

# UNIVERSITY WOMAN TEXAS



AMERICAN  
ASSOCIATION OF  
UNIVERSITY WOMEN

BIENNIAL STATE CONVENTION  
April 25–27, 2008

*BRING YOUR DAUGHTERS, SISTERS AND FRIENDS: WOMEN ARE MAKING  
HISTORY!*

100 YEARS IN TEXAS  
AND INVESTING IN THE FUTURE

JOIN US IN AT THE HILTON DALLAS LINCOLN



**THE WOMEN'S MUSEUM**  
AN INSTITUTE FOR THE FUTURE



**NASHER  
SCULPTURE  
CENTER**

## Special Points of Interest:

- \* Convention Keynote: Colleen Barrett, President Southwest Airlines, Opening Session, Friday.
- \* Recognition of 100 Texas Women of Distinction.
- \* Presentations by outstanding Texas women who have invested in the futures of women and girls
- \* Training sessions for new branch officers
- \* Pre-convention tour of Nasher Sculpture Center and The Women's Museum: an Institute for the future, including lunch

# CONVENTION BUSINESS

## WOMEN OF TEXAS ALREADY MAKING HISTORY!

### • Meet Them in Dallas!

- **Dr. Maxine Hammonds-Smith, Houston**, President of National Council on Family Relations
- **Dr. Laura Gonzalez, Austin** Director of Migrant Project University Texas
- **Alice Black, Dallas** Executive Principle of high schools named Highest Achieving in the nation
- **Dr Deana Katz, Lubbock** named one of the most influence Financial Planners in the nation
- **Lynn Cherry**, District Court Judge, **Dallas** County
- **Kathy Miller, Austin**, President Texas Freedom Network

**AAUWTEXAS CONVENTION WILL NOT CONSIDER ANY BYLAWS AMENDMENT UNLESS PROPOSAL COMES FROM THE FLOOR.**

At the 2006 Texas State Convention, the membership approved recommendations from the Restructuring Taskforce. This included multiple changes to the state bylaws. We are in the first biennium of these changes and no major problems have arisen. With these recently updated bylaws and no proposals received this year, the bylaws committee did not convene and did not propose any changes to be considered by the membership at the upcoming convention in Dallas. The AAUW Texas Bylaws do allow for bylaws amendments and resolutions to be proposed from the convention floor. Unless proposals come from the convention floor, the convention will not consider any bylaws amendments in Dallas. Pam Wolfe

## NOMINATIONS MAY BE MADE FROM THE FLOOR

In additions to this slate presented, the AAUW Texas bylaws allow the nominations may be made from the floor of the state convention provided that the written consent of the nominee has been obtained. To familiar the membership with the nominees, photographs and each nominee's 200 word-statement are including in the following pages. **AAUW Texas policies and procedures require the nominee's statements to be printed as they were submitted and not to exceed 200 words.**

**Nominating Committee consisted of: Nancy Myer, chair and Margie Poole, Janet Peavler, Elaine Wells, Dusky Wells, Melba.**

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# AAUW Texas

President— **Ann Berasley**— Austin

Program Vice President—  
**Celina Torres Fennel**— Abilene

Membership Vice President  
**Priscilla Mowinkel**—Farmers Branch

Educational Foundation Vice President  
**Anita Knight**—Austin

Legal Advocacy Fund Vice President  
**Kathy Anthon**—NE Tarrant

Secretary— **Dusky Wells**— Abilene

Finance Officer— **Margaret K Bentley**  
SW Dallas County



## **PRESIDENT ANN BERASLEY- Austin**

AAUW Texas' efforts should focus on maintaining a thriving, sustainable organization by: Facilitating AAUW Texas members' participation in the discussions and decision making process Association is undertaking to align its structure and programs with the vision of the future. Encouraging members, branches, and the state board to participate in this process is vital. Without Texas' input, AAUW of the future is less likely to reflect our values and vision. It is easy to be consumed by branch and state programs and activities; however, Association is what ties us all together. We must be ready to respond to all opportunities for input into this transformation process.

Strengthening branches as they strive to reach their goals, carry out the mission of AAUW, and have a positive impact on their communities. Branches are the face of AAUW our Texas communities know. Over the past several years AAUW Texas has increased its efforts to help branches reach their potential. Continuing this commitment is essential; however, we must continue to evaluate and tailor that support to meet branches' current needs, using the experience of all our officers to identify those needs as well as the resources available to meet those needs.

## **PROGRAM VICE PRESIDENT CELINA TORRES FENNEL Abilene**

### **GOALS and Objectives**

To encourage and help the Texas Branches in developing AUW mission based programming with emphasis on education, diversity, and visibility. I will establish partnerships with other organizations with similar goals. I will spotlight different branch program activities throughout the biennium and share the program information as a resource for other branches

### **QUALIFICATIONS, AAUW AND OTHER EXPERIENCES.**

- During my first term as president of Abilene Branch, we had the Sister to Sister program in partnership with the local Girls Scouts.
- In my second term, our branch established a partnership with Alliance for Women and Children.
- In April 2008 we will partner with the EYH initiative.

