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Virginia Scores Top Platinum Super Congratulations!!!

Shout it in the branch newsletters and brag about it in your communities as you recruit new members. AAUW of Virginia is once again a *Platinum State*. In fact AAUW of Virginia is continuing its outstanding leadership in that it has once again scored the highest score of any of the states who applied for recognition from Association. Virginia received a whopping 320 points with the next closest state being Minnesota with 300 points.

And what about those branches!!!! All 14 who applied received recognition.

So what does all of this mean? Getting the award is the icing on the cake. What it really means is that there is outstanding program work going on in the branches and in the state and this award says that *it is being recognized*. Call or e-mail the branch presidents and vice presidents for program and ask them, "What are you doing that was worth recognition?" Do not overlook the branches that did not apply for awards and therefore are not on this list. They are likely doing some outstanding programming too. Make sure you have a dialog about program with other branch members at your district meetings.

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Platinum
Arlington,
Roanoke Valley
Vienna Area
Woodbridge

Gold
Alexandria
Blacksburg Area
Bon Air Area
McLean Area

Northern Virginia Online
Reston-Herndon Area
Springfield/Annandale

Silver
Fairfax City
Smith Mountain

Bronze
Winchester

Recruited a New Member Lately?

Now is a good time to be on the lookout for new AAUW members. Branches are gearing up for activities, have calendars and branch handbooks printed, websites are updated, and there are exciting programs and opportunities available for all. As you get ready to participate in your next AAUW program let me remind you about what you can do to encourage new members.

- Ask someone! Very few people join AAUW without being asked—so ask your friends and colleagues and people on the elevator with you.

- Talk about AAUW—the mission, the good programs, the fellowship, and all the reasons you are a member.
- Read the paper—find out who is new to the community, who has been promoted, who has a new job—write them a personal note of welcome and include information about AAUW.
- Having an AAUW fundraiser for EF or LAF? Have a membership information table with AAUW brochures, a program calendar for your branch, and a branch member to answer questions. Ask for names, addresses, and phone numbers and then follow up after the event.

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From the President

Anyone For Dreams and Schemes?

This July at both of the summer leaders and the state board of directors meetings, the great minds of AAUW members explored “Dreams and Schemes.” What do we envision for our branches, our state, our Association, and ourselves? So many good ideas came from our meetings and discussions.

We approved a new program “Points of Pride” to replace the state recognition awards and the Association’s 21st Century Recognition Awards. You will be able to brag about the program that gives your members the most pride. No forms to fill out. No need to agonize over procedures. More information is included in the branch president’s package.

The Mary Thrasher Endowment, now with \$31,000, is ripe for completion. We will be asking branches to consider designating their EF funds in whole or in part to the endowment named after our former state president. We will reach \$100,000 in no time and can celebrate at our state convention in the near future.

Our new web page is par excellence. Check it out at www.aauwofvirginia.org

Eight Virginia members are serving on Association committees.

Virginia won recognition in multiple categories from the Association for state and branch fundraising totals and per capita for the Educational Foundation and the Legal Advocacy Fund. We won the highest rating of any state achieving the Platinum Award. Virginia is TOPS!

In June of 2005, AAUW of Virginia will play a big role in the Association convention through the diligent efforts of our wonderful volunteers. This convention will be particularly important because of the many major issues to be discussed and resolved. The Affiliates Agreement, although the indemnity section has been modified slightly, remains an issue with which the state board members are still uncomfortable. The group of attorneys (all AAUW members) reviewing the Affiliates Agreement have not modified their opinion that we recommend that our branches do not sign it.

On the question of the Legal Advocacy Fund, the Educational Foundation has voted to dissolve the LAF as a separate corporation and merge it into the EF as a limited partnership. This should accomplish, hopefully, what AAUW of Virginia has urged for nearly two years: that the bulk of the funds



Nancy Joyner

collected be directed to the plaintiffs in sex discrimination lawsuits and that minimal monies be spent on administrative expenses.

