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Women in Debt/Pay Equity: Two Sides of the Same Coin

C ome to discuss and share at the AAUW Ohio Fall Summit, Ohio's fall statewide event of 2019, as we continue our two-year advocacy for women's economic security with a focus on Pay Equity. Let us share our good ideas in discussion and displays at the Fall Summit. Presidents, Public Policy Chairs, Program Vice Presidents: expect to take away as much as you share. Let's meet centrally in Worthington and do it!



Kendra Davis, AAUW's senior vice president for advancement and partnerships, will lead our keynote discussion and share ideas and sources for actionable advocacy on AAUW Ohio's two-year theme: *Women in Debt/ Pay Equity: Two Sides of the Same Coin.* Kendra will bring us up to date on goals, partnerships, and reorganization, and will stimulate our thinking on topics as diverse as collaboration and succession planning. She will be with us through the day to supplement and to listen.

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Besides the sharing and discussing, you will have a say in planning. The Fall Summit will help us to

plan a State Convention that meets your needs, provides valuable enrichment, and motivates you to become more engaged and to grow your branch's impact. The day's program also slates inspiring NCCWSL participants and seven 8-minute speakers to share the AAUW buzz and spark discussion groups on topics as diverse as *Women across Generations, Men as Collaborative Allies,* and *Collaborating with and Nourishing a College Student Organization.*

Need another reason to come to the Fall Summit? There's a new Glitter Point for the Ohio Starz Award. Bring **three** branch members to the Fall Summit to earn two new Glitter points. Branches that bring two branch members earn one Glitter point. Read the detailed schedule on page 2; find the registration form on page 3. When smart people plan together, the results are better than anyone can get alone. **We look forward to seeing you at the Fall Summit beginning at 9:30 am, September 28, 2019** at All Saints Lutheran Church, 6770 North High Street, Worthington, OH 43085

News from Program VP: Marlene De La Cruz-Guzman--

All Saints Lutheran Church



6670 North High Street, Worthington, OH 43085

From the North: Take I-71 south to Exit 119B toward Dayton. Merge onto 1-270 W and keep right. Exit onto US-23 and turn left onto US-23/High Street. The church will be on your left.

From the East: Follow I-70 west and I-270 N. Take exit 23 onto US-23. Turn left onto US-23/ High Street. The church will be on your left.

From the South: Follow US-23 N toward Columbus. Merge onto I-270-W. Use right two lanes to take exit 55 and merge onto I-71-N. Use middle 2 lanes to take exit 106A-106B for OH 315 N. Use the right 2 lanes to turn right onto OH-161 Dublin Granville Rd. Turn left onto N High St. The church will be on the right.

From the West: Follow I-70 E toward Columbus and I-270 N. Follow signs for US-23 S and merge onto US-23 S/ Columbus Sandusky Rd/ N High St. Follow US-23 south on N High St. The church will be on your left.



What Else Will There Be for YOU at The Fall Summit?

The schedule makes time for thought-provoking discussions leading to actionable ideas. Meanwhile, a long lunch encourages networking, sharing, and best practices. You WILL be able to browse and access it all. We urge you to bring something your branch can share: a good program, a wonderful speaker's name and area of specialty, a book discussion, or an action project.

Show off your best practices, and inspire others!

Time	Session Title	Presenter	
9:30-10:00	Registration		2 Minute Activist
10:00-10:15	Welcome	Nancy Stellhorn	
10:15-11:15	Economic Security & Pay Equity; AAUW Today	Kendra Davis, AAUW VP Advancement and Partnerships, Keynote	
11:15-11:40	NCCWSL	Recent scholarship recipients	
11:40-12:00	Networking Break & Short Inspirational speaker	Lunch prep & Short inspirational speaker	
12:00-1:15	Convention Discussion and Lunch		Mixed Districts (colored dots)
1:15-1:30	Networking & Dessert		Free Movement & conversations
1:30-2:30	The AAUW Buzz: What We Are Hearing?	7 speakers— 8 each, including Q&A	
2:30-3:00	Closing Activity & Thank You!	Nancy Stellhorn	

