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MAKING WAVES TO EMPOWER WOMEN AND GIRLS IN VIRGINIA BEACH

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January Branch Meeting **

Saturday, January 12, 2019

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



Kati Hornung, campaign coordinator for VA ratify ERA, a group that wants Virginia to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment is our speaker for our January meeting. Her topic will be "Virginia, let's make history! Constitutional gender equality and how Virginians can make it happen." Let's pack the house, particularly with any younger women we know. You'd be surprised that many of them know nothing about the ERA!

**Location:

WHRO

5200 Hampton Blvd
Norfolk, VA 23508



Please join us
immediately following
the speaker for a
potluck salad luncheon.

Sign up [here](#)



Providing women and girls waves of support in Virginia Beach

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you all are enjoying the holidays. Beginning with Thanksgiving, we seem to seek time with family and close friends. The Virginia Beach branch closed out 2018 with a very special holiday luncheon at the Broad Bay Country Club. Delicious and beautifully presented food, the drawing for bounteous baskets, and the camaraderie of the group made for great holiday spirit. Now early in the New Year, we get down to the business at hand.

I want you to know that the Virginia Beach branch has received a \$500 mini-grant from AAUW of Virginia to support the branch in bringing a Start Smart workshop to Virginia Beach. More on this later.

Every New Year seems to offer opportunities, and 2019 is no exception. January has two interesting and inviting events for our branch. The January branch meeting is planned for January 12, a Saturday daytime meeting, because our branch members have a preference for daytime meetings during the winter months. We will meet at WHRO, 5200 Hampton Boulevard, Norfolk, from 10 am till noon for the business meeting and program. Kati Hornung will speak on the ERA. This will be followed by a salad luncheon which Tammie has organized. I hope you have responded to her online sign-up, sent December 21. These luncheons are always a treat! Come and bring young friends. They are the ones who don't know that the ERA isn't a law -- yet.

Mark your calendars now for the January 27 presentation of *Silent Sky* at the Little Theatre of Virginia Beach, 550 Barberton Drive, Virginia Beach, at 2:30 pm, followed by a reception. Marianne Stanley, branch AAUW Funds chair, will have tickets for the play at the branch meeting on January 12 if you haven't already purchased yours. She will also have a sign-up sheet for items for the reception. or you may sign up online -- Tammie's email dated December 10. The Virginia Beach branch has had this fundraising event for many years -- long enough that we can call it a tradition of the branch. The play is always entertaining and the reception, fun as branch members and their guests mingle with the actors over delicious snacks and wine.

I urge your support for both of these events as we move the AAUW Virginia Beach branch ahead in 2019. Happy New Year to you all. I look forward to seeing you January 12.

Neola Waller

President

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AAUW Fund – Branch Fundraiser JOIN US ON SUNDAY, January 27, 2019

Little Theatre Virginia Beach
550 Barberton Drive
Virginia Beach VA 23451



The tickets are **\$25 each** and are quickly selling out. Please contact Marianne Stanley asap if you still need tickets. The branch will host a reception in the theater lobby following the performance where we can mingle with the cast and crew. As is the tradition, our branch members attending bring either a finger-food appetizers, sweets, wine or other beverage. We still need volunteers to help set up, sweets and paper products. Contact Marianne Stanley if you can assist in any of these areas.

Membership Matters

Happy New Year! January starts off with a bang with our annual meeting at WHRO on Saturday, January 12th. Our program on the ERA will be engaging and the potluck lunch afterwards will be delicious. Do you have a friend who would enjoy the event? Please contact her now and bring her along.

Thanks to all for renewing your membership! We have exceeded our goal of a 90% renewal rate. Now we want to concentrate on getting new members. Keep up the good work and continue to invite your friends and acquaintances to our meetings. We have some great speakers lined up. Remember that any member who brings a guest to a meeting gets an additional raffle ticket at the May Banquet.

Our Zip Sisters program is going strong. You should have received a phone call from a member reminding you about the January meeting. Thanks to the members who volunteered to be Zip Princesses who are doing the calling. We still need two more Princesses, so if you are interested please contact Kathleen or Sally P.

