

**American Association of University Women Mission Statement: Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research. Diversity Statement: In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.**

*Connecticut Shoreline Branch • Branford, Guilford, Madison, Clinton, Killingworth, Westbrook & more*

## May 19, Annual Branch Meeting Potluck Dinner

6 p.m., Wednesday, Clinton Town Hall

The Annual Potluck Dinner Meeting will be held at the Clinton Town Hall on Wednesday, May, 19th 2009 at 6 P.M. The event will be hosted by the Board. At this, our Annual Meeting, we vote on next year's new officers and host three Guilford ABC girls and give Book Awards. Add your name to a doorprize drawing by renewing your membership dues by this meeting.

We will be enjoying a carry-in supper. You will be contacted by the phone chain, or email about type of food to bring, or call us. Please bring your place setting (plate and utensils) and \$3 to cover expenses. We are asking the members to bring salads, casseroles and desserts.

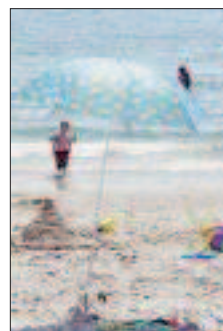
## “Why So Few?” (2010)

In an era when women are increasingly prominent in medicine, law and business, why are there so few women scientists and engineers? A new research report by AAUW presents compelling evidence that can help to explain this puzzle. *Why So Few? Women in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics* presents in-depth yet accessible profiles of eight key research findings that point to environmental and social barriers – including stereotypes, gender bias and the climate of science and engineering departments in colleges and universities – that continue to block women's participation and progress in science, technology, engineering, and math. The report also includes up to date statistics on girls' and women's achievement and participation in these areas and offers new ideas for what each of us can do to more fully open scientific and engineering fields to girls and women. pdf. available



## June 16 Branch Meeting

Hammonasset State Park, Madison  
Wednesday, Noon at the East Beach Pavilion



This "no program" gathering will be a warm-up for summer relaxation. Enjoy the sun and surf, Nature Center, Butterfly Garden, shore walks, conversation with friends, and a few interesting surprises!

Bring a brown bag lunch and invite a friend, too. Cool drinks and delicious desserts will be provided by the the Art Appreciation Group.

For FREE entry and parking, those 65+ can obtain a Charter Oak

pass which gives free access to ALL state parks in CT, at the Hammonasset entrance booth or check out on line about the Charter Oak pass. Others, please arrange to meet at the Commuter Parking Lot on Route 79 in Madison to carpool to the park with someone with a pass. (In case the East Pavilion is not available or if there is a strong south wind and rain, please meet at the inland shelter behind the Nature Center.)

Send response and questions to Maryann M. maryann.o.m@sbcglobal.net

## Book Awards to be Given to Graduating Girls

One highlight of high school graduation is the presenting and receiving of awards and scholarships. For many years the Shoreline Branch has awarded local girl graduates a small award. We honor girls from Branford, Guilford (the ABC girls), Madison, Clinton and Killingworth. Each girl is presented a framed certificate and a check for \$100 (to buy a textbook), and we give a book to her high school library with a bookplate bearing her name. Presentations are made at Senior Awards Nights, with their names in the program booklet. They are honored before their family and friends. The girls receive encouragement and confidence from this recognition and support from our branch and our mission. It is awesome to see so many young people who have achieved. An extra benefit is visibility of our organization to the public. If you would like to be a presenter, please contact S.Gibbs.



## President's Letter

“People will forget what you said. People will forget what you did. But people will never forget how you made them feel.” (Maya Angelou). In thinking about this quote, I realized that what you members of our great branch made me feel was pride. At the National Convention that I attended in St Louis in June, I was proud to tell other AAUW members that I was Co-Pres of the Shoreline branch and how we are involved in helping young women accomplish their goals for a higher education. When I gave a PowerPoint presentation on gender inequity at the Universities of Pescara and Rome, Italy in November, I was proud to tell the faculties and graduate students about our goals and accomplishments in seeing that women are treated fairly and given a chance to succeed with financial aid from AAUW. I was proud that our branch voted to streamline the future of AAUW. There will be a National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) –the 25th- in June, and I was proud that our branch agreed to sponsor two young female students, A. Regan (right) and M. Opalenik (left) from Connecticut. These two will attend this important event that will help them hone their leadership skills to become empowered in implementing change on their campuses and communities. I am proud that for the past two years we have been able to give scholarships to mature university women and have supported high school girls for many years.