I have over 25 years experience in AAUW.

### **PERSONAL INFORMATION AND EDUCATION**

- ◆ I earned a Master Degree in Institution administration and Gerontology.
- ◆ Employed as Director of dietetics and Food Services at Abilene Regional Medical Center.



## **EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION VICE PRESIDENT ANITA KNIGHT AUSTIN**

**GOALS/OBJECTIVES-** I would strive to keep good records for the state, communicate faithfully with the branch Educational Foundation Chairs/VP's and promote awareness of EF activities.

### **QUALIFICATIONS, AAUW AND EXPERIENCES**

- Through leadership roles in AAUW I have learned many personal and organizational skills. • In a variety of volunteer activities
- I have always been perceived as organized, conscientious and dependable.
- I have become proficient in computers through work and extra-curriculum use.
- I have been active in AUW since 1960's and became a life member in the 90's



### **PERSONAL INFORMATION. AND EDUCATION**

- ◆ Graduate work in toxicology and environmental science. Retired in 2004.
- ◆ Volunteer include Midland Board of Education, Wheaton Environmental Improvement Comm.



## **MEMBERSHIP VICE PRESIDENT PRISCILLA MOWINKEL- Farmers Branch**



**GOALS/OBJECTIVES-** I is passionate about AAUW. Those who have worked with me on the state board know that I am highly organized and when I took the position of Membership VP in 2006, I had a vision and it is because of that vision that I seek to return for a second term. It is necessary for me to seek another term in order to see this vision carried through to completion. As a new member of the Association Membership committee I was asked to fill out a vita which outlined my vision for Texas and in turn Association. In intend to continue my vision to grown new members; new branches, new ideas, and a new look for Texas

### **QUALIFICATIONS,**

- Strong belief in the need to provide direct and active line of communication between the branches, the state board, and the association.
- Advocate for the use of new ideas and strategies at local, state and association levels.
- A deep conviction that the future strength of AAUW lies in the constructing of coalitions with other groups that share the same goals and mission of AUW Texas
- a new member of the Association Membership Committee

### **PERSONAL INFORMATION. AND EDUCATION**

- ◆ Bs in Education, MSED in Reading ◆ Present Adjunct Professor at Brookhaven community College, Dallas



## **LEGAL ADVOCACY VICE PRESIDENT KATHY ANTHON AUSTIN**

### **GOALS/OBJECTIVES**

- To grow the fund by a minimum of ten percent t so that more defendants could be assisted/ by developing branch challenges and sharing fundraising ideas between branches.

### **QUALIFICATION, AAUW AND OTHER EXPERIENCES**

- well organized Good communication • Excellent in developing consensus and participating in projects.

### **PERSONAL INFORMATION AND EDUCATION**

- ◆ BS, MS in Education and Certificate of Advance Study in Public Administration



## **FINANCE- MARGARET BENTLEY SW DALLAS**



### **GOALS/OBJECTIVES-**

I will maintain or improve the financial health and stability of AAUW Texas by ensuring compliance with all charitable tax laws, procedures and generally accepted accounting principles and practices This will be accomplished through: accurate and efficient record keeping and reporting; chairing the Finance Committee to develop a budget that supports the programs and activities of the Texas strategic plan, analyzing actual financial results against budget monthly and making recommendations as needed; protecting the assets of AAUW Texas through Risk Management by securing adequate insurance coverage Filing IRS forms, distributing funds as authorized by the budget and or Board of Directors. I will always be available by e-mail and will respond within 48 hours or less to provide support and technical assistance to branch treasurers, EFLAF chairs and membership VPs as needed.

### **QUALIFICATION.**

- Accounting, managerial reporting and analysis of financial information
- Finance Officer of AAUW Texas and Chair of Finance Committee Dallas Branch

### **PERSONAL INFORMATION. AND EDUCATION**

- MBA Southern Methodist University □ BS psychology
- Two yrs. CFO Risk Manager of nonprofit Crostto Foundation for reduction of Premature Cancer Death.



## **SECRETARY -DUSKY WELLS ABILENE**

Hello and thank you for your confidence shown by my nomination as secretary for AAUW Texas for 2008-2010. My name is Dusky Wells and I joined AAUW six years ago as a member of the Abilene Branch.



**GOALS/OBJECTIVES** As secretary I will contribute to AAUW Texas by keeping accurate and timely records for the 2008-2010 board and continue to support the mission and vision through active participation in state activities.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

At the branch level I've served as secretary, programming co-vice president and currently president. The past one and one-half years I've served on the AAUW Texas Board as West Representative.

The women I've met and had the pleasure of working with on both the branch and state level are simply the best. Focused, determined and fun-loving women who make a real difference in the world we all live in. It's an honor to serve for and with such a group.

