



# FACETS

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*Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research*

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Tuesday, November 6

**ELECTION DAY - VOTE**

Wednesday, November 7

Board Meeting 7:00 PM  
Karen Martin's Home

Wednesday, November 7

Engineering Workshop for Secondary School Students  
King's Daughters Library, Garnerville

Saturday, November 17

Branch Meeting 1:00 PM  
New City Library

Tuesday, December 4

Board Meeting 7:00 PM  
Myrna Silberman's Home

Saturday December 8

Holiday Luncheon/ Fundraiser 11:30 am – 3:30 pm  
Golden Mushroom Restaurant

December 23 and 24

Barnes and Noble Gift-Wrapping Fundraiser  
Nanuet Store

Wednesday, January 2

Board Meeting  
Conference Call

Saturday, January 19

Branch Meeting  
Time and Location TBD

Saturday, February 23

Diversity Brunch  
*Save the date!*

From AAUW National

## Make Outreach to Local Title IX Coordinators a Branch Program



All K–12 schools and postsecondary institutions that receive federal funds must designate at least one employee to coordinate their efforts to comply with and carry out their responsibilities under [Title IX](#). These Title IX coordinators ensure that all people affected by sex discrimination in schools — students, parents, and employees — are aware of their legal rights.

Some of the most egregious and harmful Title IX violations occur when schools fail to have a Title IX coordinator or when a Title IX coordinator does not have the training or authority to oversee compliance with Title IX. That's why the Department of Education issued resources for Title IX coordinators to better understand and perform their important job of ensuring that learning environments are free from sex discrimination. AAUW encourages advocates to deliver this critical resource guide to local Title IX coordinators.

With AAUW's new, interactive tool organized by state, you can now locate the contact information of the Title IX coordinators nearest to you so that you can deliver these valuable resources.

Title IX coordinators play a vital role in preventing and addressing sex-based discrimination in schools. They ensure equal opportunities in STEM and athletics, work to address sexual harassment and assault, assist pregnant and parenting students, and much more. Under federal law, every institution that receives federal funds for education programs is required to designate one employee to be responsible for ensuring the school complies with Title IX. But unfortunately, many Title IX coordinators lack a complete understanding of their responsibilities.

In 2015, the Department of Education provided resources to help coordinators understand the full scope of their jobs, but not all coordinators know about these tools. By making outreach to local K–12 schools, colleges, and universities a branch program, you can help spread the word about these valuable resources. AAUW provides a step-by-step guide to bring equity for women and girls to your community. These instructions were written with AAUW branches in mind, but they can easily be adapted for student organizations, community groups, or interested individuals looking to take action.

AAUW members and gender-equity advocates can play an important role by delivering these resources to schools in their communities and helping to support Title IX coordinators in performing their duties.

If you would like to know more and make an impact in your community visit:

**<https://www.aauw.org/resource/title-ix-coordinators-piab/>**

The AAUW – Rockland Book Club meets in the Conference Room of the New City Library on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month from 2:30 - 4:00 P.M.

All are welcome.

November 19, "The American Spirit"

By David McCullough

**NO MEETING IN DECEMBER**

Contact Fran Carlson for more information.



**Saturday, December 8, 2018**

**Golden Mushroom**

**Route 9W Nyack, NY**

**11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

*The cost is \$20 per person for lunch. Seating is limited to 30 guests, bring your check*

*payable to **AAUW Rockland** to the branch meeting on November 17<sup>th</sup>, or mail directly to:*

*Ellie Grossman*

*35 Park Avenue Apt 3A*

*Suffern, NY 10901*

*Payment must be made in advance by December 3.*

**SORRY, NO WALK-INS.**

*Chinese Auction donations must be received by Sylvia Miller no later than December 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM.*

*Call Sylvia to arrange drop off (845)358-1680*

**AAUW Rockland's Annual Barnes and Noble  
Gift Wrapping, Friend and Fund Raiser  
December 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Sign-up sheets will be available at the November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting and at the Holiday Luncheon!**



# WHAT'S HAPPENING.

**E.O.F.** - Holiday Party will take place on Saturday, December 8, 2018 at the Golden Mushroom in Nyack. Total cost including tip is \$20.00 and should be sent directly to Ellie Grossman. (see p.3 for details)

