



North Harris County Branch
American Association of University Women

March 15, 2012 Member Meeting & Officer Election
7:00 p.m. at Northwood Presbyterian Church

March Officer Elections for 2012-2014

Annual new officer elections will be held at the branch meeting on *Thursday, March 15*. Members must be present to vote. The nominating committee submits the following slate of candidates as officers of the North Harris County Branch AAUW for 2012-2014:

President – Betsy Calabro • Secretary – Patricia Fraske • Membership Co-VPs – Vada Boyle & Sharon Glasgow

Nominations may be made from the floor at the time of the election with written consent of the nominee. The nominating committee chair is Mary Gubert.



March Program ~ Memoirs: True Stories, Real People

Memoirs and family stories provide a powerful way to enrich our legacies and our own life journeys. Researchers have found that younger generations gain in confidence, resiliency and self-esteem from knowing about their families' challenges and achievements. Maybe you are that person who wants to write about some of the interesting events in your life or family history.

Our speaker, Susan Briggs Wright, has an extensive background in writing, editing, and publishing memoirs. She is a native of Wisconsin with degrees from Stanford and Columbia's Graduate School of Journalism in New York. In Houston, she covered consumer affairs, medicine and courts for KPRC Channel 2. She was a journalism instructor at U of H and anchor/managing producer at KUHT-TV.

Susan began working with memoirs and family history when her mother needed help writing about her Norwegian forebears. Next, she guided her father's memoirs. *Texas Review Press* has just published her latest editing endeavor, *Coping With Transition: Men, Motherhood, Money, and Magic*. In it fifteen Houston professional women share transitions that taught them to make lemonade from lemons in a fast-changing world of men, motherhood, money, and magic. Their stories reach out and connect with wry humor, laughter, edginess, anguish and celebrating real life.

Come hear Susan tell about the wonderful stories she's helped bring forth, consulting on memoir and family history projects and leading classes at the Women's Institute where fascinating stories are shared and men are welcome. So bring your friends, including husbands—and your questions!

Calendar of Events

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, April 19, 2012

North Harris County Educational Foundation Grant Awards Dinner at Via Emilia Italian Restaurant

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| Mar 19, Mon
7:00 p.m. | 2012 Great Decisions: <i>Energy Geopolitics</i> by William Sweet, at the home of Mary Jane and Tom Petrick. Dessert at 7:00 p.m., followed by discussion from 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. |
| Mar 20, Tue
1:00 p.m. | Travelmania: <i>Barge Cruising with Fine Wines & Food on Canals through the French Wine Country Plus River Boat Cruising to Europe's Famous Cities</i> , at the home of Betty Tongberg. Contact Betty if you plan to attend. The program starts at 1:30 p.m. |
| Mar 26, Mon
7:00 p.m. | Prime Time Literature: at Café Express in Champions Village on FM 1960. 6:30 p.m. for dinner, discussion at 7:00 p.m. of the book <i>The Space Between Us</i> by Thrity Umrigar |
| Apr 13-15
Fri, Sat, Sun | 2012 Texas State Convention in Austin: Registration form can be found at www.aauwtexas.org
All AAUW members are invited to attend. Contact Kati Woodward to find out who else is going! |
| Jun 16, Sat
10:00 a.m. | Just the Facts, Ma'am: at Café Express to discuss <i>Bones and Butter: The Inadvertent Education of a Reluctant Chef</i> by Gabrielle Hamilton |