

## State Convention focuses on *Education as the Gateway to Women's Economic Security*

by Kathryn Sharp, AAUW of SC Program Vice President

The last issue of the *Palmetto Leaf* gave just a hint of the plans for our upcoming Spring Convention.

Friday evening starts with **Molly Barker**, a four-time Hawaiian Ironman tri-athlete, who founded *Girls on the Run*® in Charlotte, NC, in 1996.

At age 15, Molly started running. In 1993, she got an inspiration that grew into *Girls on the Run*®. She started with 13 girls and now her programs are in more than 120 cities. In 1998 *Runner's World*, a national running magazine awarded Molly its "Golden Shoe Award" for contributions to the community through running.



Women scholar athletes from around South Carolina will join us Friday evening as well. These women scholars are always an inspiration and a highlight of the convention. When in doubt about the future, look to these young women – they are the future.

Saturday's keynote address will be given by **Kathryn Holton**, Vice President of University Advancement at Winthrop University. She will address the importance of education on the success that women can achieve.

An Educational Equity panel will be moderated by **Betty Bayless**, AAUW of SC Public Policy Chair.

AAUW members support adequate funding for education at all levels in our state. On Saturday afternoon, panelists will address *Challenges to the Funding of Education in South Carolina*, including early childhood, K-12 and post-secondary education. We will learn about actions in the General Assembly to address this concern and what role we can play to achieve success.

**Leslie Henderson**, South Atlantic Regional Director, will present an afternoon workshop on team building called *Wearing the Same Jersey Doesn't Make You a Team*. Every day, team building becomes more critical. It is time to embrace a model that fosters consensus, expands vision, and increases the power base. The ability to establish successful teams takes specific skills. Come learn why Teams are all the talk.

And, if you are one of those people who likes the two-day conventions, stay over on Saturday night, we'll have an informal dinner together, and we'll make it a two-day convention!

*Find more about speakers on page 2, business items on page 3, and registration form on page 4.*

### AAUW of SC Convention

March 31 & April 2, 2006

Hilton Garden Inn

Rock Hill, SC

#### Friday, March 31

3:00-6:00 pm	Registration
1:30-5:00 pm	Board Meeting
7:00-9:00 pm	Molly Barker from <i>Girls on the Run</i> and recognition of college women scholar athletes
9:00 pm	Dessert Reception

#### Saturday, April 1

8:30-9:00 am	Registration
9:00-9:30 am	Opening Remarks and Welcome
9:30-10:15 am	Keynote Address: <i>Education as the Gateway to Women's Economic Security</i>
10:15-10:30 am	Health Break
10:30 am-Noon	Business Session, Awards and Town Hall
Noon	Lunch
1:00-1:30 pm	EF Sales
1:30-2:30 pm	Educational Equity Panel: <i>Challenges to the Funding of Education in South Carolina</i>
2:30-2:45 pm	Health Break
2:45-3:45 pm	Team Building Workshop: <i>Wearing the Same Jersey Doesn't Make You a Team</i>
3:45 pm	Adjournment
5:30 pm	Optional group dinner

## More about our speakers

### **Molly Barker, founder of *Girls on the Run*®**

Molly founded *Girls on the Run*® in Charlotte, North Carolina, in 1996. She has a background in teaching and counseling, and was featured in a recent issue of *Oprah* magazine as *A Leader of the Pack*. Here is an excerpt from that article:

*As a teenager, Barker fell into what she calls the girl box. "I was obsessed with being the popular girl, or the pretty girl, or the one with the boyfriends," she says. By the time she was 15, only two things helped her forget her insecurities: running and drinking.*

*....My drinking had escalated and on July 6, 1993, I made a desperate phone call to my sister, threatening to disappear, and she said, 'Why don't you sleep on it?' The next day at sunset, I went for a run. I had this epiphany: you're perfect just the way you are, and I realized that's how all women should feel.*

*...I decided to try to reach young women before they entered the girl box, so in 1996 I started *Girls on the Run* .... and we've worked with approximately 50,000 girls.*

*I never intended for this to be my career. I thought it was a hobby, but as it began to grow, I had no doubt that I was created to do this – to make every girl realize the glorious potential she has within her.*

She was recently selected as Charlotte's Woman of the Year. Molly clearly is passionate about her work yet still claims the most difficult thing she has yet to do...is inspire two of her own children, 10 year old Hank and 7 year old Helen to follow their own hearts and become healthy, thriving and peaceful people.

