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January Branch Meeting

January 20, 2021

6:30 chat

7:00 p.m. (meeting)

Join us **VIRTUALLY**

Join us as we welcome Dr. LaQuiche Parrott



Dr. LaQuiche Parrott is the director of the Office for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for Virginia Beach City Public Schools. As such, she leads the development and implementation of proactive diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives in support of the Division's strategic plan to create a teaching and learning environment where all have an opportunity to succeed. Additionally, the office partners with all departments, schools/centers and the broader community to help develop initiatives aimed at fostering more awareness, advocacy and action.

She serves as liaison to the Virginia Beach Human Rights Commission and Minority Business Council.

Prior to the role as director, Dr. Parrott served as an elementary school principal and taught at the elementary level.

Dr Parrot is a true university woman. She received an undergraduate degree in English from Virginia State University, a Master of Education degree (with an endorsement in Educational Leadership) from Regent University, and her Doctor of Education from Virginia Tech in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies. Dr. Parrott most recently completed an Aspiring Superintendents Program hosted by Virginia Tech.

Join Zoom Meeting

Speaker: Dr. LaQuiche Parrott

Date: January 20, 2021

Time: 06:30 PM

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

Meeting ID: 884 8347 7328

Passcode: 152730

CLICK THIS LINK TO
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It would be an understatement to say that 2020 has been challenging. I believe that everyone has been affected in some way by the COVID-19 pandemic, whether personally or through friends and family. The impact extends beyond health issues to touch relationships, employment, finances, etc. Unfortunately, women have been disproportionately affected by this pandemic, and we now know how important it is to carry on the work of AAUW.

I appreciate the work our members have put into staying active in AAUW as we have transitioned to virtual meetings, and I hope everyone will register to attend the virtual state conference scheduled for March 13-15, 2021. If anyone is having trouble joining meetings or needs assistance with Zoom, please reach out to one of us for assistance. It makes us happy to see all your lovely faces pop up on our screens.

With the start of 2021, I am excited to see some positive changes on the horizon. The good news of a vaccine being distributed is just one positive piece of news for 2021. I am optimistic that the diversity of the incoming White House cabinet and the inauguration of a female vice president will provide a more receptive audience to the goals of AAUW.

Let's make 2021 a great new year!

Jeanette Olson

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!



MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Happy New Year! Welcome 2021 and good riddance to 2020!

Thanks to all for renewing your membership! We currently have 44 members, which is a renewal rate of 92%. Congratulations! Now is the time to start concentrating on getting new members. We know this is hard during the pandemic. Do you have a friend that Zooms? Sally D is providing us with great speakers so you can continue to invite your friends and acquaintances to our meetings. They will just need to Zoom in to the event. Look on page one of the SandScript for the Zoom link and information about our upcoming speaker.

Our Zip Sisters program is going strong. You should receive a phone call from a member to remind you about Zooming in to the January meeting. Thanks to the members who volunteered to be Zip Queens and are doing the calling. If you are not getting called, please let Kathleen or Sally P know and we will get you on a list.

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

CELEBRATIONS

Happy Birthday to:



INEZ JONES
CHRISTINE MEDLIN
SALLY PATTISON-CISNA
FRAN ADAMS
DOTTIE HOLTZ
JO-ANN CLEGG

JANUARY 8
JANUARY 8
JANUARY 12
JANUARY 17
JANUARY 20
JANUARY 26

AAUW Fund

Branch Update: Congratulations, branch contributions for 2020 total \$3,283! The branch submitted \$900 from two fundraisers and \$500 that was budgeted for the state conference. The rest were contributions directly submitted by generous branch members - Thank you all. Every gift to AAUW makes a difference — but our dollars go furthest when we donate to the AAUW Greatest Needs Fund or our strategic focus areas. For 2020, we contributed \$3,032 to the Greatest Needs fund - making Virginia Beach a Five Star Branch. We also made donations to Economic Security, Leadership and Education & Training.

Tammie Rice - Interim AAUW Fund Chair

Thanks,
Tammie Rice
757-630-7097

AAUW Art Contest

Are you an AAUW member with a passion for creating works of art? Next year's contest begins on January 6 with entries accepted through February 3. The six winning entries will be featured in a collection of notecards mailed to AAUW members in the spring. Meanwhile, look at the rules on how to enter your work in the upcoming contest and peruse past winners for some inspiration on your submission! [Click here for more information.](#)

Thanks,
Tammie Rice
757-630-7097

Please save the date, February 13th, for the Southeast District Meeting. Note the date was moved due to the early date of the State Conference. This is a virtual meeting; a link will be provided closer to the date.

Our speaker is Cyndi Shanahan, AAUW of Virginia, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Chair, who will hold an open discussion on AAUW Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Resources. See the flyer on the next page.

SAVE THE DATE!

Hope you join us!

RSVP at this link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A44AEAB2DA2FF2-southeast2>

Thanks,
Tammie Rice
757-630-7097



Be well-informed.
**JOIN
CYNDI SHANAHAN,
AAUW OF VIRGINIA
DIVERSITY, EQUITY &
INCLUSION CHAIR
FOR AN OPEN
DISCUSSION ON
AAUW DIVERSITY,
EQUITY & INCLUSION
RESOURCES**

RSVP WITH TAMMIE RICE AT
TAMMIEAAUW@GMAIL.COM

SE DISTRICT VIRTUAL MEETING

**FEBRUARY 13, 2021
11AM TO 12:30PM**

**HAMPTON
NEWPORT NEWS
NORFOLK
PORTSMOUTH
SUFFOLK
VIRGINIA BEACH**



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Upcoming Events



January 20, 2021	7:00 Branch Meeting
January 27, 2021	6:30 Board Meeting
February 13, 2021	Southeast District Meeting - Virtual
February 17, 2021	7:00 Branch Meeting
February 24, 2021	6:30 Board Meeting
March 13-15, 2021	Virtual State Conference
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

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.

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	stauslisss@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
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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
Newsletter Editor One year	Patricia Smith	fislarsmith@hotmail.com	(H)757-646-3946
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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