This year I had the pleasure of working with Alice Reitz as my Co-President. Her intelligence, strength and humor made working together a joy. Alice, I want to thank you for all your help in making this year a very special one for me. The board and committee members were a wonderful bunch of hard working women who blended together to form a strong, united team. Thank you all for your help.

Lastly I want to thank the interest group chairs for arranging several excellent programs. This has been one exciting year. Hope you all have a great summer.

–A. Gordon

## Board Meeting Dates

All branch members are welcome

May 6 Thurs. 7:00PM M. Morch

June 3 Thurs. 7:00PM J. Holmes

## WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR TWO MORE BOARD POSITIONS Co-President and Newsletter Editor

Helpful job descriptions are available  
from the Nominating Committee  
K.Conover, kayconover@gmail.com  
G. St. Paul, genestp@sbcglobal.net

## Nominee List as of April 2010

President: Alice Reitz

Co-President: needed

Membership: J. Jones & G. Passero

Program: S. Pelletier & A. Gordon

Treasurers: M. Lamoreaux & J. Holmes

Secretaries: P. Bowman & E. Goss

Book and Author Luncheon:

M. Myhre & C. Dugan

Corresponding Secretary.: K. Conover

Directory: C. Briggs

Education Foundation.: M. Kennedy

Historian: G. Waldo

Legal Advocacy.: B. Dunham

Scholarship: A. Osburne & M. Myhre

Newsletter Editor: needed

Parliamentarian: C. Geiser

Public Policy: E. Quayle

Publicity: H. Greene & A. Hyde

Rides: N.Chalker

Email Communicator: G. St. Paul

Ads: M. Brunelle

Web Site: M. Morch

## Sound Waves- Newsletter

Until a new editor is found, send items and pictures, with name and date to C. Baldwin, editor, email to: caroba2000@comcast.net

The Deadline for Fall *Sound Waves* is **August 9**, 2010. Items may be edited for length or style.

**Waving Good Bye-** I have enjoyed being the newsletter editor for ten years. I encourage someone else to take over and make their journey through this interesting job, recording our time here. I have tried to see each issue through the eyes of a new member that is learning about our active branch and groundbreaking organizational news. We are very active and as I explained when I took the job on, “Sound Waves cannot exist in a vacuum.” Well, our active members had plenty to say and do.

I have been inspired and enlightened constantly. I’ve written and reported about the history of so many things, about museums, heroines and nature. Subjects such as the United Nations, Astrophysics, Tai Chi Masters, adventures, Burkina Faso, and Caribbean witchcraft to name a few. I used about 60 reams of paper. How many issues did I do? 58 in all. 2001-7 issues, 2002-6, 2003-5, 2004-6, 2005-6, 2006-7, 2007-5, 2008-5, 2009-6, 2010-5. Many thanks during all those years to Cathy Briggs, Sonja and Martin Gibbs, and to Scott, my husband and my daughter. Thank you to all the members. My best to all.

-C. Baldwin, editor

## CT AAUW State Convention

Since its first meeting in 1881, AAUW has been a catalyst for change. Today, AAUW contributes to a more promising future and provides a powerful voice for women and girls—a voice that cannot and will not be ignored. In May, over a thousand branches representing 100,000 members have their state conventions. The annual AAUW/CT Convention will be held on May 8, 2010 to vote on the proposed new structure, vote on individuals to fill the positions, and hear from Patricia Ho representing the national organization. The location: Four Points by Sheraton, 275 Research Parkway, Meriden, CT 06450. The meeting will be in the Charter Oak Ballroom C. Registration: 8:30A.M., Program 9:00A.M.-1:00P.M. To register: Send \$10 check (made out to AAUW/CT) to Carolyn MacDuff, 27 Mattabasset Drive, Meriden, CT 06450. Deadline: April 30. To carpool, please contact n-b-chalker@comcast.net.

### Book/Author Luncheon

**Save The Date! - November 6, 2010  
11:30 a.m., Clinton Country Club**

Cost \$40.00 or consider being a patron.

(Patrons-Platinum \$100, Gold \$75, Sterling \$50 and Bronze \$25, additional) Advertising spots will be \$35 per business card. ASK ALL businesses to advertise.

