



The  
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## Letter from the Presidents

By Danielle and Ginger

Dear Members,

For the first time in history, we may elect our first woman US President in a couple of months. Yet, there is not the feeling of excitement that prevailed in the country in 2008 when we elected our first black President. No matter how you feel about the candidates or who you vote for it is important that you vote - women fought long and hard for that right and we must exercise it.

We want to thank all of our members who volunteered to help Leslie and Lane with Get Out The Vote at NOVA. We are very proud to have so many of you help people register to vote at eight different sessions.

Our next speaker Dr. Larry Korb will discuss new aspects of this upcoming election as he talks about "Election and Foreign Policy" on Thursday, October 13, from 7 to 8:30PM. You should have received a flyer on this. If not, please let us know.

Our first event this year was the MEET AND GREET reception, which had a number of guests as well as about 20 members attend. Caroline Pickens enthralled us with stories of women leaders and events in the history of AAUW, showing all the progress we have made over the years. We are eager to have some new groups created, so again, please let us know what you would like to do since it is YOUR AAUW Branch.

Also, as you know, two of our organization's national concerns are the barriers and biases that women of leadership face in many areas, including the wage gap and pay equity. Although the gap has narrowed since the passage of the Equal Pay Act in 1963, the average woman still takes home only 80 percent of men's median earnings. Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) recently introduced a bill, "Pay Equity for All Act" and the City of Alexandria is taking major strides towards this goal. We are very pleased to see the good work promoted by our City Council in Alexandria.

Recently mentioned in the Washington Post: [http://wapo.st/2dc66gX?tid=ss\\_mail](http://wapo.st/2dc66gX?tid=ss_mail) the Alexandria, Virginia city government now pays women and men very nearly the same for similar jobs, according to the first-ever study of pay equity. We hope you will support efforts to bring pay equity to everyone in the workforce.

There are several events planned in October beyond our regular program, including the Northern Virginia District Meeting in Burke, VA on "Gender Bias in Politics" and our cultural event, the Alexandria Ghost Tour in Old Town. If you love cultural events, don't forget to sign up for the listserv with Paula. Our book club is reading "The Girl on the Train" – coming out shortly as a thriller movie.

Don't forget to save the dates for upcoming events in November and December including our Holiday Party on December 11th at Belle Haven Country Club.

*Danielle and Ginger*  
Co-Presidents, Alexandria  
AAUW





AAUW Alexandria Branch Presents

# Foreign Policy Issues and Election 2016: More Light Than Heat

Historians will be studying this presidential election for years to come, but we each have a choice to make **SOON**. Let's get the facts about world events that we need to make an informed choice in November. Dr. Larry Korb will discuss the foreign policy positions of the candidates with time for your questions.



Lawrence J. Korb is a Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress. He is also a senior advisor to the Center for Defense Information and an adjunct professor at Georgetown University. Prior to joining American Progress, he was a senior fellow and director of national security studies at the Council on Foreign Relations. From July 1998 to October 2002 he was council vice president, director of studies, and holder of the Maurice Greenberg Chair.

Prior to joining the Council, Dr. Korb served as director of the Center for Public Policy Education and senior fellow in the Foreign Policy Studies Program at the Brookings Institution; dean of the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Pittsburgh; vice president of corporate operations at the Raytheon Company; and director of defense studies at the American Enterprise Institute. He was an Assistant Secretary of Defense from 1981 to 1985.

Dr. Korb has authored, co-authored, edited, or contributed to more than 20 books and written more than 100 articles on national security issues. Please join us in welcoming Dr. Korb to get perspective on foreign policy issues in our current election process.

**October 13, 2016, 7 to 8:30pm  
Cameron Station Clubhouse  
200 Cameron Station Blvd.  
Alexandria, VA 22304**

## Welcome!! New Members

### Crystal Andrews



Crystal is a true southern girl; she was born in Georgia and raised in southern Virginia outside of Williamsburg. She lived in Alexandria while in graduate school and recently moved back after living in D.C. for the past four years. Crystal comes from a large family; she is the youngest of four children, has 26 first cousins and 13 nieces and nephews (whom she enjoys spoiling rotten).