The future of the International Federation of University Women, which AAUW helped to found, remains in peril. Severe budget constraints on the Association level necessitated major cuts in expenses. The ax fell on AAUW’s dues to IFUW. Effective January 2005, AAUW has not allotted funds to IFUW (40 percent of the IFUW’s budget). Attempting to keep our international federation alive to help women around the world, AAUW of Virginia spearheaded a voluntary fund to raise contributions. You can make your check to IFUW, and mail to The Interim Committee for IFUW, 1336 Dasher Lane, Reston, Virginia 20190. Your contribution is gratefully appreciated but is not tax deductible.

We continue to reinvent ourselves as individuals, branches, and within the state.

Our Dream and Scheme is to make our Association stronger, more secure, and more meaningful in the lives of our members in Virginia, in the United States, and in the world. Thank you for all that you do to make those dreams come true.

Public Policy

The Choice is Ours

With the national election season upon us, this fall is the perfect time to highlight public policy programming in your branch. It's not too late to hold voter registration drives, to distribute voter guides, and to talk with friends and family about the importance of casting their ballots on November 2. Strengthen community ties and gain visibility for your branch by working with other women's groups in your area on voter education initiatives. Keep AAUW flyers and brochures handy at these events for distribution to potential members.

The presidential race is not the only federal election decision we will make this fall. There are House of Representatives races in every district in the state and throughout the nation. Be sure to check the "Two-Minute Activist" on AAUW's website (www.aauw.org/takeaction) for voting records of incumbents and for information on their challengers. There you will find charts listing key votes by Congress on AAUW's public policy priorities, contact information, and biographical details. Also on AAUW's website, updated fact sheets and position papers are available in the "Issue Advocacy Center." On the "Tools for Grassroots Activism" page, you'll find links to two national e-mail newsletters. *Action Alert* provides a bimonthly Congressional update with information on recent legislation, while *Get the Facts* alerts specify actions that individuals and groups can take to strengthen the voice of women voters.

On the state level, follow up has begun on the resolution adopted at convention regarding the USA-PATRIOT Act. In her last act as AAUW VA president, Theresa Merkel e-mailed letters to President Bush, Attorney General John Ashcroft, and every member of Congress expressing AAUW of Virginia's deep concern regarding the provisions in the law that allow for the seizure of library patrons' and book store owners' records without probable cause. However, we still need members' continued vigilance, especially in the wake of the egregious arm-twisting by senior members of Congress to extend the vote on an amendment to Bernie Sanders' (I-Vt.) Freedom to Read Act, which would have restored library and book store patrons' privacy.

Local branches are implementing other items the resolution recommended. The Herndon/Reston Area Branch sponsored a production of *Our Times*, illustrating the threat to intellectual freedom created when a local librarian is coerced into handing over patrons' library records. *Our Times* has been performed throughout Northern Virginia and in towns in California and Georgia. Adapted by Hank Blakely from Thornton Wilder's *Our Town*, the play draws upon real-life examples of people who have been affected by the PATRIOT Act.

Becki Bronson and Marilyn Silvey
Co-Vice Presidents
State/Federal Public Policy

A Spotlight on Your Programs

Hello leaders of AAUW! I enjoyed meeting many of you at the AAUW of Virginia Women's Leadership Conference in July. It is my pleasure to be part of such a powerful, dynamic, and innovative team of women. I am looking forward to sharing and learning about your program ideas with a continued emphasis on "Children at Risk" and public policy issues regarding children and public education.

Last year's Vice President for Program Nancy Joyner asked branches to "reinvent themselves." This year, I encourage you to continue to explore new pathways to success within your branches and communities.

There isn't a book big enough or a list long enough to document the many exciting things that AAUW VA has accomplished. However, I am determined to "spotlight" branch program activities throughout the biennium. I will be sending out periodic inquiries to branches to learn about programs you have planned and how things went for the programs you have completed. I hope to use your program information as a resource for other branches.

As you are planning your district meetings, please keep in mind our emphasis on Children at Risk and choose a way to integrate it into your district's plans. Visibility, flexibility, and community action are our strongholds.

Amy Angelo, Vice President for Program

"Platinum"

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A special thanks to Nancy Joyner, AAUW of Virginia's immediate past vice president for program, and all the branch presidents and vice presidents for program who took the time to complete the sometimes daunting award applications. And thanks to all the state board and branch members who worked so hard on all the various projects and activities.

What a wonderful ending to my two-year term to have the opportunity to celebrate through Association the successes of the outstanding AAUW of Virginia branches and a wonderful state board.

