



# AAUW NC Spring Convention

March 15-17, 2002  
Greensboro, NC

## Change, Survive & Thrive

Open to All AAUW NC Members & Members at Large  
Hosted by AAUW NC Triad Cluster  
Greensboro, High Point, Winston-Salem, Alamance, and Eden Branches

**Convention Registration & Updates**  
[www.rtpnet.org/aauwnc/01-02/Convention](http://www.rtpnet.org/aauwnc/01-02/Convention)

### Agenda Highlights

#### *Friday, March 15, 2002*

- 3:30 - 9:00 p.m. Registration
- 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Local Tours, Entertainment Package
- 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. NC State Board Meeting

#### *Saturday, March 16, 2002*

- 8:00 - 8:00 p.m. Registration
- 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. Hospitality Room open
- 7:00 a.m. Exercise with Julie Luther
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
  - Mary Jo Pribble, NC State President
  - Millie Hoffler-Foushee, Greensboro Branch President
  - Greensboro City Official
  - LaRonnica Willians, SAR Director
- 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. General Session I • Keynote address by AAUW Leader-on-Loan
- 10:30 - 11:45 a.m. Workshops I, II and III Choice
- 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Awards Luncheon
  - LAF, EF, Membership Youth Literature Award Winner
- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Business Meeting - Session I
- 3:15 - 4:15 p.m. Town Meeting
- 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. Counterpart Discussions
- 5:15 - 6:00 p.m. First Timers' Reception
- 6:30 - 7:00 p.m. Social Reception • Cash Bar
- 7:10 - 9:30 p.m. 75th Anniversary Celebration Dinner

#### *Sunday, March 17, 2002*

- 6:30 - 8:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 8:30 - 8:50 a.m. Memorial Service
- 9:00 - 10:45 a.m. Business Session II • Closing Remarks and Adjournment

## **Please Use REVISED Registration Form!**

- A revised registration form, to be duplicated and given to members who have not yet registered, has been mailed to branch presidents. It includes information not on the original form, including the Friday night event at the dinner theatre.  
*Registration deadline is still Feb. 13.* Members may also choose to register online with or without a credit card.

## **Special Features**

- Salute to AAUW NC 50 year members
- Opportunity to meet Nancy Rustad, AAUW President and Leader-on-Loan; Patty McCabe, Director of the Legal Advocacy Fund; LaRonnia Williams, SAR Director, other special speakers & guests
- Annual Meeting of AAUW NC, including election of two officers
- Spectacular Workshops on Important Topics
- Optional Tour of Local Area • Parade of Banners • Celebration!

## **First Timers' Reception**

- If you have never been to an AAUW NC Convention, 2002 is the year! We are planning a First Timers' Reception just for you. This will be your opportunity to get up close and personal with state board members, the South Atlantic Regional Director, and the national president of AAUW—all while enjoying some special hors d'oeuvres and a glass of wine or soft drink. We're sure that once you experience the energy and fun of the convention, you'll want to keep coming back. It is time to treat yourself to a terrific weekend. You'll have a great time!

## **Silent EF Auction**

- Branches can bring nice items to auction (not used junk) or a basket on which to sell chances. All the money raised from an item is credited to the branch that provided it. Bids will be taken during the day Saturday and awarded on Saturday night at the banquet.

## **The Barn Dinner Theatre**

- Friday, Mar. 15 • \$35/person  
discover the oldest dinner theatre in the U.S. in continuous operation. Feast on the traditional buffet, then settle back for an entertaining Broadway style show, *Smoke on the Mountain*. Transportation will be provided. We will leave at 5:30 p.m., so board members will not be able to attend.

## **75th Anniversary Reception—What An Evening!**

- We'll have time to celebrate our history and to greet new and old friends at the Diamond Jubilee reception. At dinner, each branch will have two representatives lifting their voices in songs from earlier years. Some may even dress up to mark the era they are celebrating. Our own talented Clara Allen from Chapel Hill is coordinating and directing this part. She would like each branch to be represented by at least two people. If you would like to be part of this chorus, please contact Clara: 42 Crossvine Close, Fearington Village, Pittsboro, NC 27312, or 919.542.1588 rdcballen@webtv.net. Clara would like to know if you are a soprano or alto (1st or 2nd) and if you are a member of a choir or chorus or have a professional group. Provide your e-mail and home addresses, phone number, and AAUW branch. Experience is not necessary and it will be great fun.