There are still several opportunities for you to participate, ask about open slots, and plan on inviting all your friends and relatives (or neighbors?) to make up a table or two! Books will be available for sale and signing. Great as holiday gifts!

This is always a wonderful event and a great way for us to raise our contribution for the Educational Foundation and our scholarship. We are already working on getting a terrific lineup of authors. If you have any suggestions or contacts, would like to be on the committee or place an ad in the program, please contact us.

Thank you to everyone who is helping with this event. Every member should participate as this is our MAJOR fundraiser for the branch each year. It's fun too! Luncheon co-chairs are M. Myhre, marciamyhre@sbcglobal.net, and C. Dugan, cinedugan@aol.com.

### Advertise With Us

Wouldn't you like to be included? Wouldn't you like to be noticed? There are several opportunities for you to advertise your business and benefit Shoreline Branch of AAUW. Advertise in both the 2010-2011 Membership Booklet and the Book/Author Lunch program. It's very affordable - a one-time business card-size ad is \$35, a whole page is \$100. Double that if you plan to advertise in both publications! Send your check payable to "Shoreline AAUW" along with your business card (two cards please, to advertise in both publications) to Marsha Brunelle, 68 Flintlock Road, Madison CT 06443. Questions? Call Marsha at (203)318-0177. Advertising deadline for the Membership Booklet is Saturday July 31st. Thanks so much in advance for helping us to help you get the word out!

## Welcome New Member

L. Bangalore

### Time to Renew!

Time to renew! To be eligible to win a great doorprize at our May 19 meeting, renew by that date or at that meeting. Print out the form and renew. New members are welcome. \$67.50 dues will cover the remainder of this year thru June 30, 2011. Make checks payable to AAUW Shoreline Branch. \$46 of your dues is tax deductible. Current Members need fill out only an abbreviated renewal form. Please check the current directory to make sure your entry is accurate. Also, note any changes to your email, phone or fax number. Send form and check to: J. Jones, 78A Founders Village, Clinton, Ct., 06413.

### Membership Wine and Cheese Event

Invite friends to the New and Potential Member Wine and Cheese Event in early June to learn more about AAUW. It will take place at the beautiful home of a wonderful member.

Contact our Membership Co-Vice Presidents:  
jeanettejones2001@yahoo.com  
vpassero@snet.net

### Add a New Graduate to AAUW

New graduates may receive a free membership to AAUW - Go to **this site** and complete the online membership application now. They will receive a free one-year AAUW membership at no cost to you or them! So, send no money! Remember, only members can take advantage of this offer. Give-a-Grad-a-Gift.

Learn more at <https://svc.aauw.org/join/gradgift.cfm>

### Ride Sharing



Ride Sharing is encouraged. We all benefit from high branch meeting attendance and enjoy traveling together. Some members really need to travel with another. Be aware of those that live near you or are on your way. Who can you bring?

—Contact N. Chalker, n-b-chalker@comcast.net

### Thinking of You

Bobbie Shildneck is recovering and we wish her well, after this set back before she hits the trails again.

It is always important to convey the names of members who are ill or have suffered a loss to Kay Conover, 203/458-6249, or another board member so we may send a card. Several cards have been sent on behalf of the branch in recent months. Note—correct e-mail in the Directory to read: kayconover@comcast.net

### Note member address changes:

C. Kahler, Kahlerct@comcast.net  
C. DeArmitt, cdearmitt26@comcast.net



# AAUW/CT Convention, Saturday, May 8, 2010

Registration Deadline April 30, 2010

Join others from all across Connecticut at

Four Points by Sheraton, 275 Research Parkway, Meriden

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(as you wish it to appear on your name tag)

Branch \_\_\_\_\_

Leadership Position \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Branch                      \_\_\_ State                      \_\_\_ National

### Voting Status – Check One

\_\_\_ Branch President                      \_\_\_ State Officer/Leadership Team  
\_\_\_ Branch Delegate                      \_\_\_ Past AAUW/CT President  
\_\_\_ Member-at-Large                      \_\_\_ Non-member/Non-voting Attendee

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Daytime \_\_\_\_\_ Evening \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Convention/Annual Business Meeting Agenda and program information to follow

