



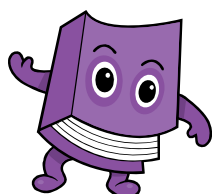
# Cobb Update

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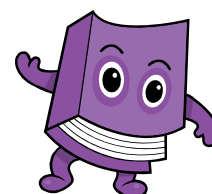
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### Special Dates of Interest

- August 7th - Roving Gourmet
- August 17th - Book Selection Potluck
- Aug 22 - State Board Meeting
- Sept 8 - Branch Meeting
- **Sept 14 - Book Group**
- Sept. 22-Sept 27 - BOOKFAIR



## BOOKFAIR IS COMING!!



Remember school is starting!!

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## SEPTEMBER BRANCH MEETING

Our first branch meeting of the 2015-2016 will be held at the East Cobb Government Center on Lower Roswell Road on

**Tuesday, September 8th.**

Refreshments and social time will begin at 7:00 PM and the program will start at 7:30 PM. After the program there will be a brief business meeting.

We will kick off the year with our Cobb County sponsored NCCWSL attendee, KSU Psychology Major, **Simoine Kenya**, incoming President of KSU AAUW Student Chapter. Simoine will share her impression of NCCWSL (National Conference of Collegiate Women Student Leaders) as well as the dynamics of the program which focus on building leadership skills, campus outreach and paying it forward.

We encourage you to reach out to friends and neighbors who will be interested in learning about AAUW's annual student leadership conference at the University of Maryland as well as the opportunity to meet a student leader and learn about campus life at Kennesaw State University.



**Don't forget we still need 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

# Book Group - Important News

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

The always-exciting August Book Group Meeting will be 6:30 p.m. Monday, August 17 at Jane Benjamin's home. Book suggestions are in--- looks like some exciting choices! The book selection committee (Karen Peters, Joanne Mazulla, and Bonnie Williams) are working to "streamline" the list and prepare the ballot for the 8/17 meeting. Many thanks to them!! If you have not already signed up for the meeting, bringing an appetizer/entree, salad or dessert, please call or e-mail Jane to let her know you are coming and your chosen dish.

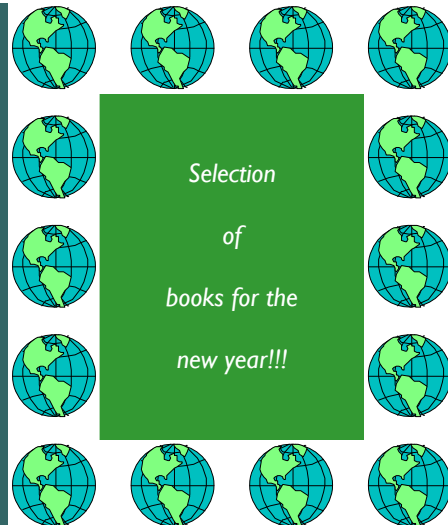
Jane lives at 3570 Brighton Place, Marietta, 30062. Phone is 770/977-7486 or [janebenjamin7@gmail.com](mailto:janebenjamin7@gmail.com)

**ALSO** at the 8/17 meeting, there will be an additional ballot to vote on meeting times for the book group. As you know, we did a "field test" of a hybrid plan, having meetings during winter months at 2:00 p.m. and the Spring/Summer at 6:30 p.m. The ballot on 8/17 will have three choices--the majority will determine our meeting times (until we decide to change it!):

1. Meet at 2:00 p.m. October through April, except for 6:30 in December. Meet at 6:30 p.m. May, June, July, August and September. (This would be 6 months at 2:00 p.m. and 6 months at 6:30 pm.)
2. Meet at 2:00 p.m. year-round except at 6:30 in August and December.
3. Meet at 6:30 p.m. year-round.

