



# Cobb Update

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### Special Dates of Interest

- May 2 - Roving Gourmet
- May 19 - Book Group
- June 6 - Roving Gourmet
- June 10 - Annual Meeting

## AAUW Meeting with KSU Student Chapter and Advisor:

A meeting at KSU on Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup> was a very positive interaction. It truly was/is all about the students and their campus endeavors. Claudia Richards (AAUW National Campus Chapter Liaison) and Char Singleton, (AAUW Southeast Regional State Organizer) did a presentation on AAUW, resources and campus opportunities.

Tori, Rebecca and Scarlet (KSU branch officers) were eager to learn of the many resources and opportunities including NCCWSL and connecting with GSU Chapter and the Cobb Branch)

Their adviser, Gail Scott, is an energized advocate and eager to help the girls succeed ... with a sustainable commitment to the group. This is the last week of class - next week finals start .

One of the biggest benefits that Cobb AAUW contributed was funding initial sponsorship for KSU CU/partner status ... one that Gail and the students truly appreciated, as it was a big hurdle to full registration - which has been fully implemented. (I think this is a very positive use of funds to sponsor a campus chapter/CU partner at KSU.)

Perhaps there are opportunities at other schools to realize this potential. This way the chapter is fully recognized, KSU will appear as a CU/partner and students will have membership without paying dues.

The students are looking at connecting with GSU and YWTF-ATL, doing Elect Her and/or Start Smart program, campus membership drive and NCCWSL - as well as working with Cobb branch.

We will all work together to make this a viable, on-going relationship as we move forward.

Debbie Karvey



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NO BRANCH MEETING IN MAY

**JUNE 10TH - 6:30 p.m. - ANNUAL MEETING  
INDIAN HILLS COUNTRY CLUB**

**4001 Clubland Drive, Marietta, GA 30068**

See details on page 2 and in the Presidents' letter.

# Book Group

For additional Book Group information please email or call Barbara Hammond at 770-973-1988 [Bhammond@kennesaw.edu](mailto:Bhammond@kennesaw.edu)

Our Book Group meeting will be Monday, May 19th at 7:30 pm  
in the home of

**Norma Cannon**  
3002 Kalah Place  
Marietta, GA 30067

Our facilitator will be Karen Peter.  
Refreshments will be provided by Shirley Mills.

Please RSVP to: [jimnorma@comcast.net](mailto:jimnorma@comcast.net)  
or 770-952-6432



## ROVING GOURMET



FRIDAY, May 2nd, 7:00 p.m.  
**VALENTI'S PIZZA & ITALIA DINING**

255 Village Pkwy NE #330, Marietta, GA  
(770) 951-1394 · [valentifamilydining.com](http://valentifamilydining.com)  
(Next door to Paper Mill Grill)

Please make reservations with Judy  
at 770-319-1776, or [jvr@pcvisions.com](mailto:jvr@pcvisions.com)



### 35th Anniversary Dinner at Indian Hills Country Club on Tuesday, June 10th:

6:30 p.m. Cash Bar - House wines - \$8, Domestic Beer - \$5, Imported Beer - \$6,  
Assorted Sodas - \$3

7 p.m. Dinner - Choose an entrée from the following:

Smoked Bacon Wrapped Pork Loin with Apple Cider Chutney or  
Chicken Oscar with Crabmeat and Béarnaise

Choose a starch from a choice of Rice Pilaf OR Mashed Potatoes

Our dinners will come with a Garden Salad w/ Champagne Vinaigrette, a Vegetable Medley, bread and butter, coffee, tea and water. We will have a celebratory cake for dessert.

Check required, per person, tax and tip included: \$25.44

Please send your choices and check to Nancy Coakley, 3776 Clubland Drive, Marietta, GA 30068 by June 3rd.

## PRESIDENTS' CORNER

We have come to the conclusion of the 35th year of the founding of the Cobb Branch of AAUW. We enjoyed an outdoor social experience when visiting the Smith-Gilbert Gardens in September and we explored the implications of community/technical colleges in the education of women with a discussion by administrators of Chattahoochee Technical College in October. In December we feted the five winners of a \$1000 scholarship each at a Christmas Reception at dk Gallery.

The weather cancelled our February meeting but April showed us the way to a simpler life with a program on "Downsizing".

Please join us to celebrate this milestone year at our dinner at Indian Hills Country Club on Tuesday evening, June 10th. Socializing and drinks will begin at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m.

The menu is listed on the preceding page. Please choose an entrée and a starch and mail this information along with your check to me:

Nancy Coakley  
3776 Clubland Drive  
Marietta, GA 30068

If you signed up at the Book Group meeting, I have your choices but need your check. Checks should be made out to Cobb AAUW.

This is a very special occasion to celebrate our efforts over the years to achieve equity for women and girls, so please join us to honor those years of accomplishment.

We will also be honoring the 3 women who were chosen as Women of the Year and officers for the coming year will be installed.

