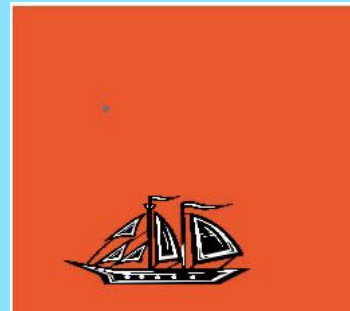


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Important Dates

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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

The Schooner looks different but the content is the same. My goal is to make it appealing to the eye. Your comments are greatly appreciated. Please send them to aaunewsletter@gmail.com.

Presidents Letter Gail & Lane

RECIPE FOR ERA DRINKING GAME

We thought that would get your attention! In January we hosted viewing parties for the DVD on ERA, "Legalize Equality." At Lane's we played a drinking game. Anytime you heard something that made you mad you took a swig. To thank you all for the postcards, phone calls and trips to Richmond in support of the ratification of ERA, here's the recipe for the non-alcoholic drink I served.

Sangr-ERA (Sangria)

Drop a peeled and separated clementine or tangerine into a large glass. Add ice. Fill the glass halfway with cranberry juice, top with sparkling water. Squeeze lime juice on top. Enjoy!

(We have two copies of this excellent DVD. Just email Elizabeth Hendrix, mhendrix1105@gmail.com, or Gail, gailkalin@yahoo.com, to borrow one.)

Lane & Gail



MARCH PROGRAMS



AAUW Alexandria Branch



DEEPER IN DEBT

Alexandria CO President, Lane Stone, will discuss

Student Debt and

How it effects women

Sunday, March 17, 2019

2-4 PM

At

Cameron Station Clubhouse

200 Cameron Station Blvd

Alexandria, VA

Open to all community members.

Questions: gailkalin@yahoo.com or

info@lanestonebooks.com

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN GREAT DECISIONS

This is a discussion program on world affairs which focuses on the most critical global issues currently facing America. The program is developed annually by the Foreign Policy Association. The program provides background information and policy options for the eight most critical issues facing America each year through a Briefing Book and a DVD presentation, which serve as the foundational information for discussion groups across the country.

The first meeting is March 14th on Decoding U.S.-China Trade, *guest Wayne Morrison, Congressional Research Service*, at Cameron Station Clubhouse, 7 pm.

Special Initiatives

STRANGERS NO MORE WOMEN BUILDING CROSS-CULTURAL FRIENDSHIPS

Please don't hesitate—RSVP today for “Strangers No More—Women Building Cross-Cultural Friendships” with your name and the name of the woman (or women) you are planning to bring to Beatley Library on 28 March at 6:45 pm. We are counting on your participation and your introducing a friend or two—whose culture is different from yours—to others. We are imagining a diverse group of women who are gathering to start conversations that will hopefully lead to new friendships. In addition, you'll have the opportunity to taste a variety of ethnic treats, sip teas from around the world, and as important, have FUN. In a fast-moving, structured activity, you'll get to share your musings about your cultural background with a handful of other women, one-on-one.

As part of a multi-pronged initiative to take advantage of the truly diverse community in which we live, our purpose is to begin a process that will lead eventually to the formation of a multicultural, informal women's group that will enrich both the lives of the participants and also amplify the voices of all women in our city.

Partnering with Alexandria's Beatley Library, our Branch will host this free public program as part of our state-wide effort to be more inclusive and diverse and to celebrate Women's History Month. We hope to have women of all ages, races, ethnicities, religions, and abilities attend, including those who are retired, work outside the home, within the home, or go to school. We can't think of a better way to pay homage to our great “herstory” than to continue the work we do so well—engaging each other to make each of us and our community stronger.

If you have questions or would like to help, please contact Bonnie Hershberg at hersh3b@gmail.com or Lane Stone at info@LaneStoneBooks.com. Please RSVP to AAUWWBCCF@gmail.com.