### **PERSONAL INFORMATION AND EDUCATION**

BS Medical technology and BA Accounting  
Clinical Laboratory Director at Abilene Regional Medical Center

## NORTH DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

### JANET PEAVLER—DENTON BRANCH

#### **GOALS/OBJECTIVES—**

\* To encourage branches to participate in the larger organization. I have visited most of my branches and communicate with them regularly. I want to build on this relationship.

**QUALIFICATIONS** Currently District Representative.

**PERSONAL INFORMATION AND EDUCATION** BA and Ma in English Taught high school English for 25 years and now retired.

### MARGIE POOLE NORTH EAST TARRANT COUNTY

#### **GOALS/OBJECTIVES-**

\* To build strong organization by increasing branch communication with other branches and state board.

\* Facilitate information, exchange regarding membership, forms, programming, etc.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS.**

Proactive.; able to engage individuals or groups in conversation easily; managerial experience.

#### **PERSONAL INFORMATION AND EDUCATION**

\* Degree in journalism

### ELAINE WELLS— TYLER BRANCH

#### **GOALS/OBJECTIVES-**

\* Communicate branch activities accomplishments, problems or concerns to the board.

\* Provide support for and representation of branch within my geographical district, work with membership, vice president and branch service officer.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS**

\* 20 years membership— \* two years district representative



Janet Peavler-  
Denton, Greenville,  
Southwest Dallas,  
Sherman, Tacoma,  
Vernon, Wichita Falls



Elaine Wells  
Dallas, Mesquite,  
Farmers Branch,  
Plano/Collins,  
Richardson



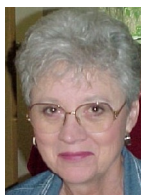
Margie Poole  
Arlington  
Grand Prairie  
NE Tarrant  
Tarrant

## NORTH DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

## SOUTH DISTRICT REPRESENTAIVES—



Melba Zaremba  
Corpus Christi  
Harlingen  
Laredo  
McAllen



Marietta Hostak  
Alvin, Fort Bend,  
Galveston, Houston,  
Montgomery County,  
Orange, North Harris,  
Southeast Harris,  
West Harris

West District and Central  
Representatives will be  
selected at the Convention

**MARIETTA HOSTAK WEST HARTRIS****GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

- Assist branch leaders in building and maintaining strong, active branches. • Identify areas for potential branches and assist in establishing them.
- Help branches to organize student affiliate groups on local campuses. • Act as the liaison between branch and the state board
- Visit each branch during the year and attend Houston Interbranch meetings. • Communicate frequently with the branch officers. • Help each branch in their development of their membership leadership skills.
- Work with the state and branch officers in organizing affiliate groups and recruiting new College/University members.

**QUALIFICATIONS,**

- \* *I WILL bring TO THIS OFFICE THE ABILITY TO WORK AS A MEMBER OF A GROUP*
- \* *KNOWLEDGE OF THE ASSOCIATION AND THE ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS NEEDED TO ADHERE TO DEADLINES AND MAINTAIN RECORDS*
- \* *AAUW MEMBER FOR 40 YEARS AND CURRENTLY TEXAS AAUW LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND*

**PERSONAL INFORMATION AND EDUCATION**

- \* BS in secondary education \* early career research microbiologist in pharmaceutical industry
- \* taught high school science and retired after 19 years.

**MELBA ZAREMBA- MCALLEN****GOALS/OBJECTIVES**

- \* Be visible to branches under my responsibility by visiting each branch to provide support, communicate with each Branch President via email monthly and plan an Inter-Branch meeting once a year.
- \* Increase membership by providing each branch the tools needed for membership recruitment.
- \* Communicate to each branch the importance of sending membership dues and reports on a timely basis via email, phone, and/or letter.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

- \* Active member since 1990 serving as Secretary and President for my local branch.
- \* South Texas District Representative for the past two years.
- \* Excellent communication skills. & Bilingual in English and Spanish.
- \* Created and developed McAllen Branch AAUW's Education Summit, 2007.
- \* Created and developed McAllen Branch AAUW's Young Women's Summit, 2001 to Present.
- \* Panel presenter at AAUW's State Leadership Conference.
- \* Top recruiter for Association's Member-Get-A-Member--3<sup>rd</sup> Phase, 2007.

**PERSONAL INFORMATION AND EDUCATION**

- \* BBA Degree with Marketing Certification
- \* Retired Business Education Teacher—25 years of experience teaching accounting, marketing, and other business subjects.
- \* Business Consultant—work with districts throughout the state of Texas.

# Convention-aauwtxas

## **AT A GLANCE** – LANE POWELL

“Celebrating 100 years of AAUW in Texas and investing in the Future” is the theme of the next Biennial Convention, April 25-27, 2008 at the beautiful Hilton Lincoln Center in Dallas. The convention will honor 100 Texas Women of Distinction, past and present, and hear of the work of women for the advancement of women across the state and beyond

A preconference tour on Friday, April 25, will visit the **Nasher Sculpture Gardens and the Women’s Museum**. Be sure to register early for this “don’t miss” event.