Peace and joy,
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Call for AAUW of Virginia Nominations, Proposed Resolutions and Bylaws Amendments

Deadline for Nominations: December 1, 2004.

**Deadline for proposed resolutions and bylaws amendments:
January 15, 2005.**

Nominations should be submitted to Laura Wimmer at 2308 Poates Drive, Richmond, VA, 23228 or by e-mail at LWIM@aol.com.

Proposals should be submitted to Lorie Merrow for committee review by mail at 3031 Hopkins Drive, Massanutten 22840 or by e-mail at merrowee@jmu.edu

Nominations and proposed resolutions and/or bylaws amendments will be voted on at the 2005 AAUW of Virginia Convention.

Nominations

AAUW of Virginia seeks nominations for two state board positions this year: Vice-President for Membership and Branch Development and Vice-President for Finance

Serving on the state board of directors provides an opportunity for work with a superb group of women. AAUW VA President Nancy Joyner says she is "streamlining board responsibilities to make it fun and painless!" If you or someone you know would enjoy serving our state organization, please submit her name and contact information to Laura Wimmer.

Resolutions and Bylaws Amendments

Each proposed resolution must include the following parts:

- The proposed resolution
- A statement of the rationale for the proposed resolution
- A proposed plan for the implementation of the resolution.

Each proposed bylaw amendment must include the following parts:

- The proposed bylaw amendment with article and section designated
- The section of bylaws with additions and deletions shown
- The section of bylaws as it would read with amendment made
- A statement of the rationale for the proposed amendment

Resolutions may encourage statewide branch study or action or establish a state position on an issue; or it may express appreciation, offer congratulations, etc. A bylaw amendment should improve the way AAUW of Virginia conducts business. Individual members, branches, the AAUW VA board of directors, or the respective committees may submit resolutions or bylaws amendments.

Each proposed resolution and bylaw amendment will be reviewed by the resolutions committee or the bylaws committee, respectively. This review will determine whether the proposal is in keeping with state and Association bylaws, with policies and legislative

programs, and with previously adopted resolutions. The review process may also include clarification and/or rewording of a resolution or amendment.

Nancy Joyner, state president, will assign board member and branch responsibility for each resolution adopted at convention. These responsibilities will include (1) report to the next three conventions on the progress of the resolution and (2) prepare and send a letter, signed by the president, to the appropriate person(s), agency, etc.

The AAUW of Virginia Bylaws, available online at www.aauwofva.org, contains additional information on these subjects. Please refer to Article XIV, Section 4 for more on resolutions, and to Article XIX for more on bylaws amendments. A copy of Association Bylaws and Policies is available from the Member Helpline, 800/821-4364.

Please contact Lorie Merrow, bylaws & resolutions chair, for assistance at 540/289-6660 or merrowee@jmu.edu



As of July 1, the AAUW of Virginia website has a new look and has been reorganized to be a valuable and hopefully much-used resource for all its members and prospective members.

The best place to start for an overview of the new site

is the sitemap at <http://www.aauwofva.org/sitemap.htm>. You will see the site has been divided into three sections:

AAUW General Info — this section has lots of links to the wealth of resources on the Association website such as the new AAUW Online Museum, LAF updates, and the AAUW Message Board.

Resource Library — this is a newly developed section which contains all sorts of tools for branch members such as program materials, how to promote branch visibility, and how to recruit new members.

AAUW of VA Info — this section is devoted specifically to what's going on in the Virginia branches such as educational issues, an updated and enlarged public policy page, and fundraisers.

A search mechanism has also been added which enables the viewer to search the entire site for any topic they may choose. Try it out at <http://www.aauwofva.org/sitemap.htm#search>.