Would you be interested in spreading our message at a membership event? We have AAUW informational tables often and can always use a few more members to help us. Just contact Sally P or Kathleen for additional information.

Look for new faces at our meetings. We have reached out to Members at Large again with a special email to encourage them to attend our events. They currently are receiving The SandScript, and we hope this will bring them into the branch. We also collected contact info from interested people at the ERA events we attended in November. If you see someone new at our meeting, please introduce yourself and start a conversation. Often that's all it takes to get a new member.

We hope you will join the bandwagon to help grow our membership. AAUW VB offers something for everyone: fun, friends, education, and most of all...



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Membership VP's: Sally Pattison-Cisna and Kathleen Stasulis

CELEBRATIONS!

Happy Birthday to you!

Inez Jones	January 8
Lisa Kilczewski	January 8
Christine Medlin	January 8
Sally Pattinson-Cisna	January 12
Fran Adams	January 17
Dottie Holtz	January 20
Jo-Ann Clegg	January 26



PUBLIC POLICY

We hope you had wonderful holidays with friends and family. If there is one resolution we plan to make for 2019, it is to make our voices heard — politely but firmly — on the public policy issues we care about, especially where positive action will improve the lives of women — and men — and families.

This is a reminder that we will be in Richmond on January 16, 2019, to add our voice and increase our visibility with our state representatives in support of ratification of the ERA.

As you know, we have made Virginia's ratification of the ERA our principle public policy priority this year. Working with many other groups around the state, we have been publicizing all the reasons why the ERA is important and remains necessary, addressing the myths that have been put forward to defeat ratification, and communicating these points to our elected officials with postcards. AAUW of Virginia's own booklet, *"Unfinished Business,"* available at the AAUW of VA website, lays out the history, the arguments for and the responses to the "myths." We are so pleased that it is now featured on the websites of many other advocacy groups. We are making a difference!

The General Assembly has a short session this year – just six weeks – and will convene on January 9, 2019. **So, this year AAUW of VA will be in Richmond on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 to distribute printed and bound copies of "Unfinished Business" to all delegates and senators.** Our goal is to interact directly with every elected state official (or their staff) to convey our strong support for ERA ratification by the Virginia legislature. We will provide a few talking points for you to use at each office visit. This is an additional lobby day for those interested in and available to join us. We hope it will raise AAUW of VA's visibility in Richmond and reinforce our lobbying efforts to date. If we have enough volunteers to deliver all the booklets efficiently, we hope to have time to meet with a couple of legislators. Those meetings are TBD, however.

We plan to meet at 10:00 AM at the public entrance of the Pocahontas Building, 900 East Main Street (where all legislators' offices are while a new General Assembly Building is being constructed). At that time, we will distribute copies of the booklet and delivery assignments with room numbers.

If you wish to participate in the LWV weekly Legislative Round Table that runs from 8:30-9:30 AM at the Sun Trust Bldg. at 919 E. Main St. in the Tidewater Room on the 4th floor, you would need to arrive earlier, or spend Tuesday night.

We will distribute maps and delivery assignments once we know how many AAUW of VA members plan to join us for this additional Lobby Day.

For members wishing to drive in the night before, GRAAUW members have offered to host members in their homes. And we will make arrangements for lunch for all those able to stay.

Please let us know by January 9, 2019 if you plan to join us. This is a firm deadline to give us time to assign the office visits and try to schedule any meetings with legislators.



ERA OPPORTUNITY

Yvonne Lewis of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. has organized a bus for Wednesday, January 9th. She has a few **seats available...**

ERA Bus to General Assembly Richmond, Virginia January 9, 2019



Virginians Demand Equality

Ride with us to the opening day of the Virginia General Assembly to show support in the ratification of the **E**qual **R**ights **A**men~~de~~ment.

Non refundable \$25.00 due by December 31, 2018

Payable to: <https://paypal.me/pools/c/8aHALXYIWg>

Depart 6:30 a.m. Military Circle (by Hardees) Return 7:00 p.m.

Depart 7:00 a.m. Hampton Coliseum Return 6:30 p.m.

Contact Yvonne Lewis at 757-567-2174 for more information.

LET'S MAKE HISTORY!



