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# **THE SPOKESWOMAN**

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Mission Statement: AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

## **REPORTS**

April 11

The business meeting was held on Monday, the 11<sup>th</sup>. Rhonda called the meeting to order at Village Pizza and Grill. After introductions, we voted to suspend the bylaws, and the slate was approved unanimously; Co-executives: Rhonda, Estelle, Shahla; Financial Officer, Gail; Secretary, Leslie; and board members Parto, Chithra, Verena, and a student group liaison.

At a future board meeting, changes to the bylaws required by the state plus our own needs (such as no term limits) will be discussed.

Some cupcakes and other baked goods were brought for the AAUW student organization which will be publicizing Unequal Pay Day on campus. (There may be a report later).

The pizza and salad was enjoyed by Rhonda, Estelle, Jennifer, Marlene, Nan, Juliana, Parto, Gail, Marti, Elaine, and Leslie.





April 12

Members met informally at the Winds of Change Restaurant on 113 D St. to take advantage of the 16% of food costs for women eating there that evening. (This was arranged by Celida, new member). The discount was to emphasize the unequal pay difference due to gender. The food, discount, and company were enjoyed by Sydney, Estelle, Rhonda, Celida, Allyson, Juliana, Char, and Ken.



April 20

The program at the Winds of Change featured Felicia Marcus, and was well-received. (We may have a report and pictures later.)

April 30

The AAUW student group went to Woodland to help the YMCA with their Healthy Kids Day. (We may have a report later).

April 30

The yard sale took place at Rhonda's on Saturday. Thanks to you all who donated food or goods to sell. It was very windy and the electric power went off. Rhonda, Ken, and Juliana started getting things set up, when several people arrived- very early. Two men volunteered to help us get the sale items out of the garage. Then more people arrived early and eager to look everything over (especially jewelry). Verena and Marti pitched in. Then Shahla, Estelle, Gail, and Yan joined them and worked until after 1:00 pm.

Many of the unsold items were then donated to the SPCA. The rest are stored until the next sale (probable May 14). We made \$265 plus a \$100 donation from Shalah's co-worker. Raffle tickets for the quilt were sold, earning \$48. Hopefully, you still have items to donate for this next yard sale.

### **TECH TREK CAMPERS**

Our campers for 2016 are: Shea Sorrentino and Elizabeth Young from Emerson, Anoushka Chander from Holmes, and Oluwadara Ogundiwin from Harper. Many thanks to Gail for doing all the hard /time-consuming work to gather materials, get permission from the District to get out the word, find a classroom for the interviews, set up the interview times and collect the paperwork applications and essays, interview and select and inform, collect and send off money requirements, and communicate a great deal with all parties. Then she continues to work with the girls afterward, arranging for their presentations to us. THANK YOU!

Thanks also to Sharon and Juliana for helping to interview and select.

### **INSTALLATION AND WELCOME**

On June 5, a Sunday, we will officially install the slate of officers and introduce the Tech Trek campers. It will cost \$25 for choice of salad or sandwich, with drinks and dessert. We will remind you as we get closer to June 5, as an RSVP will be required.

### **VOLUNTEER HELP**

If you want to give input or volunteer to help with the quilt fundraiser, please notify a board member or Juliana.

Also, please give Juliana any report or information you want published in the newsletter.

### **CALENDAR**

**MAY 3-** Board meeting at Chithra's 6:15

**MAY 14-** alternate or additional yard sale

**MAY 19-** Celebrate the 19th

**June 5-** at **Season's**, the installation luncheon noon-2:00pm

**Be as active as you wish, but stay a member. You count!**



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## **PLEASE SAVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION**

Officers for 2015-2016

Co-Executive Officers: Rhonda: 297-0460

Shahla: 304-2844

Estelle: 758-8603

Membership/Treasurer: Gail: 756-1207

Board Members: Parto: 750-2556

Chithra: 759-9621

Sharon: (203) 314-8263

Spokeswoman: Juliana: 758-3011



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# International Film Series (STARTING OUR 20TH YEAR!)

Shown at International House, 10 College Park, on first and third Friday nights, Sept. – May

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[There is no charge, but **donations are welcomed and gratefully accepted** to help cover the cost of DVD rental or purchase, facilities use, cups, plates etc. and the **refreshments that are served at 7:30 p.m. Programs begin promptly at 8.**

May 20, 2016 *Terraferma* (2011, Italy, directed by Emanuele Crialese, 88 min.)

Set on and around a summer tourist island off the coast of Sicily, *Terraferma* (the misspelling of the title is thought to be a deliberate reference to a world with increasingly closed borders) graphically illustrates the complications and moral dilemmas presented by the arrival of boatloads of African immigrants fleeing war and abuse. Patriarch Ernesto (Mimmo Cuticchio) struggles to continue his family's livelihood by fishing with the help of his young grandson Filippo (Filippo Pucillo). His son Nino (Giuseppe Fiorello) organizes activities for the tourists while his widowed daughter Giulietta (Donatella Finocchiaro), who feels trapped on the island and dreams of leaving, decides to rent out rooms to Italian weekend guests. Following the law of the sea that compels fishermen to save anyone in peril in the ocean puts Ernesto and his family in conflict with the law of the land that forbids the rescue of immigrants and punishes breaking that law with impounding the family's fishing boat. The plight of the rescued Africans, among them a pregnant Ethiopian woman, Sara (Timnit T.) who gives birth in hiding, could not be more timely. Submitted to 2011 Academy awards, but not nominated. (#399)

*WE WILL TAKE OUR CUSTOMARY SUMMER BREAK DURING JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST. SEE YOU BACK ON SEPTEMBER 2.*