**FRIDAY-** The opening session will feature Colleen Barrett, President of Southwest Airlines as the keynote speaker. Past presidents of AAUW-Texas will also be recognized.

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY** will be a blend of **general sessions, district meetings, workshops and panels**.

According to AAUW Texas Program Vice President Lane Powell, the workshops and panels will address five key subject emphases related to the general theme:

- Investing in Leadership Development
- Investing in Equity in the Workplace
- Investing in our Sisters of the World.
- Investing in Economic Security and Opportunity;
- Investing in Educational Success and Opportunity; and

Saturday’s luncheon and dinner are included in the registration fee and feature the work of the Educational Foundation of the Association and the Legal Advocacy Fund. A birthday celebration will also highlight the dinner event.

On Sunday morning, a breakfast meeting will recognize the 100 Texas Women of Distinction who have been nominated by branches across the state. A new convention feature, a Graduate Research Poster Session, will highlight the work of university graduate students in the Southwest who are addressing issues of interest to the enlightenment and advancement of women.

“How appropriate that graduate students’ work will be featured, considering that AAUW is one of the world’s largest sources of funding for graduate women,” said AAUW Texas President Linda Conger. In the 2007-08 academic years, the Educational Foundation provided more than 250 fellowships, grants, and special awards to outstanding women.

## **AGENDA**

(AAUW Texas Board Meeting- April 25- 5- 7 pm)

FRIDAY APRIL 25 2008	SATUDAY – APRIL 26, 2008	SATURDAY – APRIL 26 2008	SUNDAY APRIL 27, 2008
8:30-AM-6:30 PM- • Registration-Lobby	6:30-8:30- • Continental Breakfast-\$10	1:30-2:45 PM • Breakout Session B	7:30-9am • Buffet Breakfast • Women of Distinction Recognition • Star Awards
3:00-7:00 pm • Exhibits-Ballroom	8:30-9:30 am • Second Business Meeting	3:00pm– 3:45 pm • Third Business Meeting	
7:00-8:00 pm • First General Session Ballroom Keynote speaker Colleen Barrett	10:00-am -11:15am • Breakout Session	4:00-6:00 • Exhibits Open	9:00 am-9:45 am • Research Poster Presentation
8:15-8:45–First Business Meeting • Linda Congers recognizes past presidents	11:30– 1 pm • E.F Luncheon Speaker Dr. Hammond Smith	6:30– Cash Bar	10:00 am-11:15 am • Breakout Session C
9:00 pm -10:00 pm • DESSERT RECEPTION	1:00 pm– 3:00 pm POLLS OPEN FOR CONTESTED RACES	7:00 pm– 9:00 pm • LAF Dinner Birthday Celebration	11:15– Noon • Fourth Business Meeting • New State Officers • 2010 Convention
		9:15– 10:15 pm– • District Meeting and Voting	



## DEADLINES

Feb.15– Women of Distinction Nomination

March 31– Reserve Branch Table

April 3– Hotel Room Rates

April 4– Pre-Convention Tour

## YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

### REGISTRATION

**\$125.00**

1. Registration Fee
2. Keynote speakers
3. Programs and panels facilitated by outstanding women of Texas.
4. Dessert Reception
5. E F Luncheon
6. LAF Dinner and Birthday Celebration
7. Sunday Buffet Breakfast
8. (hotel is providing a Breakfast Saturday morning- your cost \$10.00)

### Room rates

**\$95.00— room rate**  
**Single or double**  
**\$105 3- 4 in room**

### Garage Parking-

**Self parking**  
**Only \$4.00 daily**

### Pre-Convention

**Tour-\$42.00**

### Website payments

[www.aauwtexas.org](http://www.aauwtexas.org) -convention link

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- Convention Registration – check
- Hotel Registration– credit card

What Else on website

- Select workshop choices.
- Donation to LAF and EF Raffles

## WORKSHOPS-TRACKS

In keeping with the 2008 Biennial Convention theme, “Celebrating 100 years in Texas and investing in the Future,” convention workshops will focus on several aspects of future investment for the advancement of women. Each convention registrant will have three workshop choices for the Saturday and Sunday programs. The workshops will follow five different aspects of “investment in the future” of women and the AAUW TX organization:

### TRACK ONE-Leader Development

- Building Membership
- Mental Health Promotion in College and Community

Options will include an Orientation session for new officers; a session on Building Membership, and a session on Mental Health Promotion in Colleges and Community. The last topic is a result of a new partnership with the Texas Suicide Prevention Council which seeks to educate the public about the high incidence of depression and suicide among women and particularly college women. “By learning the signs of depression and suicidal thoughts, women can better assist one another in finding pathways to health and happiness,” explained program vice president Lane Powell. “We strongly urge every college and university in Texas to send a representative to this session.”

