

# SANDSCRIPT



MAKING WAVES TO EMPOWER WOMEN AND GIRLS IN VIRGINIA BEACH

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## April Branch Meeting

April 15, 2020

7:00 p.m. (meeting)

Join us as we welcome  
(VIRTUALLY)

**Dr. Barbara Blake Gonzalez**

Join us **VIRTUALLY** for Pay Equity in Hampton Roads presented by Dr. Barbara Blake Gonzalez. Dr. Gonzalez is currently the Chief Administrative Officer of the Dragas Center for Economic Analysis and Policy, Strome College of Business, Old Dominion University,



Topic: AAUW Virginia Beach Branch Virtual Meeting  
Time: Apr 15, 2020 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://zoom.us/j/5338389818>

Meeting ID: 533 838 9818

CLICK THIS LINK TO JOIN

\*\*\*\*Find out more about how to join the zoom meeting at the end of the newsletter.



*Providing women and girls waves of support in Virginia Beach*

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There is no doubt that we are navigating our way through some turbulent times. It is my hope that this newsletter finds everyone in good health and weathering the storm. Unfortunately, the age of most of our members makes us a primary target for this virus, so please heed the recommendations of the CDC in order to stay safe.

Now, more than ever, it is evident that the mission of AAUW has an impact on our nation. How would this pandemic be different if there was universal healthcare, paid sick leave, and affordable childcare? As the work of AAUW is more important than ever, the staff of the national office of AAUW will be working from home. If you have questions or need assistance with anything, they are available by phone. There may be children or pets in the background, but they are working. If you missed the webinar that was held on March 24, 2020, it will be posted on the national website. The new website is scheduled to be up and running by the second week of April.

At the branch level, we have scheduled our next meeting to take place virtually through Zoom. Please log in and join the meeting; it is a fun and easy way to stay connected. Of course, the events that the branch had hoped to participate in, or host have been cancelled. The state conference has been rescheduled for March 2021 but keep an eye out for information regarding the virtual "State of AAUW" meeting. It is important that the upcoming AAUW state and national elections achieve a quorum, so please make sure you vote. As always, our branch is looking for members to be on our board. There is a place for you at the table, so please step up.

If you are feeling a little bored during the quarantine, do the Work Smart or Start Smart program offered online and encourage friends and family to check it out. Take the time to explore the state and national websites too, as there is plenty of useful information to be found there.

Follow reliable news sources, be kind to your neighbors, check in with each other, and remember we are all in the same boat. Until we meet again, I wish you good health.

*Jeanette*

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## Searching for Linda Todd Scholarship Applicants and Donations

Now is the time for members of the Virginia Beach AAUW Branch to share application information with potential applicants and organizations to award the \$1,000 Linda Todd Scholarship(s) to advance the education of women. Women who apply should meet the following criteria:

- Resident of Virginia Beach
- At least 23 years old
- Currently enrolled in an **undergraduate** program in Hampton Roads
- Completed a minimum of 15 credit hours at an accredited 2- or 4-year institution
- Returned to school after a lapse in time
- Minimum GPA of 3.0

Qualified applicants may find application information and apply online at <https://virginiabeach-va.aauw.net/scholarship/>.

**SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE EXTENDED UNTIL APRIL 30, 2020**

# MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



*What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."*

We hope each of you are healthy and coping well in our current crisis. It's hard. Perhaps, you are more likely to consider what's most important for each day. Of course, your family, your faith, your health are paramount. We wish you the best in keeping positive and slipping a bit of fun into every day. One family created theme days with wings for supper and watching *Top Gun* that night! I'll bet you could come up with some creative themes and how to express them!

It's finally spring! Please, spring into **renewing your membership!** We will miss our April Spring Renewal Tea this year and admiring you donning your spring bonnet if you renew!



Nevertheless, be sure to attend our April branch meeting with Zoom (instructions in this newsletter). Our membership year ends June 30<sup>th</sup>.

This is the **time to renew for our July 2020-June 2021** year. You have or will soon be emailed an invoice to remind you to renew. You can use that link to pay with a credit card. Another way to pay is to mail Tammie Rice, our finance officer, a check for \$88.00. Please, write the check to AAUW Virginia Beach, note "Membership 2020-2021" in the memo line, and send to Tammie Rice, 1010 Barnacle Court, Virginia Beach, VA, 23451.

Your dues breakdown is as follows. Note there is no increase this year.

**National/\$59 +State/\$15 +Branch/\$14 .=\$88.00**

You will be emailed an updated AAUW VB directory. We urge you to choose a few folks to call to wish them well in this difficult time and talk about something other than the virus!