**LOOKING AHEAD TO SEPTEMBER:** At the July meeting, those present voted to change the September meeting to Monday, **Sept. 14 at 2:00 p.m. (Note day/time change)**, due to the conflict with the 2015 Book Fair opening day (9/21). The book is The Goldfinch, by Donna Tartt, to be facilitated by Karen Peters. We do **not** have a meeting place or refreshments for that meeting. **If you are willing to host or do refreshments for 2:00 p.m. Sept. 14, please let Barbara Hammond know.** ([bhammond@kennesaw.edu](mailto:bhammond@kennesaw.edu)).

Happy Summer to all! 🌞



## ROVING GOURMET



August 7th, 7 p.m.

### Fish Thyme

3979 N. Main Street

Acworth, GA 30101

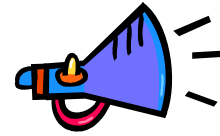
(770) 974-2323

[www.fishthymrestaurant.com](http://www.fishthymrestaurant.com)



RSVP to Judy at [jvr@pcvisions.com](mailto:jvr@pcvisions.com) or 770-319-1776 by August 5th

# PRESIDENT'S CORNER



August is here, which means revving up the energy for the start of Cobb AAUW 2015-2016 in September. It has not been an idle summer, however. Branch leaders have been busy--going to the national convention, getting ready for the Book Fair, updating the bylaws, planning programs and events, and strengthening collaborative ties so we may better achieve advocacy goals that profoundly affect women and families. At a YWCA Roundtable Discussion that Debbie and I attended, along with representatives from other women's organization, we learned Georgia's report card, per "Status of Women in the States, 2015", is nothing to brag about. Here it is (from [www.statusofwomendata.org](http://www.statusofwomendata.org)):

Employment & Earnings, Reproductive Rights, Work & Family	C
Poverty & Opportunity	D+
Health & Well-being	D
Political Participation	D-

That last grade is most troubling because the results at the ballot box can affect the positive outcome of all the others. Nationally, political participation is no better. Only 41.9% of those eligible to vote went to the polls in the 2014 Congressional elections. To help change those scandalous statistics, our Branch will strive to get the unregistered voters, registered, and urge those who are to VOTE! The 2016 elections are looming. In tandem with these efforts, we will be educating ourselves more about upcoming state and national legislation relative to AAUW's mission. The [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org) website has a wealth of information. If not already registered on the website, you can do so using your Membership ID number and setting up a password. Don't know your ID number? You can do a search on the website to find it, look on the address label of an AAUW magazine previously mailed to you, or contact Yetta McMillan for that information. Onward and upward, AAUW Wonder Women!

Arden

**UPCOMING WITH KSU:** Our Branch outreach to KSU women students for 2015-2016 begins on August 15 with participating in the "Bazaar on Bricks" event. We will assist women students in setting up a table with information about AAUW and advocacy issues that affect young women's lives. Plans include a survey to determine what is of most concern to them and using that information to help design relevant collaborative programs.

## New Interest Group!

Do you like to go to the movies? "\$2 Movie Magic" starts in August. Join others in enjoying an "almost new" movie for only \$2.00 at The Picture Show cinema on Roswell Road, just west of Johnson Ferry. If interested, contact Magic Movie Maven, Barbara Blue (404-971-0988 or [blu16br@gmail.com](mailto:blu16br@gmail.com)) to get on the list to receive notice. Date and show time will vary depending on what's on. Barbara, a renowned movie buff and critic, selects the movie, along with co-Maven, Mary Ann Krus. For those inclined, a critique follows at a nearby eatery. Guests and significant others are welcome!

“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.*



### AAUW of Georgia Fall Board Meeting will be held at Callaway Gardens on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>

Branch leaders and members are encouraged to attend. AAUW has a special room rate if you would like to stay over with family or friends. Please contact the facility if you would like to make those arrangements. Registration deadline to attend is August 15<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in carpooling to the event for the day or would like directions, please touch base with Arden Stone or Debbie Karvey. Registration form is in the Cherokee Rose Newsletter and is also attached to Cobb Newsletter (on pg. 6).