Susan Merck AAUW of VA Webmaster

AAUW of Virginia

2004-2005 Budget

REVENUES

Cash on Hand	9,800.00
Dues	12,000.00
Interest - Checking Account	20.00
Interest - Kemper Savings	650.00
VA President's Conference 07/26/03	250.00
Verizon Grant (restricted funds)	230.00
2004 State Convention Cash Advance	400.00
2004 Convention hotel facilities deposited in 2002	400.00

TOTAL REVENUES \$23,750.00

DISBURSEMENTS

BOARD FUNCTIONS

President	100.00
Recording Secretary	25.00
Resolutions	25.00
Historian	10.00
VP/Program	300.00
Educational Equity	100.00
Educational Foundation	75.00
Legal Advocacy Fund	75.00
Central District Representative	100.00
Hampton District Representative	100.00
Northern District Representative	100.00
Northwest District Representative	100.00
Southwest District Representative	100.00
VP/Membership & Branch Dev.	400.00
Diversity	50.00
College/University Representative	50.00
VP/Public Policy	200.00
VA AAUW Lobby Corps	150.00
VA Lobbyist	100.00
VA Women's Network	40.00
VA Foundation For Women Dues	100.00
Public Policy Coalition	100.00
Voter Education	200.00
VP/Finance	200.00
VP/Communication	50.00
Technology/Website	150.00
Virginia Vision	7,200.00
President's Mailings	600.00
TOTAL BOARD FUNCTIONS	\$10,800.00

BOARD TRAVEL

President	500.00
VP/Program	50.00
VP/Public Policy	200.00
VP/Membership & Branch Dev.	50.00
Other Board Travel	50.00
TOTAL BOARD TRAVEL	\$850.00

MEETINGS

State Board	6,500.00
Assn/Regional/President's Conference (Reserve \$500)	350.00
President's Conference 07/26/03	250.00
TOTAL MEETINGS	\$7,100.00

STATE CONVENTIONS

Convention Reserve	2,000.00
Future Conventions	910.00
2004 Convention Cash Advance	400.00
2005 Convention Advance	400.00
2006 Convention Advance	800.00
TOTAL STATE CONV.	\$4,510.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Insurance/Bonding	260.00
Verizon Grant	230.00
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	\$490.00

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$23,750.00

INVESTMENTS AS OF 06-30-04

Scudder (Kemper) Savings Account	
USGOVA	16,323.92
Small Cap	10,349.10
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$26,673.02

TOTAL ASSETS AS OF 06-30-04

Checking Account Balance	9,877.46
Savings - Scudder	26,673.02

GRAND TOTAL ASSETS \$36,550.48

Barbara Ondo
Vice President of Finance

Falls Church Area

Gives Scholarships, Supports Aurora House

The Falls Church Area Branch ended the year with the awarding of three local scholarships to class of 2004 graduates of Falls Church and George Mason High Schools. Two of these scholarships will help young women who will be the first in their families to attend college.

We also gave money to support the summer programs for the Aurora House young women. Aurora House is a court-ordered resident facility for young women from Arlington County and Falls Church City. Our branch has had a long association with the house. These young women help us set-up for the branch book sale and their energy is instrumental in the success of the sale.

We also participated at the Annual Falls Church City Memorial Day Fair in May. To focus attention on AAUW and our book sale, we distributed “free” books publicizing our sale and AAUW membership. We’ve already received book donations from the event and we’re hoping to be as successful attracting new members.

We kept up our work on membership over the summer; we had a light supper for our new members in July giving them information about AAUW and our branch.

The focus of our September meeting will be education, featuring the AAUW of Virginia Educator of the Year and a discussion on education led by one of our members. In November we will have a program on Aurora House.

We look forward to participating in the Northern Virginia District meeting in October and are also excited about our shared February program with Vienna on “Coping with Stress in Stressful Times.”

As always, the book sale on April 8 and 9 is our major focus, we have already had two sorting dates to keep ahead of the books that just keep coming in.

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Middle School Girls’ Professional Conference is Golden for NOVA

The NOVA ONLINE branch won the Association Gold recognition award for its major project, Middle School Girls’ Professional Conference held March 6, 2004. This project was possible through collaboration of many organizations and the volunteerism of their members.

As a result of the planning, organizing, and support of these organizations 390 girls attended and heard professional

women speakers from a large variety of careers. The outcome of this conference exemplifies the caring of these adults to encourage girls to set goals for higher education. We are planning a third conference to be held in March 2005.

Our branch has increased its membership since our focus has become an active one to support AAUW’s goals of educational opportunities for ALL girls and women. New members are always welcomed.

