



Cobb Update

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Special Dates of Interest

- May 7th - Roving Gourmet- we had a great time!!!
- May 17th - Book Group Meeting
- June 4th - Roving Gourmet
- June 8th - Annual Meeting
- July 9th - Roving Gourmet



CONGRATS GRADS!!

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HOT NEWS!

Kennesaw State AAUW Branch!

The dream of having a student branch of AAUW at Kennesaw State University is finally a reality! Most organizations are lucky to have one faculty advisor, but the new KSU AAUW has four! Dr. Meg Murray from Computer Science, Dr. Angela Blaver from Educational Leadership, Dr. Amy Buddie from Gender & Women's Studies, and Cobb Branch member Barbara Hammond from the Music Dept. have led the way through the process. The four faculty members approached several enthusiastic students who are known leaders and "go-getters." Students Cara Sperry, Meghan Hollister, Lily Wilkerson, and Katherine Acuff met with faculty members as a team to discuss the possibilities. In April, the group drew up a Constitution and By Laws, and obtained the signatures of 15 students who would be interested in joining. These documents were submitted for review on April 14. Megan Hollister made a presentation on April 21 before SABAC (Student Government), asking for Registered Student Organization status. She had Meg Murray and Barbara Hammond in the cheering section. The proposal was accepted and the group now has permission to begin meetings and activities in the Fall. The next step along the way was to obtain the AAUW "connection." Dr. Meg Murray sent a letter to President Papp asking for permission for institutional status and university funding of the \$325 needed to accomplish this final goal. Dr. Papp agreed---so the KSU AAUW branch will be a reality! The Cobb Chapter has been waiting patiently for several years for this wonderful collaboration to happen! Many thanks for the encouragement and advice given by Carol Stephens, Debbie Karvey and Shirley Mills. Whoo Hoo!

Submitted by Barbara Hammond



Book Group

For additional Book Group information please email or call Denise Bossarte at dci_bst@hotmail.com 770-432-4709

Our Book Group meeting will be Monday, May 17th at 7:30 pm in the home of

Shirley Mills
4282 Presswyck Court
Marietta, GA 30062

Shirley will facilitate the discussion of the book AND do our refreshments!!

Please RSVP to: wemills@bellsouth.net or 770-973-4498

Our daytime meeting will meet in the East Cobb Government Building at 1PM. RSVP to Bonnie Bonniebw41@att.net or 770-971-6130

Our book this month:

[Palestine :](#)
[Peace Not](#)
[Apartheid](#)

by Jimmy Carter

Ladies,

I have been remiss in sending thank you's to the hostesses, facilitators and refreshment providers this book group year. My apologies!

Please accept this as a sincere THANK YOU for all the work you have done making the AAUW book groups enjoyable! Sincerely, Denise Bossarte

P.S. Karen has asked that you bring any and all empty **toilet and towel rolls** you have to the meeting so they can be used for shipping books from the book room. See you all on Monday!

ROVING GOURMET



FRIDAY, June 4th, 7:00 p.m.

LA STRADA

2930 Johnson Ferry Road, Marietta

770-640-7008 - lastradainc.com

Situated at the intersection of Johnson Ferry and Freeman Rd. NE

Our hostess, Barbara Stidfole, is directing us to LA STRADA where their summer delicacy of soft shelled crab is a headliner.

Call Barb at 770-579-8674 or email her at estidfole@mindspring.com

by Wednesday, June 2nd to let her know you'll be there.

For July, hostess Debbie Karvey has wisely postponed our usual first Friday of the month gathering to the **second Friday, July 9th**, in order not to interfere with July 4th plans. Her restaurant selection may be in the Woodstock/Towne Lake area.

Call Peg Montgomery (770-565-7948) or montgomery1718@bellsouth.net for further information.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We have had a busy month! In addition to our regular activities, like Roving Gourmet and Book Groups, our AAUW Cobb branch hosted the AAUW Georgia State Convention April 16-17, with some assistance from our local sister branches, Atlanta and North Fulton. The state convention was held in Kennesaw, in order to coordinate it with the Phenomenal Woman Conference at Kennesaw State University on April 16. Several of our local members also attended the Phenomenal Woman event.

