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**President's Message**

From Betty-Jane Meader

As my term as president of AAUW of Maine comes to a close, I am inclined to reflect on these past two years. **Bets Brown**, public policy chair, commented, "We should be proud of our accomplishments." Due to the efforts of dedicated board members, we made significant progress in meeting our action goals.

Collaborating with organizations with similar missions and enhancing participation in public policy activities are goals we have achieved. **Bets** and I have represented AAUW of Maine at monthly meetings of the Coalition for Maine Women and the Maine Choice Coalition. As public policy chair, **Bets** has written several op-ed articles and letters to the editor about issues important to women, such as reproductive rights and paycheck fairness. Other members and I sent letters to Sen. Susan Collins and Sen. Angus King to encourage them to endorse the Paycheck Fairness Act.

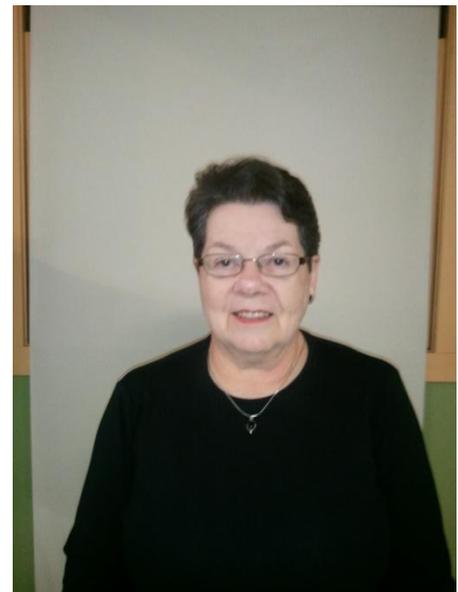
At Maine Women's Day at the State House on January 21, 2014, **Bets** conducted an afternoon session on writing op-ed articles and letters to the editor, as well as preparing testimony. She, other AAUW members and I attended hearings, and **Kristin Sweeney** testified once in behalf of AAUW of Maine.

We expanded additional visibility throughout the state by partnering with other groups and hosting tabling events. On December 4, we partnered with Project>Login, a subsidiary of Educate Maine, and participated in a tabling event at Hour of Code at the Augusta Civic Center. Five of us AAUW members also obtained signatures to support computer science education. Other tabling events occurred at the U.S. Senate Candidates' Forum, Maine Women's Day, the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of Roe v. Wade, the Maine Women's Summit on Economic Security and various colleges (Colby College, University of Maine at Farmington and Thomas College).

Another goal was to increase the number of college/university partnerships. With assistance from **Kim Pollard**, regional field organizer, and others, Mary Cathcart, college/university representative, convinced additional colleges to join AAUW in the past two years: Bowdoin College, Maine Maritime Academy, University of Maine at Augusta, University of Maine at Farmington and the University of Southern Maine. Other institutional members are Bates College, Colby College, Southern Maine Community College, Thomas College and the University of Maine.

Students who attend these institutional partners may become e-student affiliates for free. **Kim** and Colby student member **Amber Ramirez** convinced a few Colby students to become e-student affiliates. I hosted a three-hour tabling event at UMF, where 19 students registered. After **Deepika Papneja** and I joined the Bath-Brunswick out-to-lunch bunch at Pizza Hut, **Joanne Bollinger**, co-president, introduced us to student **Ahrea Russell**, and I assisted her in registering as the first e-student affiliate from Bowdoin College. On February 3, student member **Carly McCarthy** and I registered 27 additional e-student affiliates at Thomas College.

Strengthening the branches was another goal. Last year, I visited each of the six active branches in the state and met many delightful and dedicated members. To remain active, the Caribou Branch decided not to meet during the winter months. The Mid-coast Branch is focusing



on their scholarship program, their strength. Bath-Brunswick continues to be the largest branch in the state. The Waterville Branch is the second largest one and increased their membership by 33 percent in 2012-2013. The inactive branches need to be assessed next year. **Lindsey LaChance**, program vice president, is organizing a convention program that focuses on branch action—“Passion for Action.” Please save the dates of May 2 and/or 3 and plan to attend the spring convention in the Bath-Brunswick area.

