



**American Association of University Women
New York State Convention 2015**

A Healthy and Happy New Year to All AAUW NYS Members!

Edwina Frances Martin, Jane Russell, and Dr. Susan McClary are planning an exciting 2015 State Convention at Byblos Niagara Resort and Spa, Grand Island, NY, the weekend of April 17-19. The theme will be **“AAUW Leading the Way: Women Leadership in the 21st Century”**

Plan to register early to attend. Be sure to indicate your selections for workshops and dinner and lunch entrées on page three of the registration form. While considering transportation, give some thought to heading west early and visiting some of the spots on the Women’s Heritage Trail along the way!

At the convention you will be able to take advantage of workshops which will focus on topics such as education, voting rights, building women candidates, domestic violence and leadership. We will also enjoy a celebration of the 125th anniversary of the Buffalo Branch.

We hope to see you at convention where you can enjoy the workshops and inspiring speakers, share with other AAUW members, and make new AAUW friends.

Edwina Frances Martin
AAUW NYS President

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Please use **ONLINE REGISTRATION**
at <http://aauw-nys.org>

(Thank you, this will save the retyping
of all your information.)

AAUW NYS 2015 CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

April 17-19, Byblos Niagara Resort and Spa, Grand
Island, NY

Mail to: AAUW Convention Registration, Betty Preble, 6935 East Quaker, Orchard Park, NY, 14127
Phone: 716/662-0608 Email: betty.preble@gmail.com

PLEASE PRINT:

Name _____ Preferred first name _____
Last: _____ First _____
Address/City/Zip _____
Phone () _____ Email _____
Branch _____ District _____
Position 2014-2015 _____ Position 2015-2016 _____

First time attending an AAUW NYS Convention

Credentials Category: **Please check one only.**

- Branch Delegate (*Check with your branch president*)
- Branch Alternate (*Check with your branch president*)
- Non-Voting Branch Member
- NYS Board of Directors member
- NYS District Coordinator, Nominating Team, Public Policy Team
or Convention Arrangements Team
- Past NYS President
- Individual Member (*National Member; not a branch member*)
- AAUW College/University Member/Representative
Please list the college or university you represent.

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Guest

**Please note – there is no separate hotel registration this year. In order to use our 501(c)(3) status
and not pay sales tax, payment must come from AAUW-NYS.**

Convention 2015 Registration: Please check ONE and submit a registration form for each person.

- Full convention fee for member in a single room (Fri-Sun) (\$385.00)
- Full convention fee for non-member in a single room (Fri-Sun) (\$475.00)
- Full convention fee for member sharing a double room (Fri-Sun) (\$275.00/person)
Please provide the name of your roommate _____
- Full convention fee for non-member sharing a double room (Fri-Sun) (\$365.00/person)
Please provide the name of your roommate _____
- Friday only, member registration fee and meal (\$50.00)
- Saturday only, member registration fee and all meals (\$105.00)
- Saturday only, guest registration fee and all meals (\$150.00)
- Sunday only, member registration fee and all meals (\$70.00)
- Sunday only, guest registration fee and meals (\$100.00)
- Saturday lunch only (\$25.00)
- Saturday dinner only (\$40.00)
- Registration only, no meals (\$50)

- Please also check here if you are registering for the **EOF Fundraiser (\$20.00)**
- Please also check here if you are staying in the hotel Thursday night (\$104.00, room only)
- Please also check here if you are staying in the hotel Sunday night (\$104.00, room only)
- Please also check here if you need a room near the elevator (difficulty in walking)

After **March 15** add **\$15** late fee to above rates \$15.00 _____

Total Convention Registration \$ _____

Make checks payable to AAUW NYS Convention.

**Complete next page for workshop and
meal selections.**

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Check one workshop.

SATURDAY WORKSHOPS

1. 21st Century Education: Funding Equity, Cost of Higher Ed, Common Core, STEM, and more (Erin Prangle)

2. Women and the Vote: Past, Present, and Future

Note- This workshop is CLE-accredited. Please check here if you wish to receive credit.

