



Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research

In principle and 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.

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GREENSBORO BRANCH PROGRAMS

Unless otherwise noted, We meet at the Congregational United Church of Christ at 400 W. Radiance Drive in Greensboro.

Turn at traffic light for Friendly and Radiance Drive (close to UNCG where Aycock St. goes under Friendly). To access parking lot, turn on drive which crosses in front of church. Meeting room is on the right hand side of church.

Tues. Sept. 11, 6:00 pm	Traditional Salad Supper (Please bring your favorite salad.)
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Kick-off of AAUW Greensboro’s 100th Year and recognition of landmark Title IX legislation’s 40th Anniversary - - Speaker: Dr. Donna Duffy, UNCG, “Title IX – Benefits and Future Challenges”

Sat. Oct. 6, 9:30 am – 1 pm	Triad Women’s Agenda Assembly
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Business & Professional Women of the Triad, and NC Women United invited us to meet at Unity in Greensboro Community Life Center, 1935 Opal Drive 27403, to discuss and prioritize the issues that affect NC women and their families. Your voice helps to direct the agenda that NC Women United and advocates use to push for useful legislation. More details will be available on Sept. 11th at the branch meeting. Call 299-6870, or e-mail mfs2809@triad.rr.com for more info/carpools

Tues., Oct. 9, 6:30 pm	Snacks & socializing 6:45 pm Program
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Our Privilege & Responsibility: Informed Voting

Wed. Oct. 24, 6:30 pm	Movie: “Human Trafficking” Location: UNCG, New Education Building, Spring Garden Street.
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Dr. Ann Dils, UNCG AAUW University Representative, has invited Branch members to attend as guests of the Women and Gender Studies Department.

Sat., Nov. 17, 11:00 am	Luncheon Party – Emerald Event Center, 2000 E. Wendover Ave.
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Looking Back, Moving Forward: Celebrating AAUW

Greensboro’s 100th Year – Birthday Cake & All. Silent Auction to raise money for AAUW Funds used for graduate study grants and fellowships to women as well as for legal support on issues of discrimination faced by women. **Featured Speaker: Denise Turner Roth, Greensboro City Manager.** Make reservations by Nov. 7. Mail check for \$20 to Everlena Diggs, 3202 Cabarrus Dr. Greensboro 27407

Book Browsers

Sept. 10: “Catherine the Great”, by Robert K Massie. Leader: Marilyn Cotten-McMichael
Oct. 1: “Caleb’s Crossing”, by Geraldine Brooks. Leader: Libby Haile
 The meetings are **3:00-4:30 p.m.** at the KCEF Branch Library in Price Park off Hobbs Road.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I am very excited to start my journey as President of AAUW -Greensboro. I’m looking forward to a brilliant future with wonderful programming and social events in the next two years.

I personally want to thank Sue Metz for doing such an excellent job over these past few years - I will strive to continue AAUW’s high caliber of success. Come to think of it...I’d also like to thank all the past presidents that I’ve known over the years – they have been outstanding role models and a huge inspiration for me as I look to my future leadership role as President. It’s truly an honor and a privilege to be among these greats. Please join me in welcoming new members of the board and new AAUW-GSO members. These new members and our current ones have a wealth of experience and many cool ideas for the upcoming months!

As the in-coming president, I see one of my major roles is as a facilitator of the members’ needs. Please know that I’m hoping that each of you will send me your ideas, thoughts, and constructive critiques to help further our organization and its upcoming programs. With your ingenuity and creativity we can implement many new ideas. You just have to get involved.

We are looking for members to help fill certain key positions on the board. I’m hoping that if you are interested and have a great vision for the organization, you’ll contact me and based on your passion and expertise, we’ll help you find a great position. This is a terrific way to meet other members, but more importantly, help shape the path of the AAUW- GSO.