### TRACK TWO Economic Security and Opportunity

- Maximizing your Resources
- Financial Exploitation of Elderly
- Opportunities for Entrepreneur

Deena Katz



For the **Economic Security and Opportunity** track of sessions, **Dr. Deena Katz**, internationally recognized financial advisor and a member of the Personal Financial Planning department at Texas Tech University will offer pointers on maximizing your Resources. Dr. Katz is author of six books on financial planning and practice and has been named repeatedly as one of *Accounting Today's* Top Ten Names to Know in Financial Planning." A second session targeting Financial Exploitation of the Elderly will be presented by **Shannon Cox**, Private Investigator with the Probate Law section of the Dallas Area Paralegal Association. Ms. Cox has handled some high-profile cases of exploitation and will advise women on how to avoid such financial hazards. A third session led by **Dr. Maxine Hammonds-Smith**, university professor, author and entrepreneur, will give tips on how to start a successful business. Dr. Hammonds, who lives and teaches in the Houston area, is currently national president of the National Council on Family Relations.

### TRACK THREE- Promoting Pay Equity for Woman and Equal Pay Day

- *Behind Pay Gap Program* Research by AAUW-EF

In keeping with the ongoing emphasis of AAUW on **Equity in the Workplace** and recognizing that "Equal Pay Day" is also in April, a panel discussion on Equity issues will be offered during the Saturday afternoon workshop sessions. **Malinda Gaul**, San Antonio attorney and former state president of AAUW, will share the podium with **Kathy Miller** and **Judge Lynn Cherry**. Miller, President of the Texas Freedom Network, keeps a close watch on state legislative issues that affect women's rights. Cherry, who has had a private practice in Family Law since 1986, was elected Judge of the 301<sup>st</sup> Family District Court in November 2006. She is completing her first year in this position.



Kathy  
Miller  
Malinda  
Gaul



### TRACK FOUR-The Education Success and Opportunity

- AAUW Programs

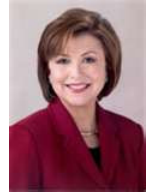
A review of successful AAUW association-sponsored programs, led by **Jackie Littleton**, a member of AAUW Texas and the Association Board. She will discuss ways the National Girls' Collaborative and the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) can be sponsored and supported in your community. A new feature-- a research poster session-- will highlight the graduate student research in women's issues that is currently occurring in universities in Texas and surrounding states. Student authors of the posters will be present on Sunday, April 27, to discuss their findings with participants.

Read the AAUW Education Foundation's Behind the Pay Gap research-- Just 1 year after college graduation, women earn only 80 percent of what their male counterparts earn. Ten years after graduation, earnings are only 69 percent of what men earn.

### *TRACK FIVE -Sisters of the World*

- Opportunities for minority women and girls in Texas
- Financial exploitation of the elderly
- Opportunities for Entrepreneurship

R Montoya



The fifth track of workshops focuses on **Sisters of the World**, and will offer unique and personal glimpses into the lives and challenges facing women of color and of diverse cultures.

A panel addressing issues of women and girls in Texas will feature Dr. Alice Black, Dr. Laura Gonzales and Ms. Regina Montoya. **Dr. Black** is executive principal of the Yvonne A. Ewell Townview campus in Dallas which is home to two national award-winning high achievement schools. Many of the students are from minority or disadvantaged neighborhoods. They find their accomplishments and test scores rising dramatically in this unique school situation. **Dr. Laura Gonzalez** is Director and Founder of the Cliff Center for Community Studies. An anthropologist by training, Dr. Gonzalez has a passion for serving people and helping them through personal mentor and connections to community resources. She is also a professor at the University of Texas at Dallas in social sciences and has also served as an advisor to the Government of Mexico for Mexican communities in North Texas. **Regina Montoya**, Chief Executive Officer of New America Alliance, directs the organization's strategic plans for advancing the Latino community through economic and political empowerment. Prior to joining NAA, Montoya was Founder and President of WORKRules, a Texas-based workforce training and media-relations based company. She is also an attorney and has served in the White House as Assistant to the President (1993) and Director of the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs.

A second session of this track will feature **Dr. Hind Jarrah**, a founding member and current President of the Texas Muslim Women's Foundation. A native of Beirut, Lebanon, Jarrah has a PhD in pharmacology from the University of Texas Health Sciences Center in Dallas. Dr. Jarrah is highly regarded as a speaker on the topic of Issues Muslim Women Face, and she has worked to correct misconceptions that build bonds of friendship and understanding between cultures.

A final session, to be offered Sunday morning, will be led by AAUW Texas International Relations chair **Karen McKibben Morris**. She and others will review some of the successful international outreach programs promoted by AAUW, including the new partnership with CARE International and the Friendship tours which have brought Russian women visitors to several Texas communities.



## ***BUS TOUR OF TWO GREAT DALLAS MUSEUMS***

**Women's Museum**, a Smithsonian affiliate, makes visible the unique textured and diverse stories of American women. The Museums' exhibits and programs expand our understanding of women's participating in shaping our nation's history and create a lively environment for a dialogue and discovery. The Ronya Kozmetsky Institute for The Future offers hands on

educational programming in a 21st Century learning environment.

