



Cobb Update

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Special Dates of Interest

- October 7 - Roving Gourmet
- October 11 - General Meeting
- **October 17 - Book Group**
- November 4 - Roving Gourmet



Boo!!

October Program and Branch Meeting:

On Tuesday, October 11th, AAUW Cobb County Branch will have a guest speaker provide information about one of the November ballot amendments. This year's political focus seems to be skewed towards the unique 2016 presidential race. Many voters need to also be aware and reminded that local and state offices and issues are also at stake. Of particular interest to AAUW Cobb is the OSD amendment (Opportunity School District.)

Janet Kishbaugh JD will be our speaker – presenting detailed information about the amendment. Members are encouraged to attend and promote friends and neighbors to attend as well. This will be of critical interest to all voters in Georgia.

Janet Kishbaugh JD is head of the Research and Information Services of the statewide nonprofit Public Education Matters Georgia which is one of the many organizations of the Keep Georgia Schools Local Coalition focused on the Opportunity School District (OSD) Amendment on the November Ballot.

Plan to come - you won't want to miss this program.

Join us at 7 PM (Program starts at 7:30 PM) in the large meeting room at ECGC (East Cobb Government Center) at 4400 Lower Roswell Road.

Refreshments will be served.

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Book Group

For additional Book Group information please email or call Bonnie Williams at 770-971-6130
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The next meeting is October 17th at **2:00pm** at the home of Joan Terwilliger who will also provide refreshments.

The book is, Run by Ann Patchett and Karen Peters will facilitate.

Contact Joan if you plan to attend.

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It's AAUW 2016 Book Fair time ... for real!!

Many of our branch members have stepped up to the plate to contribute volunteer hours at this year's AAUW Book Fair. Many of our patrons (and volunteers) are glad to see the sale return to this more central location. We had a great opening night and the sale continues through Sunday, October 2nd, half price day. Come down to shop and/or volunteer. There is still time if your schedule permits. Let your family, friends and neighbors know that the sale is currently in full swing!!

See pictures "scattered" around newsletter!!

ROVING GOURMET



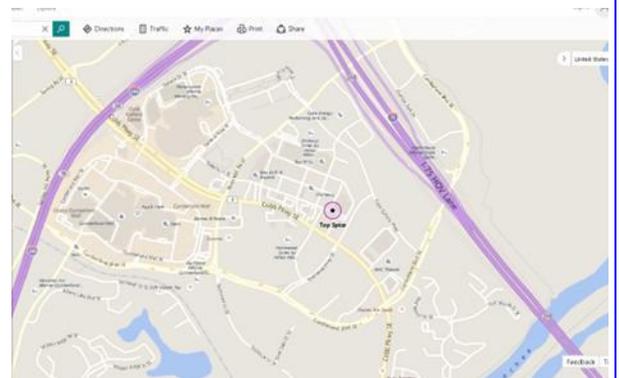
October 7th, 7 p.m.
 Debbie Karvey will host a dine-out at

Top Spice, Thai cuisine

The restaurant is located at 2997 Cobb Parkway SE, Suite 200, Atlanta, GA 30339.

Please contact Debbie by Wednesday, October 5th to RSVP.

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Books, books and more books! That has been my focus for the last two weeks (and more!) It is great to be back at Perimeter Mall while 'flexibility' is the name of the game for both customers and AAUW volunteers this year with a major renovation continuing at the mall as well as a shift from the Dillard's common area to the Macy's common area. In addition, the book fair steering committee voted to accept credit cards this year ... and this has been a happy "upgrade" for many of the customers.

Please check your inbox for an evite from the AAUW Atlanta Branch to attend a public policy forum at the Marietta Conference Center on Saturday, October 15th. All local branches are invited and members are encouraged to attend. Please let neighbors, family and friends know about this meeting. There will be speakers from 9to5, GBPI, LWVGA and AAUW GA. This meeting will be a timely opportunity to learn about key issues here in Georgia.

It is a great feeling to know that we all should be congratulated as a branch! For the many things we do, yes!!!! But also, all our members have paid their dues by the end of September ... outstanding! Many of us met Sarah Calhoun last year while Arden was branch president. Sarah recently lost her mother and has been focused on managing family affairs. Recently, Sarah and her daughter, Emma, volunteered at the book fair and we hope to see her joining us at meetings and other activities.

A final announcement! AAUW has long been dedicated to voter education and voter registration. AAUW members are voters. Please remind your family, friends and neighbors to make sure they are currently registered to vote (the state of Georgia purges voter records if a voter has not participated in an election within the past 3 years.)

Encourage Georgia voters to become educated on candidates and issues. Encourage family and friends to validate their voter registration – the registration deadline to be in the system is October 11th.

(My Voter Page: <https://www.mvp.sos.ga.gov/MVP/mvp.do>)



Enjoy fall ... it is a welcome change with cooler nights, the smell of falling leaves and the refreshing crispness of the air and the promise of apples locally grown in Georgia.

Debbie



Randy & Yetta—too much fun!!!

“There is no value in life except what you choose to place upon it, and no happiness in any place except what you bring to it yourself.”
 Lin Yutang

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September Program Re-Cap

Big thanks go out to Nancy Coakley for her insight and leadership in connecting with Jacquie Merickya-Brand and Sara Makhoul and inviting them to come speak at our September meeting.



Sara and Jacquie

Learning about a teacher’s personal commitment to quality education and STEM for girls as well as experiencing the passion of a STEM-oriented young student mentored to grow and explore a career path that is a natural fit for her talents and abilities was inspiring.

Jacquie, a science teacher at Palmer Middle School in Kennesaw, is an inspirational teacher and parent. Jacquie’s daughter also spoke briefly about her path to a STEM career (she recently graduated from Virginia Tech and started working at Lockheed Martin as an engineer.)

Sara, a former student of Jacquie’s at Palmer and a now a freshman at Kennesaw Mountain High School, brought her proud family with her.

Her 3M Young Scientist Competition presentation was an amazing example of a young mind encouraged to discover through science and research how to alleviate an environmental problem with a creative solution.

Sara is one of 10 finalists vying for the 3M award for young scientist in 2016. She will travel to Minneapolis in October and AAUW Cobb was honored to present her with a \$200 donation towards her travel expenses and applauds her success now and in the future.



Karen & Betty (ATL Branch)

Rita eating fruit!!

