

# **NEWS OF NOTE**

May 2019

May 14, Tuesday, 6:30 pm

**CELEBRATION BANQUET** 

Mia Regazza

1 Proprietors Drive (off Route 139)

### **Marshfield**



Hello from Florida! I wanted to let you know that our May celebration will be held on May 14th at Mia Regazza, 1 Proprietors Drive, Marshfield (off route 139 at Roche Bros Market) at 6:30 pm. We will be ordering our dinner off the menu and will have individual checks. I do however still need to know if you are attending by May 7th. (<a href="mailto:greenharbor11@verizon.net">greenharbor11@verizon.net</a>) If you need to call me, please use my cell phone# 781-267-1098 as I will be in Florida until May. I hope spring weather will come soon and I hope to see you in May...

Sheila Doherty Social Chair

### **DUES BILL**

For your convenience another 2019 – 2020 dues bill is attached to the email that delivers your *News of Note*. AAUW operates on a fiscal year beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> so our dues must reach the national association by then. Please respect the dues renewal deadline of June 1<sup>st</sup>. You may pay your dues at our May Banquet. If not, please send your check to Sandy Carle as soon as possible. If you pay your dues before or at the Dinner you will be entered into a drawing for a free membership so mail or bring your checks to Sandy by or on the 14th. Thanks!

Sandy Carle Treasurer

### PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

The April meeting on Honduras HOPE was a wonderful and uplifting program to end our meetings for this year. Kathy and Peter Swanson presented us with a view of the wonderful things that they and their group are doing in this Central American country. It also shows us a glimpse of the beautiful people who live there unlike the view that we are sometimes given by our politicians!

Our monthly programs will end on Tuesday, May 14 with our Annual Celebration Banquet at Mia Regazza in Marshfield. Please respond to Sheila in a timely manner so she can reserve the appropriate number of tables. Unfortunately, I will not be joining you since I will be in Naples, Italy on the last day of my husband and my Eastern Mediterranean Cruise. I will think of you all as we have our last, probably, Italian meal in its home country!

Ginny Giordano
Co-President



Thank you to all that came to the very interesting meeting on the work Peter and Kathy Swanson do to help villages in Honduras. They were lively informative speakers and I think we all came away with appreciation of what we have and how we can help others.

Please let Sheila know if you are coming to the May banquet.

Most of our board will continue in their positions, however, we need help with coordinating the program. Please consider volunteering to coordinate the people and meetings. We have most of the topics and places selected with people contacting the speakers so the coordinator would need to communicate but not reinvent the wheel.

Several guests attended the meeting in Hingham and several indicated an interest in joining AAUW. I will send them an email to invite them to the Pot luck in September. If you know of any potential members send their email along to me and I will include them in the invitation.

Hope to see you at the banquet in May.

Deanne Noiseux Co-President

### **PUBLIC POLICY**

### On Equal Pay Day, New Poll Finds Majority of Americans Believe Pay Gap Is Due to Bias

March 29, 2019

"The majority of Americans — almost 60 percent — think the gender pay gap is due to biases in the workplace. Women are more likely than men to blame bias: 65 percent of women say bias accounts for the pay gap, compared to 53 percent of men. Only 23 percent of Americans say the gap is the result of choices women make.

Those are the key findings of a <u>new poll</u> released by The American Association of University Women (AAUW) to coincide with Equal Pay Day (April 2), when women symbolically "catch up" to men's average earnings from the previous year."

"Despite attitudes about what's to blame for the pay gap, the poll found that most people are unaware of the extent of it: Only 22 percent of Americans believe that men's pay increases when they become fathers and only 32 percent believe women's pay decreases once they become mothers, despite U.S. Census labor data showing a "motherhood penalty," in which mothers experience drop in earnings, and a "fatherhood bonus," where men get a bump in pay when they become dads. Mothers are paid 71 cents for every dollar paid to fathers." Read more by clicking here.

### **AAUW Statement for House Judiciary Committee Hearing on the Equality Act**

April 10, 2019

"...AAUW opposes all forms of discrimination and supports the civil rights of all individuals. ...It is critical that Congress pass the Equality Act (H.R. 5), which would amend existing federal civil rights laws to provide explicit protection against discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity in housing, employment, education, public spaces and other key areas...

The Equality Act (H.R. 5) would make clear that discrimination on the basis of gender identity or sexual orientation are forms of sex discrimination and unlawful. In addition, the Equality Act would close loopholes in existing federal law that prohibits sex discrimination in public spaces and federally funded activities, providing new protections for women. Finally, the Equality Act would update the spaces considered public accommodations, thus extending current civil rights protections against discrimination based on race, religion, and national origin (in addition to sex) to more places important in our everyday lives." Click here to read more.

Patrice Metro
Public Policy Chair

### **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.



### VOTE

## **AAUW NATIONAL ELECTION VOTE** 2019

A reminder that your voting for National positions and Public Policy Priorities, which was sent by email, must be completed online by May 14.

#### **MEMBER NEWS**

Ruth Powell, long time member and former News of Note Editor, writes, "I have just finished editing a book on fans for the Braintree Historical Society. Mary Frazier and I put out a small book 30 years ago on Hunt and Allen fans, which were made in Braintree and Weymouth. Mary has just finished writing an update, and I edited it as I did the earlier one. It has been published, almost a hundred pages and full of color pictures of our large collection of fans. We also put up an exhibit that will be open until the end of May. Last week we entertained the Fan Association of North America.

Now I am editing a book for the Wing Family of America about the Wing Fort House Albany Institute of History and in Sandwich. Hope to finish by the end of the month."



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For more information, contact Ruth Powell.

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## SOUTH SHORE AREA BRANCH CALENDAR

May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Game Night	3	4
5 Cinco de Mayo	6	7 Banquet RSVP Deadline	8	9	10	11
12 Mother's Day	13	14 May Banquet	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 Book Group	22	23	24	25
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6 Board Meeting	7	8

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May 2	Game Night, 6:00 pm, home of Laurie Taylor Curby, Hingham		
May 7	RSVP Deadline for May Banquet, contact Sheila Doherty		
May 14	May Banquet, 6:30 pm, Mia Regazza, Marshfield		
May 21	Book Discussion, 6:30 pm, <i>Becoming</i> by Michelle Obama (note change of book), home of Jane		
	Street, Hingham		
June 6	Branch Board Meeting, 7 pm, home of Sandy Carle, Weymouth (note change of date)		