Deadline and How To Register

The deadline to register is September 25. Register online or use the registration sheet on the next page. If you mail a check payable to AAUW Ohio, send it with the paper registration sheet so that it is received by September 25. Mail your registration to Renee Spiker, 1005 Somers St, Zanesville, OH 43701

REGISTRATION—AAUW OHIO FALL SUMMIT 2019

Date: Saturday - September 28, 2019, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm

Location: All Saints Lutheran Church, 6770 North High Street, Worthington, OH 43085

Registration fee: \$26.00 by mail / \$27 online

Includes light breakfast, morning sessions, lunch, and afternoon sessions.

Click this link to register online: <u>https://aauw-oh.aauw.net/conferences-conventions/fall-summit-2019/</u>

	OR
	Mail a check payable to AAUW Ohio, along with this registration form, to:
	Renee Spiker
	1005 Somers Street
	Zanesville, OH 43701
	Your Name:
	First Name Last Name
	Your Branch:
	Phone Number (in case of questions):
	Fracil (in case of questions)
	Email (in case of questions):
	Do you wish to receive a <u>paper copy</u> of the 2019-20 Officers' Directory at this Summit? yes no
	Please mark your choice for lunch (circle GF for Gluten-Free option where available*):
GF	Turkey Tango Sandwich* (turkey breast, chimichurri, roasted red pepper sauce, roasted garlic aioli, crisp
0	lettuce)
GF	Harvest Chicken Salad Sandwich* (housemade chicken salad prepared with roasted chicken, toasted pecans,
	dried cranberries, crisp apple)
GF	Life Salad* (mixed greens, shredded carrots, berries, blue cheese, green onions, toasted rosemary pecans,
	herb-mustard vinaigrette)
	Hummus Vegetable Wrap (Red pepper tortilla, housemade hummus, roasted red and yellow peppers &
	tomatoes, artichoke pate, grilled eggplant, arugula)

Redefining AAUW To Appeal to All

- a message from AAUW Ohio President Nancy Stellhorn

Women's Economic Security, *Work Smart Online*—bah, that's for young women. There's nothing in for older members, or is there? Yes, an older member feels either secure or must watch every penny, but negotiating is not only about money. Well, that's a relief, but show me.

A retired member might think of training to Ask for More. You may need to negotiate with friends or family about where you live, or how you spend a holiday dinner. Negotiating with a workman for repairs may bring more success than demanding. The hardest parts about negotiating is how to do your research, and accepting that you should not expect everything, but rather, *something better*.

How does this topic help my branch find new members? Everyone loves a good book group. The community knows us for our super book sale. It raises a lot of money for fellowships.

Do women in their 40s and 50s join you? Maybe we need to take another look at women across the generations —AAUW's appeal to college students, to 20s-40s, 50s-60s, and 70s and older—and find out what "joining" means to them. Do meetings appeal to them?

Bring your ideas, your successes, and your problems to the Fall Summit; learn from Kendra Davis, our keynote speaker from national; be provoked to think and understand in new ways and to discuss. We will make a bigger splash swimming together.

See you soon, Nancy

Public Policy- Karen Rainey

State Budget Review: Good News, Bad News

When the state biennial budget was finally adopted in mid-July, it reflected a few good intentions relating to AAUW's concerns, included an item that AAUW opposes, and completely ignored other priorities. Thanks to our membership in the Women's Public Policy Network, we have a good grasp on what happened to the women's economic agenda. *On the good side:*

-Access to affordable child care was increased; the cutoff line for eligibility went from 130 percent of poverty to 150 percent. Not only is this good for children's safety, it allows parents to stay in the workforce.

-Proposed restrictions to Medicaid were removed from the budget, allowing access to affordable healthcare to continue. Efforts had been made to require premiums and limit or cut healthcare services.

