



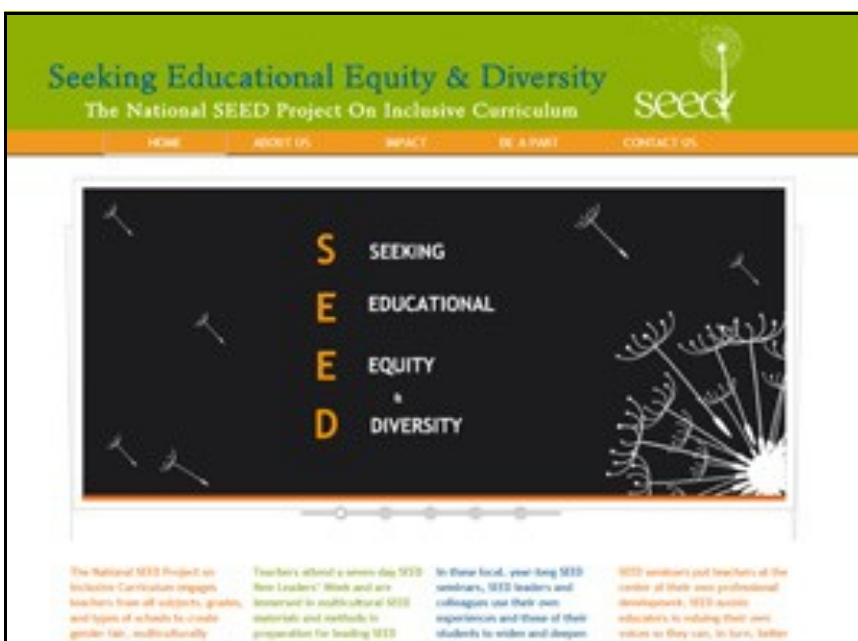
BEDFORD-LEXINGTON AREA BRANCH MAY 2016

Breaking Through Barriers for Women and Girls

“SEEDING LEADERSHIP” WITH EMILY STYLE WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2016, 7:00 PM BEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Ms. Emily Style, Co-Director of the SEED program at Wellesley Centers for Women, will describe that program--Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity. Since its beginning 30 years ago, SEED has been based at Wellesley's Center and early conversations with them were centered around the 1992 AAUW publication "How Schools Shortchange Girls."

SEED is described as a "peer-led professional development program that promotes change through self-reflection and interpersonal dialogue and builds capacity for more equitable curriculum, campuses, and communities." With what SEED calls "new leaders' weeks, monthly seminars for participants are held. These participants are typically leaders from public and private schools, colleges, and communities. Plan to come and hear about this unique program!



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NOMINATING: PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS

- Co-Presidents:** Ruth Ladd and Stacy Fatale
- Treasurer:** Robin DeMott
- Program Team:** Ruth Ladd, Stacy Fatale, and Robin DeMott
- Nominating:** Robin DeMott, Lila Packer, and Mary Brzezinski

PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

It's not too late to sign up for and attend the AAUW-MA conference and annual meeting! It can be done on-line or send a check to Robin DeMott. We have several members planning to attend so there are carpools available.

Our April program with Representative Christine Barber was excellent. She is a first term Rep but comes from a strong background of working with legislators. She is very knowledgeable and passionate about women's issues. She engaged the audience with her presentation and subsequent exchange of questions and comments.

Remember that our annual dinner will be in JUNE this year—see page 3. We all enjoyed the Club Car Café last year so we'll be there again this year. Bring your check to the May meeting or mail to Robin DeMott. While you are at it, you can send in your dues check!

Karen Braganu and Ruth Ladd

WOMEN'S FINANCIAL SECURITY—A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE SYMPOSIUM & AAUW-MA ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, May 7

Harvard's T.H. Chan School of Public Health

667 Huntington Avenue, Boston

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| 08:00 – 10:30: Continental Breakfast and Registration | 1:30 – 2:30: Mid-Career Challenges |
| 09:00 – 10:30: AAUW- MA Annual Meeting (prospective new members welcomed) | 2:30 - 2:45: Networking Break |
| 10:30 - 11:00: Conference Opens - Introductions and Keynote Speaker | 2:45- 3:45: Golden Years – How to keep what you have earned |
| 11:00 – 12:00: Starting your career/new job; negotiating your options | 3:45 – 4:00: Networking Break |
| 12:00 – 1:30: Working Lunch and Workshops | 4:00 – 5:00: Global Dimension – Understanding the Bigger Picture |
| Workshop 1: Work Smart – AAUW/City of Boston | 5:00 – 5:15: Closing Remarks |
| Workshop 2: Financial Institutions' Sponsored Session | 5:30 - 6:30: Reception |
| Workshop 3: Financial Institutions' Sponsored Session | |
- \$65. Mail check to Robin DeMott at 3 Brewster Lane, Acton, MA 01720. Alternatively go to <http://aauw-ma.aauw.net/> and sign up online.

JUNE DINNER (previously known as the May Dinner!)

Catherine Boyd, Chair

Don't miss our final meeting of the year on Wednesday, JUNE 1, at the Club Car Cafe in West Concord. Canapes will be available beginning at 6:30. Main courses include Chicken Piccata, Eggplant Parmesan and Cheese Ravioli with marinara sauce and meatballs, accompanied by tossed salad and followed with dessert. Feel free to bring your own liquid refreshment (BYOB). Ice will be available. Reserve your place by sending Robin a check in the amount of \$35 per person made out to BEDFORD-LEXINGTON AREA BRANCH AAUW.