### **Leslie Henderson, AAUW South Atlantic Regional Director.**

After graduating from Brown University, Leslie left the US and lived 19 years in Latin America and the Caribbean, including the Virgin Islands, Mexico, Uruguay, Chile, Argentina, Puerto Rico, and Peru. In her travels she taught high school, directed adult theatre, did public relations for the Argentine government, marketing research, and computer consulting, as well as obtaining her degree in financial planning.

Leslie is a past president of Florida AAUW, was a two-term member of the Association Program Development Committee, and served as Director at Large on the 2003-2005 Association Board of Directors. She was elected as director of the South Atlantic Region of AAUW in June 2005. She currently resides in Tampa, Florida.

She also sits on the board of the PACE Center for Girls, Inc. in Hillsborough County, and has served as a member of Juvenile Justice's Girls Initiative Advisory Board and the Equity Board of the Hillsborough Public Schools.

### **Dr. Kathryn Holten, Vice President of University Advancement, Winthrop University**

Kathryn received her doctorate degree from Tulane University in foreign languages and medieval studies. Kathryn previously served Winthrop University as Executive Assistant to the President. She served as Executive Director of North Carolina's First Flight Centennial Commission from 1999-2002, and returned to Winthrop to serve as Vice President of University Advancement. She also is a

### **Lodging Information**

The Hilton Garden Inn in Rock Hill is the location for the 2006 SC Spring Convention. A block of guest rooms has been reserved for AAUW for Friday and Saturday nights, March 31 & April 1.

***Reservations must be made directly with the hotel by March 12.*** Nightly cost is \$85 plus tax, and continental breakfast is included. Phone (1-803-325-2800), fax (1-803-325-2366).

All rooms in the AAUW block have a king bed, refrigerator and microwave, coffee maker, iron and board, two telephones with two lines, data port on phones, and voice mail in room. There is a full fitness center on site.

Two other hotels located near the Hilton Garden Inn are the Hampton Inn (1-803-325-1100) and the Wingate Inn (1-803-324-9000).

### **Driving Directions**

**From I-77 Northbound:** Take Exit 79. Turn left onto Dave Lyle Boulevard. Turn right at the first street (into the shopping center); then immediately turn right again onto Tinsley Way. The hotel is the fourth building on the right.

**From I-77 Southbound:** Take Exit 79. Turn right onto Dave Lyle Boulevard. Then follow directions for Northbound.

**If coming from the I-85 corridor,** take Hwy 5 into downtown Rock Hill and turn left onto Dave Lyle Boulevard. Shopping center and hotel will be on your left just before you reach I-77. Hotel is located in Manchester Shopping Center.

## **EF Auction is special feature of convention – branches are encouraged to participate!**

**SOLD!** That's what you'll hear at the Second Annual Educational Foundation Auction at the spring convention. Your branch will definitely want to be part of the action!

Last year we auctioned plants, baskets of goodies, a handmade cigar box purse, art, and other great items. Don't know what to bring? This would be a great opportunity to recycle that Christmas gift that didn't work in your home or that gift you will never use. Does your husband make bird houses or duck decoys? Does someone in your branch sew, knit or crochet?

Remember that your branch gets credit for what they bring to sell. Large or small – all items are appreciated. Let's have 100% branch participation!

member of the Rock Hill Branch of AAUW, and represents the University in a variety of community projects and organizations.

## Nominees for SC Officers

by Pat Borenstein  
 SC Nominating Committee Chair

The Nominating Committee presents the following candidates for AAUW of SC officers for 2006-2008.

### Bev James (Hilton Head) Candidate for President

Bev graduated from Southern Illinois University with degrees in Early Childhood and Elementary Education. During her thirty years of teaching, she developed and implemented an all-day kindergarten program in Illinois, created an Early Childhood Curriculum for Beaufort County, helped establish one of the first Elementary International Baccalaureate programs in the United States, and was chairman of the Hilton Head Elementary Collaborative Council.



