



NEWS OF NOTE

March 2020

March 10, 7 pm

An Overview of Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI)

Hingham Public Library, 66 Leavitt St., Hingham

Whiton Room

Our next branch meeting is Tuesday, March 10 at 7 PM at the Hingham Library to hear about the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at UMass Boston. It is a membership-based community of mature adults who enjoy learning and want to spend time with their peers who have similar interests. OLLI's mission is to foster accessible lifelong learning, individual growth, and social connection for learners age 50+ by providing opportunities to enrich the intellectual, social, and cultural lives of members. Through a modestly priced membership, OLLI provides non-credit courses, special lectures, social events, theatre outings, and field trips in the United States and abroad.

Please use the attached flyer to send to friends that may be interested in joining us for the evening.

Our programs are free and open to the public.

Sandy Carle
Program Host

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The Travel Showcase at the February branch Meeting was lots of fun. We viewed pictures of the Baltic/ Scandinavian area of Europe, Lisbon, Tennessee, and Spain. We were also treated to some memorable objects from the days when ship travel was the main way to get to Europe. This is definitely a program we should repeat each year!

I am looking forward to our March Meeting with updates on recent programs being done by OLLI

(Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) out of U MASS. I participated in a number of their programs in past years (watercolor, china studies, Italian) and enjoyed the variety of topics to choose from. I urge you to come and learn more about this program.

A young woman at Curry College has been chosen to receive our funding to attend the NCCWSL program at the University of Maryland in late May. She sounds like an excellent choice and I will look forward to hearing about her experience at one of our fall branch meetings.

Our program year will be coming to a close in May. If you have not been to any of our monthly meetings I would urge to attend at least one of the remaining ones. They are always informative and it is always great to see friends.

Ginny Giordano
President

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Here we are already in March. Where does the time go? We are always pleased to welcome new members into AAUW and we encourage everyone to bring a friend to our monthly programs. In addition to the scheduled presentation, it is also an opportunity for them to get an overview of the many things AAUW is involved in during the brief meeting that takes place at the beginning of the evening.

AAUW has accomplished a lot in 2019. In December, the Coca-Cola Foundation awarded us a \$500,000 renewal grant that will make it possible to continue training thousands of women in leadership skills and in effective negotiations.

2020 is a critical election year. It is the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment and the 55th anniversary of the Voting Rights Act....two very important milestones that secured women's right to vote.

The Presidential Democratic Primary will take place on March 3, as one of 14 contests scheduled on Super Tuesday. Don't forget to vote!

Anne Foley
Membership Co-VP

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF 19TH AMENDMENT



Speaking of voting, Lynn Howard has submitted a list of Suffrage events being held on the South Shore in honor of the Centennial Celebration of the 19th amendment, It is attached to this newsletter.

PUBLIC POLICY

AAUW Public Policy Priorities for 2019–21

Biennial Action Priorities

“National priorities inform state and local action. Biennial priorities for national action are chosen according to the criteria of viability, critical need, strong member support, and potential for distinctive AAUW contribution or leadership.

To support a strong system of public education that promotes gender fairness, equity, diversity and inclusivity, and to address the barriers and implicit biases that hinder the advancement of women and girls, AAUW advocates

- Vigorous enforcement of Title IX
- Adequate and equitable funding for quality public education
- Opposition to the use of public funds for nonpublic elementary and secondary education and to charter schools that do not adhere to the same civil rights and accountability standards
- Increased support for and protection of programs that meet the needs of girls and women ... including strong promotion of (STEM) education and comprehensive sexual health education
- Increased support for and access to affordable higher education for women and disadvantaged populations
- Support for practices that halt the flow of students from schools to prisons

To achieve economic security for all women, AAUW advocates

- Pay equity and fairness...
- Equitable access and advancement in employment

- Closing the gender and race gaps in leadership opportunities
- Greater availability of and access to a high standard of benefits and policies that promote work-life balance
- Programs that provide women with education, training, and support for workforce success
- Strengthening programs to improve postsecondary education access, career development, and earning potential
- Strengthening retirement benefits and programs...
- Access for all women to the full range of health care services
- Increasing the number of quality jobs that pay a living wage

To guarantee equality, individual rights, and social justice for a diverse and inclusive society, AAUW advocates

- Vigorous enforcement of and full access to civil and constitutional rights
- Self-determination of one's reproductive health decisions
- Universal access to quality, affordable health care and comprehensive family planning
- Freedom from violence and fear of violence
- Support for U.N. programs that address human rights and women's and girls' concerns
- Freedom in the definition of self and family and a guarantee of civil rights for all family structures
- Passage and ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment"

[Click here to read in full.](#)

Voter Education

AAUW is dedicated to making sure every woman is registered and has all the information she needs to cast her vote. [Click here for detailed discussion of AAUW's voter education work.](#)

[Patrice Metro](#)
Public Policy Chair

PLANNING AHEAD—MAY BANQUET



Hello from Florida. I am writing to remind you of our May dinner. It will be held on Tuesday, May 12th, at 6:00 pm at the **Common Market**, 97 Willard Street, Quincy. You must tell me by May 3rd if you are coming and your choice of entree as they need to be preordered. My email is greenharbor11@verizon.net. You can text (781-267-1098) or email me. The choices of dinner are baked stuffed haddock or chicken, broccoli and ziti. The cost of the dinner is \$35 cash which includes salad, rolls and butter, entree, dessert and coffee or tea. A cash bar will be available. Please let me know if you are coming by May 3rd so I can make the arrangements with the restaurant. Thanks!

Sheila Doherty
Social Chair

ANNUAL BUDGET



Attached to this newsletter is a copy of the annual budget. Please look it over. It will be voted on at the April meeting.

Sandy Carle
Treasurer

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.



Articles for publication in the South Shore Area branch newsletter, **News of Note**, should reach the editor, Hollie Bagley (holliebagley@gmail.com) by the 20th day of the previous month.

The **News of Note** is published monthly from September – May.

SOUTH SHORE AREA BRANCH CALENDAR

March 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Super Tuesday	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Branch Program	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 Book Group	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 Board Meeting	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

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- March 10 Branch Program, 7 pm, Hingham Public Library, Whiton Room
- March 17 Book discussion of *Eliza Hamilton: The Extraordinary Life & Times of the Wife of Alexander Hamilton*, by Tilar J, Mazzeo, 6:30 pm, home of Patrice Metro, Norwell
- March 24 Board Meeting, 7 pm, home of Sandy Carle, Weymouth

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

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