



# Cobb Update

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### Special Dates of Interest

- April 3 - Roving Gourmet
- April 14 - Regular Meeting
- April 20—Book Group
- May 12 - Annual Dinner: Woman of the Year, Scholarship Awards, and Installation of Officers - Plan to come!!



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## Important Meeting!!

**April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at ECGC**

**East Cobb Government Center, 4400 Lower Roswell Rd, Marietta, GA 30068**

### Woman of the Year Nominees:

Members will get to vote on nominations submitted by March 15<sup>th</sup> to Nancy Coakley.

### Scholarship Update:

Although there were fewer applicants than anticipated – perhaps due to a change in the time of year for applicants – the scholarship committee will provide information about scholarship recipients for 2015.

### Branch Officer Nominations Vote:

A slate of officers will be presented at the meeting for the membership to approve. Many thanks to the nominating committee members: Barbara Blue, Yetta McMillan and Amy Stevens.

### NCCWSL:

Simoine Kenya, KSU Psychology student under advisor, Dr. Gail Scott, has been sponsored by Cobb AAUW to attend NCCWSL this year. Simoine has been registered to attend and will also receive a travel stipend to attend the conference at the University of Maryland Campus in College Park.

### State Convention, Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> (Reception April 24<sup>th</sup>, 5-7 PM):

Remember to register for state convention. Hilton Garden Inn in Kennesaw (Cobb Place Blvd., off of Barrett Parkway) will be the host location for the reception and convention. With Lisa Maatz as our guest from national, this will be an outstanding event and opportunity to network and be inspired.

### Membership Dues:

Dues may now be paid for 2015-2016 year online or by check mailed to branch treasurer (Bea Piddock) ... you can bring your dues checks to the branch meeting on April 14<sup>th</sup> and save yourself a stamp. Dues are \$71.00 (\$49 national, \$10 state, \$12 branch) and are payable to Cobb AAUW. To pay online, log in to AAUW.org with a credit card.

Happy Springtime!

# 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, April 20th at 6:30 pm  
 in the home of

**Joan Zenteno**  
 221 Ennisbrook Drive  
 Smyrna, GA 30082

Joan Z will facilitate the discussion of the book.  
 Rita Neal will help with our refreshments.

Please RSVP to: Joan at 678-309-1323 or  
 or [jzenteno@bellsouth.net](mailto:jzenteno@bellsouth.net)

Note that we will be back to our evening time 6:30 p.m.,  
 now that the daylight is longer!

*Our book this month:*

The Swerve: How  
 the World Became  
 Modern

*by Stephen Blatt*

Update for the May 18 meeting: It seems that the book Swallowing Stones is difficult to get, so we will substitute the book that was "snowed out" in May.

So---here is the plan for May 18: Book--**In the Garden of Beasts: Love, Terror, and An American Family in Hitler's Berlin**, by Eric Larson. The Hostess/Refreshments will be at the home of Norma Cannon and the facilitator will be Peg Montgomery.

Please make note on your May calendar of this change!  
 Peace and Joy, Barbara H.

## ROVING GOURMET



FRIDAY, April 3rd, 7:00 p.m.

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 by WEDNESDAY, April 1st  
 at 770-319-1776, or [jvr@pcvisions.com](mailto:jvr@pcvisions.com)



# PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Finally Spring is here – right along with March Madness. At Women's History Month at KSU, Cobb members listened to a panel of medical professionals speak to their individual experiences and shared advice about working in medicine. It was a very interesting perspective and a great deal of humor was shared along the way. Georgia Tech hosted the CTAUN conference this year focusing on the topic: Think Locally – Apply Globally: Awareness through Technology in Education. We are looking forward to having many members attend our April meeting when we will take care of important business. Our end of year dinner recognizing our Woman of the Year and Scholarship Recipients will be held at Indian Hills Country Club on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. Installation of new officers will take place that evening as well. Nancy and I look forward to sharing AAUW time together with our branch members.

Debbie



Happy Easter! I would like to add a strong plea to our members to attend the April meeting at the Government Center. We cannot plan programs of interest without your input, besides, we need a quorum! Our new president will need your direction. Our sponsorship of our KSU member Simoine to attend the yearly conference for women student leaders, NICWISL, is a ringing endorsement of our commitment to the future, This meeting gives her the chance to attend seminars and to network with women who will shape the issues for women on-going.

Echoing Debbie, it is not too early to remind you of our end-of-year dinner. It will be held again at Indian Hills Country Club on Tuesday evening, May 12th. Note the change of month. The cost will be \$30.00 pp. This will help to cover the cost of dinners for our Woman of the Year and scholarship recipients.

Menu: Entree: choice of Salmon with Pineapple Salsa or Rosemary Chicken; Starch: choice of Wild Rice or Mashed Potatoes. The Garden Salad and Green Beans are for all. Drinks are not included (except coffee, tea, and water), but are available at cost. A reminder will come in our May Newsletter. You may send your check to me with your menu choices made out to Cobb AAUW. This was a very festive event last year and we urge you to attend to meet our Woman of the Year, Scholarship Recipients, and to celebrate our Cobb AAUW.



Nancy

## CTAUN CONFERENCE

On Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, Arden Stone and Debbie Karvey attended the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Atlanta CTAUN Conference. This year, the event was hosted on the Georgia Tech Campus.

Keynote speaker from the UN, Ramu Damodaran, addressed the issue of local challenges innovatively transformed into global initiatives.

Dr. Douglas Edwards with CEISMC (Center for Educational Integration of Science, Math and Computing) at Georgia Tech, provided an inspirational look at student outreach between US and South Africa high schools students pursuing feasible energy solutions.



Arden and Mindy DiSalvo working on project simulating student problem solving activity with high school students.

Dr. Jill Williams of KSU presented a look at TeachLIVE, a classroom simulation experience with avatar students to better prepare future teachers for success in the classroom. Dr. Mindy DiSalvo, spoke about communication devices integrating digital technology in the classroom at the local, national and global level. Dr. Nathaniel Tindall examined global research and integration within the classroom experience. Attendees ended the day with a tour of the National Center for Civil and Human Rights.

“Sometimes the path you’re on is not as important  
as the direction you’re heading!”

Kevin Smith

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## KSU Women’s History Month

On March 7<sup>th</sup>, many Cobb AAUW members attended the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual KSU Women’s History Month event at the Continuing Education Building on Busbee Drive. A panel of 4 women each provided insight into the challenges and successes of working in the medical profession, as well as sharing the importance of life balance as it intersects with career and personal choices.



Pictured (L to R)  
Moderator Dr. Adriane Randolph, Dean Becky Rutherford with SPSU, Dr. Imani VanNoy, Internist, Dr. Elizabeth Webster, Public Health and Dr. Estonna Wells-Jarrett, Pediatrician.

Pam Flournoy was recognized for her vision in seeing this event as an important vehicle to recognize the contributions of women in our communities and extended facets of professional endeavors and leadership.

Pictured with the Flournoy Family are:  
Barbara Blue, Arden Stone, Judy Ribarsky,  
Marie Shockley, Rita Neal, Karen Peters,  
Nancy Coakley and Debbie Karvey