**The Nasher Sculpture Center** is one of the few institutions in the world devoted to the exhibition, study, and preservation of modern sculpture. Conceived as a serene urban retreat for the enjoyment of modern art,

the Sculpture Center is the new home of the renowned Raymond and Pats National Collection of modern and contemporary sculpture.



## WOMEN OF TEXAS ARE MAKING HISTORY



### **KEYNOTE-FRIDAY**

**Colleen Barrett**, President and Corporate Secretary of Southwest Airlines (SWA), will keynote the opening session of the 2008 AAUW Texas biennial Convention on Friday night, April 25.

A member of the management team of the Dallas-based airline since 1978, Barrett literally rose through the ranks to assume the presidency of one of the most efficiently run airlines in the country in 2001. She was named one of the World's 100 Most Powerful Women in 2004 and 2005 and won the Outstanding Woman in Aviation Award in 2007. Her lengthy list of honors and awards include Girls' Inc honoree (2007), the Horatio Alger award (2005) and the Aiming High award from the National Organization of Women.

Barrett is active in numerous civic and charitable organizations in Dallas, serves on the Boards of Trustees of JC Penny, Inc, the Ken Blanchard College of Business and Becker College, Worcester, MA, her alma mater.

Ms. Barrett represents the kind of competency, vision and initiative that women of Texas need to emulate in the 21<sup>st</sup> century," said AAUW Texas President Linda Conger.

"We are delighted to celebrate 100 years of advancement of women in Texas with such an outstanding model."



### **DR LAURA GONZALES FACILITATOR FOR SISTERS OF THE WORLD**

A 2005 recipient of the American Jewish Congress Southwest Region's "Women of Spirit Award," Dr Laura Gonzales is widely recognized for her civic leadership and work with students. A Research Scientist in the School of Social Sciences at The University of Texas at Dallas, she has been recognized as the 2004 "Distinguished University Faculty Award" by the Texas Association of Chicanos in Higher Education.



Dr. Gonzalez has served as a Counselor for the Mexican communities of North Texas, representing issues and concerns as an advisor to the Government of Mexico.

Laura's passion is serving people and helping them both through personal mentoring and by connecting them with key community leaders in area agencies, organizations, and institutions of higher education. That passion is channeled through community research about Latino educational issues that has been published in a number of national scholarly journals and reviewed by the Civil Rights Project at Harvard University.



### **KAREN MCKIBBEN MORRIS- CARES ABOUT CARE AND PROMOTING OTHER INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR WOMEN**

Karen , AAUW Texas International Affairs Chair has a long a varied history of volunteerism that includes her work with homeless veterans, serving on governmental task forces, reviewing grant applicants for United Way and assuring quality of care though personal visits with wards of the court living in care facilities. She was co-founder of Baby's Porch, a halfway house for women and their children. IN 1995 she was recognized by Houston Mayor Bob Lanier for her community serves s District 8 Delegate to the White House Conference on Aging appointed by U>S> Congressman Kevin Brady.



Karen's dedication to promoting gender equity for all women and girls makes her the ideal choice as International Chair and to be a facilitator for Investing in Sisters of the World.

# Special Features in Dallas!

## 1. EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION LUNCHEON

Featured at the EF luncheon will be **Dr. Maxine Hammond-Smith**, Houston, and the current President of the National Council on Family Relations. Dr. Hammonds-Smith is a college professor, researcher, consultant and author. Now as an entrepreneur, she consults with government, public and private entities in how to use her "3 C" Model (campus, church and community) for reaching the hardest to reach populations. As an established professional in the field of family relations, Hammonds-Smith stresses a multi-generational approach to solving community problems. While working fulltime at Texas Southern University, she established the Center on Aging and Intergenerational Wellness and managed an online course for 11 universities.

"We hope also at this luncheon to announce the completion of the Barbara Jordan Fellowship," said state EF chair Mary DuBoise. "We are urging branches to consider designating their EF fund raisers to this fellowship endeavor."

## 2. LEGAL ADVOCACY DINNER AND BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The official celebration of AAUW's 100 years in Texas, along with the shared experience of a plaintiff supported by the association's Legal Advocacy Fund, will highlight this Saturday night event.

The American Heritage quilt, hand crafted by Texas state LAF chair Marietta Hostak for the statewide raffle to benefit LAF, will be on display. Announcement of the raffle winner will be made during the final plenary of the convention on Sunday. "Although we are pleased to offer this quilt to a ticket purchaser, we hope everyone who purchases a ticket will be seen as a winner in the continuing struggle for women's equity across the nation. The money rose for LAF through this effort in essence benefits all of us," said Ms. Hostak. "What a great way to celebrate our centennial year by collecting the largest amount of LAF funds in our history."

## 3. WOMEN OF DISTINCTION AWARDS BREAKFAST

Texas will be specially recognized at a breakfast meeting on Sunday morning.

"We hope to have many of these fabulous women in attendance on Sunday morning, and we trust that all branches will participate in this wonderful opportunity to pay tribute to women who have achieved in all fields of endeavor during the past 100 years," observed AAUW Texas President Linda Conger.