Lenore Waggoner, President
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Woodbridge

Book-Signing and Talk with Clara Adams-Ender and Marcia Talley

In celebration of Women’s History Month two authors, retired Brigadier General Clara Adams-Ender and mystery writer Marcia Talley discussed their books and autographed copies last March 29, at Chinn Park Regional Library.

Adams-Ender talked about her autobiography, *My Rise to the Stars: How a Sharecropper’s Daughter Became an Army General*. Mystery buffs had an opportunity to meet Marcia Talley, author of *Unbreathed Memories*, *Sing it to her Bones*, and *Naked Came the Phoenix*. Talley showed how she works, using a slide show that illustrated the places she visits for inspiration and the models of some of the places around Annapolis that appear in her books.

This delightful evening was sponsored by the Friends of the Chinn Park Regional Library and the Woodbridge Branch. There were more than 50 people in the audience. Light refreshments were served.

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Portsmouth Helps Shelter

The Portsmouth Branch continues to assist the Help and Emergency Response (HER) Shelter. The HER Shelter was founded to assist battered women and their children. It provides a safe and confidential place to stay, counseling for the families, and job-hunting help and skills. Over the last few years, HER has been the project nearest members’ hearts. Several of our branch members were founders of the shelter and continue to serve on its board. The branch has provided volunteers for the shelter and contributed items for the residents. The project planned for this year will be an educational forum on elder abuse for personnel involved in working with the elderly. Sherry Warren and Joyce Saveika are chairing the committee that is working with the shelter to

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invite interested and influential members of the community who work with the elderly.

The book discussion group is attracting non-members, several of whom have gone on to become members. Members have attended the Little Theater of Portsmouth for several years for a fundraiser. The annual poinsettia sale is the largest EF fundraiser for the branch. The beautiful plants will be distributed on Saturday, December 4. Several varieties are available. If you are interested in purchasing plants to help EF please feel free to e-mail Co-President Lena Grant.

The Portsmouth Branch continues to be a strong branch, with membership about even each year. The branch meeting programs this year will focus on children at risk. We will have dinner meetings as well as meetings in a community location.

Olde Towne Portsmouth still shows its strong revival. This year during the holiday season the city will host the display purchased from Coleman Nursery's Christmas Wonderland. The branch is planning a holiday get-together based on this seasonal display and seasonal activities.

Lena Grant, Co-President
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Smith Mountain to Hear About Education In Virginia

Virginia Secretary of Education Belle Wheelan will speak about education in Virginia at a special meeting of the Smith Mountain Branch on Thursday, October 14. The presentation will be at the Trinity Ecumenical Parish Church of Smith Mountain Lake on Route 122 in Moneta beginning at 8 p.m. The meeting is open to all individuals who are interested in finding out more about public education in Virginia.

Wheelan was awarded the AAUW Women of Distinction Award in 2003. This program honors five to seven women leaders who have made extraordinary accomplishments in their fields. Before her appointment as Virginia Secretary of Education in January 2002, the first African American to hold this position, she served as president of Northern Virginia Community College, the second largest community college in the nation.

She was the first African American female to serve as president of a two or four-year public institution of higher education in Virginia. She held this position at Central Virginia Community College in Lynchburg from 1992 through 1998. Her experience includes various positions in higher learning such as provost, dean of student services, director of developmental education, director of academic support services, and assistant professor of psychology at schools in Virginia and Texas.

Wheelan holds a bachelor's degree from Trinity University in

Texas, a master's degree in developmental educational psychology from Louisiana State University, and a doctorate in educational administration from the University of Texas.

Belle Wheelan attributes her success 'to hard work, endurance, tenacity, and being in the right place at the right time.'

For further information please contact Diana MacRae.

Diana MacRae, President
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Wytheville Aims to Increase Membership

The Wytheville Branch has plans for a wonderful year. We are working to increase our membership. We will have our annual picnic in September and will invite potential members to this event. In October we are having a candidates forum. This event will be open to the public. We are encouraging voters to take part in this activity and to vote in November.

We will take part in the "Children at Risk" program in November by having a clinical social worker speak to our branch concerning needs of at-risk children.

Our branch will continue to decorate a Christmas tree at our local library. We invite local children to make decorations and to help us decorate the tree.

During the cold Wytheville winter, we will have our second book discussion. We will read and discuss *The DaVinci Code* by Dan Brown.