TWO-MINUTE ACTIVIST

As a Two-Minute Activist, you will receive urgent email notices when your advocacy is needed most. We'll provide all the tools you need to call or send messages to your members of Congress, write letters to the editor for your local newspapers, contact your state legislators about pressing issues and more.

Sign up today! <http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/public-policy/two-minute-activist/>

Advocate for Women in Court Cases!

Women are in the court suing to find justice in their lives with cases involving pay equity and sexual assault and discrimination...YOU can help them out!

Back your Legal Advocacy Fund to help AAUW help these women with your purchase of Autobell Gift Cards.

Look at the women and their cases supported by AAUW National LAF:

<https://www.aauw.org/resources/by-type/laf-cases/>

Each gift card is \$20.00 of which \$10.00 goes to LAF. Use your gift card towards any car wash type. Autobell gift cards do not expire. Email Sally P/ pattisonsj@gmail.com to order and state whether you prefer we mail your gift cards(s) or deliver them at branch meetings where you can use a credit card, cash, or pay by check.



Send your check to Tammie Rice at 1010 Barnacle Court, Virginia Beach, VA, 23451. Please write Autobell in the check's memo line. You can, also, use your card to pay Tammie at our October or November Branch meeting. These make **great holiday gifts**. Wouldn't it be nice to shop early...and empower women!

**Every Car Wash includes the following.
Upgrades do more.**

- Interior vacuum of carpets and seats
- Exterior wash including wheels
- Dash, door panel, and console wiped down
- Interior window cleaning
- Hand-dried

Use at any Hampton Roads Location

- Chesapeake: 925 N. Battlefield Boulevard
- Chesapeake: 4010 Portsmouth Boulevard
- Chesapeake: 3245 Western Branch Boulevard
- Hampton: 1411 N. Armistead Avenue
- Newport News: 13698 Warwick Boulevard
- Norfolk: 5840 E. Virginia Beach Boulevard
- Virginia Beach: 528 First Colonial Road,
- Virginia Beach: 1060 Independence Drive



Holiday Luncheon Book Donation Update! 57



*Thank you, AAUW Virginia Beach!!! You have expanded the stores of REACH books for storytimes and gifts to at risk youth in Hampton Roads by 57!!!! Thanks 57 times to the AAUW VB sisters who donated books for REACH at our Holiday Luncheon. The books you gave may trigger new imagining and thinking and, maybe, friendships for at-risk youth. THANKS!*57!!!*

MOVIE SISTERS

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! ❄️ We would love to begin 2019 with more of you taking advantage of our branch's commitment to support women making movies as writers, directors, and producers. Be a movie sister. Begin this Wednesday, January 9th by gathering with AAUW VB Movie Sisters to see *Mary Queen of Scots*. Friends are welcome! Let's consider this interpretation of a woman born into royalty and, therefore, power, the affects on her subjects. Then we will offer our own insights immediately after the show when we meet at Starbucks. The movie's director is a woman collaborating with three women producers.

What: *Mary Queen of Scots*

When: Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 11:50 am

Where: AMC Lynnhaven 18, 1001 Lynnhaven Mall Loop,
Virginia Beach, VA 23452

Why: *Josie Rourke: Director; Debra Hayward: Producer;
Jane Robertson: Co-producer; Harriet Spencer:
Associate Producer*

Plot Summary: *Mary Queen of Scots* spends her childhood in France and is meant to become also Queen of France. Follow her life as a queen who lost three kingdoms. A wife who lost three husbands. A woman who lost her head.



Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wnqjSgMU36U>

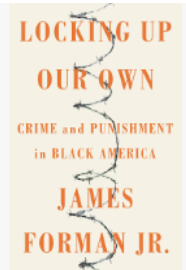
Interested in more women-centric movies? Check out: <http://blogs.indiewire.com/womenandhollywood/films-by-and-about-women>.



BREAKFAST BOOK GROUP

February 7

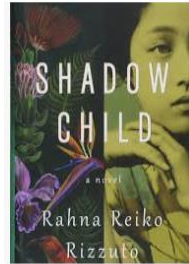
Locking Up Our Own
by James Forman Jr.