The deadline for submitting nominations has been extended to February 1, 2008. See the AAUW Texas website for the nomination packet.

### WHAT IS ON THE MENU?

Friday's Reception	A cash bar and array of mini desserts
Saturday Private Breakfast	Hotel will provide a continental breakfast : \$10.00
Saturday's EF Luncheon	Trio Salad Plate, rolls and Family Style Dessert display
Saturday LAF Dinner	House salad, Pistachio Crusted Chicken, Chef's selection of vegetables and 100TH birthday cake
Sunday's Buffet Breakfast	Deluxe buffet of whole fresh fruit, breads bagels, breakfast tacos.

"We urge everyone to register early, come early for the pre-convention tours and stay until the closing to gain the full benefit from this wonderful conference," said President Conger. "Put it on your calendar as a 'must do' for 2008."

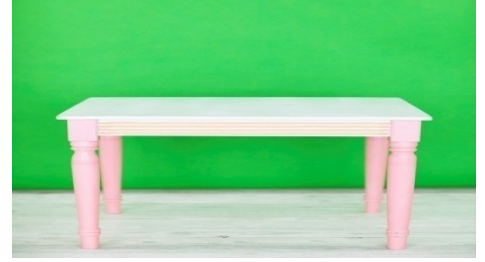
# fundraisers

## BRANCH SALES RESERVE YOUR TABLE TODAY!

Would your branch like to raise money for your community projects and scholarships at the state convention? Exhibit tables will be available for fundraising sales and branch promotional material. The tables are six feet long and skirted, with two chairs provided. **The cost is \$30 per table.** Extension cords, if needed, are an additional \$15. **If two branches** would like to share a table, they will need to make those arrangements with each other and submit one form and payment.

**The deadline is March 31, 2008.**

If you have questions, email Janet at [jpeavler2@tx.rr.com](mailto:jpeavler2@tx.rr.com) or call 972-318-0160.



### ➤ **Make our 100<sup>th</sup> year a banner year for gifts to EF & LAF**

What better way to celebrate 100 years of AAUW in Texas than with a record year of giving for the Educational Foundation (EF) and Legal Advocacy (LAF) Funds! Two statewide raffles will be promoted between now and the Biennial Convention in Dallas, April 25-27 to help branches boost their giving levels.

A beautiful **QUILT** made and **donated** by LAF state chair **Marietta**

**Hostak** will be raffled for the LAF. . **Two roundtrip tickets on Southwest Airlines** have been **donated** by **SWA** for the Educational Foundation raffle.

The money collected by branches and turned in at the convention will be credited to branch giving. Each branch may specify EF funds collected to a named fellowship, such as the Barbara Jordan Fellowship, which the state hopes to complete this year, according to state EF chair Mary DuBoise.

Raffle tickets will also be sold at the Convention The winners of each item will be drawn and announced on the last day of the statewide gathering. Persons do not have to be present to win.



### Branch Exhibit Table Request Form

All tables are six feet long and skirted, with two chairs. The cost is \$30 per table.

Branch Name \_\_\_\_\_

Branch Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone contact during convention \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Categories of items to be sold \_\_\_\_\_

LAF or EF \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Community Project \_\_\_\_\_ Local Scholarship \_\_\_\_\_ Other (please describe briefly)

Each branch is responsible for its own sales, including making change, as well as any tax liabilities from the sales.

Will you need an extension cord? (The hotel charges an extra \$15 per cord) How Many \_\_\_\_\_

Send this form and your check by March 31, 2008

Janet Peavler Remington Drive Highland Village, TX 75077

## RAFFLES

EF- S W Airline Tickets

LAF- QUILT

\$5.00- 6 for \$20.00

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Attach this form to Convention Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Branch \_\_\_\_\_

Please choose one from each time slot

**SATURDAY— 10:00— 11:15 am**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Leadership Development-new officers orientation  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Financial Exploitation of the elderly— P. J. Shannon Cox  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_ Maximizing your Financial Resources—Dr Deena Katz  
 4. \_\_\_\_\_ Maximizing Opportunities for Minority Women and Girls in Texas— Dr Gonzales and Regina Montoya

**SATURDAY 1:30— 2:45 pm**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ AAUW Success Programs as National Girls Collaborative—Jackie Littleton  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Building Membership in Your Branch  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_ Promoting Pay Equity For Woman and Equal Pay Day— panel Malinda Gaul Kathy Miller, Judge Lynn Cherry  
 4. \_\_\_\_\_ Issues Muslin Women in The U.S. must Face. Dr Hind Jarrah

**SUNDAY 10:00-11:15 am**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Mental Health Promotion in Colleges and Universities  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Opportunities for Entrepreneurships— Dr Maxine Hammond-Smith  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsoring AAUW CARE collation and Friendship Tours- Karen McKibben Morris



1. **Go to [www.AAUWTexas.org](http://www.AAUWTexas.org)- Personal Group Page-Convention link**
  2. **This is linked directly to Hilton Hotel for reservations.**
  3. **Group name: AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN or**
    - Call the Hilton Hotel, Dallas, Texas reservations at (800) 245-3304
    - Ask for the **AAUW convention room rate of \$95.00 single or double**
- Deadline for convention rate: April 3, 2008.**

Celebrating Texas AAUW 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
 AAUW Texas' 43rd Biennial State Convention  
 Registration Form April 25 - 27, 2008  
**REGISTRATION FORM**

**Register by mail:** Please print or type clearly. One person per registration form. Full payment by check or money order must accompany this registration form. Make check payable to: AAUW Texas. Mail this form and your check to: Margaret Bentley, 1420 Daventry Drive, DeSoto, Texas 75115-7758.