She received her bachelor's in Letters, Arts, and Sciences from Penn State University and holds an M.P.A. with a concentration in nonprofit management from George Mason University. Crystal has spent her entire career working in the nonprofit sector; initially working in program management and now focusing on strategic initiatives including data governance, business analysis, and database development. Crystal admits she can be a workaholic, but she's learning to enjoy downtime. When she's not working, Crystal enjoys reading, working out, cooking, traveling, going to the theater, and spending time with her crazy family.

### Dr. Lantie Jorandby

Dr. Lantie Jorandby is a native Floridian who grew up in South Florida. She graduated with a Bachelors of Science in Neuroscience at Vanderbilt University. She then completed Medical Degree at the University of Florida, During Medical School, she served as President for the American Medical Womens Association. Lantie completed training in general psychiatry at the University of Florida and served as Chief Resident. She completed Addiction Psychiatry Fellowship at Yale University. She served as Medical Director of Dual Diagnosis unit at Harvard/McLean hospital. Currently, she is working at Amen Clinic in Reston VA, providing outpatient neuropsychiatry. Lantie enjoys travel, cooking and spending time with William-significant other, and her two King Charles Cavaliers.



## Welcome!! New Members

### Heather Muller

My name is Heather Muller and I moved to the area in June 2016. I first learned of AAUW from a friend in the Tacoma (WA) branch and was thrilled to find an active group here! I'm originally from Ohio but my husband is in the Air Force so we've lived all over the United States. I graduated from Wright State University (Dayton, Ohio) with a BA in Communication Studies, from Webster University (St. Louis, Missouri) with a MA in Computer and Information Management, and from University of Missouri, Columbia with a Master's in Library Science. I work for the Arlington Public Library at the Aurora Hills Branch. When not working (or reading), I enjoy traveling and camping. Since we live near Old Town Alexandria, I have also recently rediscovered the joys of biking (with a bicycle, not a motorcycle) to avoid traffic/parking issues and to burn a few extra calories as well! I also enjoy spending time with my family: my husband of 22 years, William Fecke, and my 10 year old Border Collie, Dr. Seuss, and my 7 year old brat... I mean cat, Liz Lemon.



### Vanessa Brown



B. Commerce; B. Arts (Interdisciplinary Studies); master studies in Architecture; Masters of Business Administration. Formerly worked in the field of historic preservation. Currently pursuing interests in fine arts (painting) and international travel. Resides in Alexandria, VA

### SPA CARDS - Fund Christ House Dinners and the Educational Foundation

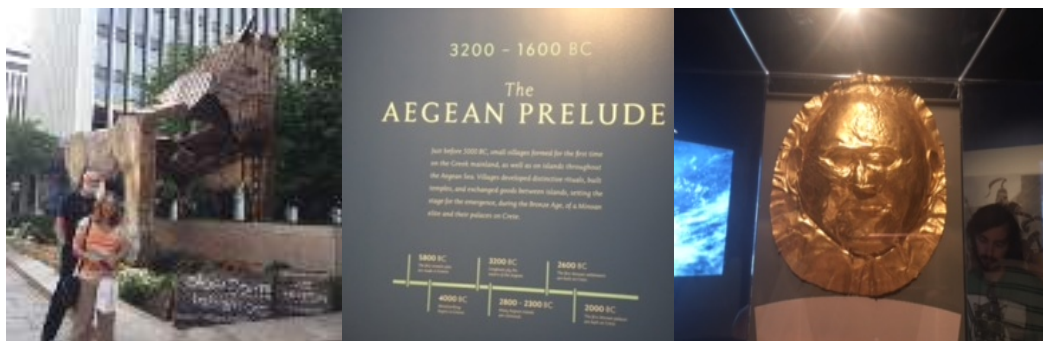
Get your spa card from Rita Rutsohn, only \$45 each. So far we have raised over \$1800 for Christ House. Thanks to all who have purchased a card or two. Please continue to buy! . It is a perfect way to help with Christ House and the Educational Fund! See Rita Rutsohn to purchase cards.