3. Cultivating Women Candidates: Deciding to Run, Building a Base, and Fundraising

4. Domestic Violence, Intimate Partner and Dating Violence: Love Should Not Hurt (Mary Travers Murphy, Executive Director of the Family Justice Center)

5. Eleanor Roosevelt and Leadership: Eleanor's Alphabet Soup (Joan Monk)

Meal selections (check one for each meal):

Friday, April 17 Dinner

Grilled Salmon/Wild Rice/Asparagus

Chicken Breast/Mashed Potatoes/Green Beans

Vegetarian Option

Saturday, April 18 Lunch

CharGrilled Chicken Breast on Caesar Salad

Grilled Vegetables on Caesar Salad

Saturday, April 18 Dinner

Pork Chop/Mashed Potatoes/Broccoli/Apple Sauce

Yellow Fin Tuna/Wild Rice/Asparagus

Vegetarian Option

PLEASE NOTE ANY FOOD ALLERGIES OR ISSUES _____

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REGISTER EARLY FOR THE DRAWING

\$500 LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP

A \$500 AAUW NYS Queens Legacy Award will be presented to a branch for a local scholarship at the Saturday evening dinner of the NYS 2015 Convention. A member of the branch must be present at the Saturday evening dinner in order for the branch to receive the scholarship.

If you register by the dates below, you will qualify for tickets for this drawing for a **\$500 local scholarship for your branch**. See www.aauw-nys.org for details.

AND – a bottle of NYS wine from a woman vintner will also be raffled off using the same system.

Register and pay by
February 1 - 4 tickets; by February 15 - 3 tickets; by March 1 - 2 tickets; by March 15 - 1 ticket.

DIRECTIONS TO BYBLOS NIAGARA RESORT AND SPA

Byblos Niagara Resort and Spa
100 Whitehaven Road • Grand Island, NY 14072
Tel: 716-773-1111 • Fax: 716-773-1229

Driving Directions next page

Niagara Falls International Airport

- Distance: 12.0 MI/19.31 KM SOUTH to Hotel
- Niagara Falls Blvd North to Interstate 190 South. Take exit 19 turn left onto Whitehaven Rd. Follow to end Holiday Inn parking lot is straight ahead

Buffalo-Niagara International Airport

- Distance: 20.0 MI/32.19 KM NORTH WEST to Hotel
- Rt 33 west to I-90 East. Take Exit 50 to I-290 West approximately 12 miles to I-190 North. Proceed over toll bridge (\$1.00) to Exit 19 Whitehaven Rd. Turn Right at top of Exit. Hotel is at end of Whitehaven Rd at the river.

Toronto International Airport

- Distance: 75.0 MI/120.7 KM NORTH EAST to Hotel
- Highways 409 and 427 provide direct Freeway access to the airport.

If you are flying into Buffalo-Niagara or taking the train to Buffalo and would like to share a ride to/from the hotel, send a message to betty.preble@gmail.com with your arrival & departure times. We'll try to coordinate sharing.

Easy Driving Directions to Byblos Niagara Resort and Spa

From all areas in the vicinity of I-390 and eastward:

1. Make your way to Interstate 90 and head west.

Think about stopping at the following locations on the proposed Women's Heritage Trail:

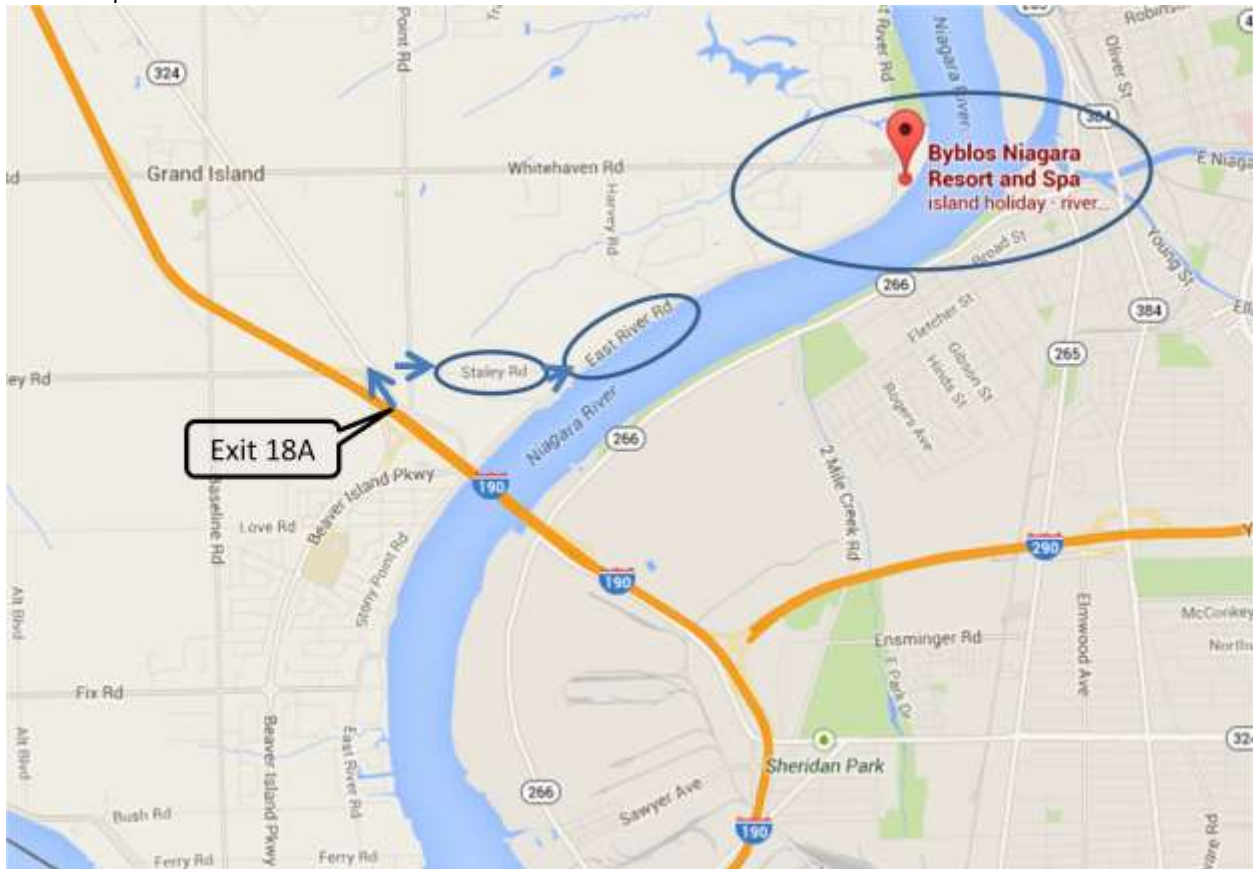
Matilda Joslyn Gage House, Fayetteville
Harriet May Mills House, Syracuse
Harriet Tubman Home for the Aged, Auburn
Hoskins House, Seneca Falls
Race House, Seneca Falls, Seneca Falls
First Presbyterian Church, Seneca Falls
Elizabeth Cady Stanton House, Seneca Falls
Wesleyan Chapel, Seneca Falls

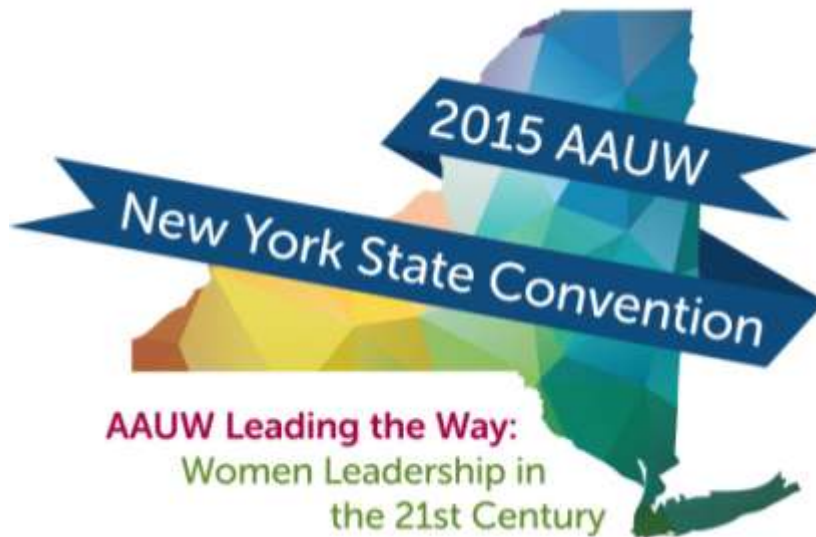
Lorina Latham House, Seneca Falls
Jacob P. Chamberlain House, Seneca Falls
Jane Hunt House, Waterloo
M'Clintock House, Waterloo
Ontario County Courthouse, Canandaigua
Antoinette Brown Blackwell Childhood Home, Henrietta
Susan B. Anthony Memorial, Rochester

2. Take Exit 50 to I-290 West.
3. Take the I-190 Exit North
4. Take Exit 18A for NY324 West to Grand Island Blvd
5. Turn right onto Staley Road
6. Slight left onto East River Road
7. Although the address is Whitehaven, the Resort is actually on the right side of East River Road.