In February we will address the important topic of women's health issues. We will have a local health professional address the group and answer questions concerning women's health.

We will co-sponsor Eve Watters a musician/ harpist with our local Wytheville Heritage Center in March. This event will be opened to the public.

Our April meeting will be an international dinner. We will have a guest speaker who has visited different countries and who will share her adventures with the branch. Our dinner will reflect the food from these countries. Our last meeting will feature a discussion concerning our new and much-needed community center.

The Wytheville Branch is a small group of ladies who work hard to be involved in our community. We try to share the importance of women being active in their community.

Betty Billingsley, Co-President

Turn the page to read news from the Northern District

Northern District Shared Meeting to Examine Human Slave Trafficking

Northern Virginia has the distinction of having 12 branches in relatively close proximity to each other. Patsy Carr and I took on the job of co-coordinators because we wanted to increase communication between these branches and try to simplify, however we could, the task of running them. Because it seems to us that branches could get significant benefits from sharing programs, we are urging branches to have joint meetings. The difficulty of this is that many members like to go to the same place each month and see people they know. While all things familiar have a strong, comfy appeal we are encouraging branches to reach out for the rewards and memories that may also be found with new people and places. Joint meetings typically mean less work for each branch and a larger audience for guest speakers.

Most of all, we are working on the district meeting to be held on October 16. We are recommending that this be THE BRANCH MEETING for each branch in October. The auditorium can hold 720 people and we would like it filled! Based on a March and a June meeting held with presidents of the Northern Virginia branches, an international theme about human slave trafficking was chosen. And in line with the international theme and because of Association's decision to stop payment of dues to the International Federation of University Women, we will also learn about IFUW. Leslie Wolfe, president of the Center for Women Policy Studies, (see centerwomenpolicy.org for more information on this organization) will speak on human trafficking, Saturday, October 16 at Marshall High School Auditorium, 7731 Leesburg Pike

(Route 7) in Falls Church. From 9:30 – 10 a.m. there will be a silent auction with a "Treasure Table" of items from around the world donated by Northern Virginia branch members. Proceeds will go to IFUW. Members can taste international delicacies while they look at these items. Each branch is asked to provide one type of finger food. This promises to be a fantastic event!

The Northern District is also co-sponsoring a free lecture series with George Mason University and the Fairfax County Commission for Women. The four programs are

September 8, 2004, "Women and Men in Conversation" by Anita Taylor

October 13, 2004, "Gender-Fair Education" by Cheryl Bartholomew

March 9, 2005, "Contemporary Women's Health Issues" by Marie Kodadek

April 13, 2005, "Violence Against Women" by Connie Kirkland

All four meetings will be held at the Fairfax County Government Center (12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035) at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be provided by Fairfax County's Commission for Women. Free parking is available. No RSVP is required.

Patsy and I have been on the job officially only since July 1, but we have great hopes for an informed, supportive AAUW VA Northern District. So many branches have fantastic fundraisers and educational events that could and should be supported by the other 11 branches. We hope to have these major events on a Northern District website soon!

Dianne Blais, Co-Representative

"Membership"

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- When a new member joins your branch, call them—you don't have to wait until someone asks you to do it. Welcome them to the branch—it will make all the difference in the world.

To recruit new members we must talk about AAUW, its mission, and our branch's part in it. Membership is everyone's job. Without passionate AAUW members we would not be able to attract new members. If everyone was able to recruit one new member this year there would be no drop in membership and we would regain the 5 percent of the membership we lost last year. Start looking for your new AAUW member today!

*HelenRuth Burch,
Vice President for Membership and Branch Development*



"At the first meeting the co-president read the mission—helping women and girls to do what they want in life. As a retired teacher and coach I felt that I was a pioneer in coaching. Others before me helped initiate a girls' sports program in SW Virginia. I wanted to be part of a group that was doing that for girls."
Mary Copenhaver: Wytheville Branch

