AAUW NEWS OF NOTE

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<u>Mission Statement:</u> AAUW advances equity for all women and girls through advocacy, education, and research. <u>Vision Statement:</u> AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measurable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

HINGHAM AREA BRANCH SEPTEMBER 2012

CALENDAR

September 11, Tuesday	Branch Meeting, 6:30 PM Allerton House, Weymouth Annual Pot Luck Dinner		
September 18, Tuesday	Book Discussion Group, 7:00 PM Home of Carol Sullivan-Hanley		
September 19, Wednesday	Yarn Club, 7:00 to 9:00 PM Home of Claudette Newhall		
September 20, Thursday	DeClutter Bugs, 4:30 PM Derby Street Shoppes Plaza		
September 20, Thursday	Girls Game Night, 7:00 PM Home of Chrisanne Gregoire		
October 4, Thursday	Girls Game Night, 7:00 PM Home of Sandy Carle		

BRANCH MEETING - ANNUAL POT LUCK DINNER

Our branch will start the year with our Annual Pot Luck Dinner on Tuesday, September 11 at 6:30 pm at the Allerton House, 43 School House Road (off Broad Street), **WEYMOUTH**. Plan to attend. Re-connect with AAUW friends, meet new AAUW-MA President Barbara Burgo, learn about the year's programs that your hard-working program committee has put together over the summer, receive your membership directory and enjoy a delicious meal. Pot Luck is the perfect opportunity to introduce a prospective member to AAUW, so bring a guest or two.

RSVP to Hollie Bagley (<u>holliebagley@gmail.com</u> or 781-749-6274) by Sunday, September 9 letting her know if you will be bringing a salad, a main dish, or a dessert. In addition to your food item, please bring your place setting and silverware. Beverages will be provided.

If you are able to volunteer to help set up or clean up, please let Ruth Ann Moore know (<u>ruthmoore777@yahoo.com</u> or 781789-7328). Your help is greatly appreciated.

Looking forward to seeing you there! -- The Pot Luck Committee

NAME CHANGE ON AGENDA

At our first meeting, we will vote on changing our name to South Shore Area Branch as this name more accurate reflects the geographic area served by our group. Acceptance by the membership is necessary before taking the next steps to making it official. Your vote is needed.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The summer is flying by and it will be just a few days before we are together again at Potluck. I hope everyone had a wonderful summer!

The year starts off with a bang for the Hingham Area Branch as we are joining the Canton Branch and participating in the AAUW Action Fund's "It's My Vote: I Will be Heard" campaign. Like many branches nationwide who are working with their local colleges, we'll be setting up a table at the Massasoit Community College's (Brockton and Canton campuses) Info Expos, a fall new student event, to help ensure these millennials are registered to vote.

This is very happy marriage between voter registration and college campuses. According to <u>HigherEdJobs</u>, the federal Higher Education Act requires that registration materials be readily accessible on college and university campuses. In this way, AAUW is providing a real service to our college/university partners, both recruiting more of them and helping the millennial generation have a real impact this fall.

Our events will take place on Wednesday September 19th in Brockton and on Wednesday September 26th in Canton. *We're planning on "womanning" the AAUW table in Brockton from about 11:30 am - 1pm on September 19th. We're looking for volunteers to register student voters at that time. Please contact me if you can join us for an hour or two in Brockton.*

Pat

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Join us and bring friends-- September 11 Pot Luck is a great way to introduce people to our organization. We can all benefit if someone joins the first time they attend a meeting. They get 50% off the \$49 national membership dues and our branch can earn a free membership when two new members join: double the fun. Do you know someone in a graduate program? Entice them to join for only \$18.81 national dues. It's a great way to learn about our mission to help women with education and pay equity.

Look over the program and encourage people to come to the presentations. I am amazed when I speak about pay equity in a casual conversation that many smart educated women did not realize they had to work until APRIL to earn what a man earned by December 31 the year before. We need more women to join us for our voice to be heard loud and clear. AAUW is a vehicle for a united strong voice.

DECLUTTER BUGS

The Declutter Bugs will be meeting on September 20^{th} at Derby Street Shoppes Plaza. The meeting starts at 4:30, and we welcome others who like the laughs and support to sell, give, or throw something away. Downsize one box at a time – you will feel good!

Deanne Noiseux, Membership VP.

YARN GROUP

Do you like to knit or crochet? If you don't already know how, would you like to learn? Well, here's your chance to get together with other AAUW members to share ideas, help each other, and most importantly to spend time

knitting and crocheting once a month. We will meet on **Wednesday, September 19th** from 7-9 p.m. at Claudette Newhall's (Braintree). If you plan to attend please email Claudette at clsnewhall@aol.com or call her at 781-843-7262. Our meeting in October will be at Lynn Howard's (Weymouth) on **Wednesday, October 24th**. Lynn Howard

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Thanks once again to all who sent me suggestions and especially to those who came to the meeting to help solidify our readings for the upcoming season. Below is a copy of the date, location of meetings known at this time, book and then in parenthesis the author. We tried to select books that are available in paperback, thus some suggestions were not selected at this time. The list is fairly varied and hopefully will appeal to a wide range of readers.

We decided that whoever hosts the meeting will be the discussion leader for that book with the hopes of keeping the discussion focused and book specific. Looking forward to seeing you next month.

Nancy Yellin

9/18 @ Carol Hanley-Sullivan's	- Buddha ii	n the Attic	(Julie Otsul	ka)
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- 10/16 @ Nancy Yellin's The Reliable Wife (Robert Goolrick)
- 11/20 @ Cindy Fusco's The American Boy (Larry Watson)
- 12/11 @ Lynne O'Brien's Butterfly Cabinet (Bernie McGill)
- 1/8 @ Allerton House Maine (J. Courtney Sullivan)
- 2/19 TBD The Informationist (Taylor Stevens)
- 3/19 TBD Unbroken (Laura Hillenbrand)
- 4/16 TBD What is the What (Dave Eggars)
- 5/21 TBD The Night Circus (Erin Morgenstern)