## CELEBRATIONS:

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

Herta Okonkwo

April 16



*Please, give Herta a call on her special day. She had a serious fall recently and would appreciate your call! 757-716-3175.*

## Virtual AAUW-VA Annual Business Meeting To Be Held April 18, 1pm

Because of the cancellation of our 2020 state conference, we will be holding the required **Annual Business Meeting on April 18 beginning at 1:00 p.m.** It will be a virtual meeting using the Zoom remote conferencing program. We anticipate that the meeting will not last more than an hour and a half, and of course, it may be shorter, depending on how quickly we complete the required business. Also, **we will be producing an online program book** which we will distribute before the meeting. It will contain the agenda, all the reports submitted by branches, districts and state board officers, plus the very creative ads that many of the branches, state board, and members submitted. Thanks one and all! We are excited that we will may have a wider audience for the program book than we would have had during the conference.

**Please register for the Annual Business Meeting using this link:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4eaba828a3f58-aauw>

As soon as all the arrangements are finalized for the Annual Business Meeting, we will be emailing information to those who have registered in advance, as well as to the branch presidents to pass on to other branch members.

AAUW, VIRGINIA BEACH BRANCH APPROVED FISCAL YEAR 2020- 2021 BUDGET GENERAL FUNDS, CHECKING, AND MONEY MARKET ACCOUNTS March 23, 2020		
<b>BUDGETED EXPENSES FOR 2020-2021:</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Actual</b>
STATE/ASSOC CONVENTION	\$500.00	
SUMMER LEADERSHIP MEETING	\$500.00	
LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND	\$200.00	
SCHOLARSHIP ADMINISTRATIVE FUND (May dinner for recipients)	\$70.00	
PROGRAMS (Gifts for speakers)	\$100.00	
INSURANCE	\$185.00	
ROOM RENTALS	\$100.00	
HOSPITALITY (Branch Meetings)	\$50.00	
HOSPITALITY (Holiday Luncheon & May Banquet)	\$150.00	
MEMBERSHIP 100	\$350.00	
Sandscript, Directory (\$10)		
Name Badges (\$60)		
Outreach (\$280)		
TREASURER'S MISC. FUND	\$45.00	
PRESIDENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE FUND	\$20.00	
PRESIDENT'S DISCRETIONARY FUND	\$20.00	
PRESIDENT ELECT'S FUND (Pres.pin)	\$43.00	
HISTORIAN	\$25.00	
PUBLICITY	\$25.00	
PUBLIC POLICY	\$150.00	
MEMORIAL FUND	\$100.00	
COLLEGE LIASION FUND	\$50.00	
CONTINGENCY FUND	\$71.72	
TOTAL	\$2,754.72	
NCCWSL	\$680.00	
STEM4Girls	\$2,680.33	
<b>TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$6,115.05</b>	

Use the pollen buster/Make your Easter Baskets special!.

## AUTOBELL GIFT CARD **SPRING SALES!**

Sponsored by AAUW Virginia Beach

AAUW **N**ATIONAL **C**ONFERENCE FOR **C**OLLEGE **W**OMEN **S**TUDENT **L**EADERS.

<https://www.nccwsl.org/>



*Purchase This!*

Each gift card costs \$20.00. \$10.00 of this cost goes to young women to attend NCCWSL. Use your gift card towards any car wash type. Autobell gift cards do not expire. Since branch meetings are cancelled now, purchase by emailing AAUW VB Sally P/ [pattisonsj@gmail.com](mailto:pattisonsj@gmail.com). Give us your name & address and, when Tammie receives your payment, we'll mail your gift cards(s).

**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



*For a surprise in your...*



*Get rid of this*



*Make this*



Send your check to **Tammie Rice at 1010 Barnacle Court, Virginia Beach, VA, 23451**. Please write the check to AAUW Virginia Beach and write Autobell in the check's memo line. We'll mail your Autobell cards as soon as your payment is received. Include a car wash with your Easter basket treats! Plan to keep your car looking good during the pollen palooza! **MOST of all empower young women to become tomorrow's leaders at NCCWSL!**

Use at any Hampton Roads or other locations  
<https://www.autobell.com/find-your-carwash>

- 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



# Susan Q. Wagner Memorial

In January, we lost a longtime supporter of AAUW. Susan Wagner was a dedicated and active member of the Virginia Beach Branch for nearly 40 years. Once joining in 1979, Neola remembers Susan's very first AAUW meeting where she introduced herself as a newcomer to Virginia Beach and searching for a job. B Lovitt, Virginia Beach Branch Founder, helped connect Susan to a job at the SPCA where she was hired as a humane educator. Throughout her tenure, Susan held multiple leadership positions in the branch including leading as a President. She actively participated in the book and dining groups, as well as served on the local scholarship committee. The branch has generously received \$1,000 from Susan's estate for our local scholarship. This scholarship will be given in Susan's memory. Additionally, the Branch made a \$50 contribution to AAUW Greatest needs fund in memory of Susan.