**STEM** – The 9th Annual AAUW- Rockland Secondary School Engineering Conference was held on November 7<sup>th</sup> at the King's Daughters Library in Garnerville. The event hosted over 120 people, including students from 10 of the county's high schools, teachers and guidance counselors and engineers who served as panel guests. County Legislator, Toney Earl honored the panelists with commendations for their service to the youth of our community and NYS Society of Professional Engineers President, Tom Broderick was on hand to discuss engineering scholarship opportunities and the upcoming Engineering Expo. Our own April Biggs, gave a presentation on the basic types of engineers and the important role that engineering plays in our everyday lives. Keynote speaker, Alixandria Lane from Turner Construction Corporation gave a very interesting account of her work as lead engineer in the excavation phase of the 3 billion-dollar Hudson Yards Project and her work on the Penn Station renovation for which she won an award for design. Students had a delicious catered lunch, participated in an interactive contest, (Tappan Zee High School won the first place trophy) and left with packets of information on engineering schools, scholarships, jobs and salaries. A diverse panel consisted of engineers from Brooker Engineering, McLaren Engineering, Turner Construction Corporation and Lilker Engineering Associates and provided a very rich and informative dialogue about their respective and collective experiences and backgrounds. Deborah Barnes, April Biggs, Doria Hillsman, Charlotte Sorger and Denise Valentine served on the engineering sub-committee and are already looking forward to next year's event.



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Panelists: B. Henry, H. Brooker, D. O'Haney, D. Hillsman (Chair), E. Baca, A. Lane, R. Collier



AAUW- Rockland Secondary School Engineering Conference Participants

**FROM CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, ANITA NESSIN:** Please forward any information regarding special events, such as weddings, illnesses, graduations, surgeries etc. She will be happy to send a greeting card. Please forward your birthday month and date (year is NOT necessary) so that your name can be placed on her special birthday roster.

[Amn46@hotmail.com](mailto:Amn46@hotmail.com)

**WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH:** Will be held on March 23, 2019. Save the date and mark your calendar!

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** Seeking members in advance of this year's round of elections! Sign up TODAY!  
Call Frances Blauvelt at (845) 356-3081.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** AAUW DIRECTORY for 2018-2019 is now available. If you would prefer to have the file e-mailed to you rather than receiving a printed copy, please contact Sylvia Miller at [@aauwsam@optonline.net](mailto:@aauwsam@optonline.net) or (845) 358-1680. Printed copies will be made available at **the next branch meeting on November 17<sup>th</sup>**.



Time and location TBD: *Stay Tuned!!!*

**NOVEMBER BRANCH MEETING ON SATURDAY,  
NOVEMBER 17<sup>th</sup> at the NEW CITY LIBRARY  
220 N. Main Street, New City**

**Our Guest Speaker is Dariela Vasquez, LMSW, Coordinator of  
Anti-Trafficking Services for Center for Safety & Change, Inc.  
in Rockland County.**



**VCS**, in community collaboration with Nyack Center and the Nyack Library, presents

# Working Together for Racial Justice

**Daytime Meeting** : 9am - 10:30am on the 2nd Wednesday every month

**Location** : Nyack Center, 58 Depew Ave, Nyack (Middle Room)

**Next Meetings**: Wednesday, November 14, 2018; December 12, 2018

**Evening Meeting** : 6:30pm - 8pm on Mondays in 2018

**Location** : Nyack Library, 59 South Broadway, Nyack (Community Room)

**Next Meetings** : Mondays, November 19, 2018; December 17, 2018



VCS Holiday Boutique Sale is just around the corner...

**Jewelry \* Accessories \* Clothing \* Men's Gifts  
Artwork \* Books \* Children's Gifts \* More!**

**November 14th and November 15th  
10 am to 2 pm  
VCS Inc., 77 South Main St.  
Jon's Room, 1st Floor**

**100% of purchases benefit VCS.**

*AAUW empowers all women and girls to reach their highest potential.*

*In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in the organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, sexual orientation, age, national origin, disability or class.*

*By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through economic barriers, so that all women and girls have a fair chance.*

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