

# Peters Earns Degree Thanks To EF Career Grant

Virginia Palmer and Virginia Owen  
Statesville Branch

Marian J. Peters, an EF career development grant recipient, was the featured speaker at the AAUW NC EF Breakfast. After the breakfast, she was invited to speak at the Statesville Branch banquet.

Marian, an associate professor of physics at Appalachian State University, has a bachelor's degree in math and physics, and a doctorate in physics. She told the branch about her two-year

leave to get a physician's assistant degree from Wake Forest and her May 16 graduation. Marian spoke about her desire to get the new degree, in order to pursue her special interests in the areas of poverty and health care equity.

She also spoke about her strong support of the current and controversial issue, women in science.

Born in the USA, Marian grew up in India, where her father was a hospital administrator. Even as a very small child, she realized how blessed she was and how many people were hungry, sick, and in

poverty. She has basically spent her life trying to help people. Her physician's assistant degree is not to change professions from a professor to a doctor, but to allow her to spend her own time working in clinics where indigent people come for medical care.

A portion of Marian's EF grant sponsorship funding came from the Statesville Branch Enola G. Retherford Grant. Additionally, she was funded by other North Carolina grants, including the North Carolina Golden Anniversary, Adelaide and Elizabeth Johnson, and the Beth Norris Grants.



Marian J. Peters

# Strategy, Restructuring Work Continues at Summer Meeting, July 30

## Overview

Please mark your calendars for the AAUW NC Summer Board Meeting, July 30 in Research Triangle Park. This will be a working board meeting, continuing the discussions of the winter retreat, not the usual summer leadership conference. Registration and networking begins at 8:30 a.m. The meeting is from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., with a break for lunch, included in the registration fee.

Branch presidents are members of the state board and are encouraged to attend. However, the new bylaws allow them to name representatives to carry their votes to board meetings. Those who just can't fit the meeting into their schedules, are asked to consider finding representatives to keep you posted on what happens and represent your views at the meeting. Note that the "representative" need not be a member of your branch. See additional information on the bylaws changes, page six.

For other details on the meeting, see [www.aauwnc.org/05-06/SummerBoard](http://www.aauwnc.org/05-06/SummerBoard).

The meeting will be held in the board room at UNC-TV, 10 T. W. Alexander Dr., Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. The room is on the first floor, very near the main entrance.

### More to do in Raleigh that weekend:

- Streets at Southpoint Mall: Exit 276 (Fayetteville Rd) on I-40.
- James Taylor, Alltel Pavilion, Friday - [www.alltelpavilion.com](http://www.alltelpavilion.com)
- Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, Kennedy Theater at BTI Center, Friday/Saturday [www.hotsummernightsatthekennedy.org](http://www.hotsummernightsatthekennedy.org)
- NC Art Museum outdoor concerts and films, Dervish (Celtic Wonders), Friday; Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban, Saturday; [www.ncartmuseum.org](http://www.ncartmuseum.org)
- More: [www.visitraleigh.com](http://www.visitraleigh.com), [www.durham-nc.com](http://www.durham-nc.com), [www.chocvb.org](http://www.chocvb.org)

## Registration

Send form below, along with a check for \$12, payable to "AAUW Raleigh/Wake County" to Gloria Blanton, 1322 Dogwood Lane, Raleigh, NC 27607-6820.

Questions: Call Gloria at 919.782.9506 (before 10 a.m. or after 8:30 p.m.) or e-mail her at [gh7599@hotmail.com](mailto:gh7599@hotmail.com) or e-mail [aauw@rtpnet.org](mailto:aauw@rtpnet.org). Registration should be postmarked by July 20 to guarantee lunch.

## Lodging Reservation Deadline: Wednesday, June 22

For those staying overnight July 29, a block of non-smoking double rooms has been reserved at Comfort Inn, 4507 NC Highway 55, Durham, NC 27713 • 919.361.2656  
Rate: \$69.95 plus 13% tax and includes a continental breakfast  
Code for Group Rate: "American Association of University Women"  
Note: Non-smoking double rooms are in short supply in Raleigh on July 29. Please make your reservations by the deadline if you need one of the reserved rooms.

## Directions:

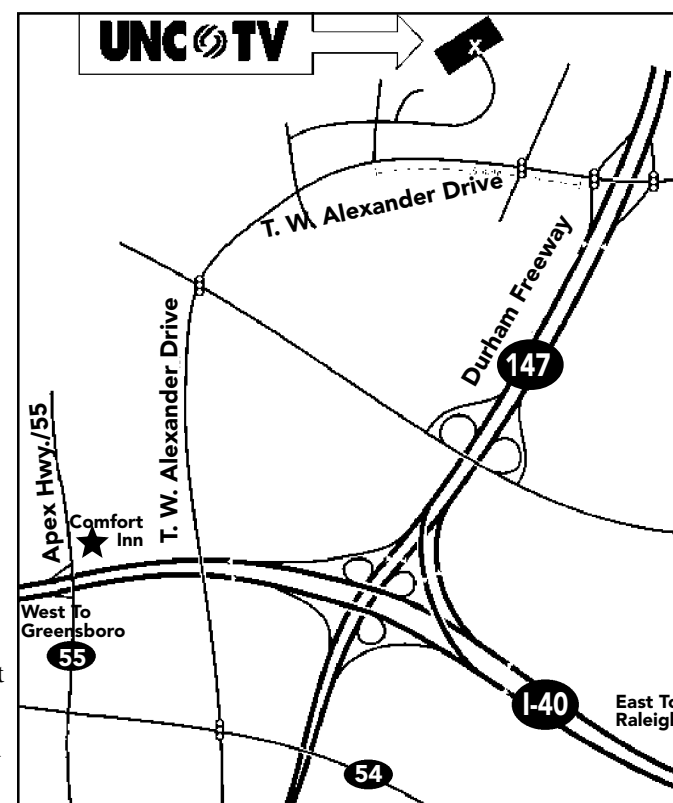
To the hotel from the east (Raleigh): Take I-40 to Exit 278 (Apex/Hwy. 55). At the stop light, the hotel is directly across the street.

To the hotel from the west (Greensboro): Take I-40 to Exit 278 (Apex/Hwy. 55). At the stop light, make a left and go one block. The hotel will be at the first stop light on your right.

## To UNC-TV:

If coming from the west (the hotel or Chapel Hill/Greensboro), do NOT exit at 279A, Alexander Drive - continue to 279B.

- Take I-40 to Exit 279B (Durham Freeway/Hwy. 147 North). [From the hotel, take I-40 towards the airport and Raleigh.]
- Take the second exit (Alexander Drive).
- Turn left at the traffic light at the top of the exit ramp.
- Cross over the bridge and take the second right (approximately .5 mile).
- At this point, you should see signs for UNC-TV.



## AAUW NC 2005 Summer Board Meeting Registration Deadline: July 20

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON YOUR NAME TAG)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (s): \_\_\_\_\_

AAUW NC Position \_\_\_\_\_

President of \_\_\_\_\_ Branch

Representative of Branch President \_\_\_\_\_

Branch Member  Member-at-Large

Registration : \_\_\_\_\_ persons @ \$12.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If paying for more than one person, please attach names and positions on separate sheet.

**Make check payable to "Raleigh/Wake County AAUW" with "Summer Board" on memo line. Return to: Gloria Blanton, 1322 Dogwood Lane, Raleigh NC 27607-6820**  
Room reservations should be made directly with Comfort Inn

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