Bev has been actively involved in the Hilton Head Branch serving as Program Vice-President and President. She has also served as state Educational Foundation/Legal Advocacy Foundation Chair for the past two years.

She is currently membership chair of the Friends of the Library Board, a sales associate with the Carlisle Collection, and active in several educational and philanthropic organizations.

### Lynn Shore (Greenville) Candidate for Secretary

Lynn graduated from Greensboro College, Greensboro, NC with an AB degree in History and minor in English. She taught school in the School District of Greenville County for ten years, and then retired from teaching to stay home with her children.



She has been a member of AAUW since 1997. On the branch level, she has been Program Vice President, President, and Program coordinator of the Greenville Branch. On the state level, she has served as Conference Coordinator, and Program Vice President.

She has done volunteer work at the Greenville Literacy Association as an ESL instructor, and volunteered for over 10 years at the St. Francis Women's & Family Hospital in Greenville. She served on the Greensboro College Alumni Association Board for eight years, four of those as Second Vice President.

She is co-owner with her husband, Gene, of CShore Services, a small company in which Gene is a consultant with several steel fabricating companies in the upstate, and she transports people who are unable to drive themselves to various appointments, etc. She also pet sits. Lynn and Gene have been married for thirty-nine years, and have two children, Daren and Katherine. They have three grandchildren.

## Budget to be voted on at Spring convention

by Mildred Finch, Chair, Finance Committee

Members will be asked to consider the adoption of the following budget for 2006-2007 during the business session of the annual convention.

AAUW SC Proposed Budget 2006-2007	
<b>INCOME</b>	
Dues (450 members @ \$10)	\$4,500
Conferences	9,000
Transfer from Assets	900
<b>Total income + transfers</b>	<b>\$14,400</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Branch Services	\$400
Conferences **	\$9,000
Conference of State Leaders – Reserves*	250
EF/LAF Chair	75
EF Chair Conference – Reserves*	125
Math & Science Expositions	0
Membership Vice Presidents	50
Other Chairs	50
<i>Palmetto Leaf</i>	2,000
President – Expenses	600
President – Printing Supplies	25
Program Vice President	50
Public Policy Brochures	50
Public Policy Chair	300
Travel – Delegates to AAUW Convention – Reserves*	750
Travel – Delegates to SAR Conference – Reserves*	250
Treasurer – Administrative	50
Treasurer – Audit & Bonding	75
Website	300
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$14,440</b>
<b>Explanations:</b>	
* Reserves are for conferences which are held every other year.	
** Conferences –	
Legislative Day (100@\$30)	= \$3,000
State Convention (75@80)	= \$6,000
Total	\$9,000

# Join us for a celebration of education's role in our lives



by Trish Johnson, AAUW of SC President

*Education as the Gateway to Women's Economic Security* is the new biennial theme that the Association and the Educational Foundation introduced at the 2005 AAUW Convention in June. This theme represents the shared commitment of both the Foundation and the Association

to move women toward success in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

There are three distinct programmatic threads – equity on campus, workplace equity and financial literacy.

AAUW of SC has chosen to follow the Association and the Foundation by using this theme in our upcoming Spring Convention. The Board has worked to pull together a day of workshops and speakers that will address the inadequacies of education in South Carolina and how it affects a woman's ability to achieve economic security.

The only thing constant is change and that includes the make up of AAUW. With the new membership criteria in place, I hope your branch is making efforts to recruit women who have Associate and three-year nursing degrees. This will open our membership up to many more women who have believed in the goals we have but were unable to join. This will also infuse fresh ideas, new perspectives and leadership. However, this will not happen if we do not seek these women out and invite them to become members.

It has been a true growth experience for me to be the State President this last four years. As I close my term and preside over my last convention, I hope you will join me and the Board in attending Spring Convention which will be hosted by my branch – Rock Hill. Not only will you have fun and learn, you will also be electing a new President and Secretary. Please come out and support those who choose to take on the leadership roles that make a difference for all of us.

