

EXTENDING GIRLS' HORIZONS

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We have had a busy year in our collaboration with the Girl Scouts.

November 3: New AAUW member Kathy Prisco taught the **Woodworking** badge to 23 girls from 5 different troops. Assisted by AAUW members Lynda Bryne, Kathy Friedman, Sue Kinney, Gwen Higgins, and Peggy Kelland, the girls learned to saw, sand, stain, nail, and screw to create a plaque.

December 20: Gwen's daughter, Ginnia Hargins, gave a demonstration and lesson in **samba dance**. Several AAUW members joined 7 girls from 3 troops and their leaders in participating.

February 3: New AAUW member (and 60-year Girl Scout member) Pam Terwilliger taught **First Aid** to 19 girls from 7 troops. Peggy and Gwen helped organize this February 23 event.

March 8: Annual repeat of the ever-popular **New Cuisines** badge workshop. Girl Scout Leaders Jenn Weisel and Amy Caba, together with AAUW members Norma Vasquez, Gwen Higgins, Kathy Friedman, Lynda Byrne, Ann Pinna, and Peggy Kelland planned, shopped, and taught four stations, making 12 different recipes for a five-course menu, prepared and enjoyed by 22 girls from 4 troops.

April 12: **Trees** badge led by landscapers Alison Friedland and Jen Whiteside, plus AAUW members Amy Matts (new), Kathy Friedman, Gwen Higgins, and Peggy Kelland. 18 girls and their leaders from 3 troops signed up.

Although most troops come from Poughkeepsie, Wappingers, and Fishkill, we also had girls from Hyde Park, Pleasant Valley, East Fishkill, Highland, Newburgh, Carmel, Putnam Valley, Cold Spring, Garrison, New Rochelle, and Highland. All events were held on Friday evenings at Zion Episcopal Church in Wappingers Falls.

We were disappointed that not enough girls signed up to hold our annual "A-Maze" all-day Saturday event, but hope to hold it again next year.

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