



South Shore Area (MA) Branch

# NEWS OF NOTE

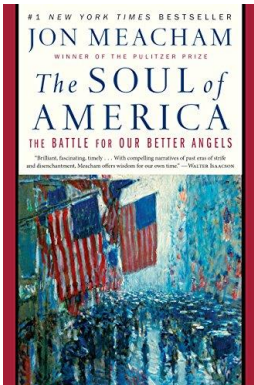
January 2019

January 8, Tuesday, 6:30 pm

## POT LUCK SUPPER AND BOOK DISCUSSION

***SOUL OF AMERICA* by Jon Meacham**

**Donovan Farm Clubhouse, 17 Donovan Farm Way,  
Norwell**



Our meeting this month will be a light supper and book discussion on Tuesday January 8th. We will be discussing the book, ***The Soul of America*** by Jon Meacham. Our meeting will be held at the Clubhouse, 17 Donovan Farm Way in Norwell beginning at 6:30 pm. The clubhouse is 180 degrees from the start of the circle. The circle is one way entering on the right at the top of the hill. Parking is in the lot in front of the clubhouse and when that is full people can park on the right-hand side of the road. Parking can only be on one side of the roadway so that emergency vehicles can get through if necessary.

Carol Sullivan-Hanley will be leading the discussion. If you are coming don't forget to bring your place setting and a dish to share. Also let me ([greenharbor11@verizon.net](mailto:greenharbor11@verizon.net)) know if you are attending by Friday, January 4th so we can set up the correct number of tables & chairs. Thanks ... see you all on the 8th.

Sheila Doherty  
Social Chair

Editor's Tip: Please plan to attend the meeting even if you have not yet had a chance to read the book. A Google search for reviews will give you lots of information on the book. Here is a link to the New York Times review: <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/05/21/books/review/jon-meacham-soul-of-america.html>.

## **PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE**

Wishing all of our members and their loved ones a Happy Holiday Season and especially a Happy and Healthy New Year. Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our meetings in 2019. The January meeting is always a nice way to begin a new year with both food and vigorous discussion. Please reply to Sheila so that plans can be made.

Ginny Giordano  
Co-President

Happy New Year to all. We had a wonderful and successful Fall. Now let's band together and work toward bringing our mission to more people. I talk about AAUW with friends, doctors, librarians, anyone who is listening, to get out the message about our branch and what we do. Thanks for the camaraderie and support you have given me over the years and this Fall as a new president.

Wishing you a Happy and Wonderful Holiday Season.

Deanne Noiseux  
Co-President

## **MEMBERSHIP MATTERS**

Last month the message was that growing our membership is the responsibility of each member. Years ago the membership message theme was "Each one, reach one." The message is still the same. Please continue to think of that special woman you would like to introduce to AAUW and then, **ask her to join** us as we advocate for women and girls. Just think, if each of us brought in just one member this year, our membership would double!

From January 1 through March 15th membership dues are half-price. Don't you just love a bargain!

Gail Saccone  
Co-Membership VP

## PUBLIC POLICY

### U.S. Department of Education Moves to Roll Back Title IX Protections for Sexual Misconduct

November 16, 2018

“Federal education officials took steps today that could make it more difficult for students to report incidents of sexual harassment and violence—and easier for schools to ignore them

when they do. The U.S. Department of Education announced a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking which would diminish protections under Title IX, the 1972 law that bars gender discrimination at schools and colleges receiving federal funds. The proposed rule changes are subject to a 60-day comment period before taking effect.” [Click here to continue reading.](#)



### The Attack on Title IX

November 15, 2018

*Updated: December 11, 2018*

“The U.S. Department of Education is working to systematically dismantle Title IX protections. After rescinding critical guidance documents in September 2017, the Department of Education has now [announced](#) a plan to make sweeping changes to Title IX’s regulations, which would have significant implications for students’ civil rights and for federal enforcement of the law.” [Read more.](#)

### Schools Are Still Underreporting Sexual Harassment and Assault

November 02, 2018

“Students should be able to go to school free from experiencing sexual harassment or violence. That’s the promise made over 45 years ago by [Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972](#), which prohibited sex discrimination in any educational institution or program receiving federal funding.

