



# The Roanoke Valley View

Newsletter of the **Roanoke Valley Branch AAUW**  
Chartered in 1923

<http://www.auwofva.org/branches/roanoke.htm>

January-February 2012

## Next Book Sale Is Approaching!

**The February 2012 Book Sale is less than 30 days away!** Your help is vital to the success of our sale and the ability for Roanoke Valley AAUW to award meaningful scholarships. Volunteers are needed to work at the sale **Saturday, February 4**, and **Sunday, February 5**. Volunteer shifts are in 2 1/2- 3-hour blocks. Please volunteer for one or more!

Volunteers are needed to do the following:

**Checkout teams** are most important – One pricer and one money taker/ bagger for each team (Only money taker teams are needed for the bag sale which is on Sunday from 1:00 P.M.- 6:00 P.M.)

**Membership table** – greeter, keeper of AAUW membership name tags, answer questions about AAUW, hand out AAUW information and encourage people to join. Help people locate book categories as needed.

**Book straightener** – keep books neat, return books from checkout that were not purchased to appropriate area, replace misplaced books, and help customers. Do not move books from under tables unless directed to do so.

**Back door/back room** – sit/stay near back door. Only those persons with clearance are to be let out the back door with their books. Help people locate where categories of books are in the back room. Make sure no one takes books out of sets. Sets will be sold as sets.

**AAUW** advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

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, disability, or class.

**Saturday work shifts:** 9:45-12:15; 12:00-2:30; 2:15-4:45; 4:30-7:00; 6:45-9:00. **Sunday work shifts:** 12:45-3:30; 3:15-6:00 bag sale both shifts

To volunteer please contact **Tricia McMahon** at 389-1658 or [pomroomcm@aol.com](mailto:pomroomcm@aol.com) and put AAUW Book Sale in the subject line.

### Book Sorters Needed!

**Book Sorting In January: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays: 10 AM to 4 PM.** Call or email **Cheri Hughes** to let her know you will be coming to help sort books into their categories.

## Lobby Day Plans to Be Topic of February Meeting

Please join us as we welcome **State AAUW Co Vice President for Public Policy Laura Wimmer** to our January 28 Public Policy Meeting.

Laura will talk about what AAUW does during the Legislative Session to further AAUW's goals and plans for women and girls in the Commonwealth.

She will also get us "fired" up as we plan a ROAD TRIP to Lobby Day 2012 on February 1st. Light breakfast refreshments served.

Please RSVP to **Cheri Hughes** at 890-5121 or [cherihughes@gmail.com](mailto:cherihughes@gmail.com). See you at 10 a.m. in the Community Room at Tanlewood Mall. It is near the Book Sale Space.



# News For and About Roanoke Valley Members



Beth Ann Rossi, who took the picture, hosted the Winter Social at her home in early December. Several guests joined members for the holiday occasion

## Writers Workshop To Feature Member

Peggy Shifflett is presenting a workshop on "How to Write a Memoir" at the Regional Writers' Conference at Hollins University on Saturday, January 28.

[http://www.hollins.edu/events/writers\\_conference/index.shtml](http://www.hollins.edu/events/writers_conference/index.shtml)

## Directory Changes

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## New Member

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540-793-4844

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## *In Memoriam*

**Diana Goodhart** died December 10, 2011. A memorial service will be held on January 14 at 2 p.m. at the Unitarian Church in Roanoke.

**Evelyn Faith Ball "Lynn" Eckman** died December 20, 2011. A memorial service was held December 28 at Roanoke College.

## Presidents' Message

Between now and June there are many great opportunities to participate in AAUW programs and community projects and even an opportunity to be active in AAUW's Public Policy Priorities with a program and a trip to Richmond. These activities are the heart of our branch. Our Program Vice President, **Lynne Victorine**, and Program Committee have planned these programs with you in mind!

The book sale is coming up to raise money for scholarships and for our STEM Program. In March is the STEM Seminar and in April we will meet our scholarship recipients at the Annual Meeting—two highlights of the year. Please use the calendar below as a reminder of all the programs and projects you want to participate in. We are looking forward to seeing you soon!

