President, Erin Prangley, is holding conference calls on the first Monday of each month to prepare for the Maryland General Assembly session. Thank you, Joan Spring, for representing us in the October call. Two proposed bills supported by AAUW Maryland were discussed: the patient bill of rights and extending child support to include education beyond high school.

We are looking forward to representing our Branch at the Maryland Legislative Agenda for Women fall conference on Saturday, November 17 from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm at Notre Dame of Maryland University in Baltimore. The agenda and registration are available at the MLAW website: [mdlegagendaforwomen.org](http://mdlegagendaforwomen.org). The morning features a panel discussion followed by the presentation of proposed bills by advocates. The afternoon is for advocacy training. Please let Vera and Roxann know if you plan to attend: [vdtorrence@verizon.net](mailto:vdtorrence@verizon.net) and [roxann.king1@gmail.com](mailto:roxann.king1@gmail.com).

## **START-SMART PROGRAM**

**By Judith MacGregor**

Our Branch successfully facilitated National's Start Smart workshop at Mellon Hall, St John's College on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. This program is part of AAUW's effort to close the gender wage gap. Approximately 20 students, staff and Branch members attended and were lively participants. Judith MacGregor and Niv Roy Ghatak, were co-facilitators for the event and our president Michele Hauf welcomed the group. The workshop is interactive and involves some role playing, with the students making the most of the opportunity. The workshop is useful to help benchmark salaries and improve negotiating skills. The Director of Career Services at St John's, Jaime Dunn helped us to organize the event. If you are interested in future programs please contact JudithMacGregor, at [jamacgregor101@gmail.com](mailto:jamacgregor101@gmail.com), (410 9919115) or Niv Roy Ghatak at [nroyghatak@gmail.com](mailto:nroyghatak@gmail.com) (319-491-1361).

## **GREAT DECISIONS GROUP**

**Terry Saylor**

We will meet Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:45am. We will be watching a video on China and America: the new geopolitical equation followed by a lively discussion. You can get more information about the topic at [https://www.fpa.org/great\\_decisions/index.cfm?act=to\\_pic\\_detail&topic\\_id=68](https://www.fpa.org/great_decisions/index.cfm?act=to_pic_detail&topic_id=68). Please contact Terry Saylor [saylerterry2@gmail.com](mailto:saylerterry2@gmail.com) for more information.

## **MORNING BOOK CLUB**

**Mary Wittner**

The Morning Book Club will not be meeting this month – instead we will be providing drinks and light snacks for our Friends and Family Night at the Book Sale (November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at 8159B Ritchie Highway, Pasadena). We look forward to seeing everyone there!

## **EVENING BOOK CLUB**

**Stacey Hilder**

The Wednesday Evening Book Club will not be meeting this month and instead will attend the Friends and Family Night at our Branch Book Sale (November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at 8159B Ritchie Highway, Pasadena).

In December, the group will meet at 7:00pm on December 5<sup>th</sup> at the home of Roxann King to discuss *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult. Roxann lives at 209 Doncaster Rd, Arnold. Please consider joining us. For more info, contact Stacey, [stacey861@verizon.net](mailto:stacey861@verizon.net).

### **LETTER REGARDING ONE OF OUR BRANCH 'FOUNDING MOTHERS'**

Thank you very much for thinking of my mom Eve! She is still in the assisted living area at Sunrise and is quite happy there. She has very little short term memory if any, but her memories of everything she did earlier in her life make her pleased, so we look at old photos sometimes. She still remembers with fondness all of the AAUW friends, and the many book sales and meetings that they all did together.

Please tell everyone that my mom wishes them all the best as they continue in the great tradition of service and education.

Many thanks! Eve Gustafson and Karen Royer

### **THANK YOU LETTER FROM STUDENT WE SPONSORED TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR COLLEGE WOMEN LEADERS LAST JUNE**

Hello, my name is Alexandra Radovic and I am the Editor-in-Chief of the Campus Current newspaper at Anne Arundel Community College in Maryland. I had the great pleasure of attending the NCCWSL conference at the University of Maryland this past June. Upon entering the

conference, I was thrilled to be surrounded by empowered and fascinating female college leaders, like myself. Many amazing speakers shared a universal message of female leadership and the struggles women in the workforce overcome to achieve equity. I was able to share experiences with women from across the nation, studying everything from business, to engineering, to education. As an editor for a newspaper, I work in a profession that is predominantly male, which is something I was delighted to share with the women I met. The NCCWSL is an extraordinarily influential and vital group of strong willed women who combine their powers to set a new tone for a changing world, and I strongly encourage any girl who is sitting in class to raise her hand and run for class president. Be the line leader, or try out for the football team. NCCWSL taught me that I am a woman, but that is not what makes me powerful. I am powerful because I don't let gender discrimination stand in the way of my success by surrounding myself with the type of people I met at the NCCWSL conference. We are women, yes, but above all we are leaders, and no leader can succeed without the support of a team.