From areas south of Buffalo:

1. Make your way to Interstate 90 and head east
2. Take Exit 53 to I-190 towards downtown
3. Follow steps 4-7 above





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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Friday April 17, 2015

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| 12 noon-6:00 PM | Branch Exhibits Set Up |
| 1:00-5:00 PM | NYS State Board Meeting |
| | LAF Fundraiser Items Due |
| 6:00-7:00 PM | Cocktail Reception featuring NYS Wines |
| 7:00-7:30 PM | Convention Opening |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome by NYS President Edwina Frances Martin • Introduction of Guests • Special Presentation: Celebration of the 125th Birthday of Buffalo Branch |
| 7:30-8:30 PM | Plated and Served Banquet in Grand Ballroom |
| 8:30-9:00 PM | Keynote Address |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Featured Speaker: NYS Lt. Gov. Kathy Hochul (TENTATIVE) |
| 9:30-10:30 PM | Resolutions Caucus |
| 9:30-11:00 PM | Informal Gatherings/Networking |

Saturday, April 18, 2015

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| 7:30-8:30 AM | Breakfast |
| 9:00-10:45 AM | Annual Business Meeting |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Election of New Officers |
| 10:45-11:00 AM | Break |
| 11:00 AM-12:45 PM | Opening Plenary |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panel Presentation of Elected Women Officials |
| 12:45-1:00 PM | Break |

Saturday, April 18, 2015 (continued)

- 1:00-2:45 PM Legal Advocacy Fund Luncheon
- Speaker: LAF Recipient Michelle Jaureguito Henley
- 2:45-3:00 PM Break
- 3:00-5:00 PM Workshops
- Education
 - Voting Rights
 - Building Women Candidates
 - Domestic and Intimate Partner Violence
 - Eleanor Roosevelt and Leadership
- 5:00-6:00 PM Networking
- 6:00-7:00 PM Cocktail Reception Featuring NYS Wines
- 7:00-9:00 PM Banquet
- Featured Speaker: Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (TENTATIVE)
 - Induction of New Officers
 - Branch Awards
- 9:00-11:00 PM “Fun”raiser – Dance the Night Away!
- 10:00 PM LAF Room Closes

Sunday, April 19, 2015

- 7:30-8:30 AM Breakfast
- LAF Basket/Purse Winners Announced
- 8:30-9:30 AM Counterpart Sessions: Fundraising, Program, Membership, Communications, and Presidents
- 9:30-10:30 AM District Caucuses
- 10:30-11 AM Nominating Committee
- Checkout Time
- 11-12 Noon A Visit with Eleanor
- Noon-1PM Lunch
- 1:00 PM Call to 2016 Saratoga Convention and Departure

20th ANNIVERSARY OF THE LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND FUNDRAISER GUIDELINES

The LAF Fundraiser, celebrating its 20th Anniversary, has become a fun tradition at the convention, providing a social venue, friendly competition, and an opportunity to raise funds for women fighting sex discrimination in the workplace. In the past, we have auctioned baskets and raffled purses.

This year's fundraiser will be conducted the same way as last year. Branches may submit up to three items; they can be baskets, purses or anything else, with the branch choosing the types of items they wish to submit. A submission could consist of a basket, a purse, or something else. For each submission, the contributing branch can also choose whether to have it raffled or auctioned.

The rules to participate are simple:

- Each branch can enter up to **3 items** (purse, basket, or something else).
- Prior information is necessary for entry: how many items to be entered, what they are, their titles, and whether they will be auctioned or raffled. Information should be sent to **Nancy Mion** by the deadline: **FRIDAY MARCH 20, 2015**.
- A 4"x6" card should be attached to each item giving the title, a brief description, the contents if any, the name of the contributing branch, and whether the item will be raffled or auctioned.
- All items must be in the Baskets/Purses Display Room by **5 PM Friday, April 17, 2015**.