*HelenRuth and Pam*

## AAUW PROGRAM CALENDAR JANUARY-JUNE

Details of some of these events are elsewhere in this newsletter or in your yearbook

**JANUARY 16:** Evening Book Group—7 P.M. home of **Peggy Shifflett**

**JANUARY 18:** Morning Book Group—11 A.M. at home of **Mary Boenke**

**JANUARY 28:** Public Policy Program 10 A.M.- Noon--Tanglewood Mall

Speaker: **Laura Wimmer, AAUW of Virginia State Public Policy Chair**

**FEBRUARY 1:** Virginia State AAUW Lobby Day ---Richmond

Members carpool to Richmond to participate

**FEBRUARY 4-5:** Winter Book Sale Tanglewood

**Saturday, 10 A.M. to 9 P.M.; Sunday, 1 P.M. to 6 P.M.**

**Snow date the next weekend**

**FEBRUARY 15:** Morning Book Group—10:30 A.M.—Tanglewood

**FEBRUARY 20:** Evening Book Group Snow date for January Program



**STEM**

**MARCH 3:** STEM Seminar—8 A.M. to 5 P.M.--William Fleming High School

**MARCH 14:** Morning Book Group—10:30 A.M.—Tanglewood

**MARCH 19:** Evening Book Group—7 P.M.--Tanglewood

**MARCH 24:** International Relations Program—10 A.M. to Noon—Tanglewood

Speaker: **Beth Lutjen, Regional Director**

**Roanoke Office of Refugee and Immigration Services**

**APRIL 14-15: AAUW WEEKEND!—Two fun opportunities to share with AAUW friends.**

**APRIL 14:** Spring Safari: Bluff, Bridge, Canal—Historic Sights in Botetourt County

**APRIL 15:** Hollins Production, "Good Ol' Girls"—a Musical--2 P.M. Hollins

**APRIL 18:** Morning Book Group—10:30 A.M.—Tanglewood

**APRIL 20-21: AAUW STATE CONVENTION; MAKE WAVES WITH AAUW --NEWPORT NEWS, VA**

**APRIL 23:** Evening Book Group—7 P.M. --Tanglewood

**APRIL 28:** Annual Meeting—10 A.M.- Noon—Tanglewood

Introduction of Scholarship Recipients and Branch business and elections

**MAY 12:** AAUW Funds and New Member Tea—11 A.M. to 1 P.M.—Location TBA

**MAY 16:** Morning Book Group—10:30 A.M.—home of Inez Good

**MAY 21:** Evening Book Group—7 P.M.—Tanglewood

**JUNE 18:** Evening Book Group—7 P.M. Tanglewood





**Morning Book Group**  
**Coordinators:**  
 Mary Boenke, 890-3897  
 Inez Good, igood@verizon.net

January 18, **Clare Newman** will review *Agatha Christie: An Autobiography*. Meeting at 11 A.M. at the home of **Mary Boenke**, 532 Deer Ridge Lane, Vinton. Lunch will be provided.

February 15, 10:30 A.M. **Charlotte Seth** will review *The Twentieth Wife: A Novel* by Indu Sundaresan at the AAUW space at Tanglewood.



**Evening Book Group**  
**Coordinators:**  
 Lotty Hebblethwaite,  
 716-8011,  
 Marcia Shelton,  
 sheltonm11@verizon.net,

January 16, 7 P.M. Home of **Peggy Shifflett**, who will lead discussion of *Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery and Allison Anderson.

February 20: Snow date for *Elegance of the Hedgehog*.

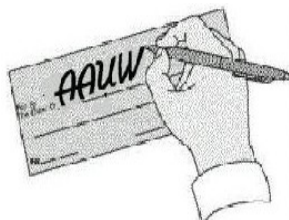


**Safaris**  
**Coordinator:**  
 Beth Ann Rossi, 309-9930  
 brossi@scrossi.com

Plan now to attend the spring Safari on April 14, 2012 called Bluff, Bridge, and Canal. The quiet town of Buchanan is full of history. We'll learn the origins of the Kanawha Canal; walk across the James River on the old wooden foot bridge; visit a railroad dining car that is now a B & B; take a scenic drive to Button's Bluff to see the railroad tracks that go through a mountain and more. If you have any questions about this call Beth Ann..

**Invite Your Friends to Join**

New members can join for **HALF PRICE** National Dues between now and March.



**Theatre Interest Group**  
**Coordinator:**  
 Gloria Elliott, 714-3031

**GOOD OL' GIRLS**  
 a musical

**Some fit the mold. Some break it.**  
**April 15, 2012 2:00 Matinee**

The Off Broadway Musical, Written and adapted by Paul Ferguson from stories by Lee Smith and Jill McCorkle, with songs by Matraca Berg and Marshall Chapman, conceived by Matraca Berg. Two of Hollins most celebrated writers join two of Nashville's leading singer/songwriters to redefine the modern Southern woman in a musical about love, loss and laughter. **GOOD OL' GIRLS** celebrates childhood through old age with big hair and bigger hearts. Fabulous stories. Great music. There's a Good Ol' Girl in all of us. Let yours out.



**ELECTED BRANCH OFFICERS 2011-2012**

HELENRUTH BURCH  
 PAMALA JONES  
 Co Presidents

LYNNE VICTORINE  
 Vice President for Program

CHARLOTTE SETH  
 Vice President for Membership

PAM KESSNER  
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PEGGY SHIFFLETT  
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