*Trish*

**AAUW of SC State Convention**  
**March 31 and April 1, 2006, Rock Hill, South Carolina**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Branch/Org. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

*I would like to be a part of a Dutch-treat dinner on Saturday evening*    \_\_\_\_\_ yes

**Advance Registration must be postmarked by March 17, 2006**

***Saturday lunch cannot be guaranteed without advance registration***

Registration includes Friday dessert reception, Saturday lunch, break, and materials

Registration for entire convention	\$60.00 _____
Registration for Friday only	\$25.00 _____
Registration for Saturday only	\$45.00 _____

At door registration for entire convention	\$70.00 _____
For Saturday only	\$55.00 _____

Saturday luncheon is "Piping hot" baked potato served with your selection of shredded cheese, sour cream, butter, croutons, diced turkey and ham, along with tossed garden salad with assorted dressings, cherry or peach cobbler, dinner rolls, iced tea and coffee.

Special diet needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Send this completed form and check payable to **AAUW of SC by March 17, 2006** to  
Audrey Henry, 1609 Circle Drive, Newberry, SC 29108. (803/276-6072; henryag@mindspring.com).

## Membership Efforts are important throughout the year

by Pat Batten and Sue Norton , SC Membership Co-Vice Presidents

Good News!! The **Florence Branch** received state approval at the January state board meeting and the paperwork has been sent to the Association to "officially" name them a branch. Thanks to a super job on the part of **Diane De Lucia Mascara** and the branch Board including **Susan Giusto**, the new President, this branch has met the criteria to form a new branch. We appreciate all their efforts and congratulate them on their success.

What's new for membership? We are always looking for ways to increase our numbers. But, we also have to look at ways to retain the numbers that we have. The new research report and press release about *Drawing the Line: Sexual Harrassment on Campus* is an excellent tool to help us do both. Use it in your programming and recruitment.

Also, our upcoming convention in Rock Hill is a good way to encourage leadership and give new branch members and, especially new officers, an opportunity to meet others and learn more about the AAUW mission. Every branch should have representation. Bring a car load!

We both have been on state boards in New Jersey and South Carolina. We have both attended national conventions. We have found that meeting other members in our state and other states has always energized us and encouraged us in our commitment to this organization. Join us for convention and bring your friends!

## Branches raise more than \$19,000 to support Terry Endowment

by Bev James

SC Educational Foundation & Legal Advocacy Fund Chair

Congratulations to the SC branches for contributing approximately \$19,000 to the Ann Scott Terry Research and Projects Grant. We have ten years to complete the \$75,000 grant. What a great start!

The following branch members deserve recognition for contributing \$100 or more to EF in 2005 becoming members of the 2005 Century Circle:

Beaufort – **Charlotte Boe, Mavis Fletcher, Marion Leach, Anita Mahoney, Elizabeth McCaslin**

Greater Columbia – **Sarah Leverette, Mary Lois Lind, Louise McFarland, Diane Monrad, Dorothy Tunstall**

Rock Hill – **Marsha Bollinger, Mignon Eayre, Mary McBean, Marlene Milstead, Ann Scott Terry**

The winter 2005 issue of the *Legal Advocacy Fund Update* features an interview with the LAF-supported plaintiff

### An Invitation to AAUW Members At Large

This issue of the AAUW of SC newsletter also is being sent to AAUW Members-At-Large [MALs] who reside in SC.

**We invite you to join other women who care about educational equity at the AAUW of SC annual convention in Rock Hill on March 31 & April 1.**

We know that just like branch members, MALs are concerned about equity for women in the workplace and in education. Yet you may not be aware of conferences, learning and networking opportunities in which you might wish to participate. However, because you are not a member of a branch, you do not receive information about these events.

Why not become a SC Member-At-Large for a mere \$10? You don't have to attend meetings, but you'll get this quarterly newsletter, which will let you know what is happening in the state.

To join as a state member-at-large, send a check for \$10 payable to AAUW of SC to Pat Hall, AAUW of SC Treasurer, 1801 Ford Road, Gaffney, SC 29340.