If you can, please print the flyer on the next page and share with your friends and neighbors, and post on community and church bulletin boards, etc.

We are looking forward to seeing you on Thursday, 28 March!

Strangers No More Women Building Cross-Cultural Friendships

Sponsored by the Alexandria Branch of the American Association of University Women



**Thursday, March 28
6:45 PM
Beatley Central Library
Large Meeting Room**

While sipping tea and tasting treats from a variety of different cultures, here's a chance to widen your circle of friends in our amazingly diverse city. Through a structured and fun activity, you'll enjoy several one-on-one conversations with other women meant to be the first step in building cross-cultural friendships.

Women of all ages are welcome!

Charles E. Beatley Jr., Central Library
5005 Duke Street
Alexandria, VA 22304
703.746.1751



EMPOWERING WOMEN SINCE 1881



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alexlibraryva.org

For reasonable disability accommodation, contact jgregorio@alexlibraryva.org
or call 703.746.1701, TTY 703.746.1790.

On the Go with AAUW

Ruth Bennett, Chair

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).



January

Our January featured Linwood Smith and Sharon Frazier, long-time residents of Alexandria, who have created a series of dollhouses based on businesses and people in the city. Their dollhouses were exhibited at the Alexandria Black History Museum.

On the Go with AAUW now has a YouTube channel. Go to YouTube.com and search for our shows. If you subscribe you will be notified when a new show is uploaded.

Thanks to our Branch from The Domestic Violence Program

On January 23, 2019, The Domestic Violence Program sent the following letter to members of our branch. Mary Ann Bier has the tax donation receipts if anyone would like one. Please contact her at marybier@comcast.net.

"Dear Alexandria AAUW:

The Alexandria Domestic Violence Program would like to thank you for your generous donation of toys and gift cards for our annual children's holiday party. Your donation was used to assist families and individuals who have been affected by domestic violence. We appreciate your kindness and generosity and hope you will keep us in mind for future donations. We've included 20 tax donation receipts with this note. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Again, thank you so much for the donations.

Sincerely,
Hewan Walker
Senior Residential Counselor
Domestic Violence Program"

AAUW Virginia Vision Newsletter

See the latest issue, Branches in Action, page 12, to see an item about our branch.
https://salsa4.salsalabs.com/o/50796/images/2018-2019_Vision_Winter-Spring.pdf

Kvell & Kudos to Members

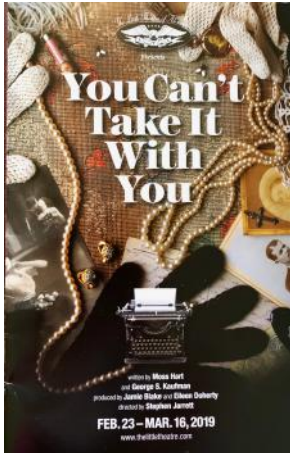
[Elizabeth Hendrix & Diane Schrier](#) spoke before two House committees of the VA legislature on Jan. 23.

[Arlene Shapiro](#) and her husband, Nathan, celebrated their 50th anniversary in Manhattan on 2/11.

This is a new feature in the newsletter. Please submit items about yourself or other members, with their permission, to aauwnewsltr.ed@gmail.com.

FUND RAISER SUCCESS

The annual joint fund raiser by the Mt. Vernon and Alexandria AAUW Branches to support the education for empowering women and girls was held on February 22, 2019, at the Alexandria Little Theater. Here are a few shots from the event.



Event Playbill

A crowded reception room



One of several food tables



Gail chatting before the performance



Danielle enjoying the reception

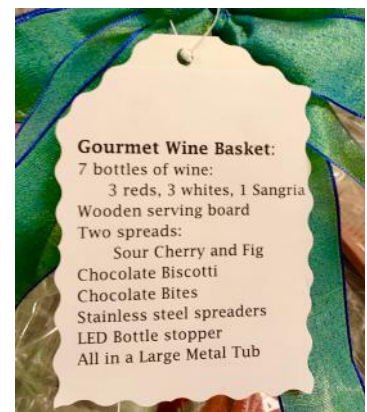


Ruth at the reception



Renee showing her winning ticket

What she won



Alexandria Branch Interest Groups

All groups are open to all members.

