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## Dearest AAUW Mass members,

Thank you for the privilege to be your co-presidents since July 2016. Working with the branches and members throughout the state has been an incredible experience. Your passion for women's and girls' equity is amazing. The support, energy, creativity, and dedication of all the members in Massachusetts are a great link to the founders of AAUW who were from Boston and the future of AAUW Massachusetts.

Stacy Fatale and Katie are doing a little Freaky Friday switch starting in July. Stacy will be joined by Liz Kensicki as co-presidents of the state board. I'll take Stacy's position as policy chair. I look forward to continuing to serve the cause of women's and girls' equity and you members in a different role. I also am thrilled to contribute under the great leadership of Stacy and Liz. Marsha and I trust you will support Liz and Stacy with the same and even more support you gave us. We are also heartened to see AAUW continue to address changing times with evolving strategies to achieve the goal of equity. We hope you take a moment to vote on the proposed new by-laws that will help keep AAUW relevant for years to come.

Enjoy the last Bay Stater during our tenure as co-presidents.  
Safe and happy summers to all.

Thanks!

Katie Donovan and Marsha Fredericks



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# Highlighted Events in the Area



## Book and Author Tea

Sponsored by the  
American Association of University Women / Cape Cod

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

at 2:00 p.m.

Cape Codder Hotel

1225 Iyannough Road (Route 132) • Hyannis, MA

Featured Authors

**PETER ABRAHAMS** aka SPENCER QUINN

**ANN HOOD**

**ANNE LeCLAIRE**

**DEBORAH SWISS**

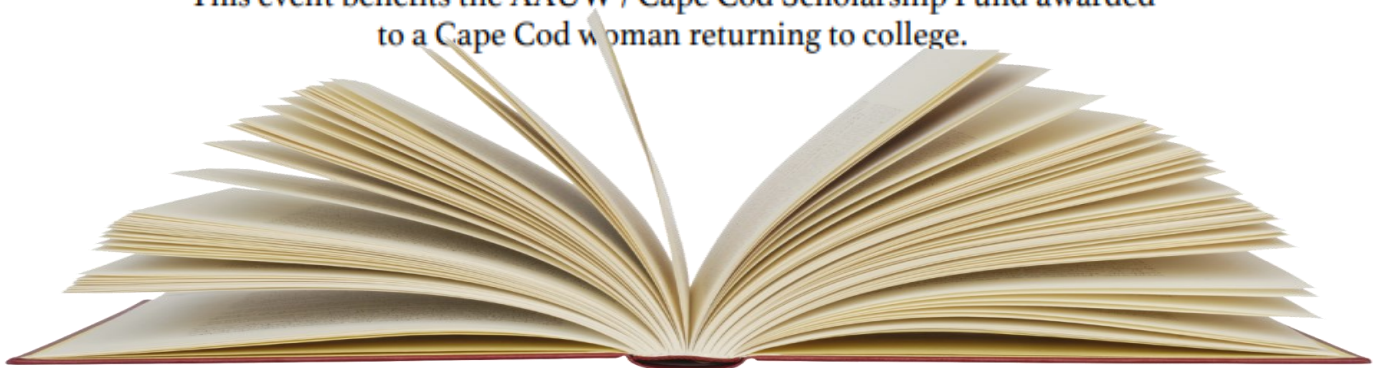
Moderated by

Mindy Todd, host of "The Point" on the Cape & Islands NPR  
Stations.

Tickets are \$40. Send checks, made payable to AAUW/CC to Phyllis  
Rubin, 17 Whittemore Avenue, Falmouth, MA 02540

For information, Call 508-540-9029 or [phyllisaauw@comcast.net](mailto:phyllisaauw@comcast.net)

This event benefits the AAUW / Cape Cod Scholarship Fund awarded  
to a Cape Cod woman returning to college.



# More Events!



## **Sixth Annual Statewide Gathering on Girls**

*Friday May 11, 2018 – 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (Registration begins at 8:30)*

*Sturbridge Host Hotel, Sturbridge, MA*

***It's Our Time!***

### ***Beyond Inclusion- Girls and Women Leading the Way***

The Investing In Girls Alliance (IIGA) invites you to our sixth annual Statewide Gathering on Girls. Each year, IIGA holds an annual gathering of state and local officials (including regional and state Commissions on the Status of Women and Girls), schools, colleges, community based organizations, funders, and girls to learn, plan, share, and advocate on behalf of girls and issues they face.

Please join us this year as we investigate how data plays an important role in our planning, programming, funding and participation AND how girls in underrepresented groups are often missed from our data gathering and our programming. Work together with peers across the state so that we might better serve all girls and especially those with less representation and access to resources.

As always, this day is free of charge and includes breakfast and lunch. We ask that you RSVP by Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup> to [mrypmmc@gmail.com](mailto:mrypmmc@gmail.com).