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October	1	Call for Bylaws and Resolutions (Due Jan 15)	Morrow	
	1	Call for Nominations (Due Jan 15)	Nominating Committee Chair	
	9	Hampton Roads District Meeting, Virginia Beach	Hampton Roads Dist. Members	
	15	Mailing of Applications for EoY and EAoY	Burger	
	16	Northern District Mtg, Falls Church	Northern District Members	
November	23	Southwest District Mtg, Roanoke	Southwest District Members	
	23	Northwest District Mtg, Harrisonburg	Northwest District Members	
	1	Vision Articles to Bacher— Board: Angelo, Burch, Morrow, Silvey, Bronson, Wimmer; Branches: Bon Air Area, Hampton, Alexandria, Greater Manassas, Reston-Herndon Area, Charlottesville, Bedford, Roanoke Valley; District: Northwest		
	1	Mailing to VA Board re November Online Board Mtg	Joyner	
	12-14	International Symposium	Mabry	
	14-19	Fall Online Board Mtg	VA Board	
	18-19	Interim Board/Officer Reports & Counterpart Mailing to State President	VA Board / Committees	
	29	Mailing to Branch Presidents	Joyner	
	29	Vision Mailed	Bacher	
	Jan 2005/Dec 2004	12/1	Nominations Due to Wimmer	Branch Leaders / Members
		12/1	State Legislative Training for Lobby Day, Richmond	Silvey, Bronson
		12/20	EF Funds and Reports Due to EF Chair	Branch EF Chairs
		12/20	LAF Funds and Reports Due to LAF Chair	Branch LAF Chairs
		1/15	Bylaws Amendments and Resolutions Due to Morrow	Branch and State Leaders
		TBD	State Lobby Day, Richmond	Silvey, Bronson
1/31		Ed. of the Year/Ed. Advocate of the Year Nominations to Educational Equity Chair	Branch Leaders	
February		1	Vision Articles to Bacher— Board: Angelo, Burch, Wimmer, Silvey, Bronson, Crowder, Burger, Nominating Chair; Branches: Chesterfield, Newport News, Virginia Beach, Arlington, McLean Area, Springfield-Annandale, Harrisonburg, Blacksburg Area, Winchester; Districts: Central and Hampton Roads	
	1	Dues/Membership Verification E-Mailed to Br. Treasurers (w/copies to Membership VPs)	Ondo / Burch	
	1	Convention Mailing (brochures)	Wimmer	
	3	Counterpart Mailing to State President	VA Board	
	13	Call for Branch Reports for Convention Program Book	Joyner	
	13	President's Mailing with Convention Information	Joyner	
	19	Hampton Roads District Mtg	Hampton Roads members	
	20	Dues/Membership Confirmation & Br Voting Strength to Branch Presidents	Ondo	
	26-27	Board Mtg (online or at Richmond)	VA Board	
	March	1	Announce Slate of Nominees to Branch Presidents	Nominating Chair
		3	Vision Mailed	Bacher
TBA		Northern District Mtg	Northern District Members	
14		Board Reports for Convention Program Book Due to Joyner	VA Board	
14		Convention Program POINTS OF PRIDE Due to Joyner	Branch Presidents	
20		Delegate List to Convention Credentials Chair	Branch Presidents	
25		Convention Registration Deadline	AAUW of VA Members	
May/April	4/22	Spring Board Mtg at Glen Allen	VA Board	
	4/23	AAUW of VA One-Day Convention in Glen Allen (Richmond area)	EVERYONE	
	5/10	Counterpart Mailing to State President (Joyner)	VA Board	
	5/14	Mailing to VA Board re Summer Board Mtg	Joyner	
	5/14	Mailing to Branch Presidents	Joyner	
	5/15	Vision Articles to Bacher— Board: Angelo, Burch, Ondo, Wimmer; Branches: Fredericksburg, Norfolk, Fairfax City, Mt Vernon, Vienna Area, Norton-Wise, Smith Mountain, Suffolk; District: Southwest		
	5/19	Capitol Hill Lobby Day, Washington, DC	AAUW of VA Members	
	TBD	Northern District Mtg	Northern District Members	
June	1	Branch Officers Roster Due to Association & State President	Branch Presidents	
	16	Vision Mailed	Bacher	
	24	Summer Leaders Meeting, AAUW of VA Prior to Convention	VA Board / Branch Presidents	
	24	Summer Board Meeting	VA Board	
	24-27	AAUW ASSOCIATION CONVENTION, Washington, DC	EVERYONE!	
	7/1	Branch Dues Reports Due to Association and State Treasurer	Branch Treasurers	

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