**Registration not accepted without payment.**

**Registrant Information**

Name	Badge Name
Address	City
State	Zip
Phone	Mobile Phone
Email	Position in Branch
Branch	State Office
AAUW Assoc. Office	50-Year Member      First Time Attendee
Please indicate special dietary needs	Vegetarian      Diabetic
Please indicate any other special needs	

**Voting Status - Check One Only**

Branch Delegate       Alternate Branch Delegate       Texas Member-At-Large       Student Affiliate  
 Past President       AAUW-Texas Board Delegate       College/University Partner Delegate

Names of delegates will be submitted to the appropriate leader for authorization.  
 You will be contacted if you are not certified.

**Convention Registration Fees**

Include: Friday Reception, Saturday Lunch, Saturday 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner, and Sunday Breakfast Buffet.

<b>Registration:</b>	Member	\$125	\$_____	
	Non-Member	\$200	\$_____	(join now and save
				\$75)
	Late Fee for Members & Non-members above			
	Only (postmarked/email received after <i>April 3rd</i> )	\$ 50	\$_____	(meals cannot be
	guaranteed)			
	Student Affiliate	\$ 60	\$_____	
	Guest* (Member ID_____)	\$110	\$_____	
	Friday Museum Tour	\$ 42	\$_____	(description on
	previous page)			

**Total Remittance**

**\$\_\_\_\_\_**

***Cancellations before April 3<sup>rd</sup> will receive a 50% refund of paid registration.  
 No refunds after that date.***

\*Guest registrants will receive a name badge and program booklet and may attend the plenary sessions, visit the exhibits, and attend the reception and meals. A guest must be registered by a convention attendee. Guests may not be AAUW members. Hotel Reservations: Call the Hilton Hotel, Dallas, Texas reservations at (800) 245-3304 or make reservations online AAUWTexas.org. Personal Group Page Ask for the convention room rate of \$95.00 single or double. Deadline for convention rate: **April 3, 2008.**



## *Biennial State Convention Tour and Lunch April 25, 2008*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (c) \_\_\_\_\_

AAUW Branch \_\_\_\_\_

(Check one) Affiliate \_\_\_\_\_ Member at Large \_\_\_\_\_ Non-member \_\_\_\_\_

Tour Price: \$42.00(Paid through the AAUW Texas website, [www.aauwtexas.org](http://www.aauwtexas.org) convention link.)

SCHEDULE: Friday, April 25, 2008 (10:30 - 3:30, 5 hrs.)

10:30	Depart from Hilton Lincoln Center Hotel
11:00 -12:00	Nasher Sculpture Center docent-guided tour
12:00N-12:30	Shopping in Nasher
12:30	Depart from Nasher and travel to Women's Museum
1:00- 1:30	Lunch at Women's Museum
1:30-2:30	Women's Museum docent-guided tour
2:30-3:00	shopping at Women's Museum
3:30	Return to hotel

Transportation provided by A Class Limo. Each mini-bus fits up to 28 passengers; a minimum of 15 per bus. Driver gratuities are included in the tour fee, so no tips will be necessary.

Included with the \$42 tour fee. Place an X by your choice of the Wrap or Sandwich.

Menu Options for Lunch at the Women's Museum: an Institute for the Future

'Basic Box' -served with your choice of Sandwich or Wrap, a Kosher Dill Pickle Spear, Fresh Fruit Salad, Potato Chips and a Fresh Baked Cookie

### Sandwich Choices

[Served on fresh baked bread with lettuce and tomato]

- Sliced Turkey with Swiss  
 Smoked Ham and Cheddar  
 Italian Meats with Provolone  
 House Roast Beef with Cheddar and Roasted Onions  
 Creamy Tuna Salad with sliced pickles  
 Grilled Chicken Club with Bacon

### Wrap Choices

- Chicken "Sex on the Beach" with Almonds, Cranberries, and Apricots  
 BBQ Chicken Salad with Black Beans, Roasted Corn and Cilantro  
 BBQ Beef Brisket with Black Beans, Corn, Pepper Jack Cheese and Cilantro  
 Grilled Vegetables with Feta, Olives and Hummus  
 Curry Chicken Walnut and Grape Salad  
 Chicken Caesar with Sweet Tomato and Olive

**DEADLINE APRIL 4, 2008**  
**CONTACT:**

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