

The Monthly Newsletter of the AAUW - Medford Area Branch

<http://medford-nj.aauw.net/>

AAUW's Mission

Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research

Co-Presidents' Message

January is a time when we look both forward and back, a feeling captured in the name of the month itself, deriving from the two-faced Roman god Janus.

Looking back, one of the areas in which AAUW nationally made great strides was with our salary negotiation programs Work Smart and Start Smart. In 2017, more than 17,000 people attended 600+ workshops in 45 states. These workshops were highly rated by the attendees. Here in South Jersey, Lynn Fryckberg and Mary Switzer have been working diligently with other regional branches, our state officers and national to bring these workshops to this area. You can help by attending facilitators' training.

A first for us was sponsoring a scholarship to the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL), which gives college women the chance to network with their peers while attending workshops and hearing lectures from the likes of Rosie Rios, the 43rd Treasurer of the United States. Our scholarship winner from 2017 is our featured speaker at this month's meeting.

Looking to the future, once again in 2018 New Jersey will be one of 10 states hosting a Tech Trek camp. There are many ways to volunteer for this, including working out the selection committee.

Our Book and Author brunch will be on March 17th.

The State annual meeting will be on March 24th.

And we are looking forward to participating once more in the RCBC STEM fair to be held later in the spring.

Mary Switzer & Tricia Reace

Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday, January 9, 2018, 7:15 pm

General Meeting—Christina McGuinness on NCCWSL

Linden Room, Medford Leas, Medford

Tuesday, January 16, 2018, 2:00 pm

Lit Group—Any title by Jane Austen, in honor of her 200th anniversary

Home of Sylvia Teahan

Looking ahead:

Saturday, March 17, 2018

Book & Author Brunch at Medford Leas

Friday, April 27, 2018

Running and Winning at Delran High School

Member Greetings

Happy Birthday to members celebrating in January

Betsy Cella January 10

Liz Price January 17



Lit Group

On January 16, 2018, we will meet to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the British novelist, Jane Austen. Jane died in July, 1817 at the age of 41. While she herself never married, she devoted herself to the portrayal of family and the institution of marriage. Her six novels are infused with wit and irony as she explores the traditional dependence of women at the end of the 18th century on marriage for social standing and economic security. With a keen ear for dialogue, her novels often paired a deserving young woman with a man lucky enough to deserve her.

Please join us on Tuesday, January 16 at 2:00 at the home of Sylvia Teahan as we discuss this delightful author. Choose from among any of her novels including *Pride and Prejudice*, *Emma*, *Sense and Sensibility*, *Persuasion*, *Mansfield Park*, or *Northanger Abbey*.

Looking ahead, we will be meeting on February 20th at the home of Bea Chawla to discuss *The Alice Network*.

Tricia Reace & Helen O'Neill

Boscov's Fundraising Success

The final net proceeds to our scholarship fund was **\$500.59**. Thanks to Stephanie Berridge for coordinating and to all members who participated!

Programs

On Tuesday, January 9, 2018, we will hear from Christina McGuinness, who was our branch nominee to attend the 2017 NCCWSL (National Conference for College Women Student Leaders). The program gives college women the chance to network with their peers while attending workshops and making connections.

We hope to see all of you at the Linden Room at Medford Leas.

Lila Cleaver

Women's March

From NJ State President Carol Cohen:

It's almost our one-year anniversary-and while we will be bringing our power to the polls in Las Vegas on January 21, Women's March state organizers are holding marches, rallies and actions throughout the anniversary weekend.

[Find a Women's March anniversary event near you](#)

Many people thought the Women's March was the peak moment of the resistance. But it wasn't - It was just the beginning.

The weekend of January 20-21, we will gather again, in Las Vegas and in cities and towns across the country. Because our resistance is stronger than ever.

AAUW Mission & Action Stat:

270,000

MESSAGES WERE SENT TO LAWMAKERS IN 2017
BY AAUW MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS.



Running & Winning

The **Running and Winning** workshop event for 2018 will take place on April 27th at Delran High School.

Our branch will once again co-sponsor the event with a donation and volunteers.

I plan to participate again for our branch. Please let me know if you would like to help facilitate for this worthwhile event.

Cid Richards

From one of our sister branches . . .

49th annual Dollars for Scholars book sale

Feb. 23-25, 2018, at Concord Mall

The area's largest sale of gently used books has been scheduled by the Wilmington branch of the American Association of University Women. The 49th annual Dollars for Scholars Used Book Sale, to benefit college scholarships for Delaware women, runs Friday-Sunday, Feb. 23-25, 2018, at Concord Mall, 4737 Concord Pike, Brandywine Hundred, DE 19803.

Special features this year include 1,500+ CDs and 1,000+ DVDs. Most items are \$1 to \$5, with collectibles up to \$100. Items are sorted into more than 50 categories on tables throughout the mall. The sale also includes audio books, DVDs, CDs, sheet music, puzzles, and ephemera. The sale runs 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25. Bad weather may curtail sale hours. All day Saturday, Feb. 24, children's books are half price. Starting at 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, most items are half price. On Sunday, Feb. 25, people can buy a bag for \$10 and fill it (certain categories excluded).

For more information, visit <http://wilmington-de.aauw.net/booksale>, call 302-428-0939 or e-mail aauwilm@gmail.com. The website has details about the scholarships that the sale funds and on how to make donations for future sales.

