# 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 JANUARY 2013

# **CALENDAR**

January 3, Thursday Girls' Game Night, 7:00 pm

Home of Sandy Carle

January 8, Tuesday Branch Meeting, 6:30 pm

Allerton House, Hingham Soup & Salad & Books

January 15, Tuesday Adventures in Dining, 6:30 pm

Ecco Trattoria, Weymouth

January 17, Thursday Writers Group, 7:30 pm

Brewed Awakenings, Hingham

January 23, Wednesday Yarn Group, 7:00 pm

Home of Claudette Newhall

February 26, Tuesday Book Group, 7:00 pm

Home of Jane Street

# **BRANCH MEETING**

On Tuesday, January 8, 2013 we will have our annual Soup & Salad (S&S) Meeting at Allerton House, 15 Condito Road, Hingham at 6:30 pm. The book we are reading is "Maine" by J. Courtney Sullivan. I hope you all can attend. Please let me know if you are coming and also what you are bringing: either soup, salad, or desert. Contact me at <a href="mailto:greenharbor11@verizon.net">greenharbor11@verizon.net</a> or 781-267-1098. Don't forget to bring a bowl, a plate, and flatware. Drinks will be provided.

Sheila Doherty

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year!

Now that the hectic holiday season has ended, we can turn our attention once again to those issues that we believe in so strongly. Last October saw the publication of AAUW's report, *Graduating to a Pay Gap* and recently it received terrific media coverage from the Washington Post to NPR.

Aside from some terrific press for our organization, the articles made the point very clearly to a very wide audience – women are still earning only \$0.82 for every dollar earned by a comparable man. The sources praised the study's methodology citing the accuracy of the findings related to gender discrimination. Most importantly, the reviewers urged Washington to act on AAUW's recommendations such as enacting the Paycheck Fairness Act which would beef up the fifty year old Equal Pay Act. Let's hope our legislators hear our voices on this issue.

# NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We need a few good women for the following positions:

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Program VP Co-Membership

Secretary Treasurer

Volunteers or suggestions are welcome. **WE NEED YOUR HELP**. Contact Sheila Doherty at 781-267-1098 or at greenharbor11@verizon.net. You may also contact Ruthanne Kennedy at 781-337-1645.

#### ADVENTURES IN DINING

The Adventures in Dining group will dine at Ecco Trattoria, in Weymouth, for our January outing. We plan to meet on January 15, 2013, at 6:30. The restaurant website may be found at <a href="http://www.eccotrattoria.com/">http://www.eccotrattoria.com/</a>

# WRITERS GROUP

The AAUW Writers Group plans to meet on Thursday, January 17th at 7:30 PM at the Brewed Awakenings in Hingham.

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### **BOOK GROUP**

The Book Club for February has been rescheduled from February 19 to February 26. We will meet at 7:00 at Jane Street's in Hingham. We will be reading *The Informationist* by Taylor Steven.

Nancy

### YARN GROUP

We will meet on **Wednesday, January 23rd** at Claudette Newhall's (25 Robinson Avenue, Braintree). You don't need to have any previous experience, all members are welcome. So if you've been thinking about joining us but haven't yet, make a New Year's resolution and come join us. We have a lot of laughs while we work on our projects. Please send an email or call Lynn (lynnphoward82@comcast.net or 781-901-9120) to let us know if you are going to join us. If you would like to be part of the group but can't make it on Wednesday nights, please let us know what night is better for you and we'll try to pick a different night for future meetings.

Lynn