Unfortunately, despite Title IX’s best efforts, and the additional protections afforded to students by the [federal Clery Act](#) and other state and local laws, sexual harassment and violence still interfere with the education of too many students. Even more alarming is that many schools make it difficult for students to come forward and that schools fail to properly report incidents of sexual harassment and violence when they occur. As a result, many students remain negatively impacted by unlawful sex discrimination in schools.” [Click here to read more.](#)

[Patrice Metro](#)  
Public Policy Chair

## CULTURAL OUTINGS



Visit to the MFA

Please look for emails from me for upcoming plans. All members are welcome to attend our outings. Recent visits included a trip to MFA Monet Exhibit.

Also, a couple of us have joined Historic New England and we're "filling our Passports". If anyone is a member or would like to join, contact Pat for details. Stay tuned for details on upcoming Kennedy Forums.

Pat Laidler  
Culture Group Chair

Articles for publication in the South Shore Area branch newsletter, *News of Note*, should reach the editor, Hollie Bagley by the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the previous month.

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AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

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<http://aauw-ma.aauw.net/branches/southshorearea/>

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<https://www.facebook.com/AAUWSouthShoreAreaMassachusetts/>

## BRANCH CALENDAR

You will find our monthly branch calendar on the last page of this newsletter. It is on a separate page so that you can print it or transfer the dates to your personal calendar. All events on the calendar are open to all members but as a courtesy please inform the hostess if you are attending. You can find their contact information in your branch directory. Our monthly branch programs are free and open to the public.



## NCCWSL DONATION

*We are repeating the NCCWSL donation letter as a reminder to send in your donation for this important cause.*

For many years our branch funded the Pamela J. Lincoln Recognition Award presented to a female applicant continuing higher education. In 2014 the branch changed its focus to funding female college student leaders so that they could attend the National Conference of College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL). NCCWSL is the nation's premier conference for college women. It is a transformative experience. In 2014 we funded two students from Bridgewater State University. Then in 2018 our branch sent two Curry College students, Paulina Adams and Tiana Delano, to [NCCWSL](#). Those of us who were privileged to attend Paulina and Tiana's presentation on their NCCWSL experience know that our branch has helped to make a lasting impression on these young females. NCCWSL truly helped sharpen their leadership skills and connected them with like-minded women across the country. It also introduced them to AAUW. We know that through our generosity Paulina and Tiana will make the world a better place one woman at a time.



In order to foster the potential in more young women, our branch would like to continue sending young female college leaders to NCCWSL, but it takes significant funds. Registration alone is \$585 (\$450 before February 15th) for the four-day conference which takes place at the University of Maryland.

Rather than raising funds piecemeal, we can accomplish our goal to send two students to NCCWSL if each of our branch members contributes \$50 to the cause. We aim for 100% member participation. So, can we count on you to send your check made payable to "AAUW South Shore Area Branch" with "NCCWSL scholarship" in the memo note to branch treasurer, Sandy Carle, 12 Karlyn Road, Weymouth, MA 02188? If you prefer you can bring your check or cash to a branch event and deposit your donation in the specially marked box.

You can learn more about NCCWSL on their website, [www.nccwsl.org](http://www.nccwsl.org).

You can see Paulina and Tiana's presentation on our branch web page, direct link, <https://aauw-ma.aauw.net/files/2018/10/NCCWSL-Presentation-pdf.pdf>. However, there was no way to capture their enthusiasm.

Please send your check today for \$50 (more if possible, less if necessary). What better way to support AAUW's mission to empower women and girls?

# SOUTH SHORE AREA BRANCH CALENDAR

## January 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> New Year's Day	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> RSVP Deadline for January program	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Branch program	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Game Night	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		

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- January                      Mail your NCCWSL contribution to Sandy Carle
- January 4                    RSVP Deadline for Pot Luck Supper and Book Discussion
- January 8                    Pot Luck Supper and Book Discussion, 6:30 pm, Donovan Farm Clubhouse, Norwell
- January 17                   Game Night, 6pm, home of Sandy Carle, Weymouth

Happy and Healthy 2019!