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October Branch Meeting October 21, 2020

6:30 chat
7:00 p.m. (meeting)

Join us **VIRTUALLY**



Mayor Bobby Dyer



Jody Wagner

When a presidential election comes about, we sometimes forget that much of what governs our life is LOCAL! So, come to our October program to meet (via Zoom) the candidates for Virginia Beach mayor. Both Jody Wagner and Mayor Dyer will give us a 10-minute summary of their plans for the city. You'll have time to ask questions. Each of you is encouraged each to come. And, ask a friend to join us from the comfort of their own home. We WANT an informed electorate!

As always, you can sign in at 6:30 for some casual conversation. The meeting starts at 7.

Our Zoom sign in remains the same throughout this year. Please, if you are intimidated to try Zoom, let Jeanette or the Sallys talk you through it. Even a technophobe like Sally D. (she doesn't even have a cell phone) can do this. You can, too!!!!

Topic: Virginia Beach Mayoral Race

Time: October 21, 2020

06:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88483477328?pwd=Q0xGSmNUcm1QbHp3cVJmRDZONmpEUT09>

Meeting ID: 884 8347 7328

Passcode: 152730

****Find out more about how to join the zoom meeting on page 3 of the newsletter

CLICK THIS LINK TO JOIN



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Because we missed seeing most of your lovely faces during our last branch meeting, members of our board will be making telephone calls to all of you to ensure that everyone understands how to log on to Zoom in order to participate in our monthly meetings. Sally Daniel, our wonderful program chair, works diligently on finding interesting and informative speakers every month, and it is embarrassing and disappointing when we have a poor showing at these meetings from our members. The speakers at this month's program will be the candidates running for Mayor in our upcoming election, Robert "Bobby" Dyer and Jody Wagner. We are honored that they have set aside their valuable time to speak to our group this close to the election, so please make every effort to attend. Also, invite your friends, family, or neighbors to join you on the session.

The national office of AAUW will be working remotely until next year and has requested that branches meet virtually for the safety of its members. As you will notice, our book groups are arranging meetings over Zoom, so this may be the perfect time to check out their reading lists and join in on the fun. With the Little Theater of Virginia Beach closed for the season, we may have to get creative with our fundraising this year. We are open to hearing any suggestions you may want to present.

This may be a challenging year for our branch, but I look forward to working toward our goal of equity for all with the passion of the Notorious RBG, Ruth Bader Ginsburg. May she be an inspiration to us all today and always.

Jeanette



This Amendment is the result of a decade-long advocacy effort. It has passed in the Virginia legislature twice with bipartisan support. If Amendment 1 is approved by the voters on November 3, redistricting will be assigned to a citizen-chaired, bipartisan commission composed of eight citizens and eight members of the General Assembly, with an equal number from each House and each major political party. A 3/4 vote of the commission's members will be required to approve district maps, thereby requiring substantial approval across party lines.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS



October Greetings AAUW VB! Kathleen and I hope you and yours are well and happy in these challenging times. Our membership is at forty-eight women. Only five/10% members have not renewed at this point. 90% have renewed membership with AAUW VB. Thanks to each of you for renewing.

While our September Zoom meeting was lively, substantive, and entertaining we missed many of you being there! We know Zoom is not in everyone's skill set. We do know that all you need to Zoom is good guidance on the few steps it takes! So, you will soon be called to understand why you did not attend our September branch and use any suggestions you may have to draw you back to attending! We will have a Practice Zoom Meeting on October 19th with Zoom Helpers you can call to help you zoom...so you can attend our special October branch meeting. It is good to learn something new...make it Zoom!

Attendance affects many things. Not only does it reflect support for our branch but support for the excellent speakers our Program VP works diligently to provide. Our October branch meeting welcomes Virginia Beach's two main mayoral candidates, Jody Wagner and Bobby Dyer as our program. Show our thanks to these folks and those at every branch meeting with your attendance, especially since all you need to do is sit at your computer or phone at home and Zoom in! Your friends are welcomed! Invite anyone else to attend. Many of your acquaintances would relish a chance to meet these candidates in a small group setting...provide the opportunity for them.