Archiving the activities of the branches and AAUW of Maine is an important goal. **Betsy Eggleston**, historian, and I visited the annex of the Fogler Library at the University of Maine, where AAUW of Maine and Penobscot Valley Branch archives are stored in acid-free folders and boxes. Betsy will be adding the York County Branch archives to the 21 boxes already at UM.

With guidance and assistance from **Kim**, AAUW of Maine has moved forward at a fast pace this year. I am confident the incoming board members will continue the work started by her and the present leadership team.

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**Amber Ramirez is a student member from Colby College and Arhea Marshall is an e-student affiliate from Bowdoin College. They attended Maine Women's Day at the State House.**

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**AAUW Members Help Keep AAUW of Maine Connected**  
By: Carolyn MacRae

The **Keep AAUW of Maine Connected** development campaign helps us keep state dues low while allowing us to

continue AAUW of Maine partnering relationships with other state organizations that share our goals and provide financial assistance for AAUW of Maine Board members for travel to regional and national AAUW meetings.

The following members are thankfully recognized for their contributions to this year’s **Keep AAUW of Maine Connected** campaign (July 1, 2013-June 30, 2014).

- Kristin Sweeney, Bath-Brunswick
- Judy Dinmore, Bath-Brunswick and Mid-Coast
- Evelyn Dearborn, Penobscot Valley
- Lindsey LaChance, Penobscot Valley
- Susan Landry, Penobscot Valley
- Bets Brown, Waterville
- Jackie Kulik, Waterville
- Carolyn MacRae, Waterville
- Betty-Jane Meader, Waterville

They have contributed a total of \$670, which has helped support undertakings that strengthen our organization and benefit us all. Activities this year have included: Ongoing partnering and networking with the Maine Women’s Lobby, the Maine Choice Coalition, and the Coalition for Maine Women. Thus far this year, AAUW of Maine has been present at the Maine Women’s Summit on Economic Security, Maine Women’s Day at the State House, the Lego League Championship and the Hour of Code.

Supporting Maine NEW Leadership, a six-day leadership training program for undergraduate college women providing experiential training in many aspects of politics and policy making. All attendees have been invited to join AAUW.

Working with Kim Pollard, our regional field officer, to help strengthen AAUW branches and AAUW of Maine participation in public policy activities. One tangible result of these activities is a significant increase in College-University members and E-Student Affiliates.

It’s not too late! AAUW of Maine still needs your help. Please consider sending a contribution—above and beyond the \$10.00 state dues that you have already paid—to help AAUW of Maine continue to stay connected.

Please make your check payable to “AAUW of Maine” and include it with your registration to the AAUW of Maine state convention or send it directly to:

Carolyn MacRae, Treasurer  
17 Martin Avenue, Waterville, ME 04901  
Check for: ( ) \$10 ( ) \$25 ( ) \$50 ( ) \$100 ( ) Other \_\_\_\_

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

Your support is appreciated. Contributions will be acknowledged in future issues of the *Dawnbreaker* and at the AAUW of Maine annual convention this spring.

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### Facebook Anyone?

AAUW of Maine has a Facebook site, administrators Jean Lotz, Charmin Goehring, and Bets Brown. Please send contributions to Charmin (charminme@yahoo.com) or Bets (wilbro@fairpoint.net) for publication. Please visit the site and let everyone know you like it.

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### AAUW Funds Report

By: Susan Landry

Maine branches and individual members closed out calendar year 2013 in continued generous fashion by contributing \$1,410 to the various sectors of AAUW Funds. This brought our donations for the year to a grand total of \$4,498.00. (Donations postmarked later than December 31 will be credited to calendar year 2014.) Thank you, everyone! Let's keep up our momentum and continue supporting the Association's efforts to advance equity for women and girls.

#### Our philanthropy at work (alumnae news)

Former International Fellow (2007) and International Project Grantee (2012) Otgontugs Banzragch, who was featured in the fall issue of *Outlook*, is now dean of the Graduate School and dean of the School of Economics at the National University of Mongolia. The current class of International Project grantees is working on issues including widows in Cameroon and native women in Canada. Support such projects by donating to the Carolyn Joslin Donovan International Project Grants Fund (#4377); recipients are past International Fellows working in their home countries to improve the social advancement and economic empowerment of women and girls there.

