### Membership Application and Renewal Form

AAUW McLean Area Branch 2023-24

Name:

Address:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

E-mail:

Colleges and Degrees (1<sup>st</sup> one goes on record):

Interests (see next page)

Signature:

 ANNUAL DUES (Check one):

 □ New or □Renewal
 \$110\*

 □ Paid life membership
 \$26

 □ Dual Member
 \$110

 (Nat. & state dues pd. at McLean Area Branch Primary)
 □ Dual Member

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 \$23 Mclean branch National, State and primary branch membership dues paid at primary branch.

\*Consists of \$72 for National, \$15 for State, and \$23 for Branch; \$69 of national dues is tax deductible.

You may pay dues online using a credit or debit card at the national AAUW website: <u>http://www.aauw.org</u>

Please send check payable to AAUW McLean Area Branch to: McLean Area Branch Treasurer, P.O. Box 1002, McLean, VA 22101.

# **Membership Interest**

- □ Community outreach
- Mentorship at Graham Road School
- Current events discussion group
- Middle school STEM essay contest committee
- High school STEM awards committee
- □ AAUW Funds
- □ Program planning committee
- □ Membership committee
- □ Public policy
- Foreign affairs discussion group (Great Decisions)
- Cultural diversity film group
- Morning literature group
- □ Evening literature group
- □ Fundraising
- □ Special events committee
- $\Box$  Archives
- Publicity
- □ Newsletter
- Branch leadership



# American Association of University Women

AAUW McLean Area Branch McLean, Virginia

http://mclean-va.aauw.net/

# Welcome to AAUW

The McLean Area Branch (VA) of AAUW welcomes you to membership. Founded in 1969, our branch has strongly supported AAUW's mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

AAUW is a nationwide network of more than 170,000 members and supporters, 1,000 branches, and 800 college/university institution partners.

For more than 135 years, AAUW members have examined and taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day: educational, social, economic, and political. Our commitment to our mission is reflected in all aspects of our work.

#### Education and Advocacy

Each year the branch has a fund raiser(s). The money earned is dedicated to scholarships for women and to other AAUW missions. More information is available on our website.

The proceeds go to fellowships and scholarships for women, AAUW's Legal Advocacy Fund, and leadership development in the branch. Additionally, for many years we have funded scholarships for exceptional women returning to college at Bennett College and Trinity University. We also partner with schools in our local community to encourage young women and girls to pursue educational opportunities related to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math). Some of these activities include presenting an engineering award from the Fairfax County Regional Science Fair for high schools, a middle school essay contest on women in STEM, and presenting achievement awards in math, science, and computer science to female high school juniors in four of our local high schools.

Our branch works with AAUW of Virginia and the AAUW Action Fund Capitol Hill Lobby Corps to advocate for legislative issues affecting women and girls. We support the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund, which supports women seeking judicial redress for gender discrimination in higher education and in the workplace.

# Lifelong Learning

Our monthly programs (September thru May) feature recognized speakers and panelists who provide the latest information and insight on a wide variety of subjects of interest to AAUW members. Meetings are generally held on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. or the third Saturday at 10:00

a.m. at the McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Avenue when it is available. In addition to regular branch programs, we gather for a holiday luncheon in December and a branch celebration luncheon in May. All meetings are open to the public. Please join us.

Members enjoy a variety of small groups that satisfy many interests. Branch special interest groups include morning and evening book discussion groups, a current events discussion group, a daytime bridge group, and a DE&I film group.

#### **Publications**

Our members enjoy three publications to keep up with AAUW national, state, and branch activities. The *AAUW Outlook* and the *Virginia Vision* are both published three times a year, and the *McLean Area Branch News* is produced monthly for nine months.

## Membership

We welcome any individual who has earned an associate or academic equivalent, bachelor's, or higher degree from an accredited college or university. Undergraduate students who do not already hold a bachelor's degree can join as student affiliates.

In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks an inclusive membership, workforce, leadership team, and board of directors. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of age, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, geographical location, national origin, race, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic status. By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

Membership applications are accepted yearround. Membership forms for the McLean Area Branch are available online at:

http://mclean-va.aauw.net/membership/.