

American Association of University Women Mission Statement:
AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy,
education and research.

Hilton Head AAUW NOVEMBER, 2011 Newsletter

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BRANCH MEETING:

Date: Saturday
November 5, 2011

Place: SEABROOK
On Pope Avenue

Time: 10:00 am: **Social**
10:30 am **Meeting**

Program: Pat Branning, author and food editor of the "Beaufort Tribune" will be demonstrating and offering tastings of special holiday goodies and talking about her latest cookbook, "Shrimp, Collards and Grits". Guests are welcome. The book will be available at a cost of \$34.95. (checks only, please).

Check out her website—
mycarolinacooking.com for more details about the book including a commemorative edition available in leatherette at J. Banks.

UPCOMING GENERAL MEETING DATES:

Message from our co-president: **Mary Lou Hyatt**

It was such fun to see everyone at the welcome tea at Bear Creek Golf Club in Hilton Head Plantation. I think it was the nicest start of the year yet. We want to welcome four new members. Their background is detailed below.

There are some changes that I hope you will put down. Namely that our scholarship fund raiser will be on February 4th at the Hilton Head Country Club. The difference is that we will be giving out the scholarships on May 5th in a separate ceremony and not combining same with th this fund raiser. Your board felt that there was too much going on at the auction and we were not able to give the winners their due. Please put these dates down so that you can attend.

We want to thank Donna for arranging the program on October 15th featuring the Community Foundation. The attendance was very good and we learned much about the Foundation's role in assisting non profits that are in need, and we hope we can do something going forward with this organization. What accomplished women we have , and also, we all looked so good in "Pink"!

Do join us at the November 5 branch meeting at the Seabrook when we have the privilege of meeting Pat Branning .

BOARD MEETING DATES:

Our next general meeting will be on **Dec. 6th**..our holiday luncheon to be held at the **Sea Pines Country Club** with entertainment provided by the **Sun City CHIMERS**. Gate passes are not needed.

Luncheon starts at 11:30 am with cash bar/social time .Don't miss this holiday social and chance to get to meet new members.

January 4, 2012: Pat Cano co-chair of the Herb Group of the **Avant-Gardeners Club** of Sun City will share their discoveries and knowledge of herbs which culminated in the printing of "**Cooking with Herbs**"..copies of which will be available at this general meeting.

February 4, 2012:
SCHOLARSHIP BRUNCH/FASHION SHOW at the Hilton Head Country Club.

Brunch/Silent Auction and door prizes. Models will be our own members plus known community sports minded women as the theme will be **One of the following: Let Pat Batten know which you prefer:**

- Possible Themes:**
- Fashions on the Move
 - Women Moving Ahead
 - Women in Action
 - Ladies on the Go
 - Girls on the Go
 - Fit for a Cause
 - Action for a Cause
 - Women Make a Difference
 - Active Fashions
 - From Fashions to Scholarships
 - Active Women on the Go
 - Dress for Action
 - Other?

Meetings are held on Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. at the CC of Hilton Head located in the HH Plantation. Members are welcome to attend .

October 26, 2011
November 30, 2011
January 11, 2012
April 11, 2012

PUBLIC POLICY: Chair: Pat Batten

The information below is an example of how AAUW is working for women and girls. Please take time to check out the national website (aauw.org) periodically and look at what we're accomplishing! Locally we co-sponsored a forum on Judicial Diversity in the State with the League of Women Voters at the Hilton Head High School. For those of us who attended, it was informative and well done. KUDOS to the League for putting the panel together (mini cupcakes served after the forum were yummy too!).

Update: The Senate HELP Committee passed an amendment by Senator Murray to require State Report Card info to be reported in a manner that can be cross-tabulated. This means the bill not only preserves the current data desegregation and adds desegregation of grad rates by gender, but also will enhance the data that is reported, thus giving schools, communities and advocates information about smaller subgroups of students, which should be more useful.

This is a huge win for AAUW. Just last week we were told this amendment probably would not survive the committee.

" **Lobby Corp**" took to the Hill last week and delivered our letter to all the HELP committee members which included desegregated data. Additionally, AAUW and NCWGE has worked for years to get this language into the

March 6, 2012: TBA

April 21, 2012: HILTON HEAD BRANCH OF AAUW WILL HOST THE **STATE AAUW CONVENTION..MORE TO FOLLOW:**

May 5, 2012: Scholarship Award Luncheon. Location TBA.

AAUW WOMEN WRITERS BOOK GROUP: Pat Batten

Come join our book group. We meet at the **SEABROOK** on Pope Avenue on Mondays at 1:30 p.m., except for the May luncheon which will be at Noon with discussion to follow. This is when we discuss new books for the following fiscal year.

Date/Book/Author/Facilitator

October 24: 19TH WIFE
by David Ebershoff
Linda Hennessey

***November 14:** Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer
And Annie Barrow
Margaret Bedford

Due to **Thanksgiving**

No Meeting in **December**

January 13, 2012
Someone Knows My Name by Lawrence Hill
Freddie Hodges

reauthorization bill. Congrats to us!..(by Erin Prangley, Associate Director o Government Relations.)

A NOTE FROM OUR BRUNCH & FASHION SHOW COORDINATOR: Gigi Harris

We're picking up speed towards this important fund raiser which will provide monies for our three scholarship to be given out next year to deserving women.

The event will be held at the Country Club of Hilton Head on Feb. 4, 2012.. SAVE THIS DATE.

Delicious menu selections are underway and our fashions will revolve around women who keep themselves fit and active on the tennis courts, golf courses, yoga mats, tread mills, softball fields, walking trails and beyond.