### Meet & Greet POTLUCK:



### "THE GREEKS" Exhibit, National Geographic Museum:



## OCTOBER Cultural Activities

### Saturday, October 22 at 2:00 p.m - "Gender Bias in Politics—Is It Real?" (Northern District Meeting)

**LOCATION: King's Park Library, 9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA 22015**

Most of us would say "Yes," but you might be surprised at the how and when and even the "no." It's a timely subject and also fits with AAUW's latest research on "Bias and Barriers." We will feature Melissa Richmond, vice president of Running Start (a non-partisan organization that trains young women to run for office), and Melissa Jackowski, campaign services manager for TargetSmart Communications (which provides data-driven solutions to campaigns) and former AAUW Grassroots Advocacy Manager. Both women have incredible backgrounds in politics and electoral campaigns. Watch for more details in early October—and put October 22 on your calendar. ( *by Susan Burk and Caroline Pickens, Northern District Co-Representatives*)

### Saturday, October 22, 7:00 PM – Haunted Haunts Ghost Tour

Spend an exciting evening on a one hour tour hearing out of the ordinary tales of war and peace, tragedies, comedies, and ghosts and graves that relate to the history of Alexandria and its residents. Meet at the corner of King and N. Fairfax St. by the steps going up to Market Square. The cost is \$10 for adults. Please contact Paula by **Oct. 17** at (703)256-4541 or [pmassouh@aol.com](mailto:pmassouh@aol.com) to make a reservation.

## NEW LIST SERVE FOR CULTURAL ENTHUSIASTS

Paula Massouh, Cultural Chair, is setting up a list serve for those interested in learning about cultural activities throughout the area. Its purpose is to enable members to post information about non-sponsored AAUW branch cultural events, tours and activities. Those interested can then contact the individual posting the item for more information. This also will prevent members who are not interested in cultural activities from getting unwanted e-mails.

*If you want to be included in this list serve, please send an e-mail to Paula at [pmassouh@aol.com](mailto:pmassouh@aol.com).*




**WOMEN TAKE CHARGE**

**Saturday, October 15 at Mason's Arlington Campus - Founders Hall**  
 Rep. Don Beyer's Women Take Charge Event

Rep. Don Beyer will host the Women Take Charge event on Saturday, October 15, 2016, 10:00 a.m. to noon at Mason's Arlington Campus in Founders Hall.

Sponsored by Congressman Don Beyer (VA-8) and featuring former White House Communications Director Anita Dunn, the conference will focus on the growing role of women in civic engagement, elected office, as business leaders and their increasing global impact on social issues. Breakfast will be for free. Local elected women leaders and attendees will be eligible for complimentary professional photo.



Join Rep. Don Beyer, a national leader and a part of several of the nation's most innovative and impactful community.

**NOTE: TO REGISTER COPY AND PASTE THE LINK ON THE BROWSER.**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/women-take-charge-tickets-26642662922>

**Saturday, October 1 : Cultural Mosaic: A Celebration of Diversity at Alexandria Library**

**NOTE: For more information about the events happening go to [alexlibraryva.org](http://alexlibraryva.org)**

**SAVE THE DATE!! : Events Calendar**

Mark Your Calendars Now - Support Branch and State Activities!