## **Hotel Reservations Due Feb. 13**

- For reservations, call the Greensboro Marriott Downtown Hotel at 800.228.9290 or 336.379.8000. Ask for a room in the AAUW block (Handicapped rooms also available). Room rate is \$99 per night, single or double, plus 12% tax. Continental breakfast included. Reservations due by Feb. 13. Rooms held for AAUW NC will be released after that date and the room rate will increase. Check-in, 3 p.m. Checkout, 12 noon.

## **Directions to Greensboro Marriott Downtown**

- 304 N. Greene St.. From the East: Take I-85 S to the NC-6/E Lee St exit #128. Keep RIGHT at the fork in the ramp and merge onto E. Lee St./NC-6 W. Turn RIGHT onto Eugene St. Turn RIGHT onto Smith St. Turn RIGHT onto Greene St. Hotel is straight ahead on the left. From the West: Take I-40 E to the NC-68 exit #210, Piedmont Triad Int'l Airport. Turn LEFT onto NC-68N toward the airport. Take ramp toward Airport Parkway (Bryan Blvd.). Follow Bryan Blvd. which changes to Benjamin Parkway. Merge RIGHT onto Smith St. Follow to Greene St and turn RIGHT. Hotel is straight ahead on the left.

## **Great Workshops**

### **International Relations**

Presenters: Mary Jo Pribble, President of AAUW NC,  
Shirley Quisenberry, Chair, International Affairs, AAUW NC  
Special Guest: Nancy Rustad, AAUW President

- The 27th Conference of IFUW was held last August in Ottawa. Over 800 women from 71 countries attended. This workshop will review the important issues discussed at the Conference including information about International Fellowships, the Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund and projects it supports, and the work of IFUW with many of the United Nations agencies and conferences. Information on the status of our Bina Roy Partner, the Costa Rica Association of University Women, will be presented. IFUW is currently working on issues concerning the status of women in Afghanistan and the latest developments will be included in the discussion.

### **Networking in Public Policy**

Presenters: Barbara Ann Hughes, Chair of Public Policy, State Issues for AAUW NC,  
Dorothy Busey, Chair of Public Policy, Federal Issues for AAUW NC  
Special Guest Panelist: Tenola Brown, Business Information License Office, Department of the Secretary of State

- The Jacksonville Regional and Statesville Branches will model local community networking with likeminded women's organizations to advocate and monitor their respective local governments' appointments of women to boards and commissions. Mary Peterson will act as moderator for the panel.

### **Getting the most out of the 21st Century Recognition Program**

Presenter: Laura Rumbley, President Elect, AAUW NC  
Special Guest: LaRonnica "Ronnie" Williams, South Atlantic Regional Director

- Find out how your branch can make the most of its programs and get the most recognition for its hard work. Have all your questions answered about the new 21st Century Recognition Program. Ronnie Williams will be there to present feedback and will help to answer any questions that participants may have. There will be handouts and information to take back to your branch.

## **Director of Legal Advocacy Fund Drops In**

- Patricia McCabe, director of the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund will give a short presentation on Saturday at the AAUW NC Convention. Following her speech, Patricia will participate in the Town Hall meeting with AAUW President Nancy Rustad and SAR Director Ronnie Williams. Come and get acquainted with these knowledgeable leaders and ask any questions you have about our organization.

## **About Nancy Rustad, AAUW President**

The Program Committee is delighted to announce that Nancy Rustad, AAUW president, will be our Leader-on-Loan at our Convention. We believe that Nancy will bring to us a wealth of knowledge and practical know-how as we work to "Change, Survive and Thrive." We are truly honored that she will be with us for our 75th Anniversary.

Nancy has served as AAUW membership vice president, on the membership committee and as chair of the 1996 Conference of State Presidents Planning Committee. She has worked on a variety of Association and cross-corporate committees. She served Minnesota AAUW president after holding numerous state and branch positions, and belongs to two Minnesota branches: St. Croix Valley Branch in her community and 3M Center Branch in her workplace, a branch she started seven years ago. A long-time activist for women and girls, Nancy enjoys bringing people together and making things happen. She initiated and led collaborative efforts such as the Women Vote project with the Minnesota Women's Consortium and a Growing Smart media campaign with the Minnesota Women's Fund; brought in the UNICEF Girls and Girlhood exhibit with the Upper Midwest Women's History Center.

Professionally, Nancy is a laboratory manager in the medical surgical division at 3M. She holds a master's degree in pharmacology and a bachelor's degree in zoology / chemistry. She led research programs in both the pharmaceutical and medical device areas before moving into product development and management.

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