

AAUW NEWS OF NOTE

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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.

HINGHAM AREA BRANCH

FEBRUARY 2012

CALENDAR

February 7, Tuesday	Branch Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Weymouth Public Library (Jones Room) 46 Broad Street, Weymouth
February 15, Wednesday	Adventures in dining, 6:30 p.m. PJ's Country House, Scituate
February 16, Thursday	Writers Group, 7:30 p.m. Brewed Awakening, Hingham
February 21, Tuesday	Book Discussion Group Home of Cindy Fusco

BRANCH MEETING

Journey through China

Tuesday, February 7, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Weymouth Public Library (Jones Room)

46 Broad Street

Come and enjoy a vicarious trip through China. The February AAUW-Hingham Area Branch program will give you a glimpse into historic and present day China. Travel with us to Beijing and walk along the Great Wall, view the Terra Cotta Warriors in Xian, cruise along the Yangtze River, walk through the Bund in Shanghai at night, experience the Waterfall Hotel, journey back in time along the Li River, and finally shop in Hong Kong, the bustling merchandising capital of the world. AAUW Members Ginny Giordano, Lynn Howard, and Deanne Noiseux will share pictures and stories about their recent trips to China. So join us on February 7th and enjoy a virtual trip to this amazing country, one of the cradles of civilization.

For more information contact Lynn Howard at 781-901-9120 or lynnphoward82@comcast.net

Free and open to the public

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I'm writing this, the sun is reflecting off the snow and the wind is whipping through the pine trees outside my window. There's no denying winter is finally here. Our luck couldn't hold out forever! While the weather may not be to our liking (except for those of you reading this from lovely, warm places) one way to "warm our hearts" is to take a minute to consider how much your support has helped women here and abroad.

Last year AAUW awarded \$3.7 million to outstanding women and nonprofit organizations to support 239 fellowships and grants, thanks to the generous contributions of AAUW members. Those grants went to women like Anna Ciao, Ph.D. at the University of Hawaii, who is researching the causes and treatment of eating disorders among high school girls and Patience Fielding, Ph.D. at University of California, Berkeley, who is studying women who have overcome barriers in patriarchal societies in Sub-Saharan Africa to pursue careers as engineers and scientists in order to develop programs to encourage greater participation in scientific, mathematical and technical careers in young women in those societies. The list goes on and on. If you're interested in learning more about the grant and scholarship recipients, go to the AAUW national website and follow the links to the Fellowship Directory to find out more.

I hope I'll see you at the February 7th meeting. I can't wait to hear all about China, one of the places on my "bucket list."

Pat

MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome two new members:

Lucy Sagansky

Nancy Smalzel

And remember, if you bring a friend to a meeting in February or March, the friend can join that night for half price – National dues will be \$12.25.

Deanne

WRITERS GROUP

The AAUW writer's group will meet on Thursday, February 16th at 7:30 PM, at Brewed Awakenings in Hingham.

Kay Campbell

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

We'll be meeting on February 21st at Cindy Fusco's home to discuss *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks

ADVENTURES IN DINING

The Adventures in Dining group will meet on Wednesday, February 15, at 6:30 p.m. at PJ's Country House in Scituate.

The Pamela J Lincoln Recognition Award

This is the latest from the Pamela J. Lincoln Award. I am happy to let you know that our "Bring a Book/Buy a Book" fundraiser, held at our Pot Luck Supper this month, brought in \$66.00. I have sent a check in that amount to Sandy Carle. Now I need a good poker game to get rid of all those single dollars. (Too bad I don't enjoy poker!)

Remember, the deadline for receiving applications is March 1, 2012. So I encourage you to nominate a deserving candidate.

Beatrice Kelly