1985 International Fellow Dictynna Hood has released her first major film, *Wreckers*, to great reviews! 2013-14 Career Development Grantee Rory Brosius works in the Office of the First Lady on military, military-family, and veterans initiatives. Another Career Development Grantee, Carol Gilligan, has contributed to the Shriver Report *A Woman's Nation Pushes Back from the Brink*; another essay in the report was written by American Fellow Heather Boushey. Current Selected Professions Fellow Layusa Isa-Odidi has a position with global management consulting firm McKinsey and Company in its Lagos, Nigeria office. Former International Fellow Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala is finance minister of Nigeria; and former International Fellow Tererai Trent is rebuilding schools in Zimbabwe.

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### LAF News

#### Pending Cases

Arguments in *Klay v. Panetta* — an LAF-supported suit brought by survivors of military sexual assault — were heard

in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit on February 14. In the suit, the plaintiffs allege that U.S. military officials tolerated sexual predators in their ranks and antagonized service members who reported rape, sexual assault, and harassment. The plaintiffs argue that this culture of sexual assault violates their constitutional rights. In early 2013, the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia granted the defendants' motion to dismiss the case. The court held that the plaintiffs' injuries were "incident to their military service" and that the court was prevented by legal precedent from ruling on a military matter. Stay tuned for the appeals court's ruling.

On January 15, the U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments in *McCullen v. Coakley*, a case testing the constitutionality of buffer zones around reproductive health care clinics. Anti-choice activists filed suit against Massachusetts to challenge a state law designed to protect clinic patients from intimidation and harassment. The law created a 35-foot buffer zone around reproductive health care clinics that only patients, employees, and their agents may enter, preventing anti-choice protesters from approaching patients as they enter the clinic. The plaintiffs argue that the law violates their free speech rights, claiming that they are constitutionally entitled to approach patients to offer anti-choice literature and anti-choice counseling. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the 1st Circuit upheld the law, and the plaintiffs appealed to the Supreme Court. AAUW signed on to an amicus brief urging the Supreme Court to uphold the law. This case tests the strength of a case from 2000 in which the Supreme Court upheld a different buffer-zone law. Since that decision, however, the makeup of the court has changed significantly — there are four new justices — and the buffer zone mandated by the Massachusetts law is significantly larger than the buffer zone upheld in the 2000 decision. Look for LAF's analysis of the court's ruling later this year.

#### ***Connect with Your Local College Campus!***

If you're interested in connecting with college students in your community, consider applying for an LAF Campus Outreach Grant! Few college students are prepared for the reality of unfair pay, sexual harassment and assault, pregnancy discrimination, or Title IX violations, yet these issues affect many young people on campus or later in the workplace.

These grants offer up to \$750 to help an AAUW branch host or co-host a program to educate college students about gender discrimination in the workplace or in education. Your branch might use the funds to bring an equal-pay expert to speak on campus, help students lobby for more just and effective campus sexual assault policies, publish or broadcast an AAUW public service announcement, or disseminate information about Title IX at a campus sporting event. The request form can be found online at <http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/legal-resources/campus-outreach-grant/>. Requests are accepted on a rolling basis. For more information you can email [laf@aauw.org](mailto:laf@aauw.org); if you'd like help connecting with any of our Maine college/university

partners, get in touch with Mary Cathcart,  
mary.cathcart@maine.edu.

And finally, I would be remiss if I didn't encourage you to consider making a tax-deductible donation to LAF to help balance the scales of justice for women. You can start here: [https://svc.aauw.org/contribute/index\\_aauw\\_donation.cfm?Co rpCode=AAUW&Fundcode=3999](https://svc.aauw.org/contribute/index_aauw_donation.cfm?Co rpCode=AAUW&Fundcode=3999)

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### **Basket Fundraiser 2014**

Our annual raffle will once again feature baskets conservative in size but possibly contributed in multiple by each branch. This approach results in more individual winners AND a bigger win for AAUW of Maine because we raise more money. Branches can donate two or three baskets on one theme, or they may prefer putting together two or three assortments totally different from each other. The more baskets, the merrier!