-- Deb Richardson, president

MEMBERSHIP INITIATIVE

Our 100th Anniversary Year of AAUW-Greensboro is a great time to encourage your friends to join us as we strive to make a difference for Women and Girls. Membership in AAUW is open to anyone with an associate or equivalent (RN) or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution. Fees normally are: \$49 (\$46 are tax deductible) for national; \$11 for AAUWNC the State organization; and \$13 for our local branch or a total of \$73. During our next 2 monthly meetings, which are public events, we offer 50% off the National dues. The new total will be \$42. Our year is from July 1 – June 30. Graduate Students may join for \$18.81 (National), \$11 AAUWNC, and Branch \$13 or total of \$43. To be eligible for the discounts sign the Guest Referral Form at the Event. Then fill out the Membership Application and include it with your check made out to AAUW-Greensboro Branch. Give it to the Branch Treasurer, Everlena Diggs. If you want the Membership Committee to send a note to your friends contact Mary Fran Schickedantz.

LETTER FROM IT WORKSHOP STUDENT TO JANIE DOMINIQUE

Ms. Dominique,

It was an absolute pleasure meeting you at UNCG the past week and I am very honored that you encouraged me to look further into your program. I can honestly say that the things I have seen on your website are the things that I have always been intrigued by. I thought that it was wonderful that there is a program that focuses on the women in the world of STEM. I saw how there are people who are dedicated to making things equal for women in IT by using their voice. That automatically made me happy because I love writing speeches and the bullying issues that were posted on the page were a part of a speech I did last year for completion. [sic] The camp also helped me realize that I enjoy the filmmaking so I may one day pursue video production; this career would need a major IT background so AAUW seems like the place to be. Also the fact that AAUW focuses on the aspect of women in our ever growing world is my favorite part of it all. This program is simply amazing and I hope one day in the future I will be involved in a program like AAUW. Thank You so much! -- *Mutsa Mukahanana*

AAUW GSO BRANCH ANNIVERSARY

Celebrating 100 years: Looking Back, Moving Forward! It's a great time to be thinking back on the people, issues, and events that have shaped our branch. We'd like to capture some of these memories in an informal

historical album, which can also offer new members insight into the spirit and doings of our branch. An anecdote, names, artifacts of notable events—please come to our meeting with something in hand or in mind. We'll work together through the fall, gathering entries to create our branch album. -- *Linda Jensen*

PUBLIC POLICY AND “FATAL PROMISES”

The film titled "Fatal Promises," about human trafficking, will be shown at The School of Education Building 114 on Wed., Oct. 24, at 6:30 p.m. Sponsored by UNCG's Women and Gender Studies Department,. This film depicts one of the most shameful crimes in our society, Please contact any of the AAUW Board members to make carpooling arrangements; e.g. Charlotte Divitci, Mary Fran Schickedantz, Debra Richardson, Sue Mengert, Janie Dominique, etc.

The Public Policy Pilot Project is continuing into this year. For those who agreed to be "Receivers," please continue to respond to notices from the PPP participants who ask for action on different issues. Please make note of your responses and actions taken as result of alerts and notices from AAUW or from any group that advocates action on issues concerning women, especially those on healthcare, equal pay, violence against women, and equal rights. Thank you so much!

-- *Charlotte Divitci, Public Policy Chair*

WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY CELEBRATION

Ten of us from AAUW-Greensboro attended the community celebration breakfast spearheaded by Women of Guilford, Inc., honoring the 92nd Anniversary of the end of the Women's Suffrage ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution – August 26, 1920. Mayor Pro Tem, Yvonne Johnson, presented 'Keys to the City' to the Honorable Katie Dorsett and the Honorable Maggie Jeffus recognizing their contributions in support of Women's/family issues in the NC Legislature. Beth Briggs, Exe. Director, NC Council for Women, made a Keynote Presentation. To find the survey which she cited, see www.councilforwomen.nc.gov On the Home Page you will find "The Preliminary Findings of the 2012 Status of the Women of NC Report". Ten members of our branch attended.

Go to aauw.org and click on the right hand side of the home page which says: Blog: 5 ways to celebrate Women's Equality Day.

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