Registration: 8:30 A.M.                      Program: 9 A.M. –1:00 P.M. Charter Oak Ballroom C  
Registration Fee:                      \$10 -includes Continental Breakfast  
Make checks payable to:                      AAUW/CT  
Send form and check to:                      Carolyn MacDuff, 27 Mattabasset Drive, Meriden, CT 06450

Additional information, contact her at: Telephone: 203.237.3341, email: carolynmacduff@cox.net

Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



## Four Points by Sheraton

275 Research Parkway, Meriden, CT 06450

### Directions

**Carpool Contact -Shoreline Branch member, Nancy Chalker, 203-245-4485n-b-chalker@comcast.net**

From Hartford (I-91 South)

Take I-91 South to Exit 17 (East Main Street). At the end of ramp, take left onto East Main Street. At second stop light, take a right onto Pomeroy Avenue. Four Points by Sheraton is 1/2 mile on the right.

From Hartford (Rt 15 South)

Take Route 15 South (Merritt Parkway) to Exit 67W. At the end of the ramp take a left onto East Main Street. At second stop light take a right onto Pomeroy Avenue. Four Points by Sheraton is 1/2 mile on right.

From New Haven (I-91 North)

Take I-91 North to Exit 16. At the end of the ramp take a right onto East Main Street. At the first light take a right onto Pomeroy Avenue. Four Points by Sheraton is 1/2 mile on the right.

From New Haven (Rt. 15 North)

Take Rt. 15 North to exit 67. At the end of the ramp take a right onto East Main Street. At the first light take a right onto Pomeroy Ave. Four Points by Sheraton is 1/2 mile on the right.

From Waterbury and West

Take I-84 East to Exit 27 onto I-691 East. Follow I-691 to Exit 10 (I-91/Rt. 15 South) . Stay in right hand lane and get off first exit, 67W (East Main Street). At the end of the exit, take a left onto East Main Street. At second stop light, take a right onto Pomeroy Ave. Four Points by Sheraton is 1/2 mile on right.

From Middletown and East

Take Rt. 66 to Exit 13 (East Main Street) Follow straight through to second light. Take a left onto Research Parkway. Continue through first stop sign and Four Points by Sheraton will be on the right hand side.

Shoreline Branch is proudly co-sponsoring  
two Student Leaders this year to the

### **2010 National Conference for College Women Student Leaders**

Leadership for Today and Tomorrow  
June 3-5, 2010 • Univ. of Maryland, College Park  
nccwsl@aauw.org

Hi Ann,

It was wonderful to meet you as well! I am so very honored and excited to have the opportunity to take part in the conference in June. I cannot wait to learn more about AAUW and share my experience with those around me. It pleases me a great deal to know how much your organization promotes women and an education. I believe very strongly in women being independent individuals and putting their all into everything they do. Having the opportunity to experience an event such as this means a great deal to me! Again, it was a pleasure meeting you Friday and I look forward to the meeting this coming September!

Enjoy your week and the beautiful weather ahead of us!  
Take care, A. Regan

Ms. Ann Gordon,

It was a pleasure meeting with you. Both Alison and I are very excited about the up-and-coming conference and look forward to sharing our experience with you and the rest of Connecticut! I cannot thank you enough for this wonderful opportunity.

Best, M. Opalenik

### **Beijing "Anniversary 15"**

The Commission on the Status of Women in mid March concluded its 54th session at the UN in New York. Thousands of women came from many developed and developing countries. The year 2010 marks the 15th anniversary of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. The following four areas of priority importance to women were discussed: Maternal mortality, the role of women in decision-making, a new UN body for gender equality and the advancement of women, and ending violence against women. The Secretary General in his term is making a special appeal to end such violence; 70% of women experience violence in their lifetimes.

Hillary Clinton who led the USA delegation to Beijing in 1995 spoke on the final day of this meeting. She said that the status of women is not only a matter of morality and justice but also a political, economic and social imperative. The progress of women is the progress of humanity.

-L. James, AAUW International Liason

### **International Travelers Reminder**

If you're planning a trip to a place where children would welcome news of their counterparts in another part of the world, bring them a picture book made by a child and begin a cultural exchange that will promote understanding and friendship. To become an ambassador for Kids to Kids International (KTKI), G. St. Paul, 203/453-3054.