CULTURAL ACTIVITY

Paula Massouh, Chair

March Cultural Event - March 31, 2019, 2 PM

Join us for a tour of the Queens of Egypt exhibition at the National Geographic Museum. View some 300 objects going back some 3,500 years to the 18th and 19th dynasties of ancient Egypt. We will gather on March 31 at 1:45 at the entrance to the exhibition (inside) for a 2:00 entry time. It is suggested that you purchase a ticket in advance online for that time at <https://www.nationalgeographic.org/events/exhibition/queens-egypt>. If you want to wait, tickets may still be available at the museum on that day, but may be sold out for that entry time. Prices range from \$12-\$15.

Enter at the entrance to the museum at 1145 17th St. NW. Parking on Sunday may be free around the area, but come early since parking nearby may be very difficult to obtain. The nearest Metro stop is Farragut North and a few blocks away.

Questions? Contact Paula Massouh, Cultural Chair, at (c) [\(703\)965-0542](tel:7039650542) or pmassouh@aol.com.

February Event

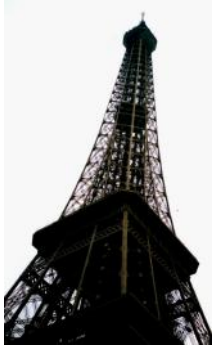
In honor of Black History Month a group took a walking tour "Alexandria's Fight for Freedom," conducted by John Chapman, a fourth generation Alexandrian and City Council member. Tour participants gained insight into the history of urban slavery in Alexandria and heard how both enslaved and freemen fought back and resisted slavery.



City Council Member,
John Chapman

Starting in back, George
Burkes, a well hidden Lane Stone,
Nancy Kula, John Chapman, guests
Jan Haggerty and Lynda Soady,
and in front, Paula Massouh.





Francophile Group

Susan Cash, Chair

Please check future newsletters and emails for information on our future get togethers, including our visit to Hillwood Museum, which will take place later this spring.

Gourmet Out

Susan Cash, Chair

Upcoming events: On Thursday, February 28 at 6:30 we will have an early Mardi Gras event at RT's Restaurant, 3804 Mount Vernon Avenue. This restaurant has New Orleans style cajun and creole cuisine. On a date to be determined in March we will have a St. Patrick's Day event at Samuel Beckett's Irish Gastro Pub, 2800 South Randolph Street, #110 in Shirlington (Arlington, VA 22206). The menu at Samuel Beckett's includes seafood, meat, and vegetarian choices. To reserve for either or both of these events, please call Susan Cash, 703/587-4790. Please feel free to bring guests. We are also planning a future event at



Queen Amannisa restaurant, which features Uyghur cuisine (a combination of Middle Eastern and Chinese cuisine). The current location is closed for renovation/relocation. We will choose a date when they reopen.

Mindfulness Meditation Group

Natalie Smith, Chair

Member Natalie Smith conducted the first session of the new-Mindfulness Meditation Group last month. For anyone interested in participating, she is hosting the next meeting on March 10th from 11AM -12PM at her home in Fairfax Station. Natalie is a Licensed Clinical Psychologist who loves to teach others how to be more self aware and peaceful. If there's a positive response to this group, she is happy to host once a month. If you would like to attend the Mediation Group, please contact Natalie at DrNatalieS@gmail.com



Elizabeth Hendrix, Natalie Smith, and Gail Kalin during the first meeting of the Mindfulness Meditation Group.

Mystery Book Discussion Group

Susan Werner, Chair



The Mystery Book Discussion Group's March will be held on 26 March 2019 at the home of Donna Hayford. Our mystery is Harbour Street by Ann Cleeves. Donna's address and phone number: 6101 Lemon Thyme Dr, Alexandria, VA 22310; 703-971-0910. Time: 7 PM. Please let Donna know if you plan to attend the meeting and contact her if you need directions. For all other information about the Mystery Book Discussion Group, contact Susan Werner at susan.werner1@verizon.net.