Drawing tickets for raffled items will be available in the Baskets/Purses Display Room at a cost of \$10 for 2 tickets. The minimum starting bid for an auctioned item will be \$20, with minimum increments of \$5. The winners of auctioned items will pay at pickup time, cash or check – check preferred. The money made by each item will be credited to the branch that contributed the item. The Baskets/Purses Display Room hours for viewing items and bidding on Friday and Saturday will be provided in the convention schedule.

The winners can pick up the items during Sunday breakfast. **All items must be picked up by 10 AM on Sunday April 19, 2015.** We look forward to your entries, and to a fun event!

To enter and for questions, please contact: **Nancy Mion, AAUW-NYS LAF Director**
Email: myown220@aol.com Phone: 631-472-9377
Address: 220 Paulanna Avenue, Bayport, NY 11705

BRANCH EXHIBIT AREA – Deadline April 3, 2015

Displays in the Branch Exhibit Area at the NYS AAUW Convention are a popular way for each branch to share accomplishments, ideas and wares with other branches. The Branch Exhibit Area is a place for members to meet people from other parts of the state and enjoy a spirit of camaraderie as they share information and ideas. The guidelines are few and the rewards are many.

This year we encourage each branch to reserve a half table for displays, handouts and sale items. **Keep in mind that the Branch Exhibit Area is unsecured.** Display posters should be free-standing or on a storyboard.

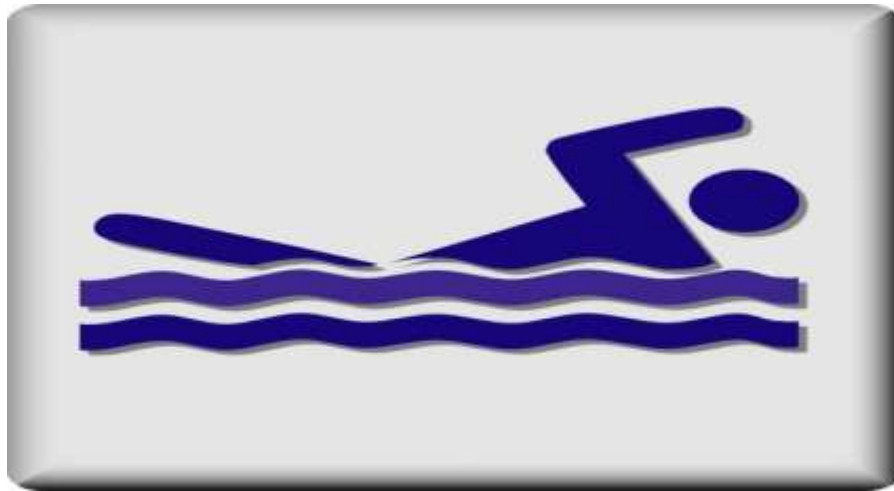
DETAILS:

1. Each branch should set up its exhibit and sales between 12:00 noon and 6:00 pm on Friday, April 17.
2. **Do not display items before 12:00 noon when the area is officially opened and branch areas have been designated.**
3. The branch is required to have one or more of its members stay with the exhibit during the official hours the Branch Exhibit Area is open if items are for sale or at any time items of value are displayed at the table.
4. The Branch Exhibit Area will be **open** on Friday, April 17 from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm. It will also be **open** on Saturday, April 18, from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Sales will take place during these times and tables must have a branch member in attendance.
5. Exhibits will be on display all of the time.
6. Branches should remove their posters and sale items by 10:00 pm on Saturday.
7. The form below should be returned by April 3, 2015, to: **Peggy Tiffany, 12 Bernett Drive, Fredonia, NY 14063-1642** – Display Table Reservations. Questions: **716/673-1838 (H) or 716-785-1948 (C)**

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BRANCH NAME _____

BRANCH CONTACT _____ PHONE/EMAIL _____



Swim to Support AAUW FUNDS

Support **AAUW Funds** by swimming laps or attending the Swim Aerobics class.
Swim Aerobics class will be \$10 per person and held on Saturday morning from 7:00am to 7:30am.
Information will be available at the registration desk regarding the Swim Aerobics class.

Become **Mermaid** of the convention by collecting the most money OR by swimming the most laps!!!! **Please bring a copy of this registration form and your money to the registration desk.**

Your name: _____

Amount Collected	\$ _____
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A length is swimming from one end of the pool to the other.

Number of Lengths	_____
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Name	Amount per Length	Lengths Pledged	Total Amount