

PROGRAM VP REPORT WINTER BOARD RETREAT

Thanks to Mary Folsom for the design of our 2005 convention logo.

This is going to be a convention you won't want to miss...lots of action, information sharing, discussions, recognition and just plain fun. The Asheville convention committee under the capable leadership of Grace Walker, convention chair and the AAUWNC Program Committee have been hard at work since last fall. As you look over the schedule I am sure you'll find something that appeals to you. A few highlights are:

The action starts Friday, April 15 on the UNCA campus at 1pm with a panel discussion *Different Needs; Different Times*. Dr. William Spellman will open the program with a brief overview of the intergenerational center and it's programs at UNCA. Eight women will cover the lifeline continuum starting with a college senior through retirement as to their concerns, issues of interest and what they want from any women's organization.

SATURDAY

An early Sat. breakfast will feature Marian J. Peters, who received a career development grant from the Educational Foundation and is studying at Wake Forest University. Our keynote speaker will address women's leadership around the theme of PURPOSE, POWER and PROGRESS.

Workshops will be presented on a variety of topics: education, public policy (social security reform is the hottest beltway topic) and technology.

"Topic Lunch" will give you a chance to discuss the topic you select with others at your table

The afternoon business session promises to offer a chance to fine tune AAUWNC to meet our ever changing organizational needs.

The evening reception and banquet is meant to both inspire and recognize achievements by our members.

SUNDAY

Breakfast with LAF and learn that equity is still an issue. We will then remember those who have shaped our past. Two outstanding branch projects will be shared with everyone. Our Association Regional Director will install the new officers.

We are all busy people, but I firmly believe we make time in our lives for the things we really want to attend and do. Hope to see you in Asheville, April 15 - 17.

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