Our updated AAUW VB Directory was emailed recently. Please, check your information for accuracy and let us know if it needs correcting or updating! We have one update already:

Toni Lohman: Add Cell phone: 757. 636.5230

CELEBRATIONS: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

October 2 Kathleen Stansulis

October 14 Carole Szetela

October 29 Anne Dowd



Co-VP's of Membership: Kathleen: stasuliss@hotmail.com / 757.486.5485 & Sally: pattisonsji@gmail.com / 757.340.2829

ZOOM INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPANTS

Before a videoconference:

1. You will need a tablet, smartphone, or computer that has a microphone and 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" It will also include the 10-digit (usually) Meeting ID.

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 on any browser and entering the Meeting ID provided.



AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF
UNIVERSITY WOMEN
**SOUTHEAST DISTRICT
MEETING**

Membership: Recruiting Post Covid 19

**Mark Bowers, Executive Director
Professional Development Consortium of
Hampton Roads**

**OCTOBER 24, 2020
10:30AM - 12 PM
VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING**

RSVP [HERE](#)

VOTING OPTIONS AND DATES

The November 3, 2020, election may be one of the most critically important in our lifetimes. Given the COVID-19 Pandemic, many people may choose another voting option than that of voting at the polls on November 3, 2020. Critical dates for these options are listed below.

Check to see that your registration is current at <https://iwillvote.com> Last day to register to vote is October 13, 2020.

The period to request an Application for an Absentee Ballot by Mail has begun and will close on October 23, 2020, at 5:00 pm. Request your Absentee by Mail Ballot at <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting/>

The last day to request an Absentee Ballot IN-PERSON is October 31st at 5:00 pm.

Absentee ballots will be mailed to voters requesting them starting on September 18, 2020. Fill it out and send it back as quickly as you are comfortable in doing so. Absentee ballots must be postmarked by November 3, 2020.

Early Vote (Absentee in Person) begins September 19, 2020. Check with your local registrar to find early voting locations. You may contact <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot-in-person-voting/>.

The only Saturdays in October you can vote early are October 24th and October 31st. (Some localities may have more dates. Voters should check with their local registrars for those dates.)

Voting at the polls will begin at 6:00 am and conclude at 7:00 pm on November 3, 2020. You can find your local location by checking <https://iwillvote.com>

Emergency Absentee Voting is available at any time prior to 2:00 pm on the day preceding the election if you were unable to meet the Vote by Mail application date for any of the following reasons:

- your hospitalization or illness;
- the hospitalization, illness, or death of a spouse, child, or parent; or
- other emergency found to justify receipt of an emergency absentee ballot.

If you requested an absentee ballot but decide to vote in person, take your ballot AND the envelope with you to your registrar's office in order to be able to vote in person.

People who vote absentee in person or at their polling place on election day must present an ID. No longer must it be a photo ID, but they must have one of the IDs listed on ELECT website.

More information is available at <https://www.elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting/>

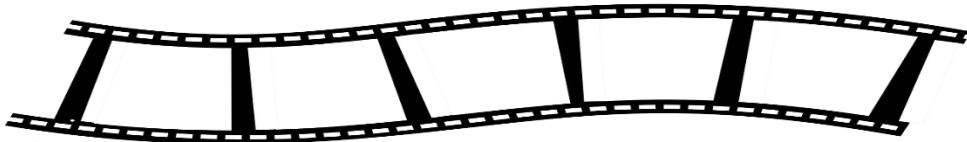
Two-Minute Activist

Send emails and texts to your legislators to fight for equal pay, family leave, stopping sexual harassment, equality in education and more. Sign up to get regular alerts to be able to take timely action.

Click here to [sign](#) up today!



Movie Sisters Explore new viewing possibilities!



Movie Sisters is not meeting yet but, we'll begin invitations to the movies in October. Meanwhile, here are some possibilities at Regal.