**MONTH: NOVEMBER**

<b>AAUW ALEXANDRIA BRANCH PROGRAM AND CULTURAL EVENTS, 2016-2017</b>				
<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>CONTACT</b>
11/05/2016 OR 11/19/2016	Tour of National Museum of American Indians	TBA	4 <sup>th</sup> st & Independence Ave SW, Washington DC 20560	Paula at <a href="mailto:pmassouh@aol.com">pmassouh@aol.com</a> .
11/11/2016 (FRIDAY)	VETERAN'S DAY POWWOW @ George Mason University	TBA	GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY	Danielle / Ginger
11/20/2016 (SUNDAY)	Branch Meeting @ Cameron Station Clubhouse  Topic: YOUR PERSONAL SAFETY, HOW TO IMPROVE IT.  NOTE: PANEL WILL INCLUDE AN OFFICER FROM ALEXANDRIA POLICE DEPARTMENT	TBA	200 Cameron Station Blvd, Alexandria, VA 22304	Danielle / Ginger



## Keep Up With AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) Activities

By Leslie Tourigny

LAF is one of AAUW's tools for "challenging sex discrimination in higher education and the workplace." Whether it's conducting community outreach or supporting major court cases, LAF is having a major impact. If you are not already signed-up to receive the *LAF Express*, a monthly e-newsletter providing updates on LAF activities, just click here and sign-up: <http://www.aauw.org/resource/laf-express/-form>.

Also, the 2016-2017 Supreme Court term begins on October 3, 2016. If you missed LAF's wrap-up in July about the last Supreme Court session, you can listen at this link: [Supreme Court Wrap-Up](#).

## CAMPUS OUTREACH – WATCH THIS SPACE

We'll conduct Elect Her again in 2017 at Northern Virginia Community College. The location is the Alexandria campus but all their campuses are included. I'll keep you posted and I'll be asking for volunteers as we get closer

## PUBLIC POLICY UPDATES (Upcoming public policy deadlines)

To apply for a 2016-2017 Public Policy Mini- Grant, the deadline for submitting an **application is October 1st**. Instructions and the application are on our website at <http://aauw-va.aauw.net/mini-grants>.

**October 17th is the last day to register to vote** in order to vote in the November 8 General Election.

After voter registration following information need to sent:

- Date of the event
- Any school and/or other group(s) you collaborated with; and
- The number of voters registered.

Anyone who gave you a completed paper voter registration application can be counted to turn in to a Registrar and also who completed an on-line voter registration application at your voter registration drive. NOTE: Please complete ***the AAUW report-back form for your Get Out The Vote activities***: <http://www.aauw.org/resource/advocacy-event-activity-report-back-form>.

## NEW INTEREST GROUP

By Shira Flax

All branch members are invited to a meeting to discuss establishing a new interest group. The New discussion group will address issues chosen by members at the organizing meeting. The meeting is scheduled for the third Tuesday of the month, **October 18 at 7:30pm at 203 Yoakum Parkway, Unit 916**, hosted by Shira Flax. ***More information will follow in a subsequent email. Please do not hesitate to email any questions or concerns to [Shiraflax3@gmail.com](mailto:Shiraflax3@gmail.com). She can also be contacted at 703/304-1007.***

# Recurring Events

## Gourmet Out

Call Susan Cash at 703/780-3902 with questions.

## Mystery Book Discussion Group

By Susan Werner

The Mystery Book Discussion Group at 7 PM on October 25. This month's book is *The Bee's Kiss* by Barbara Cleverly. We will meet at the home of Lane Stone. Her address and phone number: **203 Yoakum Pkway, # 908, Alexandria, VA 22304. 703-307-2330**. Lane lives in a condo so it is important that you let her know that you will be attending the meeting. For other questions about this Group, **Contact: Susan Werner (susan.werner1@verizon.net.)**



## On the Go with AAUW

By Ruth Bennett

*On the Go with AAUW* is a public access cable TV show started by a member of the Alexandria Branch. We tape one show each month at Fairfax Public Access (FPA) located in the Merrifield area of Fairfax County. Please come watch us tape a show! Or, you can take a class at FPA and help produce shows. If you are interested in participating in producing/taping our public access cable TV show please call Ruth Bennett at [703-765-4536](tel:703-765-4536).