Remember that besides entertaining ourselves with this raffle we participate in it because without our financial backing AAUW would be unable to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. Our donations support our belief that AAUW can break through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance. So please be generous both in contributing baskets and in buying tickets to take a chance on these wonderful treasures!

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### **Achievement Citation Award**

By: Kristin Sweeney

Our Achievement Citation Award recipient this year is **Sarah Standiford**, nominated by the Bath-Brunswick Branch. Ms. Standiford attended Bates College and received a B.A. in Social Anthropology in 1997.

She was first employed by Planned Parenthood of Northern New England from 1998 to 2003 as a Community Organizing Manager. Subsequently, from 2003 through August 2011, she served as the Executive Director of the Maine Women's Lobby and Maine Women's Policy Center. There her duties

included overseeing public policy and advocacy efforts for Maine women and girls in areas including health care, reproductive privacy, and economic security.

While Executive Director, Sarah received numerous awards: the Maine Women's Fund (2007) award for improving public policy for Maine's women and their families; the Friend of USM Women and Gender studies award in 2008; a Rising Tide Award (2008) from the Maine People's Alliance; the William Stringfellow Award for Peace and Justice (2009) from Bates College; and, finally, the Mabel Sine Wadsworth Leadership Torch Award (2010), which is granted to a Mainer who has demonstrated remarkable contributions to ensuring women's reproductive rights.

Appointments include: the Study Commission Regarding Livable Wages (2005-2006); the Governor's Council on Jobs, Innovation and the Economy (2007); the Commission to Develop Strategies to Increase Postsecondary Access for Low-Wage Low Skilled Adults (2007-2008); and the Maine Jobs Council, The Women's Employment Issues Committee (2005-2010). She has also served as a board member for the Maine Association of Nonprofits (2006-2013), on the Steering Committee for Engage Maine, on the Advisory Committee for the Friends School of Portland (2008 to present) and on the Maine NEW Leadership Advisory Board (2009 through present).

Sarah's most recent employment has been as Regional Field Manager of Planned Parenthood Federation of America, based in Portland, since August of 2011.

Her Achievement Citation Award will be presented on Friday, May 2, 2014 at the AAUW annual state convention, which will be held in Bath.

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### **Girls' Day at the State House Promotes Political Action**

By: Betty-Jane Meader

The voices of over 100 eighth-grade girls resounded at the State House on Feb. 25, 2014! Sponsored by the Maine Women's Policy Center, the event gave the girls the confidence they need to speak up and be heard.

The day began with breakfast, an ice breaker and greetings from Eliza Townsend, director. Then, the girls gathered on the staircase in the Hall of Flags for a photo opportunity. From there, they walked to the Cross Building where they participated in a mock public hearing on virtual charter schools. A mock news conference followed—posters and all.



After lunch, the girls participated in a scavenger hunt to get acquainted with the State House. Keeping nine girls together proved to be a challenge; however, my orange team tied for first place! Then, the girls met with Senate and House

leadership in the House Chamber where a vote was taken.

Serving as a mentor to these young women for the second consecutive year was rewarding. I encourage you to volunteer next year.

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**Maine Legislative Update**

By: Bets Brown, Public Policy Chair  
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On February 10, 2014, I met first with the Coalition for Maine Women and then with the Maine Choice Coalition. Several bills were discussed.

**LD1578. “An Act to Increase Health Security by Expanding Federally Funded Health Care for Maine People”** This bill would use federal funds to provide medical coverage for approximately 70,000 people whose income is at or below 133% of the nonfarm income official poverty line. AAUW of Maine supports this bill. **We need YOU to write op-eds and LTEs discussing why this bill matters to women and to contact your legislators.** For a good source of why it matters, you can visit the National Women’s Law Center’s report, *Mind the Gap*, <http://www.nwlc.org/resource/mind-gap-women-dire-need-health-insurance>. While this bill is still in committee, you still need to let your legislators know that this bill is supported by AAUW and you and that it won’t cost the State of Maine any money so nothing needs to be added to the budget. The Cover Maine Now website also has useful fact sheets to aid you in your writing: <http://www.covermainenow.com>. Don’t forget to share your published works with the Public Policy Team and let us know that you have contacted your legislators so we can track this information.