NEWS FROM OTHER BRANCHES

Falls Church Branch

Cleaning-up? Down-sizing? Donate your books in March.

Falls Church AAUW is collecting books in March at the new book collection bin at the Falls Church Community Center. Books are for the annual book sale to be held on April 12 and 13 at the Falls Church Community Center. The book sale benefits scholarship/grant programs for women, including local Falls Church high school girls.

Donating couldn't be easier. Just deposit your good, clean, saleable books in the book collection bin at the Falls Church Community Center (223 Little Falls Street, Falls Church) in March or for large donations, call (703) 966-8050, email fallschurcharea-va.net@aauw.net.

We need all kinds of books: hard-covers, paperbacks, novels, non-fiction, children's, cookbooks, etc. that are suitable for re-sale. No magazines, encyclopedias, text books, or damaged books, please.

Scaling Up: How You Can Support the AAUW Strategic Plan

Watch this [video](#) of AAUW CEO Kim Churches to learn how your community can support AAUW's economic security initiatives.

The Springfield Annandale Branch, AAUW of Virginia

American Association of University Women

AAUW 2019 Spring Fling

Saturday, March 30, 2019

11 AM to 2:30 PM

Springfield Golf and Country Club

8301 Old Keene Mill Rd, Springfield, VA 22152

Our Guest Speaker,

Alice McDermott

Noted Author

Winner of the National Book Award for *Charming Billy*



Come and Enjoy!

- Silent Auction
- Luncheon
- Guest Speaker

This fundraiser supports AAUW programs such as fellowships, leadership development, lifelong education for women, the Legal Advocacy Fund, and other similar projects.

Include in your email to Rose:

1. **Menu Selection**
 - a. **Chicken Napa** w/ grapes, wine, butter
 - b. **Salmon Fillet** w/ dill cream sauce
 - c. **Grilled Vegetable** Tower w/pesto sauce
2. **Your preferred EMAIL ADDRESS**
3. **Table buddies:** "seat me with..."

Reservations:

Rose Clark

SpringFlingAAUW@gmail.com

DEADLINE: March 22

Tickets \$40 per person

Checks payable to:

Springfield-Annandale AAUW

Mail to:

Rose Clark

330 S. West St., #303

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Special Interest Groups

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Cultural	Paula Massouh	703-256-4541
Francophile and Gourmet Out	Susan Cash	703-780-3902
Movie Night	Open	
Mystery Book Discussion Group	Susan Werner	703-764-1773
Mindfulness Group	Natalie Smith	DrNatalieS@gmail.com

IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE

Color Code:

Blue = Branch Board Events

Black = Branch Programs

Green - Great Decisions

Purple = State Events

Red - EOF

Brown = Women Building Cross-Cultural Friendships

Event	Date & Time	Location
Branch Board Meeting	3/14/19, 6:45 pm	Beatley Library
Great Decisions	3/14/19, 7 - 8:30 pm	Cameron Station Clubhouse
Deeper in Debt: Pay Equity & Student Debt	3/17/19, 2 - 4 pm	Cameron Station Clubhouse
Women Building Cross-Cultural Friendships	3/28/19, 7 pm	Beatley Library
Branch Board Meeting	4/4/19, 6:45 pm	Beatley Library
AAUW-VA State Conference	4/6/19 (all day)	Vinton, VA
Great Decisions	4/11/19, 7 - 8:30 pm	Cameron Station Clubhouse
Branch Board Meeting	5/2/19, 6:45 pm	Beatley Library
Great Decisions	5/9/19, 7 - 8:30 pm	Cameron Station Clubhouse
Great Decisions	6/13/19, 7 - 8:30 pm	Cameron Station Clubhouse