Our September show will be about past memorable presidential elections with guest historian Kata Bartoloni-Tuazon and host Cathleen Myer who is also an historian.

Our October show will feature the Center for the Advancement of Well-Being from George Mason University (GMU). GMU has incorporated activities around well-being throughout the university.



*On the Go with AAUW now has a YouTube channel. Go to [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_1ps2BcAgtGSeowp_Zw2uA) and search for *On the Go with AAUW*. If you subscribe you will be notified when a new show is uploaded.*

OR Copy & Paste Link [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC\\_1ps2BcAgtGSeowp\\_Zw2uA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC_1ps2BcAgtGSeowp_Zw2uA) on your browser.

## Christ House Soup Kitchen

By Jan Jaynes & Margaret Zebrowski

Please **SAVE THE DATE** Our upcoming Christ House supper is on November 30<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendar. Thanks for your continuing participation and generosity,

**Contact: Margaret Zebrowski (mmzebrow@aol.com) & Jan A. Jaynes (janjjoek@cox.net)**

## **ALEXANDRIA BRANCH AAUW Membership Form 2015 - 2016**

If you have a friend, relative or colleague join at a program function they pay **HALF** of National dues so **seize** the opportunity.

Complete this form and mail it along with a check payable to  
**Alexandria Branch AAUW and mail to:**  
**Virginia Kress, 1734 West Abingdon Drive, #203, Alexandria, VA 22314**

**MAL \$21 \_\_\_ Renewing/New Member \$77 \_\_\_ Life Member \$28 \_\_\_ Student \$17 \_\_\_**

**Breakdown of the Member dues is:**

Association	\$49.00
State	\$15.00
Branch	<u>\$13.00</u>
Total	\$77.00

Student Affiliate \$17.00

**Directory Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree/Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch membership is open to those with an associate or bachelor's degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution. 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.

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***PORTION of MEMBERSHIP DUES IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE***

A portion of your membership dues - **\$46.00** – is tax deductible. This applies only to the Association dues but not to State and Branch dues. However, this is a great incentive for all members to renew for the upcoming year, 2015 - 2016.

2016- 2017 Board Members

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- Cultural ..... Paula Massouh, pmassouh@aol.com
- Francophile Group ..... Susan Cash, gloryinu@boo.net
- Gourmet Out ..... Susan Cash, gloryin@boo.net
- Movie/DVD Night ..... Open
- Mystery Book Group ..... Susan Werner, susan.werner1@verizon.net





### Important AAUW Websites - Check them out!

AAUW homepage:

<http://www.aauw.org>

VA AAUW homepage:

<http://aauw-va.aauw.net>

Alexandria Branch homepage:

<http://aauw-va.aauw.net/branches/alexandria/>

Alexandria Branch e-mail address:

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## SAVE THE HOLIDAY SEASON DATES!!

### Events Calendar

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#### MONTH: DECEMBER

AAUW ALEXANDRIA BRANCH PROGRAM AND CULTURAL EVENTS, 2016-2017				
DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION	CONTACT
12/18/2016 (SUNDAY)	Visit to exhibit UNITED STATES BOTANIC GARDENS	<u>Season's Greenings: National Parks and Historic Places</u>	100 Maryland Ave SW, Washington DC 20001	Paula at <a href="mailto:pmassouh@aol.com">pmassouh@aol.com</a> .
12/11/2016 (SUNDAY)	<b>HOLIDAY BRUNCH PARTY</b>	11:30 AM TO 1:30PM	BELLE VIEW COUNTRY CLUB  6023 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria, VA 22307	Danielle / Ginger



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The AAUW Funds provides funds to advance education, research and self-development for women, and to foster equity and positive societal change. AAUW's Legal Advocacy Fund provides funding and a support system for women seeking judicial redress for sex discrimination. 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.

The American Association of University Women promotes equity for all woman and girls, lifelong education, and positive societal change.

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