## **Register by May 6! June 11 Great Adventures Trip**

**Tour Animal Disease Center-/Plum Island  
Contact H. Heath , 860/399-0136**

For security, the facility requires background check in advance of the event. You must provide Date of Birth, Social Security number, address, phone number and be a U.S. citizen. The boat leaves from Old Saybrook at 7:45 sharp and heads back at 4:15. Maximum 38 people for tour, which includes lecture, tour of lab, and bus tour of the island. Bring a bag lunch. Coffee and drinks are available there. Wear comfortable shoes and clothes, a little walking. No charge for this trip, but \$10 reservation deposit gcheck. Branch members and friends, only. Ages 12 and up. All must have passed the advance security check to gain admission. Bring drivers license/photo ID on the day of the trip.



### **GAL's Group Forming Again**

There has been some interest in renewing the G.A.L.'s (Gal's At Lunch) interest group. I have checked with Aspen Restaurant in Old Saybrook and they will give us separate checks. How about Sunday, May 2 at 12:30? The address: 2 Main ST. (at Saybrook Country Barn). Please let me know if you would like to come as I will have to make reservations (gordonann@att.net).

### **Shoreline Branch Website**

Branch updates, newsletter, information and links.  
<http://aauwshorelinect.org/index.html>

### **National Website Access**

<http://www.aauw.org/> is an excellent resource for all.

### **National AAUW on-line Newsletter**

<http://capwiz.com/aauw/mlm/signup/?emc=lm&m=38758&l=95&v=533432>

### **Relating to Mission: April 28 Event**

**Women's Participation in Society and Government:  
A Global Perspective**

League of Women Voters of CT Education Fund's  
41st Symposium on International Relations

Wednesday, April 28, 2010, 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Alumni Hall, Carl Hansen Student Center  
Quinnipiac University

275 Mount Carmel Avenue, Hamden, Connecticut

\$25 thru mail-in registration deadline April 20  
\$30 mail-ins after April 20 and at the door  
Students: \$10

Before April 20 send SASE for tickets mailed to you.  
For further information, contact our office. Phone: 203-288-7996 Fax: 203-288-7998

# Calendar for May/June 2010

**April 21 EF Branch Meeting 7 p.m. Wed**  
 Educational Foundation Program  
 with Lower CT Valley AAUW  
 Henry Carter Hull Library, Clinton, CT

28 International Relations II  
 30 Gourmet Group, Famous People Dinner

**May 1** Deadline for Branch Scholarship applications  
 A. Osburne, OsburneA@mail.ccsu.edu

2 G.A.L.'s (Gal's At Lunch)  
 3 International Relations 1  
 5 Bridge

**May 6 Board Meeting 7 p.m. Thurs**  
 7 Great Adventures 10:30 Fri  
 Planning Session

8 **"ONE DAY" CT State Convention,**  
 Let's *all* go. Newcomers too. An energizing,  
*dynamic* meeting. Registration form

14 Literature 10 a.m. Fri  
 17 Literature 1 p.m. Mon  
 K. Conover (note change of hostess)

**May 19 Branch Meeting, Clinton Town Hall**  
**Potluck Dinner 6 p.m. Wed**

26 International Relations II

**June 3 Board Meeting 7p.m. Thurs**

June 7 International Relations 1,  
 Planning Luncheon, Bring salad or dessert

11 Great Adventures, Reservations by May 6  
 Tour Animal Disease Center-/Plum Island

11 Literature, Gene St. Paul 10 a.m. Fri  
 Planning meeting, Bring salad or dessert

12 Book Group Friday Morning 10 a.m.  
 Planning and luncheon

15 Book Group- Monday Afternoon 1 p.m.

**June 16 End Of Year Branch Picnic Noon**  
**Hammonasset State Park, Madison**  
 Hosted by Art Appreciation Group

21 Literature, M. Halloran 1 p.m. Mon

30 Deadline for dues renewal

Aug 9 Deadline for *Sound Waves* Fall issue  
 Sept Meetings resume after Summer break  
 Nov 6 Book/Author Luncheon. Save The Date  
 11:30, Clinton Country Club

## Member Interest Groups

Please begin branch program planning for next year. 2010-2011 Theme is "Women and Girls in Action." Please send program schedules and program details to Program Chair, Directory Coordinator, Publicity Chair and Newsletter editor before August 9.

