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JUNE SOCIAL

Our June social will be held Wednesday, June 5, 11 a.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Village Church. Keanna Peck Slayton will share with us her NCCWSL experience. As our first NCCWSL candidate, we are excited to learn about the program! We will also be saying farewell to Keanna, as she will be joining her husband on the West Coast ... moving to San Diego!

The meeting will include lunch (Subway sandwiches, chips, dessert and beverages). If you are planning on attending, please send a note to Kim Townsan at townsaka@yahoo.com. The cost for lunch will be \$10; send your check to Paula Mathews, 25 Navegar Circle, Hot Springs Village, AR 71909.



Branch president Sue Luerssen, Meg Koziar and Terry Marx attended the state convention in Little Rock April 12-13.

President's Message

AAUW State Convention – April 12 –13

Meg Koziar, Terry Marx and I attended the AAUW State Convention hosted by the Little Rock branch. This year's theme was Diversity in Action.

Friday evening we went to the Arkansas Regional Innovation Hub, where we had a tour and wine and snacks. The Innovation Hub is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives of Arkansans by inspiring innovation and providing opportunities. While there, we also learned about Raye Jean Montague, an engineer and graphics design trailblazer in the U.S. Navy who is recognized as a "hidden figure" in science and computing.

Saturday morning we heard from AAUW's national managing director and chief of staff and had a Gender Pay Equity Panel in the afternoon.

Each chapter brought a basket for a silent auction to support NCCWSL and our basket of wine and wine-related products brought in the most money.

Next year's State Convention will be in Conway. I hope more of our members will be able to attend. I enjoyed the programs and meeting people I have been working with all year over the phone or by email.

Sue Luerssen

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2019-2020 MEMBERSHIP DUES

It's time to pay dues for 2019-2020—time to continue our support for women at the local, state and national levels.

The total is \$76, broken down as follows:

\$59	national (of which \$56 is tax-deductible)
\$10	state
\$7	local

Send your check for \$76, payable to AAUW, to:

Paula Mathews
25 Navegar Circle
Hot Springs Village, AR 71909

Questions? Call Paula at 501-984-3899.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISING

You should have received a letter from our president recently, describing the efforts of the board to come up with new ways to raise funds for scholarships. A decision was made to organize a raffle for a Tauck Tours trip—the winner will receive a credit for up to \$10,000 OR \$5,000 in cash, and will work with Sue Smith at Vacation Valet to plan the trip.

Tickets sales will open June 1 for members to sell, and if all 275 tickets (\$100/each) are not sold, sales will be opened to the public.

More details are available in board meeting minutes (found on the website under "Members Only," "Secretary's Minutes"). When you first enter the "Members Only" section, you will need to enter the password "hotsheet."

Additional information will be sent to members soon.

NEW ENDOWMENT

The board recently voted to create a new endowment, and is soliciting suggestions for a name.

Send your ideas to Sue Luerssen,
sluerssen3@gmail.com.

AAUW Scholarship Search & Awards

The interview team from the Scholarship Committee completed its candidate interviewing process the week of April 22. There were 19 women who applied. Nine of the applicants are transferring (or have already transferred) to area four-year colleges; 10 are remaining at NPC next year. The grade point averages are all solidly above a 3.0.

These women have outstanding recommendations, are committed to community involvement and have high aspirations and goals for their academic futures. Six of our applicants are current AAUW scholarship holders. Through your fundraising efforts, we have about \$20,000 which can be awarded in scholarships. The interview team will be meeting in mid-May to make its final decisions.

For your advanced calendar, Saturday, Nov. 2 will be our scholarship luncheon. You will have a great opportunity to meet these remarkable women, the scholarship recipients for 2019-2020, at that time.

Carol Freeland, Scholarship Chair

2019 MEMBER SURVEY

A survey was recently sent to branch members, with only 35 out of 70 members responding.

Questions were asked regarding age, number of years in AAUW, reasons for joining, importance of various activities, level of participation and methods of communication.

To view the results, go to the website (<https://hshsv-ar.aauw.net/>) and look under "Recent Activities."