



Cobb Update

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Special Dates of Interest

- Feb. 5 - Roving Gourmet
- Feb 13 - Meeting at Cobb Cty Central Library
- Feb 15 Book Group **2 pm**
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- Mar 5 - Roving Gourmet
- Mar 12 - Monthly Meeting
- Mar 21 Book Group **6 pm**



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“Let’s Talk About It”

A Public Forum on Domestic **Violence and Sexual Assault in Cobb County**

Saturday, February 13, 2:30 p.m.
Conference Room Cobb County Public Library
266 Roswell Street, Marietta GA 30060

Panel Members:

A victim of domestic violence
and representatives from:

Cobb County District Attorney’s Office
Cobb Legal Aid
Law Enforcement

YWCA NW Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Center

Sponsored by:

American Association of University Women of Cobb County
YWCA of Northwest Georgia
Co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters
Marietta-Cobb

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Book Group

For additional Book Group information please email or call Barbara Hammond at Bhammond@kennesaw.edu or 770-973-1988

The February meeting of the AAUW Book Group will be at

2:00 p.m. February 15

at the home of Norman Cannon. Norma will also do refreshments.

Thank you, Norma!!!

The facilitator will be Barbara Blue. Please let Norma know you are coming at jimnorma@comcast.net or 770/952-6432.

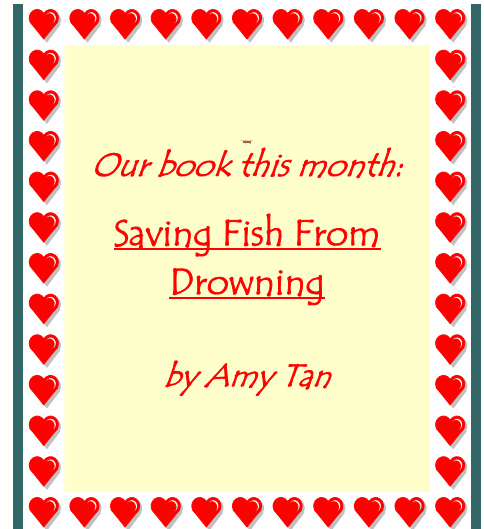
Norma Cannon
3002 Kalah Place
Marietta, Ga 30067

February book is **Saving Fish From Drowning** by Amy Tan
See you there!!!!

Please note this schedule change for the March meeting:

It has come to our attention that Daylight Savings Time will begin on March 13 this year! Since we voted to have evening meetings during Daylight Savings months (and afternoon meetings during the "dark" months) we will change the time for the March meeting from afternoon---now to evening.

Joan Twilliger will be hosting for that March 21 meeting at 6:30p.m.
Please note this on your calendars!



ROVING GOURMET



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Marietta, GA 30067
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Inside Paper Mill Village - corner of Johnson Ferry and Paper Mill
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FRIDAY, February 5th, at 7:00 PM

Please contact Judy R for reservations by WEDNESDAY, February 3rd
at jvr@pcvisions.com or 770-319-1776



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hearts and flowers to you all in a month that sets aside a day to celebrate love, family, and friendship. Thoughts are mixed this month, however, due to the subject of our AAUW program on February 13. Domestic violence and sexual assault are stories as old as human nature, but throughout history, these acts of violence have gone unadmitted or unreported due to feelings of humiliation, fear, or twisted ideas of male dominance. As an organization that supports the rights of women, we refuse to ignore what is an endemic reluctance to confront the obvious. We must encourage women to report such acts of violence; that there is no shame or guilt on their part when these terrible things happen to them. The next time, their life may end as it almost did for my niece last year. She was brutally beaten by her husband. If she had not been in a public place where bystanders interfered, she would be dead. The purpose of the February 13 program is this: to raise awareness that perpetrators have no place to hide, that victims have helpful resources, and to encourage the reporting of these acts to authorities because doing so may save your life or that of someone else. Students from our AAUW affiliate at Kennesaw State University will be attending. They will be wearing purple ribbons to show their sympathy and support for fellow students, who like women on campuses across the country, are victims of sexual assault and domestic violence. We are proud of our AAUW KSU group for collaborating with the Women's Student Center in hosting several campus programs in April that will raise awareness, teach preventive measures, and publicize resources available for reporting and counseling. As it is with so many issues facing women of all ages and ethnicities at home and abroad, collaboration and activism are essential to positive change.