**LD1730. “An Act to Assist Victims of Human Trafficking”** Members of the Coalition for Maine Women are supporting this bill. The lead organization is the Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault. This bill proposes to assist victims of human trafficking in three ways. First, it creates a defense for a person charged with engaging in prostitution if they can show they did so against their will. Second, it creates the Trafficking Prevention and Intervention Fund to support state and local efforts to reduce human trafficking offenses. Third, it authorizes a person to file a petition seeking a pardon if their crime was the direct result of being a victim of a human trafficking offense. **WHAT YOU CAN DO.** You can contact your legislators and encourage them to support this bill.

**LD156. “Proposed Amendment to the Maine Constitution to Allow Early Voting.”** The legislature defeated this bill (which AAUW of Maine supported), so no action is needed this year.

**LD1428. “An Act to Protect Religious Freedom”** This bill would have made it legal for someone with certain religious beliefs that do not agree with reproductive healthcare not to participate in those healthcare activities regardless of his/her job. We believe this law would have been disadvantageous for Maine women and that religious beliefs are protected by other Maine laws. Since February 10, this bill has been defeated in both houses of the Maine legislature.

**Contacting Your Legislators:**

State House General Phone: 207-287-1400  
 State Senate General Phone: 1-800-423-6900

Find your legislator:

[http://www.maine.gov/portal/government/edemocracy/look\\_upvoter\\_info](http://www.maine.gov/portal/government/edemocracy/look_upvoter_info)

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**AAUW Table at Maine Women’s Day**

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## Maine AAUW Historian Report

By: Betsy Eggleston, Historian

What is the minimum amount of paperwork from your branch should you be archiving? Some branches have a historian and some do not.

Here is a suggested list of what to archive:

- Schedule of Year Activity
- List of Officers for the Year/Names of Members
- Secretarial Minutes
- Financial Reports
- Annual Reports
- Your Branch's Publications, if any
- Important Activities, outlined with any publicity

This list is only a partial suggestion, but is a starting point for your branch. Many of these documents are already in existence, so duplicating them perhaps makes it easier to archive your branch's year.

If your branch would like more information on the archiving process, please contact me. I will glad to assist you.

[eggleston62@gmail.com](mailto:eggleston62@gmail.com) or 207-667-8518

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## Get Ready To "Celebrate" Equal Pay Day

By: Bets Brown

It is time to get ready for one of the most un-wonderful days of the year, Equal Pay Day, which this year is on Tuesday, April 8, 2014. Equal Pay Day is the symbolic day when women's earnings finally catch up to men's earnings from the previous year. Thanks to the gender pay gap, it takes women an extra three months of wages to make up that 23-percent difference. **SO, MARK YOUR CALENDAR! Here are just a few suggestions for how your branch and you can stand up for equal pay for women.**

- You can send letters to the editor on equal pay. All of Maine's newspapers should be contacted. Let Kim Pollard, AAUW of Maine's Regional Organizer, and me know if your letter is published. Our emails are [pollardk@aauw.org](mailto:pollardk@aauw.org) and [wilbro@fairpoint.net](mailto:wilbro@fairpoint.net).
- You can contact Maine Senators Collins and King and urge them to sign on as co-sponsors of the Paycheck Fairness Act. They have not done so claiming small businesses will be hurt, but small businesses are protected in the Paycheck Fairness Act. The Paycheck Fairness Act makes it illegal for employers to retaliate against employees that inquire about pay levels in their organization. I can send you a fact sheet to help you with your writing if you would like. Just email me at [wilbro@fairpoint.net](mailto:wilbro@fairpoint.net)
- Jeanne Hammond, past president of AAUW of Maine, once held a coffee sale on Main Street in Waterville. She sold a cup of coffee to women for

\$0.77 and to men for \$1. You can replicate this in your town.