Hope to see you there!!!!

### THINGS THAT NEED TO CHANGE!

“Would you like to work seven extra months for free just to earn the same paycheck as your male co-workers? We didn't think so. Unfortunately, if you're a black woman in the United States, that's a likely reality.”

(from [aauw.org](http://aauw.org) website)

### Year Book Notice

It is time to create the Year Book for the upcoming year and I would appreciate receiving any corrections or additions that you would like to your listing as soon as possible. Please email me ([jvr@pcvisions.com](mailto:jvr@pcvisions.com)) or call me at (770-319-1776) or put it on a piece of paper and get it to me (282 Renae Lane SW, Marietta, GA 30060).



Thanks, Judy Ribarsky

## AAUW National Conference Call Report

“Supreme Court Wrap-up” was the topic of a conference call on July 24 with Mollie Lam, an articulate and knowledgeable research associate with AAUW’s Legal Advocacy Fund at the national office. Mollie began the call by outlining how the Supreme Court comes to its decisions. “It’s been a good year for women,” Mollie said. Rulings on healthcare (King v. Burwell); marriage equality (Obergefell v. Hodges); and pregnancy discrimination in the workplace (Young v. UPS) all had favorable outcomes for women. Among the rulings still to come are cases concerning State’s rights to criminalize abortion and employers’ right to deny medical coverage of birth control to their employees. Mollie named the nine Justices and their individual tendency to lean to conservative or liberal sides of a case. She pointed out that America’s next President may appoint one or two Justices to replace aging Justices who wish to retire. This makes it all the more critical to support a Presidential candidate that includes in their platform the support of women’s rights both in the workplace and in their private lives.



## BOOK FAIR

AAUW 2015 Atlanta Book Fair is just around the corner. You should be receiving an e-mail from Sign UP Genius to volunteer for shifts. With the event being held at a new location this year, North Point Mall, plan to make a day of it ... explore the mall, take in a movie and lunch/dinner and work a shift or two. This is our volunteer opportunity to earn hours towards scholarship and community project funds. Be generous with your time and help us make a difference for book lovers and for students and the community. Get your family and friends involved as well to help make this a fantastic sale and a fantastic event! Thank you to all our members that give in so many ways to this AAUW fundraising tradition.

The book fair dates are:

**Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> ...**

**Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> ...**

**Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> -**

**Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> ...**

**Set Up, 7-9:30 PM**

**Opening Night, 5:30-9:30 PM**

**Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> ... Sale - Mall Hours**

**Tear Down, 7-9:30 PM**

The book sale will be open during mall hours ...

### **North Point Mall West Courtyard, Lower Level**

Located between Von Maur and Dillard’s

Mall entrance beside AMC Theater

Covered parking is available as well

Thanks to all our members that give in so many ways to this AAUW fundraising tradition that brings.



## AAUW of Georgia Fall Board Meeting August 22, 2015 Registration

Callaway Gardens Mountain Creek Conference Center  
 17800 Highway 27 South  
 Pine Mountain, GA 31822 (706)663-2281

Registration  
 Board Meeting

Saturday August 22, 2015  
 8:00 to 9:00 AM  
 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
 AAUW San Diego Convention Report  
 Officer / Chair Reports  
 Business  
 By-laws review  
 Budget Review / Approval  
 Strategic Planning  
 Makers Faire Proposal  
 State Convention 2016  
 Nominating Committee appointment

The **Registration fee of \$40** includes the cost of meeting facilities, materials and a catered lunch.

Attendance numbers need to be given to the Callaway Garden catering team no later than **August 15th**, so plan on registering early.

For those arriving on Friday, rooms are available at \$109/night, if you would like to make those arrangements.

Send registration form and fee (make \$40 checks payable to AAUW of Georgia) to:

Diane Sakmar  
 33 Ranger Road, Cartersville, GA 30121-5296  
 770-843-0886

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### Registration form for Saturday, August 22, 2015

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

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