-The Rape Crisis Center Fund received increased funding, and the Ohio Domestic Violence Program received general revenue funding for the first time. The funding for the Rape Crisis Center Fund, \$9.6 million for the biennium, will allow services to expand to all 88 counties. Domestic violence programs will receive \$2 million for the biennium.

On the negative side:

-Crisis Pregnancy Centers, which are anti-abortion and provide false information to pregnant, often highly vulnerable women and girls, will receive \$7.5 million, all of which is taken from federal TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) funds, which are intended to be the safety net for the poorest women and families. This amount is a \$6.5 million increase over the amount allocated in previous budgets.

And not included:

-Funding to promote a complete and accurate count in the 2020 census was omitted from the budget. The census is critical in determining our representation in Congress as well as the amount of federal funding coming to Ohio.

-Changes that would have improved the state Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC), a significant help to working families, were rejected. The final version of WPPN's analysis of the state budget will soon be available on the website, <u>womenspublicpolicynetwork.org</u>

Other Budget Results

Education areas in the budget had mixed results:

-School funding:

-School takeovers: A one-year moratorium was placed on school takeovers for schools in "academic distress" but there was no change in status for the three districts already under state control.

-Graduation requirements: These were eased, with new requirements starting with the class of 2023. Students would need to pass only two tests, Algebra I and English II, instead of seven tests. They would also have to earn "diploma seals" in an area of their choice to show they have the skills and knowledge for life after high school.

-Charter schools: Many charters got a reprieve—now, instead of two bad years, they can have three years of poor performance before closure. At the same time, high-performing charter schools will get \$60 million more in this biennium, partly to serve low-income students.

-Vouchers: Private school scholarships received more funding



Be Wise Supporters- Thanks!

Be WISE Camp #31 was held in June at a new location -- Kenvon College in Gambier, Ohio. The 7th and 8th grade girls accomplished STEM activities in Ecology, Math 7, Physics, Stream, Pond, Math 8, Chemistry and Astronomy classes. Evening programs featured women speakers from various jobs and professions. Many of these students were recruited by AAUW members across the state. The staff would like to thank all AAUW branches who helped support campers from their communities this year.

GET INVOLVED!

Would you like to be a part of State Board? Want to be a mentor and work with Ohio's leaders? Submit a candidate election form today! Or forms will be available at Fall Summit, by request, or from the Branch Corner page of the website URL below. Contact President Nancy Stellhorn for any questions. Find password at the top of *How to Reach Us* on this page.

https://aauw-oh.aauw.net/branchcorner/branch-resources/

NCCWSL Scholarship Winner: Ashley Wallace, now a Bowling Green State University senior, went to NCCWSL and will be attending the Fall Summit. Join us there to see how Ashley learned to Challenge herself. Inspire others. And create an impact!



Starz Awards Or 5 Stars What Has Changed?

For more than ten years, AAUW Ohio has recognized outstanding branches with a Starz Award. You've heard the news that national will begin a 5 Star recognition program that measures how branches help AAUW meet the goals set in its strategic plan for education, economic security and leadership. AAUW Ohio will continue its Starz recognition program, so you can be recognized by each.

As in the past, Starz requires that a branch attend statewide events to increase communication among branches and with the State Board. Be sure that your branch was represented at your district meeting last spring and at the upcoming Fall Summit. Glitter points give you a chance to earn a higher award. Branches sending 2 members to the Summit will receive 1 glitter point, and branches sending 3 or more members will receive 2 glitter points. Communication is essential to increasing equity.

Ohio branches demonstrate a responsibility to achieve AAUW's goals by having at least 4 mission-based programs during the year. Programs are judged from your branch program book listing. Each branch should send its program book to AAUW Ohio's president, program VP, and membership VP. Contact information is shown in the *AAUW Ohio Officers Directory* available by request in hard copy at Fall Summit or in the passwordprotected Branch Resources page of the website. (See *How to Reach Us* in every Orbit to see the password.)

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The Ohio Directory of Officers is in the Branch Resources section of our website. You will need the password aauwohmember.

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