The Club Car Cafe's address is 20 Commonwealth Avenue, West Concord. The easiest way to get to the restaurant is to approach Commonwealth Avenue from Rt. 62 going west. After either crossing Rt. 2 or turning left off Rt. 2 onto Rt. 62, you will continue straight through one traffic light followed shortly by a blinking

light. You will take a right at the next light onto Commonwealth Avenue. The parking area for those with handicap needs is the very first right after turning onto Commonwealth Avenue from Rt. 62. Park on the right facing toward the cobbled area, not next to the other restaurant. For those NOT needing "preferred" parking, continue on Commonwealth Avenue crossing the railroad tracks and taking an immediate right into the public parking lot. You will walk a path across the tracks to enter the restaurant.

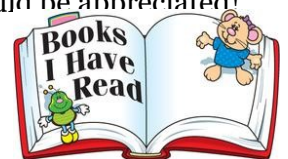
Note that we will be honored to have Patricia Ho as our guest and speaker. We are so lucky to have the AAUW president live near us and grace our meetings now and then!



CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Ruth Ladd is collecting books suitable for children K-5 to give to the Russell School in Dorchester. They have improved their school's rating from 4 to 1 in just the past few years but they lost their librarian and therefore the children's access to the library. The principal reports that most of the children have few or no books at home and she would love to have more books available for the children. If you have any suitable books, especially those that are not

white-centric, please bring them to the May meeting or drop them at her house: 15 Pine Knoll Road, Lexington. An email (wetlandmom@aol.com) alerting her to their arrival would be appreciated!



Bedford Lexington Area Branch AAUW
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL AND NEW MEMBERS, JULY 1, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2017

Name _____ Address _____

Home telephone _____

Cell/Fax _____ E-Mail _____

Occupation _____ Volunteer work _____

Education
 Undergraduate _____ Graduate _____

Annual Dues		Honorary Life Member	\$0.00
Branch Member	\$79.00	Member at Large to Branch Member	\$30.00
Includes National Association	\$49.00	Student Affiliate (Active undergraduate)	\$32.00
State	\$15.00	Community Member (No degree but supports goals of AAUW)	\$15.00
Branch	\$15.00		
Life Member	\$30.00		

\$46 of the \$49 National Association Dues is Tax Deductible!!

Make checks payable to: **Bedford Lexington Area AAUW - due June 1, 2016!**

Mail to: Robin DeMott, 3 Brewster Lane, Acton, MA 01720

Renewals only may pay dues for 2016-17 after 3/16/16 on-line with a credit card at www.aauw.org. Log into the Member Services Database and an option will display on the left to pay your dues.

Please check areas of interest and activity even if you can't be actively involved this year.

AAUW Activities:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Foundation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Advocacy Fund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Programs and Special Events | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Rights Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Post Flyers and Deliver Brochures | <input type="checkbox"/> Political Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Development and Support | <input type="checkbox"/> Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coordinate Rides to Meetings | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Refreshments | <input type="checkbox"/> Parenting Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greeter at Meetings | <input type="checkbox"/> Diversity Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liaison to Other Community Groups | <input type="checkbox"/> Girls Inc. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Library and Town Day Displays | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Telephoning | |

Skills you could share with AAUW:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bookkeeping | <input type="checkbox"/> Graphic Design |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Website Design and Maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Editing and Writing Articles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program Presentation | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Outreach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Skills | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

Would you like to attend the following groups?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cinema | <input type="checkbox"/> Book Group (Evening) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bridge | <input type="checkbox"/> Support Group |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Book Group (Daytime) | <input type="checkbox"/> Travel Group |

Other interest groups, in which you would like to participate or help organize, such as: current events, eating out, theater, etc.

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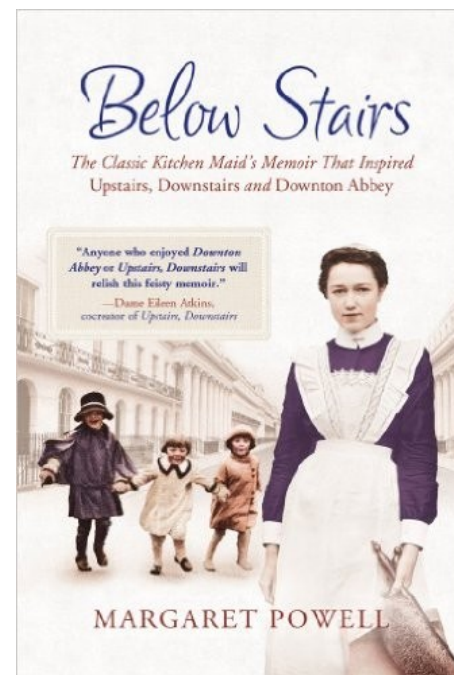
AAUW's Value Promise

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

→ **JUNE NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: May 14, 2016**

BOOK GROUP

Those interested in discussing *Below Stairs: The Classic Kitchen Maid's Memoir . . .* by Margaret Powell should come to Catherine Boyd's in Concord on May 18.



MAY 11th BOARD MEETING

All officers and board members—old and new—are encouraged to come. It will 7 pm at the UU Church on the Green in Bedford. We will be in the third floor meeting room. There IS an elevator! BYOC (bring your own coffee) since there is no access to drinks or a kitchen. Questions? Contact Ruth Ladd at 781-862-6575 or wetlandmom@aol.com.