

AAUW NEWS OF NOTE

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Mission Statement: AAUW advances equity for all women and girls through advocacy, education, and research.

Vision Statement: 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

OCTOBER 2012

CALENDAR

October 3, Wednesday	Adventures in Dining, 6:30 pm Brisa in Cohasset
October 4, Thursday	Girls' Game Night home of Sandy Carle
October 24, Wednesday	Yarn Group, 7:00 pm home of Lynn Howard
November 6, Tuesday	Election Day VOTE!
November 7, Wednesday	Girls' Game Night home of Hollie Bagley

BRANCH MEETING

The October branch meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 9th at the Hingham Public Library, 66 Leavitt Street (off route 128). It will begin at 7:00 pm in the Whiton Room and will feature Lauri Klein speaking on A Path to Mindful Living.

Lauri is a licensed clinical social worker with over thirty years of professional experience. She will speak to us about the importance of mindful living and thinking through meditation and deliberate practice. "Mindfulness means paying attention, without judgment to what is happening in the present moment. Through mindful meditation and other mindful practices you can become empowered to take charge of your life. You can consciously work with your own stress, pain, or illness and face the challenges and demands of everyday living from a calmer and more peaceful place." As usual, the program is free and open to the public, so come and bring your friends to enjoy an evening of meditation that promotes health and well-being.

Carol Sullivan-Hanley

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is with great pleasure that I announce that our branch has taken the first steps toward changing its name. At the September Potluck, which was a lovely evening thanks to the entire Potluck Committee headed up by Ruth Ann Moore (Hanover) and Ruthanne Kennedy (Weymouth), we took our formal vote and unanimously agreed to change our branch name to South Shore Area Branch. We still need approval from the state and national bodies but that is in the works thanks to Cindy Fusco and Fran Schlesinger. I will keep you posted on the progress.

We are currently looking for someone to take over leadership of our scholarship committee. This is an important job (but a not-so-time-consuming one) and if anyone has a strong interest in helping our branch find recipients for our scholarship, please get in touch with me.

As I write this, members are setting up a Voter Registration table at Massasoit Community College – Brockton Campus InfoExpo day. This is one of our contributions to the GOTV national initiative of our organization. Members will also be registering voters on September 25th at Quincy College. Contact Hollie if you want to join them.

Lastly, please “save the date” for October 27th for the AAUW state conference, “Women in Politics” to be held at the UMass-Dartmouth Technology Center...details to follow.

See you on the 9th! Pat

A New Look and Address for Our Website

Did you know that our state website and our branch web page have a new look and, more importantly, a new address? At the end of the summer Tamara Gaydos, AAUW-MA Administrative Coordinator, switched our website to a new service, Site Resources, provided free by AAUW. The new address for the state is <http://aauw-ma.aauw.net/> and our branch page is <http://aauw-ma.aauw.net/branches/hingham/>. Check it out! You will like the updated features and the links located on the right side-bar. All current AAUW information can be reached from the convenience of our branch page.

AAUW Get Out the Vote Campaign: Voter Registration @ Massasoit Community College and Quincy College

The Hingham Area Branch participated in the AAUW's Get Out the Vote campaign by conducting a voter registration drive at Massasoit Community College on September 19. It was a beautiful September day, perfect for the outdoor student activity fair being held at the college. Hollie Bagley, Cindy Fusco, Gail Saccone, Deanne Noiseux , and Frances Schlesinger set up a table with voter registration forms, voter information handouts, AAUW informational brochures, and chocolate bars donated by MCC's Student Affairs Department. AAUW Massachusetts President Barbara Burgo joined us in the effort to register students and spread the word about AAUW. We all thoroughly enjoyed talking with the students and were impressed by how many students enthusiastically took advantage of this voter registration opportunity. We registered 45 students.

On September 25 the Branch conducted a voter registration drive at Quincy College. Thanks to Ruthanne Kennedy, Susan Leahy, Jan Peabody, Fran Schlesinger and Hollie Bagley, 51 students were registered to vote. The students were very thankful we provided this service.

YARN GROUP

The Yarn Group will meet on Wednesday, October 24th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Lynn Howard (4 Judson Road Weymouth). No experience is needed, just bring your yarn, your needles, your pattern, and a few jokes and we'll help you! Please email or call Lynn at lynnphoward82@comcast.net or 781-901-9120 if you plan to attend.

Lynn Howard

ADVENTURES IN DINING

Nancy Yellin has scoped out another tapas restaurant after our fun experience at Hola in August. Weather permitting, the next Adventures in Dining outing will be at Brisa, in Cohasset, where tapas are served on a patio facing the water. We plan to meet there on Wednesday, October 3, at 6:30 p.m. If you can join us, please let Sondra know at beesnees@comcast.net.

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