Professor Russell, who has sued Princeton University for sex discrimination in the denial of her tenure, and the female wrestlers from the University of California-Davis, who have sued the university under Title IX for the denial of equal athletic opportunities. Read this on the website at: <http://www.aauw.org/laf/updates/Winter2005.pdf>

Do you know a college or university program that has resulted in significant progress for women on campus? LAF's Progress in Equity (PIE) Award recognizes these programs. Recipients receive a stipend of up to \$10,000 and public recognition throughout their communities, campus, and AAUW. The deadline for nominations for the 2006 award is **March 15, 2006**. Nomination forms can be found on the website at: <http://www.aauw.org/laf/pie/nomform.cfm>

## AAUW Advocacy – we must always be active in watching state and national issues

by Betty Bayless  
SC Public Policy Chair



**The Congress and General Assembly in Action – February 1, 2006**

### State

**Court case status:** Both sides in the “Manning Case” have filed motions for ruling reconsideration with Judge Thomas Cooper. The date of his ruling on these motions will be the start date for the 30-day

appeal decision process.

In the interim, the General Assembly has reacted to the judge’s conclusion that the State has failed to effectively and adequately fund early childhood intervention programs and legislators will introduce several plans. **S. 948** directs the state’s First Steps Program to create voluntary, universal, pre-kindergarten programs in each county.

**Property taxes and education funding:** On January 31 the House Ways and Means Committee approved a wide-ranging plan to eliminate about 85% of property taxes on homes in which owners live – the Homeowners Tax Relief Act of 2006.

It does not increase education funding in poor and rural school districts. The plan would increase the sales tax by 2 cents on the dollar and use the money to pay for school and local government operations now funded through local property taxes. If the plan is in effect next year, schools and local governments would be funded at current levels and given annual increases equal to their rate of population growth plus inflation. The House will debate this bill beginning on February 8. The Senate is working on its own proposal and leaders have said they do not favor the House approach.

### Federal

**Alito Confirmation:** The 58-42 Senate vote to confirm Judge Samuel Alito represents the second highest number of votes against a confirmed Supreme Court justice – a clear indication of the nation’s serious and abiding concern with this pivotal nominee.

Those Senators who voted “No” on the confirmation, especially those who voted against cutting off debate on his nomination, took a courageous position in favor of protecting



fundamental rights critical to maintaining decades of progress for women and girls. AAUW thanks those Senators.

**Budget Reconciliation:** Now is not the time to cut services for the most vulnerable in our country while simultaneously cutting taxes for the most fortunate and adding an estimated \$35 billion to the federal deficit.

On February 1 the House planned to vote on a bill that would increase the cost of the average student loan by \$2,000 and cost parents an average of \$3,000 more in interest on loans for their children’s education. The budget reconciliation would cut \$12.7 billion from the student loan program. These cuts come at a time when higher education is becoming more expensive. Pell Grants only cover a meager portion of college costs and students are ending up with an increasing debt to finance their education – an average of \$19,000 per student. AAUW opposes reductions.

**Vouchers and Spending Cuts:** The Department of Defense Appropriations Bill contains a provision that would cut 1% from spending levels for all federal discretionary programs in 2006. This means reductions for virtually all federal programs important to education. Estimates suggest it would cut funding for No Child Left Behind by \$1 billion.

The hurricane relief portion of the bill includes the first national federal school voucher program. AAUW opposes the creation and use of school vouchers in all forms and advocated a model that exists under current law to extend relief for private school students that would not violate AAUW’s principles.

**Patriot Act:** Due to ongoing concerns over privacy and the controversy over recent developments regarding domestic wiretapping, the fate of a compromise on this act is uncertain. If a compromise cannot be reached by February 3, there may be another short-term extension. Urge your Members of Congress to protect civil liberties and balance the rights of the individual and the needs of the community when they consider Patriot Act reauthorization.

## Team work and caring spirits are all a part of AAUW

by Leslie Henderson, South Atlantic Regional Director, [flaauw@aol.com](mailto:flaauw@aol.com)



Dear SAR Colleagues:

These post-holiday months always seem to be the busiest time for AAUW members.

I'm sure you're preparing for spring fund raisers, state conventions, and elections of new officers.

I wish you well in all your endeavors, and look forward to meeting many of you as I make the rounds of almost all your

conventions. I urge you all to attend your state conventions. It is an occasion that allows you to network with friends and colleagues, to share best practices, to learn more about the organization, to meet state and national AAUW leaders, and to hear provocative and entertaining speakers.

In the midst of all this activity, however, please don't lose sight of some new and exciting communications opportunities.