- AAUW at the national office has a ready-made proclamation that you can have your mayor sign declaring "Equal Pay Day" in your community. Just follow this link: <http://www.aauw.org/resource/equal-pay-day-proclamation/>.
- You can share on your social media pages (Facebook or Twitter) a link to AAUW's report, "The Simple Truth about the Gender Pay Gap." <http://www.aauw.org/research/the-simple-truth-about-the-gender-pay-gap/>
- Have a specialist on employment practices and pay equity come speak to your branch in April.

All of our branches need to step up and make our voices heard here in Maine. The national AAUW website has lots of suggestions as well. On April 8, with spring arriving, I continue to hope that someday this un-wonderful Equal Pay Day will not be necessary.

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**Branching Out: News from Our Branches**

**Hancock County Branch**

By: Betsy Eggleston

Our annual Holiday party took place at a member's home and we shared a potluck, which included pizza, and good fellowship. As we usually do we donated monies for our local food pantry. For many years and again this year, our January meeting has featured book reports by the members, suggesting books which we have read in the last year and which we think others might enjoy. A list is provided of these suggested books to all members. February's meeting is not a branch meeting but a planning meeting for spring events and fundraising. Our March meeting will celebrate Women's History Month by having members give short reports on women from the Maine Women's Hall of Fame. April's meeting will be a luncheon and a talk on the 'A Short History of the English Language.'

May is our plant, food, books, and white elephant sale to supplement our scholarship funds. This year's sale will be on Christmas and other holiday decorations. Our annual meeting is a potluck at a member's home, to which we bring our reports, elect our next year's officers and enjoy over food the friendship of our members.

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**Penobscot Valley Branch**

By: Janet Givens

After a fall season of excellent programs, the Penobscot Valley Branch did not meet in December and the January Brunch was "snowed out". A Meet and Greet with Kim Pollard was enjoyed before the AAUW of Maine board meeting in late January. In March Tamara Thompson, a University of Maine mechanical engineering student and employee of the Racing Surfaces Testing Lab, will present a STEM program for the branch. Books are being collected for our annual Book Sale on April 5, 2014. Thanks to Fran Haines and Sharon Ashworth the Penobscot Valley Branch website has been updated.

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*“Turning Passion to Action”*  
**CONVENTION 2014 INFORMATION**

The Bath-Brunswick Branch AAUW looks forward to welcoming AAUW members from across the state to the State Convention May 2 – 3, 2014. After this long winter we expect to show you delightful early May weather and warm, friendly hospitality.

For our out-of-town guests, we have reserved a block of rooms at the Hampton Inn, 140 Commercial Street, Bath. Telephone: (207) 386-1310. **The AAUW block of rooms will be held only until 6:00 PM, April 16, 2014.** Our special rate is \$129 for two queen beds, \$119 for one king bed (plus tax). After April 2<sup>nd</sup>, the rates will go up to the regular May rates.

Dinner Friday evening will be at the Taste of Maine Restaurant. For your safety and pleasure we have reserved the Bath Trolley to transport us from the Hampton Inn to the restaurant and back. (The restaurant is located on Route 1, and the return trip involves an accident-prone left-hand turn.) See the registration form to make your dinner selection. There will be a cash bar for the social time before the dinner. The Taste of Maine is handicap accessible and has a lovely water view.

Saturday will find us at the Kennebec Tavern, on Commercial Street in Bath, right across from the Hampton Inn, where you may leave your car for the day. Guests coming in for just Saturday need to park in front of the Kennebec Tavern and to the left of the building. Entrance to the convention space is the door on Commercial Street. Please leave the parking to the right of the building for the Tavern’s restaurant patrons. The Kennebec Tavern will have light breakfast items

available at registration and will later serve a buffet lunch in the convention meeting space. The meeting room is handicap accessible, with pleasant views of downtown Bath.