## Need Event Publicity?

Just contact publicity chairs with details at least three weeks before your meeting event date for press coverage.  
 Publicity: A. Hyde, [annehyde@sbcglobal.net](mailto:annehyde@sbcglobal.net), H. Greene, [hjgreene@cshore.com](mailto:hjgreene@cshore.com)

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Shoreline Branch (CT) Newsletter  
 Carol Baldwin, Editor  
 147 Iron Works Road  
 Killingworth, CT 06419

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN-CONNECTICUT SHORELINE BRANCH**

**JULY 1, 2010-JUNE 30, 2011 REVISED MEMBERSHIP FORM**

Membership co-chairs: J.Jones, jeanettejones2001@yahoo.com, and  
V. Passero, vpassero@snet.net

NEW MEMBER: (\$67.50 entitles new registrants to membership to 6/30/11.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ (Very important)

          Last                      First                      Middle

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ Ext. \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

University \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Degree \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

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How did you learn about Shoreline AAUW? \_\_\_\_\_

RENEWING MEMBER: Name \_\_\_\_\_

  Last                      First                      Middle

Fill in data changes that should be made in the next Membership Booklet:

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ (Very important for branch communications)

Phone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: AAUW Shoreline Branch**

**Send with form to: Jan Jones, Membership AAUW, 78A Founders Village, Clinton, Ct. 06413**

Branch Member               \$ 67.50 (\$49 National; \$5 CT State\*; \$13.50 Branch)

New Life Member            \$ 998.50 (National \$49 x 20 = \$980; \$5 CT; \$13.50 Branch)

Renew Life Member         \$ 18.50 (\$5 CT; \$13.50 Branch)

National Members-at-Large are encouraged to become members of our Shoreline Branch so they may participate in our events and interest groups.

Additional contributions :

\_\_\_\_\_ Educational Foundation (funding program for graduate women)

\_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Fund (local program for deserving women completing college degrees)

\_\_\_\_\_ Legal Advocacy Fund (combats sex discrimination in higher education and the workplace)

\_\_\_\_\_ Printing and Postage (offset Shoreline's newsletter printing/mailing expenses)

**\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed (\$46 is tax deductible, as a charitable contribution) Date \_\_\_\_\_**

Special Interest Groups , Speaker Events and our "Sound Waves" newsletter are some of the benefits that enrich the social lives of Shoreline Branch Members. Please review the attached sheet for descriptions of our Interest Groups. Check the ones in which you would like to participate and return the sheet with this dues form. The chairpersons will contact you.

\* recently lowered State dues are reflected

rev. 3/8/10

## MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION TIME!

Please register now for July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011

Your early dues payment will both expedite preparation of the Membership Directory and minimize calling and mailing reminder campaigns.

PLEASE NOTE--Annual dues for AAUW are now only \$67.50...fiscal year 7/1/10-6/30/11.

### AAUW SHORELINE BRANCH INTEREST GROUPS

In addition to completing the dues form, please, list your interest in these groups.

( ) Art Appreciation-For art enthusiasts who like to spend time with like-minded people at museums, special exhibits and studios. Group members plan events and invite the general membership to join excursions.

( ) Bridge-Card players get together the first Wednesday of each month to enjoy bridge and friends. Two groups are active. They meet 1PM and 7PM

Preference: Wednesdays 1PM\_\_\_\_\_ Wednesdays 7PM\_\_\_\_\_

( ) Financial Matters-Members meet at various times for enlightening programs about a wide range of financial topics.

( ) Gourmet Group-Participants expand their knowledge about food through theme related dinners. Times vary.

( ) Great Adventures-Members plan and coordinate special day trips open to the general membership. The 2009-10 agenda includes glass blowing in Stonington, Connecticut and the Tenement Museum in New York.

( ) Hiking-Nature and physical fitness come together several days a week in a hiking schedule extending from November to March. Participants walk three times a week; the leader notifies participants of time and great places.

( ) International Relations-Groups discuss global issues and interests.. Two groups are active. They meet the first Monday of the month at 10AM and the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7PM

Preference: Mondays 10AM\_\_\_\_\_ Wednesdays 7PM \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Literature-Groups discuss books chosen by members. Three groups are active and meet the second Friday of the month at 10AM; the third Monday of the month at 1PM; and the second Monday of the month at 2PM. The first two groups plan a reading program for the year; the third group chooses 'eclectic' reading selections.

Preference: Fridays 10AM (\_\_\_\_\_) Mondays 1PM (\_\_\_\_\_) Mondays 2PM (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_