

# Fast-Moving Programs Featured At Conference

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The Summer Leadership Conference was outstanding this year, thanks to the hard work of Sue Metz and Nancy Shoemaker. Thirty-five members enjoyed a two-part workshop on "Selling AAUW." The first part featured a PowerPoint program complimented by a booklet that explained how to sell AAUW. The booklet made the program easy to follow and it was particularly helpful to have the information in front of us so we didn't need to take notes. It gave us many concrete ideas to bring back to our branches and small group discussion allowed us to network and helped us apply the ideas. The second part of the workshop showed us how to build effective, eye-catching, and informative booths. We were all very impressed to see what can be done with a little ingenuity, imagination, and energy. Three examples of booths were displayed and each was a masterpiece! All the pertinent information about booth building was also in our handy booklet. Many thanks and congratulations to Sue and Nancy on a job well done! See page three for photos.

After lunch, we had two speakers: Erin Byrd, coalition coordinator for North Carolina Voters for Clean Elections and Nina Moseley, director of Democracy South. Erin and Nina gave a lively presentation on the problems created by our current campaign financing practices. Their organizations are working to encourage public financing of campaigns in order to allow people of any economic status to run for office. AAUW NC is a member of the NCVCE coalition.

During lunch, the program committee met to discuss Convention 2003. The general theme of the convention will be education over the lifespan with special emphasis on the Educational Foundation, North Carolina public schools, and the need for education and special training to care for the aging and disabled. We have three tentative workshops that will be held in the morning and repeated in the afternoon. We hope to have a strong Leader on Loan from National and an exceptional keynote speaker. We've made a good start and will continue to work hard to put on an exciting and instructional weekend. The next *Tar Heel News* will carry more information about Convention 2003. Don't forget to mark April 4-5, 2003 on your calendars and plan to join us in Raleigh.



**INTENT DISCUSSION**—Clara Allen, Barbara Ann Hughes, and Laura Rumbley join other board members in making plans for the AAUW NC 2002-2003 year during the Summer Board Meeting and Leadership Conference hosted by High Point. Clara (Chapel Hill) is historian, Barbara Ann (Raleigh/Wake Co.) is state public policy liaison, and Laura (Jacksonville) is president. Barbara Ann was one of the honorees at the Triangle Business Journal's Women in Business Awards 2002. She was also honored with the Southeast Regional Trustee Award at the annual convention of the National Association of Local Boards of Health, held in New Orleans. She is chairing a new Wake Co. Human Services Board Committee on "Seniors." Congratulations, Barbara Ann!