Our models will include local sports women and others who lead active lifestyles. Promoting fitness and wellness through fashion is a fresh concept and one that lights a fire beneath all of us to pull on our gear and get moving!

PLAYERS WORLD in the Fresh Market Shoppes is very excited to have their athletic wear considered for our fashion Show. We'll keep you posted.

If you have suggestions for models (do include yourself if you are a fitness buff), please e-mail me at hargigi@gmail.com. Thank you.

AAUW CELEBRATES ITS 130TH BIRTHDAY

Come join Bev James and Pat Batten at THE

February 27: Unbroken by
Lauren Hildebrand
Bev James

April 23: Caleb's Crossing by Geraldine
Brooks
Johnnie Lee Witt

**May 20: Book Selection
Luncheon..**details to follow.

Did you know that in 1920 AAUW
provided Marie Curie with funds to help
purchase radium for her research. Learn
more at :
[aauw.org/media/pressreleases/White
HouseStem092611.cfm](http://aauw.org/media/pressreleases/WhiteHouseStem092611.cfm)

AAUW: Help keep the promise of social
security:
<http://capwiz.com/aauw/issues/alert>

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"i")

Flora was graduated from
New York University. She originated
from New Rochelle and now lives in
Hilton Head Plantation. She had her own
Interior Design business for 32 years.
Flora likes needlepoint, reading and
traveling.

CHART HOUSE on Squire Pope Road at **Noon
on November 8th** to celebrate this momentous
occasion. R.S.V.P. to Pat by November 5th to
let her know if you can come
ptbatten@aol.com) or 843-341-6638.

Who could have predicted 130 years ago that
we would still be needed to continue the work of
our "Founding Mothers". We will order off the
menu--no pre-set choices or pre-payment
required as we will have separate checks.
This may be that occasion when you may want
to do the unusual – like order dessert first.
After all, this is a birthday party!.

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS: Sandy Stern,
Membership Chairperson:

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS:.

Be sure to welcome them at our next branch
meeting and/or book group or call and invite
them to carpool.

Carol Ulmer: 24 Lenora Drive, HHI, SC 29926
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(Yes, it's a **y** not a **g**.)

Carol was graduated from **Angelo State
University** in St. Angelo, Texas. and has

an advanced degree from **Our Lady of the
Lake University** in At. Antonio, Texas.

She resides in Hilton Head Plantation.
Carol is a Master Gardener, likes to make
jewelry and work with stained glass. She
retired from USAA Insurance Company prior to
moving to South Carolina.

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A graduate of Bridgewater State College in Massachusetts, Cynthia majored in Elementary Education. She holds a graduate degree from Boston College... She is a volunteer at the Coastal Discovery Museum and an avid cook. Would entertain a gourmet cooking group. She lives in Hilton Head Plantation.

2012 Scholarship Program: Donna Bafundo:

In the spirit of advancing educational and career opportunities for women within our community, our branch is pleased to announce its 2012 Scholarship Program. Thanks to member contributions, fund raising and profits from our annual Fashion Show/Brunch we will be offering three scholarships in the amounts of \$1500, \$1000 and \$500.

The board has made the following changes: We have set an application deadline of March 9, 2012, taking the application preparation out of the holidays, which we hope will encourage more applicants. The final awards will be presented at the May 5, 2012 Awards Luncheon.

We encourage you to spread the news about our scholarship availability and pull out all the stops to make this year's Fashion Show/Brunch a huge success.

We remind you that the application can

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Ruth is a graduate of Michigan State University in Home Economics, with a major in Interior Design. She moved to Sun City from Danbury Connecticut. Her interests are varied and include needlepoint, "sailors Valentines" (which are pictures made from shells and baked). An avid reader, Ruth belongs to several book clubs. She also has interests in Art, Antiques, History and takes classes at OLLI. A lover of classical music, she enjoys Opera, Canasta and Mah Jongg...

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TRIPS & TREKS: (See following photos)

On a beautiful day on October we headed to The Coastal Discovery Museum at Honey Horn to view the first PUBLIC ART EXHIBITION. The incredible sculptures throughout their lovely gardens came from artists throughout the states and several

from the artists of the lowcountry. The exhibition runs through December 31st and viewers are asked to vote for the "**People's Choice Award**" for their favorite sculpture, which all of us deemed nearly impossible as they are all great works of art. This award will be announced on November 10, 2011 and you are encouraged to visit the exhibition and vote online at: www.hhipublicart.org.

We are hoping this will become an annual event.

1)Members of AAUW at Honey Horn:

be accessed on-line through a branch link on AAUW's statewide Website, for printing the information and a copy of the application: www.aauwsc.org/BranchSites/HiltonHead by November 11, 2011.

The selection criteria remain the same: Women age 25 or older; an earned secondary school diploma or GED; a resident of Beaufort County, south of the Broad River; a current or planned enrollment in an accredited 2 or 4 year college, university or vocational/technical school.

Our scholarship committee include: Pat Pollak, Sandy Stern, MaryEllen Harkins, Mary Lou Hiatt, Lois Schuhrke, and Donna Bafundo.

The committee will begin review of the applications in March, followed by a request for approval of finalists to the board. Applicants will be notified of award status in early April, in advance of the Awards Luncheon in May. Feel free to contact a committee member for more information.

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO RAISE FUND FOR THESE SCHOLARSHIPS.

1)Members of AAUW at Honey Horn:



2) Vortex by Barton Rubenstein:



3)Mosaic Hand by Paula Smith