From AAUW National

States Notch Multiple Equal Pay Victories in 2017

Voters are fed up with the persistent gender pay gap, and many state legislators are listening.

In 2015 and 2016 dozens of legislatures proposed and enacted bills and laws addressing pay inequality. In 2017 **a whopping 42 states**, plus Puerto Rico and Washington, D.C., offered legislative solutions to the gender pay gap. While not all of these bills passed, this growing activity shows that red, blue, and purple states realize that the pay gap is real and that something needs to be done about it.

Dues increase coming in July

AAUW National has announced that dues will increase from \$49 to \$59 as of the next billing cycle.

Keeping in Touch

In addition to this newsletter, there are many ways to keep up with what's going on at AAUW.

On our **branch website** (<http://medford-nj.aauw.net/>), you can find a "public" version of our newsletter, upcoming events, and other branch information, and links to some of the sites below.

Want to know what's going on at **State**? You can find them on line at <http://aauw-nj.aauw.net/> and sign up there to have news delivered straight to your mailbox.

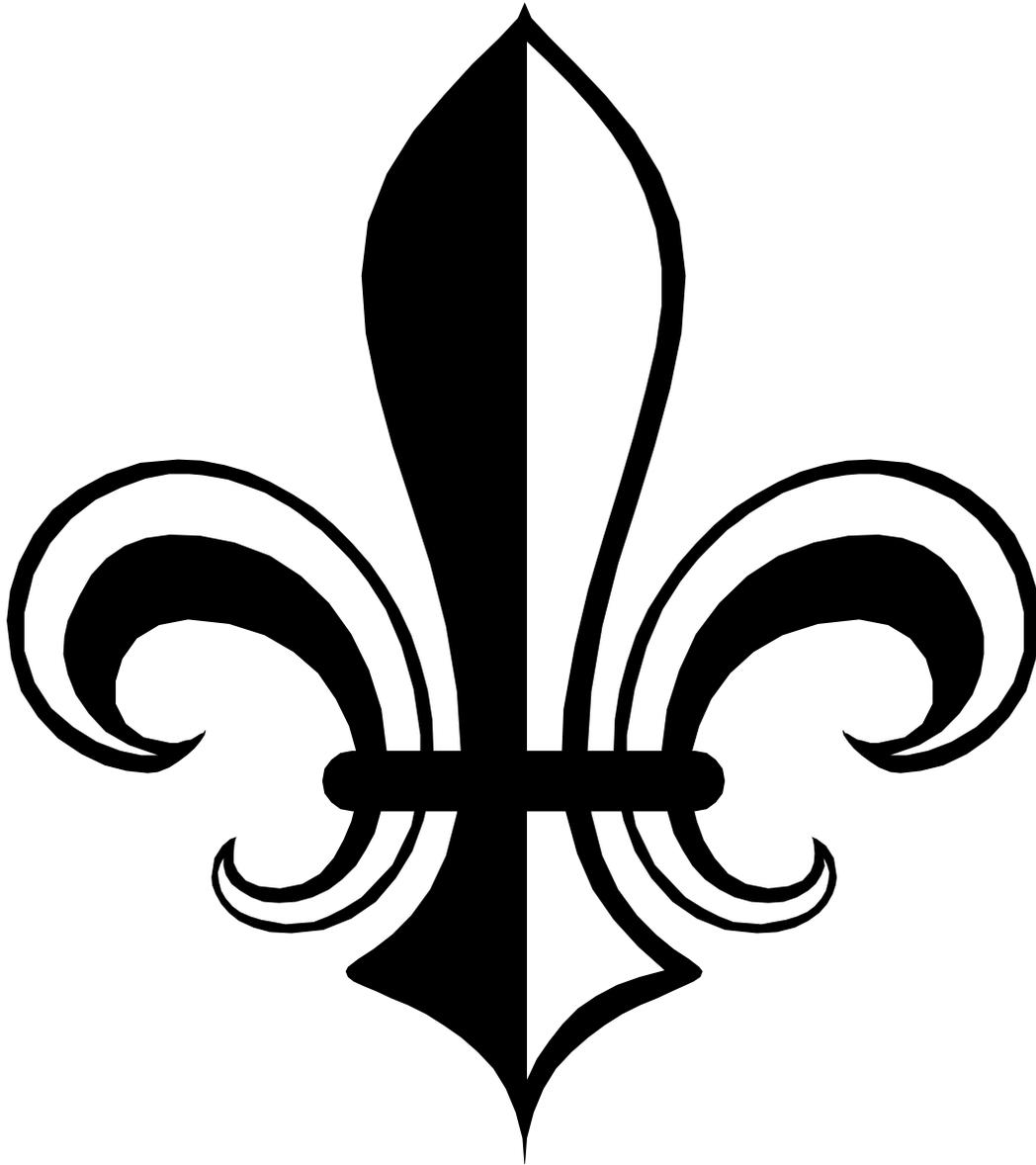
State also maintains a social media presence on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/aauw.nj/>), Google+ (<https://plus.google.com/u/0/108536943140734486662>), and LinkedIn (<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8469639/profile>).

AAUW National (<http://www.aauw.org>) also has mailing lists, and has an active presence on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/AAUW.National/>), Twitter (<https://twitter.com/AAUW> and <https://twitter.com/AAUWPolicy>) and LinkedIn: (<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/76663/profile>).

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AAUW-Medford Area Branch Membership Roster



By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.



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