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Upcoming programs

[Saturday, March 12, 2016, 2:30 p.m.](#) Cobb County Central Library. **Saturday, March 12, 2:30 p.m., Cobb County Public Library on Roswell Street. "Forward March"**. Come hear personal stories of veteran women, including our own Amy Stephens and Bea Piddock who proudly served in the United States Navy. This is a special program designed to celebrate the past, present, and future of women veterans during Women's History Month .



"Music expresses that which cannot be put into words and that which cannot remain silent."

~ Victor Hugo

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In principle and in 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, or disability. Membership is open to anyone who holds an associate's or equivalent, bachelor's, or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university.



From the Book Fair proceeds, two \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded to deserving women in March. The process for applying begins January 15. Applications may be made online on our www.cobbcounty-ga.aauw.net website. Application forms can also be mailed if preferred. The women must be currently enrolled in a Cobb County college or university. Deadline for submission is February 29. Please notify those you know who may be interested to take advantage of the opportunity.

Eighth Grade Essay Contest Launches in January

"Why STEM for Me?" is the title of the Eighth Grade Essay contest that begins in January. The contest is open to all 8th grade girls in the Cobb County Public School system and the City of Marietta. The contest will award First, Second, and Third Place winners with \$100, \$75, and \$50 respectively. The contest is designed to stimulate girls' interest in entering the non-traditional fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.



Start thinking.....**about** who you want to nominate for our 2016 "**Woman of the Year**". Send your suggestions to Barbara Blue with a description of her accomplishments and why you think she would be a good choice. The membership will have an opportunity to vote in March. Barbara's email address is blu16br@gmail.com.



International Notes:

The UN High Commissioner for Human Rights: "No country has yet achieved equality between men and women." Canada: The Prime Minister of Canada, a self-proclaimed feminist, appointed women to half of his administration's cabinet positions. Justin Trudeau's decision makes Canada's female cabinet representation double that of the United States; President Obama's cabinet is 25 percent female.

AAUW Book Group Selections: September, 2015---September, 2016

| Date | Book | Hostess | Facilitator | Refreshments |
|------------------------------|--|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 9/14/15 2:00 p.m. | The Goldfinch Donna Tartt | Joan Zenteno | Karen Peters | Judy Ribarsky |
| 10/26/15 2:00 p.m. | Doc A Novel Mary Doria Russell | Barbara Hammond | Debbie Karvey | Barbara Hammond |
| 11/16/15 2:00 p.m. | Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie Alan Bradley | Norma Cannon | Judy Ribarsky | Norma Cannon |
| 12/21/15 6:30 p.m. | The All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion Fanny Flagg | Barbara Hammond | Arden Stone | Pot Luck Dinner |
| 1/18/16 2:00 p.m. | Life After Life Jill McCorkle | Nancy Coakley | Karen Peters | Peg Montgomery |
| 2/15/16 2:00 p.m. | Saving Fish from Drowning Amy Tan | Norma Cannon | Barbara Blue | Norma Cannon |
| 3/21/16 6:30 p.m. | The Invention of Wings Sue Monk Kidd | Joan Twilliger | Marty Hughes | Joan Twilliger |
| 4/18/16 6:30 p.m. | The Beautiful Mystery Louise Penny | Joan Zenteno | Barbara Hammond | Sandi Nelson |
| 5/16/16 6:30 p.m. | The Boys in the Boat Daniel James Brown | Bonnie Williams | Bonnie Williams | Bonnie Williams |
| 6/20/16 6:30 p.m. | The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry Gabrielle Zevin | | Jane Benjamin | Rita Neal |
| 7/18/16 6:30 p.m. | A Spool of Blue Thread Ann Tyler | Nancy Coakley | Nancy Coakley | Nancy Coakley |
| 8/15/16 6:30 p.m. | Book Selection Meeting: | Jane Benjamin | XX | Pot Luck Dinner |
| 9/19/16 2:00 p.m. | All the Light We Cannot See Anthony Doerr | | | |

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