Regal Columbus Theater at
Town Center
5 PM
Reserved seating only



Documentary at Regal
Columbus Theaters at Town
Center at 4:15 PM and 7 PM.

*Try these on your streaming choices. These stories
will help you explore unique challenges in
women's lives.*

Radioactive <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mU0oOUTo5zo>

"Pioneer - Rebel - Genius. Radioactive is incredible, true-story of Marie Skłodowska-Curie and her Nobel Prize-winning work that changed the world." Marie Curie's research was partially supported by an AAUW grant.

Bombshell: <https://bombshell.movie/>

The provocative real story of three whip-smart, ambitious, strong women who anchored one of America's most powerful news networks -- becoming headlines themselves when they risked everything to stand up to the man who made them famous.

AUTOBELL GIFT CARDS 2020-2021

Bring your wave of support to help women and girls.

Gift your family and friends with an ever-useful gift card for Auto Bell. Each gift card costs \$20.00. **\$10.00 of this cost goes to support AAUW VB.** Use your gift card towards any type of car wash. Autobell gift cards do not expire. For a while branch meetings are not in person, so purchase with an email to Sally P/ pattisonsj@gmail.com. Give her your name & address; how many cards you would like. When Tammie receives your payment, Sally P. will mail you 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

Purchase 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 will mail your Autobell cards to you as soon as your payment is received. Include a car wash with your holiday gifts. **MOST of all, bring your wave of support to empower AAUW VB to support women and girls!**

Use at any Hampton Roads or other locations

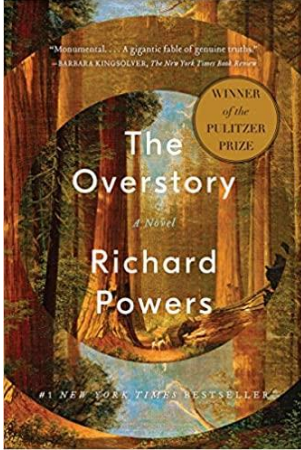
<https://www.autobell.com/find-your-carwash>

- 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

BOOK CLUBS

Breakfast Book Club October Read:

October 1, on Zoom, at 8 am. Let our leader, Connie Davis /connidavis@cox.net know if you would like to participate.



The Overstory, a Novel by Richard Powers

The Overstory, winner of the 2019 Pulitzer Prize in Fiction, is a sweeping, impassioned work of activism and resistance that is also a stunning evocation of—and paean to—the natural world.

Winner of the Pulitzer Prize in Fiction

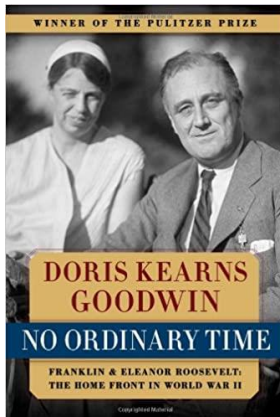
Winner of the William Dean Howells Medal

Shortlisted for the Man Booker Prize

Over One Year on the *New York Times* Bestseller List

Adelante Book Club October Read:

Adelante's October read is *No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt: The Home Front in World War II* by Doris Kearns Goodwin, 1995. We are still working on a date for a Zoom meeting. We will let the branch know in the next few days.



"This book won the Pulitzer Prize for history. *No Ordinary Time* is a monumental work, a brilliantly conceived chronicle of one of the most vibrant and revolutionary periods in the history of the United States."

For purchasing information click [here](#).

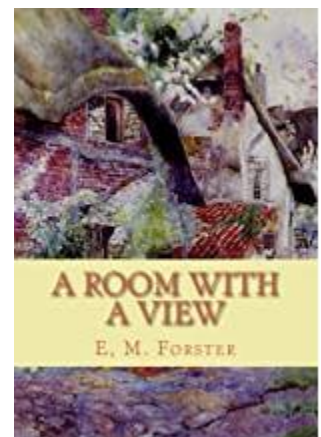
Evening Book Club October Meeting:

Evening Book Group will meet Tuesday, October 13, 2020, at 7:00 with ZOOM.

