

CONVENTION DETAILS

Three Concurrent Workshops

The workshops on Saturday are planned specifically to carry out AAUW's mission.

- **"Public Policy in Your Hometown"** is being led by **Joycelyn Johnson**, Winston-Salem City Council member, and **Mary Peterson**, AAUW NC Public Policy Chair. This team is back by popular demand to discover ways to become involved in public policy in your town. Such involvement might lead to running for local office or more.
- Putting your best foot forward in getting the job you want and deserve begins with **"Interviewing Skills,"** the workshop being led by **Karla Atkinson**, AAUW NC Secretary, and **Geraldine Hambley**. They will introduce the project initiated by the Brevard Branch. First impressions do make a difference to prospective employers.
- In the workshop titled **"Using Tools for Equity,"** **Carol Newnam**, AAUW South Atlantic Regional Director, will highlight equity research that has been done by AAUW and give examples of how some of the research has been used. **Professor Catherine Dunham** of Elon University School of Law will discuss legal protocol and pay equity. Presently, Professor Dunham teaches Civil Procedure and Trial Advocacy.

Featured Speakers

NC Representative Alma Adams will be the Luncheon Speaker on Saturday. She has served in the North Carolina General Assembly since 1994. Among the bills Representative Adams has spearheaded, three that she considers most significant are the Children's Breakfast Bill, the Displaced Homemaker's legislation, and the passage of HB 2174 which increased the state's minimum wage from \$5.15 to \$6.15 per hour.

NC Senator Kay Hagan will be the Banquet Speaker. During her ten years in the NC Senate, Senator Hagan has worked for passage of legislation that is in line with issues related to AAUW's Mission. In the 2007-08 General Assembly, she served as Senate Co-Chair of the powerful Appropriations Committee. Senator Hagan also served as Co-Chair of the Pensions, Retirement and Aging Committee. She was the primary sponsor of a bill to provide additional funds to NC Public Libraries and is a well known advocate for education and healthcare, especially the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

Special Guest

Eleanora E. Tate, recipient of the 2007 AAUW NC Juvenile Literature Award, will speak briefly at the luncheon and be available to autograph her Award-winning book, *Celeste's Harlem Renaissance*.