Doc Taylor's
8:00 am

March 7

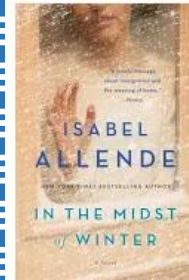
Shadow Child
by Rahna Reiko Rizzuto



Classic diner

April 4

In the Midst of Winter
by Isabel Allende

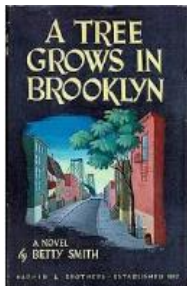


Pop's Diner

EVENING BOOK CLUB

January 8

A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
by Betty Smith



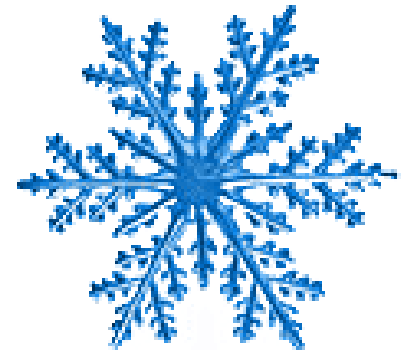
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Feb. 12

The Girl with 7 Names
by Hyeonse Lee



4:30 p.m.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

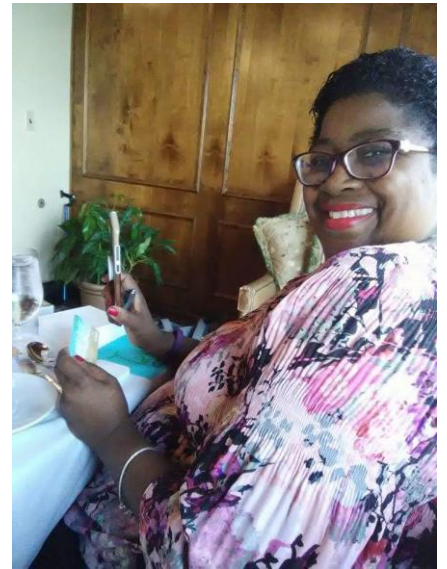
Dates subject to change.

Jan 12	Branch Meeting	WHRO
Jan 23	Board Meeting	Westminster-Canterbury
Jan 27	Fundraiser	Little Theatre of Virginia Beach @2:30
Feb 6	State Lobby Day	State Capitol in Richmond
Apr 6	State Business Meeting	
Apr 9	Equal Pay Day	



AAUW VIRGINIA BEACH BOARD

POSITIONS ELECTED	2018 Nomination Slate	EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
PRESIDENT One Year			
	Neola Waller	wallerwn1@gmail.com	H:757-217-2356
PRESIDENT ELECT One Year then to Presidency			
	<i>unfilled</i>		
PROGRAM VICE PRESIDENT Two Years,elected in even years			
	Sally Daniel	swdaniel01@gmail.com	757.495.4349
MEMBERSHIP VP's Two Years, elected in odd years			
Co-Mmbrshp VP:	Kathleen Stauslis	stauslisss@hotmail.com	H: 757-486-5485 C: 757-576-5485
Co-Mmbrshp VP:	Sally Pattison-Cisna	pattisonsj@gmail.com	H: 757.340.2829 C: 757.378.8527
FINANCE OFFICER Two Years, elected in odd years			
	Tammie Rice	tammieaauw@cox.net	757-630-7097
RECORDING SECRETARIES Two Years,elected in even years			
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Bylaws Chair One Year			
	Neola Waller	wallerwn@wcbeach.com	757-217-2356
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	Yuying Shen	yshen@nsu.edu	757-334-1592
Community Outreach Coordinator(s) One Year			
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VBCPS SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR HOMELESS	Lynn Zoll	lzollpsy@gmail.com	W: 757.636.1229
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	Linda Todd	readertodd@cox.net	757-467-1119
Hospitality Chairs One Year			
Branch Hospitality	Fran Adams	bikalot@cox.net	757-467-2775
Holiday Luncheon	<i>Only set-up, SandScript article and favors. Tammie takes care of menu, booking, payments</i>	-	
May Banquet	<i>Only set-up, SandScript article and favors. Tammie takes care of menu, booking, payments</i>	-	
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Holiday Luncheon