### **THANK YOU LETTER FROM THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS**

Thank you for helping to make our candidate forums a success! Your willingness to drive, haul and hustle; your vigilance and endurance as timers and question runners; your skill at the review table and voter registration; your gracious hospitality as greeters, and your leadership, outreach and coordination proved a wonderful winning combination. In addition to informing voters, you raised awareness of the League of Women Voters and the American Association of University Women in a very positive way.

The three forum videos may be found on our website ([www.lwvaacmd.org](http://www.lwvaacmd.org)). Please share this link so other voters can benefit from your hard work. I appreciate all that you've done. Thank you for volunteering! Niecy Chambers, LWVAAC President

## Appeal to our Philanthropists...

Part of our national mission is philanthropy in support of equity in the workplace and in education for women and girls. If you wish to contribute personally to any of our Branch award funds, send a check payable to: AAUW Anne Arundel County Branch to our treasurer: Dianne Dezio, 8607 Wintergreen Ct., #403, Odenton, MD 21113. The three funds are listed below. If you do not specify a fund, then your donation will be distributed 50%, 25%, 25%, respectively, which is the rule our Branch has determined for distributing Branch award fund monies.

- **Women-to-Women** awards to local women with needs for pursuing higher education;
- **Transfer Scholarship** awards to Anne Arundel Community College graduates transferring to a college or university;
- **AAUW Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF)** awards, presented by the national AAUW organization to women for graduate education or research related to women's issues.

## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS


November 7 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	<b>Friends and Family Book Sale Night</b> , 8159B Ritchie Highway, Pasadena
November 8-11 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs-Sun	<b>Annual Branch Used Book Sale</b> , 8159B Ritchie Highway, Pasadena
November 9 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	<b>Great Decisions Group</b> , 9:45am, contact Terry Saylor for details (info above)
November 13 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	<b>Conversations and Cocktails</b> , 4-7pm, Carrol's Creek, Annapolis
November 17 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	<b>Maryland Legislative Agenda for Women fall conference</b> , 9:30 am to 4:30 pm
December 5 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	<b>Evening Book Club</b> , 7pm Roxann King's house (info above)
December 8 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	<b>Holiday Luncheon</b> , 11-2pm, Cafe Mezzanotte, Severna Park

Recent AAUW Branch photos from the Candidate Forums (top row) and the Start Smart program (bottom row):



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It's that time of year again!

Time for the  AAUW

# FALL BOOK SALE

Sponsored by the  
**American Association of University Women  
Anne Arundel County Branch**

Join this annual partnership with the community on ...

**Thursday, November 8**

**8:00 AM – 10:00 AM Public Pre-Sale (\$25.00 entrance fee)**

<b>Thursday, November 8</b>	<b>10:00 AM to 7:30 PM</b>
<b>Friday, November 9</b>	<b>10:00 AM to 7:00 PM</b>
<b>Saturday, November 10</b>	<b>10:00 AM to 7:00 PM</b>
<b>Sunday, November 11</b>	<b>9:00 AM to 3:00 PM</b>

*(No Entrance fee Thurs. 10 AM to Sunday 3 PM.)*



**Festival at Pasadena  
8159-B Ritchie Highway, Pasadena, MD  
(in the BJ's Shopping Center next to East West Bistro)**

Further information is available:

Stacey Hilder 410-647-7041 [stacey861@verizon.net](mailto:stacey861@verizon.net)

Linda King 703-599-9646 [linda.king2939@icloud.com](mailto:linda.king2939@icloud.com)

Thank you to Fedder Management Corp, Owings Mills, MD for the site location.

Find us on Facebook at "AAUW Anne Arundel County Book Sale."

**December 8th, 2018 11:00 AM -2:00 PM**

**Cafe Mezzanotte Restaurant**

**760 Ritchie Highway Severna Park, (410-647-1100)**

**\$34.00 per person**

*Celebrate the Wonder of the Season with our AAUW Holiday Luncheon.*

*Continue old traditions or start some new ones!!*

*Extend your spirit through the support of our*

*Holiday Charity. A Special Cash/Check Collection to be given to:*

*AAUW Woman to Woman Scholarship Fund*

A Special Holiday Buffet will be served featuring Chicken Parmigiana-  
Verlasso Salmon, Penne Rosa, Caesar Salad, Seasonal Vegetables and Coffee,  
Chocolate Chip Cannoli, iced tea, soft drinks.

A CASH BAR will be available throughout the Luncheon.

RSVP DUE TO: Miriam Morrow by December 4th.

109 CEDAR ROAD, SEVERNA PARK, MD 21146

410-446-0033/ Miriammorrow@yahoo.com

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Y N I am Bringing # \_\_\_\_\_ Guests.

My Check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Made out to AAUW is Enclosed.