**MAY 16** **MCSW Women's Advocacy Day**  
Public · Hosted by Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls and 5 others

★ Interested ✉ Invite ⋮

🕒 Wednesday, May 16 at 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM EDT

📍 Massachusetts State House  
24 Beacon St Ste 195, Boston, Massachusetts 02108 Show Map

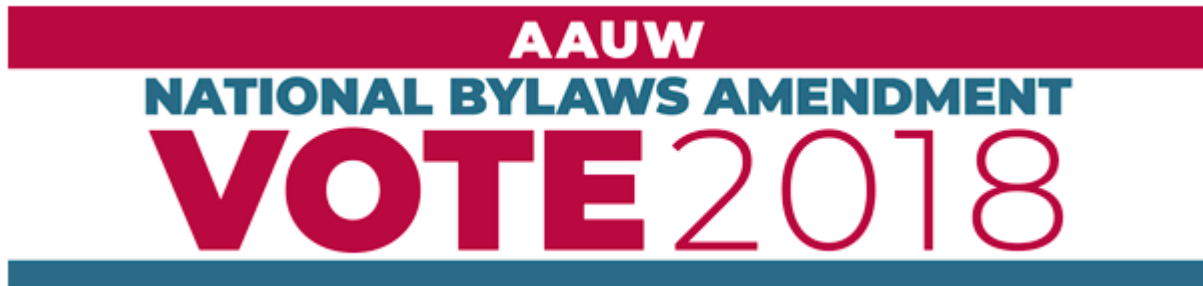
**About** Discussion

Join us as women from across the Commonwealth travel to Boston to advocate on behalf of Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women's legislative priorities for women and girls.

REGISTER HERE TO ATTEND (the venue has a capacity cap we must adhere to): [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeyOITlzCtuSJB0N6ElxP7jqme0O\\_uVdjdfnK51fWCPc9vbKw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeyOITlzCtuSJB0N6ElxP7jqme0O_uVdjdfnK51fWCPc9vbKw/viewform)

Visit the MCSW website to discover more about our legislative priorities: <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/advocacy-day>

## Have you voted yet?!



As a member of the American Association of University Women (AAUW), you have a voice in shaping our future plans to create a more equitable world for all women and girls. On behalf of your elected AAUW Board of Directors, we are pleased to present three important proposed amendments to our bylaws that we believe will help us expand our impact and ensure that AAUW will continue to help countless future generations of women and girls. We cannot move forward without support and engagement from our members, so we encourage you to vote! Here are the details:

- ⇒ **Voting is now OPEN** and you can [cast your ballot online](#). In order to vote, **you will need your PIN and your member ID**. We encourage you to vote online, if possible, since it will ensure that your ballot will be received and counted immediately.
- ⇒ If you opted to receive *Outlook* magazine, which includes a voter guide in the spring issue, in print copy, you should receive it in your mailbox around April 25. If not, spring **Outlook** is available online now.
- ⇒ If you have questions or challenges submitting your online ballot — or would like to vote via paper ballot — you may request one by contacting us at [connect@aauw.org](mailto:connect@aauw.org) or calling **800.326.2289 Monday through Friday 10 a.m. –5 p.m. ET**. Requests for paper ballots must be received by **May 7**, and paper ballots must be postmarked by **May 21**.
- ⇒ Voting closes on **Saturday, June 9, at 9 p.m. ET**. Results will be announced on **Sunday, June 10**, on AAUW's website.

The AAUW Board of Directors strongly endorses each of these amendments to increase AAUW's influence and empower millions of women and girls in the years ahead. We hope you will join us in this important effort and [cast your vote TODAY](#).

Thank you for standing with us in the fight for equity for all!

# AAUW MA State Meeting Recap

## Provided by Cape Cod

### Notes from MA AAUW State Meeting



The meeting was held in E. Bridgewater on April 7 and Marcia and Lyn made the trip over the bridge to attend. The Taunton Branch welcomed us and provided goodies for breakfast and lunch. There were about 30 others in attendance from branches including the North Shore, Boston, South shore, Bedford/Lexington and Taunton. We saw a National AAUW video explaining some of the changes happening in the National AAUW under our new CEO Kim Churhes. The organizational structure has been streamlined and our goals and objectives specifically derived to meet the AAUW mission of advancing equity for all women and girls.

We reviewed and discussed the three proposed changes to the National By-Laws and were encouraged to vote starting April 25<sup>th</sup>.

The State Finance Officer introduced us to a new on-line dues payment option, which will allow members to pay by credit card. This will be rolled out to each branch through our treasurers.

One of the most exciting things for me was seeing and hearing from a significant number of new young adult members. They spoke enthusiastically about their efforts to encourage STEM education and to influence our state government to pass legislation in support of women. In fact they are eagerly accepting leadership positions in our MA AAUW. Hooray!!

Lyn Solomon