At the Friday night banquet, we had 34 people. We held it at the Mansour Center, as we wanted folks around the state to experience our new meeting facilities. The Mansour Center did a good job on the dinner, and our Cobb branch took that opportunity to share the highlights of our activities this past year. The speaker for Friday night was Audrey L. Salgado, who is in

place to assist branches in ordering our activities. (Atlanta branch is planning to use Ms. Salgado's services in June, and Cobb plans to piggyback on that meeting. More on this later.)

On Saturday, April 17, at the Wingate by Wyndham off Barrett Parkway, we had 41 people in attendance. Betty Slater of Atlanta Branch put together a great panel on Women's Studies, with professors from Kennesaw State University, Agnes Scott College, Georgia State University, and Berry College. We had an excellent lunch catered by The Brickery, followed by a presentation on The White House Project, a leadership training program. Several of our panelists are graduates of this program, as is our own Beth Farokhi.

Since we were last together, Cobb branch has identified and registered our NCCWSL student, Cara Sperry of KSU, and is working on setting up a satellite branch of AAUW at Kennesaw State University. (Please see details of these

efforts separately.)

Cobb branch will catch our breath in May, while preparing for our June 8th banquet. At that time, we will present our two Women of the Year, Beth Farokhi and Deane Bonner, as well as install our 2010-2011 officers. We will also have some fairly important business to conduct at that meeting, so we hope everyone will try to attend.

With good wishes to all,

Shirley



THANKS, AAUW

Gene & I were at a Kentucky Derby party on Saturday and I met there a woman who lives in Gainesville, a relative of our hostess. As we chatted, I mentioned AAUW and her smile grew wider. Seems she was in graduate school here at Georgia State some 16 or so years ago, divorced with two small children, no money, and thinking she wouldn't be able to graduate when AAUW Atlanta branch awarded her a scholarship. She did go on to graduate, taught for some time, then went back for her PhD at University of Georgia. She sends a big Thank You to AAUW, for "making it all possible."

Makes hauling those books out of the bins, pricing, packing, selling -- all of it, a little less onerous, doesn't it? It certainly does for me.

Shirley

Thanks



Don't forget our need for workers in the Book Room!!

Working hours in the Book Room are Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday 10 am to 2 pm

For more info call the Bookroom at 404-261-7646

Address: 3060 Pharr Court North, Atlanta, GA 30305



*"I like taking chaos and turning it
into tranquility."*

Martin Gorbien, gerontologist who went to Haiti

Judy Ribarsky, Editor
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In principle and in 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, or disability. Membership is open to anyone who holds an associate's or equivalent, bachelor's, or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

My life has certainly had its ups and downs lately!!! My husband and I had a fabulous trip to our friend's wedding in New Zealand and work was productive in California. All told we were gone from March 24th to May 4th!! I had every intention of getting the Newsletter out right after we returned but We did get to Roving Gourmet that Friday nite the 7th and Marie and all the gals welcomed us home. It was a great evening!! My health was great on the trip BUT I spent last Friday night at Northside Hospital with an Atrial Fibrillation episode and so now I'm on blood thinners and must of course see my cardiologist this week for further evaluation. I REALLY FEEL PRETTY DARN GOOD considering and have every intention of continuing to participate in this wonderful organization!! Thank you to everyone for all your support, thoughts and prayers on my behalf. Judy

S A V E T H I S D A T E !!

**JUNE 8, 2010 TUESDAY, 6:30 P.M. MANSOUR CENTER.
ANNUAL MEETING, WOMAN OF YEAR PRESENTATION.
(buffet dinner \$26.50 per person) ** note earlier time**



**It is time for us to pay our dues for the
2010-2011 year.**

Please send your
check for \$71 to our treasurer
Debbie Karvey
5112 Olde Mill Drive,
Woodstock, GA 30188**

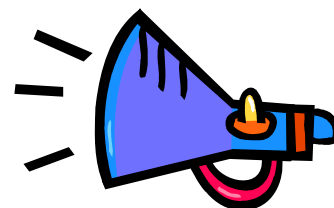
**It is important that your dues are paid
by June 30, 2009.**

**AAUW National Individual Membership dues
for fiscal year 2011 are \$49:**

\$46 is tax deductible, and \$3 is not tax deductible (because it supports the AAUW Action Fund's Section 501(c)(4) Lobby Corps and get-out-the-vote activities).

The following link provides more important
information about AAUW dues/fees and
tax deductibility

http://www.aauw.org/member_center/taxDeductible.cfm



**** or PLEASE bring your dues check to the June 8th meeting if at all possible!!**