

North Carolina AAUW State Convention • New Bern, N.C.

Education-Gateway to the future for Women and Girls

Friday, March 31, 2006

- 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. **"Pathways for Women: Money, Careers, Language"**
Sponsored by AAUW NC and Craven Community College. See details at bottom of page 5. Faculty, students and public invited. Directions on page 7. Registration-college workshops only 9-10 a.m. Program, 10-11:15 a.m.; Networking 11:15-11:30 a.m.
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch on your own
- 12:00 – 9:00 p.m. **Convention Registration at Sheraton New Bern Hotel and Marina**
- 2:00 – 11:00 p.m. **Hospitality Suite**
- 2:00 p.m. **Tour of Tryon Palace, \$12**
- 4:00 p.m. **Trolley Tour, \$15**
- 5:45 p.m. Supper on your own – Two options: Restaurant of your choice or with board members and others meeting with Tim Tyson, location TBA
- 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. **AAUW NC Board Meeting**

Saturday, April 1, 2006

- 7:30 – 8:45 a.m. Breakfast on your own OR
Legal Advocacy Fund Breakfast featuring a plaintiff
Lill Van Order, AAUW NC LAF chair, says, "The name of the plaintiff will be announced at the breakfast. We must be sensitive to their wanting to remain fairly anonymous."
- 8:00 – 6:00 p.m. **Convention Registration at Sheraton New Bern Hotel and Marina**
- 9:00 – 10:15 a.m. **Standard Opening and Keynote Address – TBA**
- 10:15 – 10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 – 11:40 a.m. **Workshops (Morning and afternoon)**
Women and Money
Richard Moore, State Treasurer, and Kenneth Wilkins, who oversees the Unclaimed Property Division of treasury offices
Education Equity
Ashley Osment, Senior Attorney from UNC Center for Civil Rights
Department of Labor Apprenticeship and Training Program
Presenter: TBA

Kenneth Wilkins

- Bachelor's degree in political science, Shaw University
- Master's degree in American government and public law, Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green Ohio
- *Juris doctor* degree, University of Kentucky.
- Served briefly on the legal staff of the N.C. Department of Corrections
- Assistant to the executive vice president, Shaw University
- Elected as the Wake County Register of Deeds in 1982 and was re-elected to the office for three consecutive terms.
- Appointed to serve as Deputy Secretary of the Department of Administration; worked with nine divisions.
- Appointed deputy treasurer for administrative services in 2001 by State Treasurer Richard Moore, where he oversaw the state's unclaimed property program, N.C. Cash, the Human Resources Department, and other sections within the office.
- In 2004, with the growth in the Unclaimed Property Program, a separate Division was created for this program and Wilkins was appointed to oversee this Division.

Barbara Biba

- Boland School of Brno, Czech Republic
- TEFL Certificate
- UNC-Greensboro:
Post Baccalaureate Certificate in Gerontology
Bachelor of science, School of Human Environmental Sciences, Human Development and Family Studies: Emphasis on Adults and Aging.
- Currently Cape Fear Literacy Council ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages), Coordinator.
- Works with Cape Fear Community College as an ESL Instructor

Saturday, April 1, 2006

- 12:00 – 1:15 p.m. **Luncheon with Dr. June Atkinson,**
N.C. State Superintendent of Schools
- 1:15 – 3:15 p.m. **Annual Business Meeting** - President Joanne Hill
- 3:15 – 3:25 p.m. **Pepsi Break**
- 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. **Repeat workshops**
- 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. **Hospitality Room**
- 6:15 – 7:00 p.m. **Reception for Members and Guests with Cash Bar**
- 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. **Awards Banquet with Dr. Delores Parker,**
Vice-president of academic and student services for N.C. community colleges
- 9:30 – 11:00 p.m. **Hospitality Room Open**

Sunday, April 2, 2006

- 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. Breakfast on your own.
Option: Leadership Breakfast to learn about 2006-2007 opportunities. Location TBA.
- 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. **Memorial Service**
Branch presidents are asked to send the names of members who have passed away since the last convention to Joanne Hill, AAUW NC president, by March 27.
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. **Branch Projects**
Projects presented this year are two that involve working with your local schools. Attend and learn what your branch can do in your community
Bryson City: 'Yes We Can'
Winston-Salem: 'Healthy Lifestyles'
- 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. **Business Wrap-Up and Installation of Officers**
- 11:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

Convention is open to all members of AAUW, including branch members and members-at-large

S. Ashley Osment

- Senior Attorney, UNC Center for Civil Rights, focusing on public school re-segregation
- *Juris doctor* degree, UNC-Chapel Hill, 1995.
- From 1987-1990, assistant legislative director, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) in Washington, D.C., where she coordinated grassroots lobbying throughout the United States and wrote position papers on a number of issues for the organization's membership.
- After graduating from law school, Osment litigated civil rights cases with the Chapel Hill law firm McSurely & Osment, focusing on employment, housing discrimination, education and police misconduct.

Apprenticeship and Training Bureau

- This N.C. state bureau administers an apprenticeship program to help workers learn new specialized skills needed in today's workforce. It combines on-the-job training with invaluable classroom instruction.
- The bureau helps community colleges, technical institutions, universities and individual employers come together to provide training to give apprentices a competitive edge in the global economy.
- Skilled consultants provide technical assistance, monitoring and consulting services to qualified employers willing to take on the responsibilities and obligations of program sponsorship.

"Pathways for Women: Money, Careers, Language"

- Part I, presented by Kenneth Wilkins, deals with state scholarships and how they are financed by unclaimed cash. Participants will be able to submit their names and see if they are on a list to receive unclaimed cash.
- Part II is dealing with women in non-traditional fields (aviation and engineering programs at the college)
- Part III, presented by Barbara Biba, is about ESOL

EF Notes - Bring a Basket to Convention!

Rusty Bradke, AAUW NC Educational Foundation Chair

Thanks to all the branch Educational Foundation chairs for a good job this past year, raising money and sending in reports for this important part of AAUW. The final totals will be announced at our Convention.

Next important project is the basket raffle to be held at the Convention. It is an easy way to begin fund raising for this new year. Put together a basket of related items and we will turn it into cash for credit to your Branch fund raising.