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SOUTH SHORE AREA BRANCH MARCH 2016

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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.

CALENDAR

March 8, Tuesday Branch Meeting

Fogg Library 7:00 PM South Weymouth

March 12, Saturday Daylight Savings Begins

Spring ahead

March 15, Tuesday Book Group, 7:00 PM at Jane's

HAPPY AT SEPARATE SEP

March 17, Thursday

March 20, Sunday First Day of Spring

March 22, Tuesday Board Meeting 7:00 PM

Home of Sandy Carle

March 24, Thursday Girls' Game Night

Home of Sandy Carle RSVP scarle12@aol.com

May 10, Tuesday Annual Dinner, 6:30 PM

Peppercornz on Main, Weymouth

Save the Dates

April 9, Saturday STEM 8AM-1PM

Weymouth High School

May 7, Saturday AAUW State Convention

BRANCH MEETING

On Tuesday, March 8th at the Fogg Library in South Weymouth we will come Face to Face with the FBI.

Jennifer Street and Julie Ferringer are analysts in the FBI's Boston Division and will discuss Women in the FBI: History and Opportunities. Ms. Street has held a variety of positions in her more than twenty-five years with the FBI, including the positions of analyst, administrative specialist, and surveillance specialist. She has also been a member of the FBI's Evidence Response Team (ERT) and in this role helped process major crime scenes. Ms. Street has worked at the FBI's field offices in Baltimore, Boston, and Miami. She has also worked at the FBI's Legal Attache offices in South Africa, Greece, and Egypt. Ms. Ferringer recently celebrated her tenth anniversary with the FBI and has worked at the FBI Headquarters in Washington, DC, and in the FBI's Boston Division. Prior to working for the FBI, Ms. Ferringer was an Intelligence Specialist supporting F-16 operations in the Air National Guard and was deployed in 2003 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM. Come and bring your friends to enjoy this exciting presentation.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"You must never be fearful about what you are doing when it is right." -Rosa Parks

Hopefully, we will have an opportunity to engage with our "Envision the Future" STEM participants on April 9th at Weymouth High School. Due to weather constraints we had to cancel their previously scheduled presentation. Our STEM initiative is alive and well. We have another AAUW national initiative for you to engage in for 2016: "It's My Vote: I Will Be Heard 2016".

Please inquire if you would like to volunteer for a more active role in South Shore AAUW. We have several openings you might be interested in: Publicity, NCCWSL, By-Laws, and Get Out the Vote. Please call me to discuss your future involvement.

A special "thank you" goes to Fran Schlesinger for bringing our by-laws into compliance with the national directive.

I look forward to seeing you at our branch meeting on March 8th at the Fogg Library in Weymouth. Remember, "AAUW advances equity for all women and girls". Ruthanne

BOOK GROUP

We will be meeting on Tuesday, March 15 at 7pm at Jane's to discuss *Behind the Beautiful Forevers* by Katherine Boo

CULTURE GROUP

Meet on March 10th at 10:00 am at Hingham Park and Ride for carpooling - *Trip to Peabody Essex Museum/Salem:*

Asia in Amsterdam: The Culture of Luxury in the Golden Age

The Peabody Essex Museum (PEM) presents an exhibition that draws on its world-renowned Asian export art collection to explore a fascinating and pivotal intersection of art, commerce and innovation. *Asia in Amsterdam: The Culture of Luxury in the Golden Age* features 200 superlative works of art -- paintings, textiles, ceramics, silver, lacquerware, furniture, jewelry and books -- that reveal the transformative impact of Asian luxuries on Dutch art and life in the 17th century. The exhibition features loans from more than 60 collections worldwide, including treasures from the British, Swedish and Dutch royal households, as well as from museums and private collections in the Netherlands and throughout Europe and the United States.

PUBLIC POLICY

Why President Obama's Final State of the Union Matters for Women and Girls

"...President Obama delivered what some pundits have equated to a valedictory address in his final State of the Union. But in many respects, last night's speech was also the mother of all campaign stump speeches. While the President touched on his policy victories as well as outstanding problems yet to be addressed, he did not back away from pointed critiques of opponents who he believes are "peddling fiction" about the state of our union. It was clear that President Obama believes that some of his policies could be rolled back if a Republican succeeds him, and the speech in many ways framed the 2016 campaign in terms of that choice. And, per usual, <u>AAUW's priority issues</u> were right in the thick of things..." Read more.

Helping Girls Find Their STEM Passion

Kea Jolicoeur didn't play with Legos as a child. Instead, she spent her early years traveling around the world in a 15-passenger van with her family, who owned and operated an outdoor adventure school. But when Jolicoeur was a rising eighth grader, she spent a week at the AAUW <u>Tech Trek camp at Stanford University</u>. ... There she built a solar oven and discovered a love of engineering and design. Read more.

Closing in on the Pay Gap

December 09, 2015 – Boston could be the first city to close the gender pay gap. At least that's Mayor Martin J. Walsh's goal, and it might just be possible, thanks to AAUW. Read more.