In the January 11, 2006 issue of *EdEqChange* ([http://www.aauw.org/member\\_center/leader\\_corner/EdEqChange/EdEqChange.cfm](http://www.aauw.org/member_center/leader_corner/EdEqChange/EdEqChange.cfm)) a values discussion guide was

included, which supports a 30-45 minute session for your branches. The Association is reaching out to request your ideas on what are the core values of AAUW. For those of you who have done strategic planning, either in the workplace or in your volunteer lives, you know that before we can talk about visions and goals, we must have a consensus as to our core values. Please make time in all your branches for this critical task. It is unprecedented that a grassroots organization the size of ours is making a best effort to include everyone's voice in its strategic planning process.

In the same vein, I hope all of you took a moment to fill out the *Every Member Poll*. This is our opportunity for every member to affect the direction of AAUW in its programming, communications, and public policy.

Finally, at your conventions, you will have a chance to let your voices be heard at the open forums and town halls. Let's celebrate a new decade of open and effective communications!

Thank you for all that you do for AAUW.

*Leslie*

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## Join AAUW colleagues in Birmingham in June for Joint Regional Conference with Southeast Central and South Atlantic Regions

Mark your calendars on **June 9-11, 2006** to attend the **Southeast Central/South Atlantic Joint Regional Conference** in Birmingham, Alabama. The conference will welcome members from North & South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama and Tennessee.

The theme of the joint regional, *Expanding a Legacy of Leadership*, will showcase some of the leadership training modules from the Association as well as a celebration of AAUW's 125<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

The conference will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 2300 Woodcrest Place, in Birmingham. The hotel provides a complete complimentary full breakfast, an evening manager's reception, and an opportunity to share costs in the roomy suite,

all for a reasonable cost of \$129 + tax per suite. **Reservations must be made by May 20, 2006** to qualify for our AAUW special rate. Parking for guests and day attendees is free.

We will be providing opportunities for tours for early arrivals. Lunch will be provided as part of the registration fee which has not been set as yet.

Watch the Joint Regional Conference website, [http://aauw\\_sec.home.mindspring.com](http://aauw_sec.home.mindspring.com) for updated information and a link to the hotel. Information, as it becomes available, will be passed to you via your state and branch presidents. Hope to see you there!

*Eileen deHaro*  
**SEC Regional Director**

## New Foundation research shows that 2/3<sup>rds</sup> of college students have been harassed

The AAUW Educational Foundation's new research report, *Drawing the Line: Sexual Harassment on Campus*, provides the most comprehensive findings to date on sexual harassment among undergraduate college students. From a nationally representative survey of both male and female undergraduates 18 to 24 years old, the report broadens our knowledge of how college students identify, experience, and react to forms of sexual harassment.



*Drawing the Line* is a continuation of the AAUW Educational Foundation's groundbreaking research on gender equity in education, moving beyond the *Hostile Hallways* of public schools to the campus corridors of colleges and universities. The report also supports the AAUW Building a Harassment-Free Campus initiative through related campus action projects, part of AAUW's multiyear, programmatic focus — *Education as the Gateway to Women's Economic Security*. For more information about this important research, go to AAUW's website – [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org) – and on home page click on icon at bottom of page that is about the research.

### AAUW of SC Calendar

**March 31-April 1, 2006**

State Convention, Hilton Garden Inn, Rock Hill

**June 7-10, 2006**

AAUW National Conference for College Women Student Leaders – *Summit on Sexual Harassment: Leading Change on Campus and Beyond*, Washington, D.C.

**June 9-12, 2006**

South Atlantic & Southeast Central Regions Joint Conference, Birmingham, Alabama

**June 23-25**

AAUW State Leaders Meeting, Washington – for state presidents and EF chairs

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## Tell a student leader you know about NCCWSL – what's that?

The National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) is designed especially for the young women involved in leadership roles on our area campuses. Do you know a student who could benefit from a weekend of dynamic speakers and engaging in active workshops that address a broad range of leadership challenges? If yes, then encourage her to find out more about this important conference coming up in June.

There is even a scholarship program that students can apply for, and in many areas, AAUW branches are sponsoring young women to attend. All the information is at [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org) under *Events* icon on left side of home page. Check it out!



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