

PERSPECTIVES

Communication from our AAUW of Virginia Co-Presidents:

AAUW of Virginia Annual Business Meeting April 1, English Inn, Charlottesville, VA

Registration Deadline: March 24

We want to see you!

AAUW of Virginia is having an Annual Business Meeting (ABM) this spring, instead of a conference, at the English Inn of Charlottesville, April 1. The meeting will begin at 10:00 AM and end after lunch. The reason we are keeping the meeting short is to help members save money for the National Convention which is being held in Washington, D.C. in June. The Virginia *Vision* that was emailed to everyone recently has all the details. A registration form is attached! (Deadline is March 24). After the meeting, members are invited to participate in creating a beautiful glass bowl or other item (see photos in the *Vision*) at **The Glass Palette**. We want to give our minds some fun!

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO ATTEND THIS MEETING?

- The Keynote speaker, Dr. Sidney Bland, will talk about “Echoes of the Woman Suffrage Past: Parades, Demonstrations, and Memorials, with Eyes Always on the Prize.” Dr. Bland is on the Board of the TURNING POINT SUFFRAGIST MEMORIAL.
- **Branches will be recognized and rewarded for their work this year, and Named Honorees will be presented, along with door prizes.**
- This is a great chance to network with AAUW members from around the state.
- **Most important reason to attend is to be a part of the unified spirit of AAUW of Virginia and to be nourished by your connection with other like-minded women.**

You don't want to miss this opportunity to work and play with AAUW of Virginia!

The registration form is attached. Don't miss the deadline, March 24!

Patsy Quick and Sandy Lawrence
Co-Presidents, AAUW of Virginia

Note to Newport News branch members: If you are interested in carpooling, please contact Carolyn Hughes.

Second Annual Conference on the Global Status of Women and Girls

**March 24 – 26, 2017 (Friday through Sunday)
Christopher Newport University, Newport News, Virginia**

Registration is on Friday, March 24, from 8:15 a.m. until noon on the second floor of the David Student Union. When you register, identify yourself as an AAUW member who is attending free of charge.

Details and a tentative schedule of presentations to be made by academics and professionals may be found at www.globalstatusofwomen-conf.org. There are concurrent sessions, and Carolyn Hughes is scheduled to make a presentation on AAUW just prior to the lunch break on both Friday and Saturday.

The Newport News branch will have a table with information on AAUW at the conference. If you are able to volunteer at the table or to assist Carolyn, please contact her at 247-0553 or 876-2421 or at carolhug@msn.com.

Invitation from AAUW Portsmouth Branch to join them for an Equal Pay Day Event

The Portsmouth Branch and Baby Talk Café are sponsoring an Equal Pay Day event on **Tuesday, April 4, 2017, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.** On this date, women will receive a 20% discount on all coffee beverages. Equal Pay Day symbolizes the point in the next year to which women must work to match the earnings of men in the previous year. Nationally, among full-time, year round workers, women typically are paid 80% of what men are paid.

Tanya Hodnett (owner of Baby Talk Café) and Portsmouth AAUW members encourage women and men to stop in on April 4 to enjoy a cup of coffee while learning more about this important issue and discussing how all of us working together can make a difference. Baby Talk Café is a child friendly coffee shop located in the Churchland Shopping Center, 5792 Churchland Blvd., Portsmouth. Baby Talk Café is a community coffee shop that is designed to welcome caregivers along with their young children.

Our members are invited to join the Portsmouth Branch AAUW members for a reduced-price cup of coffee to bring awareness of the wage gap and its long term impact on women and their families.

Newport News Branch AAUW Annual Business Meeting

Saturday, April 15, 2017, at 10:30 a.m.

Location will be emailed to members when it is confirmed.

Business items on the agenda include election of officers and approval of a budget for the coming year.

The location may be changed from the one listed in the yearbook. Branch members will be informed of the location and additional details by a separate email.

Virginia Women's Monument Legacy Project

The Virginia Women's Monument Legacy Project is having a "March to Mother's Day" fundraiser in support of the Women's Monument in Richmond. You can honor a special woman or women with a donation. More information is available at www.Virginialegacy.com

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