A Room with a View by E.M. Forster

Host: Linda

Meeting via Zoom



Upcoming Events

October 21, 2020	7:00 Branch Meeting Virtual
October 24, 2020	10:30 am – 12 pm Virtual
October 28, 2020	6:30 Board Meeting
November 18, 2020	7:00 Branch Meeting Virtual
November 25, 2020	6:30 Board Meeting
December 16, 2020	7:00 Branch Meeting Virtual
December 23, 2020	6:30 Board Meeting
January 20, 2021	7:00 Branch Meeting
January 27, 2021	6:30 Board Meeting
February 17, 2021	7:00 Branch Meeting
February 24, 2021	6:30 Board Meeting
March 17, 2021	7:00 Branch Meeting
March 24, 2021	6:30 Board Meeting
April 21, 2021	7:00 Branch Meeting
April 28, 2021	6:30 Board Meeting
May 19, 2021	7:00 Branch Meeting
May 26, 2021	6:30 Board Meeting



September Branch Meeting



AAUW Virginia Beach

July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

POSITIONS ELECTED	OFFICERS	EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
PRESIDENT One Year	Jeanette Olson	olsonej@verizon.net	757.427.5900
PRESIDENT ELECT One Year then to Presidency	TBD	-	
PROGRAM Vice President Two Years, elected in even years	Sally Daniel	swdaniel01@gmail.com	757.495.4349
MEMBERSHIP Vice Presidents Two Years, elected in odd years	Sally Pattison-Cisna	pattisonsj@gmail.com	H: 757.340.2829 C: 757.378.8527
	Kathleen Stauslis	stasuliss@hotmail.com	H: 757-486-5485 C: 757-576-5485
FINANCE OFFICER Two Years, elected in odd years	Tammie Rice	tammieaauw@gmail.com	757-630-7097
RECORDING SECRETARIES Two Years, elected in even years			
Branch Secretary			
Board Secretary			
POSITIONS APPOINTED: 2019-2020			
AAUW Funds Chair One Year			
LTVB	Carole Szetela	karolka@verizon.net	H: 757-631-1805 C: 757-681-4191
AutoBell Coupons	Sally Pattison-Cisna	pattisonsj@gmail.com	757.340.2829
Bylaws Chair One Year	Neola Waller	wallerwn1@gmail.com	757-217-2356
College/University Chair One Year	TBD	-	
Community Outreach Coordinator(s) One Year			
Pennies for Prescriptions	Toni Lohman	tlohman@verizon.net	H: 757-463-9135
REACH	Sally Pattison-Cisna	pattisonsj@gmail.com	H: 757.340.2829
VBCPS Food Beach Bags for At Risk Children	TBD	-	
VBCPS SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR HOMELESS	Lynn Zoll	lzollpsy@gmail.com	W: 757.636.1229
	Sally Pattison-Cisna	pattisonsj@gmail.com	H: 757.340.2829
Historian	Linda Todd	readertodd@cox.net	757-467-1119
Hospitality Chairs One Year		-	
Branch Hospitality	Fran Adams	Bikalot@Verizon.net	757-467-2775
Holiday Luncheon	Tammie Rice	tammieaauw@gmail.com	757-630-7097
May Luncheon	Tammie Rice	tammieaauw@gmail.com	757-630-7097
Linda Todd Scholarship Chair One Year	Linda Love	loveshacklj@hotmail.com	757.575.4555
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Public Policy Co-Chairs One year	Barbara Woodlee	barbarawoodlee@gmail.com	207.649.9711
Publicity/Communications Chairs One Year		-	
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Facebook			
Diversity and Inclusion Representative	Maria Kronenburg	makronstats@gmail.com	757-650-7112

Diversity Statement: *In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks an inclusive membership, workforce, leadership team, and board of directors. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of age, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, geographical location, national origin, race, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic status.*



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