All dinner reservations must be received by June 3rd.

N.B.: Please do not request substitutions the night of the dinner.

--Nancy  
Co-President



### 2014-2015 Cobb County AAUW Slate of Officers:

#### Nominating Committee –

**Peg Montgomery, Marie Shockley & Connie Van Blarcum**

#### Co-Presidents

Nancy Coakley

Debbie Karvey

#### Program VP

Nancy Coakley

#### Membership

Yetta McMillan

#### Treasurer

Bea Piddock

#### Secretary

Karen Peters

There will be an electronic voting format generated for membership approval of this slate of officers. Please look out for that electronic communication in May.

Committee appointments: Public Policy: Marie Shockley  
Newsletter Editor/Year Book: Judy Ribarsky

It was a pleasure to serve on this committee as our members were more than willing to take on the various responsibilities. Their willingness to serve is highly appreciated. Peg

*“The longer we dwell on our misfortunes, the greater is their power to harm us.”*

Voltaire

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*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. Membership is open to anyone who holds an associate's or equivalent, bachelor's, or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university.*



Memorial Day - May 26th  
Remember those who served.

## Dues are due:

Annual Membership dues for 2014-2015 can be paid now. National/State/Branch dues are still \$71.00 (\$46.00 tax deductible.) AAUW Membership dues should be paid before the beginning of a new fiscal year (July 1<sup>st</sup>.) Checks can be mailed to Yetta McMillan through June 30<sup>th</sup> and beginning in July, dues checks should be mailed to Bea Piddock.



**Don't forget our need for workers in the Book Room!!**  
Working hours in the Book Room are Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday 10 am to 2 pm  
For more info call the Bookroom at 404-261-7646  
Address: 3060 Pharr Court North, Atlanta, GA 30305



**BOOKFAIR THIS YEAR IS SEPTEMBER 23<sup>nd</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> - PERIMETER MALL HOURS**  
SET UP STARTING ON SUNDAY THE 21<sup>st</sup>  
OPENING NIGHT - MONDAY THE 22<sup>nd</sup> - \$10 ADMISSION

## Cobb County AAUW 2014 Women of the Year:

### **Lisa Cupid, Cobb County District 4 Commissioner**

Commissioner Cupid is a community advocate and public servant representing Cobb County residents as a Commissioner of District 4. Her goals of supporting fair, effective government and helping communities and businesses thrive are sought through her overall mission of putting people first. Commissioner Cupid's service in Cobb began with volunteering in her homeowner's association and evolved into service with the Austell Community Taskforce where she formed a partnership of service organizations in the Six Flags area.

Commissioner Cupid has been willing to make tough decisions to keep people informed, engaged, and ultimately pleased with the level of service they receive through the county. Commissioner Cupid recognizes that the needs of the District are great, but the spirit and potential of the District are greater.

Commissioner Cupid is a certified mediator and has previously worked across various fields as a manufacturing engineer and supervisor, state policy analyst, assistant project manager in affordable housing, and an executive assistant in the nonprofit sector. Commissioner Cupid graduated from Georgia Tech in Mechanical Engineering and also holds a Masters in Public Administration, a Juris Doctorate (law) degree, and English degree from Georgia State University.

Commissioner Cupid is a daughter of Guyanese parents and a member of various organizations including South Cobb Rotary, Cobb NAACP, the Powder Springs and Austell Community Taskforces, Cobb Democrats and other community organizations. Commissioner Cupid lives in the Six Flags-Austell area with her husband, Craig Cupid, of 12 years who is a practicing intellectual property attorney. They have two children Nehemiah, 5, and Noah, 3, and attend Word of Faith Cathedral.

### **Pam Flournoy**

An outstanding member and friend of Cobb County AAUW, Pam is recognized for her longtime role as an activist in Cobb County, for her service as a member of the Marietta City School Board, for her tireless work with the League of Women Voters and other organizations, including AAUW, that promote the welfare of families and children. Pam was instrumental in promoting the Annual Women's History Month celebration at Kennesaw State University and continues to represent the empowerment of the individual for a better today and a better tomorrow. Cobb County AAUW is proud to recognize our own and welcome the opportunity to celebrate a hero in our midst.

### **Judy Ribarsky**

Our Cobb County AAUW membership gratefully recognizes our "go to person" and friend, who has stepped up to the plate time and time again, from the moment she joined our group. A California transplant who came to Georgia with her husband, Randy, to be near their family, continues to impress with her "can do attitude" and willingness to do what it takes to make it happen. Her unique abilities as our newsletter editor are so greatly appreciated and we continue to be amazed with her perseverance and commitment to being there, bravely, for us – while working through some very major health challenges - to get the job done. Not only serving as editor of the Cobb AAUW Newsletter, but also has served as Book Group Chair, as Roving Gourmet Chair, and with her constant tall 'shadow', as our rock at book fair, year after year. It is all done with a quiet smile and genuine humility ... a treasure for us all in friendship and shared commitment to AAUW.