If you are interested in doing some walking or visiting a museum while you are in the area, check out the following websites:

- (1) Kennebec Estuary Land Trust (KELT) – website: [kennebecestuary.org](http://kennebecestuary.org). Check out the Conserved Lands tab.
- (2) Sagadahoc Preservation, Inc. (SPI) – website: [sagadahocpreservation.org](http://sagadahocpreservation.org). Check out Walking Tour of Historic Bath.
- (3) Maine Maritime Museum – website: [mainemaritimemuseum.org](http://mainemaritimemuseum.org). Check out the Visit tab.
- (4) Bowdoin College, Brunswick - website: [www.bowdoin.edu](http://www.bowdoin.edu). Peary MacMillan Arctic Museum, Bowdoin College Museum of Art.
- (5) Popham Beach State Park in Phippsburg is always beautiful, as is
- (6) Reid State Park in Georgetown.

If you are seeking alternative accommodations, you could try the following:

- (1) For B&Bs: search for “Bath bed & breakfast” in your browser, and click on Map for Bath Bed & Breakfast on the map that comes up on the right, and then click on “list all results” in the box appearing at the upper left.
- (2) Bath Shipyard Inn: website: [bathshipyardinn.com](http://bathshipyardinn.com) (this was formerly a Holiday Inn).

It is Mayfair Weekend in Bath, so there may be some events of interest going on. Check out the Main Street Bath website: <http://visitbath.com>.

**Registration Form**  
*AAUW of Maine 2014 Convention*  
 May 2-3, 2014  
 Bath, Maine

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Branch Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>1. Friday - Taste of Maine Restaurant</b>		
Choose one entree:		
Chicken Marsala (gluten-free)	<b>\$27.00</b>	
Seafood Medley	<b>\$31.00</b>	
Stuffed Shells (vegetarian)	<b>\$26.00</b>	_____
<b>2. Saturday - Kennebec Tavern</b>		
Continental Breakfast and Lunch	<b>\$24.50</b>	_____
<i>Gluten-free options available if reserved by April 25</i>		
<b>3. Registration Fee</b>	<b>\$9.50</b>	_____
<b>4. Optional Donation to Keep Maine Connected Campaign</b>		_____
	<b>Total Enclosed</b>	_____

Please mail registration form and check payable to AAUW of Maine by **April 29** to :  
 Carolyn MacRae, 17 Martin Ave., Waterville, ME 04901

**Friday Evening Schedule**

**\*Trolley will leave the hotel to bring members to dinner at 5:30pm\***

- 6:00-6:45** Welcome Reception – *Taste of Maine, Woolwich*
- 6:45-8:00** Dinner
- 7:45-8:00** Welcome Address – AAUW of Maine State President, Betty-Jane Meader
- 7:45-7:55** Presentation of Achievement Citation Award – Kristin Sweeney
- 7:55-8:15** ACA Winner **Sarah Standiford**
- 8:15** Closing Remarks by Betty-Jane Meader
- 8:45** President’s Reception (optional) - Hampton Inn

**9:30-10:30** “Forward in ‘15” – National Board Member, Eileen Hartmann

**10:30-10:45** Break  
**10:45-11:45** AAUW of Maine: “Turning Passion to Action”

**11:45-12:30** Lunch at **Kennebec Tavern, Bath**

**12:30-1:45** Panel: “How AAUW Members Can Influence Public Policy”

**MODERATOR:** *Former State Senator, The Honorable Mary Cathcart*

**CONFIRMED:** *State House Representative, The Honorable Jennifer DeChant (D-Bath)*

**CONFIRMED:** *Former State Senator, The Honorable Mary Small (R-Bath)*

**CONFIRMED:** *State Attorney General, Janet Mills*

**TENTATIVE:** *Former Speaker of the Maine State House, The Honorable Hannah Pingree (D-North Haven)*

**Saturday Convention Schedule**

- 8:00-8:30** Sign-In
- 8:30-9:30** Breakfast and Business Meeting (members only)

**1:45-2:00** Break

**2:00-2:45** “Becoming an Activist: Find Your Voice” – Writing a Letter to the Editor

**2:45-3:15** Basket Raffles and Wrap-Up

**3:15** End of Convention

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Tuesday, April 8	Equal Pay Day (Branch Activity)
Fri. & Sat., May 2-3	AAUW of Maine Spring Convention, Bath-Brunswick Area
Sept. 27	Elect Her (University of Maine)