## MAY BANQUET CANCELLED

### ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPANTS

#### Before a videoconference:

1. You will need a computer, tablet, or smartphone with speaker or headphones. You will have the opportunity to check your audio immediately upon joining a meeting.
2. You will receive a link to the conference call. The notification will include a link to "Join via computer"  
<https://zoom.us/j/5338389818> It will also include the 10-digit (usually) Meeting ID. 533 838 9818

#### To join the videoconference:

1. At the start time of your meeting, click on the link in your invitation to join via computer. You may be instructed to download the Zoom application.
2. You have an opportunity to test your audio at this point by clicking on "Test Computer Audio." Once you are satisfied that your audio works, click on "Join audio by computer."

You may also join a meeting without clicking on the invitation link by going to [join.zoom.us](https://join.zoom.us) on any browser and entering the Meeting ID provided.

# AAUW Virginia Beach

## July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

POSITIONS ELECTED	OFFICERS	EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
PRESIDENT One Year	Jeanette Olson	<a href="mailto:olsonej@verizon.net">olsonej@verizon.net</a>	757.427.5900
PRESIDENT ELECT One Year then to Presidency	TBD	-	
PROGRAM Vice President Two Years, elected in even years	Sally Daniel	<a href="mailto:swdaniel01@gmail.com">swdaniel01@gmail.com</a>	757.495.4349
MEMBERSHIP Vice Presidents Two Years, elected in odd years	Sally Pattison-Cisna	<a href="mailto:pattisonsj@gmail.com">pattisonsj@gmail.com</a>	H: 757.340.2829 C: 757.378.8527
	Kathleen Stauslis	<a href="mailto:stauslisss@hotmail.com">stauslisss@hotmail.com</a>	H: 757-486-5485 C: 757-576-5485
FINANCE OFFICER Two Years, elected in odd years	Tammie Rice	<a href="mailto:tammieaaauw@gmail.com">tammieaaauw@gmail.com</a>	757-630-7097
RECORDING SECRETARIES Two Years, elected in even years			
Branch Secretary	Carole Szetela	<a href="mailto:karolka@verizon.net">karolka@verizon.net</a>	H: 757-631-1805 C: 757-681-4191
Board Secretary	Louise Wild	<a href="mailto:mslouisew27@yahoo.com">mslouisew27@yahoo.com</a>	H: 757-422-1948
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AAUW Funds Chair One Year	Neola Waller	<a href="mailto:wallerwn1@gmail.com">wallerwn1@gmail.com</a>	757-217-2356
LTVB	Neola Waller	<a href="mailto:wallerwn1@gmail.com">wallerwn1@gmail.com</a>	757-217-2356
AutoBell Coupons	Sally Pattison-Cisna	<a href="mailto:pattisonsj@gmail.com">pattisonsj@gmail.com</a>	757.340.2829
Bylaws Chair One Year	Neola Waller	<a href="mailto:wallerwn1@gmail.com">wallerwn1@gmail.com</a>	757-217-2356
College/University Chair One Year	TBD	-	
Community Outreach Coordinator(s) One Year			
Pennies for Prescriptions	Toni Lohman	<a href="mailto:tlohman@verizon.net">tlohman@verizon.net</a>	H: 757-463-9135
REACH	Sally Pattison-Cisna	<a href="mailto:pattisonsj@gmail.com">pattisonsj@gmail.com</a>	H: 757.340.2829
VBCPS Food Beach Bags for At Risk Children	TBD	-	
VBCPS SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR HOMELESS	Lynn Zoll with	<a href="mailto:lzollpsy@gmail.com">lzollpsy@gmail.com</a>	W: 757.636.1229
	Sally Pattison-Cisna	<a href="mailto:pattisonsj@gmail.com">pattisonsj@gmail.com</a>	H: 757.340.2829
Historian	Linda Todd	<a href="mailto:readertodd@cox.net">readertodd@cox.net</a>	757-467-1119
Hospitality Chairs One Year		-	
Branch Hospitality	Fran Adams	<a href="mailto:Bikalot@Verizon.net">Bikalot@Verizon.net</a>	757-467-2775
Holiday Luncheon	TBD:	-	
May Luncheon	TBD	-	
Linda Todd Scholarship Chair One Year	Linda Love	<a href="mailto:loveshacklj@hotmail.com">loveshacklj@hotmail.com</a>	757.575.4555
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Public Policy Co-Chairs One year	Barbara Woodlee	<a href="mailto:barbarawoodlee@gmail.com">barbarawoodlee@gmail.com</a>	207.649.9711
Publicity/Communications Chairs One Year		-	
Outside Sources	Fran Adams	<a href="mailto:Bikalot@Verizon.net">Bikalot@Verizon.net</a>	757-467-2775
Website	Tammie Rice	<a href="mailto:tammieaaauw@gmail.com">tammieaaauw@gmail.com</a>	757-630-7097
Facebook	Kaitlin Lynch	<a href="mailto:Kaitlinsmith89@gmail.com">Kaitlinsmith89@gmail.com</a>	757-6463947

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