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## A Message from the President

In the last Shareline, I talked about our Branch goal to work with local non-profits and college partners, Chabot and Cal State Eastbay, to highlight ongoing issues and solutions for women and girls. In September Liz Bathgate, Program chair, and I were invited to attend the Gender Equity Task Force by Char Perlas, Dean of Science and Mathematics and a member of AAUW Alameda. The task force hopes to collaborate with us on some of the following ideas:

- A panel of women authors
- Movies: "It Happened Here" & "Miss Representation"
- Self Defense Strategies
- Women in STEM
- Education Debt & Pay Gap for Women of Color

Our first collaboration will be on the showing of "Miss Representation" during a student led Equity Summit in September. Date, time and place to be determined. It's very exciting because both Chabot College and Cal State Eastbay are AAUW college partners, and are eager to work with us to bring better awareness for their students.

Liz Bathgate and I along with our scholarship attendees from 2016 and 17 to NCCWSL (National Conference for Collegiate Women Student Leaders) Angelina Parra and Jennie Pierre-louis also worked a booth at the Downtown Hayward Street Party in August, hosted by the Chamber of Commerce. We met street party attendees, handed out Branch material, and took email addresses from those interested in more information about AAUW. Angelina is now at San Diego State and Jennie is at Cal State Eastbay. We wish them both lots of luck. Each was given student memberships in AAUW. We hope they stay involved.



The Branch hosted our Fall Membership Gathering at San Felipe Park a few Sundays ago. We were thrilled to hear from one of our Tech Trek girls and her mom about how much she learned at camp. Though it was a beautiful day, attendance was low. We had hoped that changing the venue to the park would make it more attractive and accessible. If you have any suggestions, please drop me an email.

Communication is so important. Your Board meets monthly, on the first Monday, at 6:30 to ensure that AAUW's mission, fundraising and programming, like Tech Trek, local scholarship, community programs, etc. are successfully enacted. We need YOU - your energy, your talents, and your commitment. Send an email to [slaterl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:slaterl@sbcglobal.net) if you can help. I look forward to working with you to reach our goals towards AAUW's powerful mission.

Linda Slater  
AAUW Castro Valley/Hayward Branch President



## Protect and Enforce Title IX – Donate Now!

Secretary Betsy DeVos’s announcement on Friday confirms our suspicions that the U.S. Department of Education’s intent is to roll back critical civil rights protections for students. When educational environments are unsafe because of sexual harassment, assault, and violence, students cannot learn — and their right to an education free of discrimination is put at risk.

**There is something you can do to fix this problem. Please donate now to help AAUW work to protect and enforce Title IX, the law that prohibits sex discrimination in educational programs and activities.**

**Not-so-fun fact #1:** Forty-eight percent of students in grades 7–12 face sexual harassment.

**Not-so-fun fact #2:** Girls receive \$1.2 million less in funding for high school sports than boys.

**Not-so-fun fact #3:** Although approximately 20 percent of women are targets of attempted or completed sexual assault, 89 percent of college campuses disclosed zero reported incidences in 2015.

In the 45 years since AAUW helped it pass Title IX has bettered the lives of students across the nation. The position of girls and women has improved in our schools — but AAUW research shows that there are still inequalities. We’ve found that sexual harassment and violence remain pervasive, that women and girls still face barriers to playing sports, and women are still underrepresented in many areas in education.

**We need your support to continue defending civil rights protections for students.**

The Department of Education can help make schools safer and more equitable for all students, but it’s up to us to urge the department to protect the legacy of Title IX and continue driving progress forward. **Please give today to help AAUW’s grassroots efforts and policy work to achieve equality for girls and women in school.** Thank you!

**TAKE**



## Urge Congress to Pass the Dream Act of 2017

For the past five years, the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program has provided nearly 800,000 recipients the ability to attend school, go to work, and contribute to our economy without fear of deportation. But with a simple swipe of the pen, President Trump has [moved toward ending the DACA program](#), taking with it the opportunity for thousands of immigrants to achieve the American Dream.

**AAUW is proud to be part of a community that fights for the civil rights of *all* Americans. That's why we're joining with thousands of civil rights advocates this week to urge Congress to stand up for Dreamers and DACA recipients by passing the Dream Act of 2017 without amendment.**

**[Join us by urging your members of Congress to take action!](#)**

The Dream Act of 2017 is a bipartisan bill that would provide a path to legal status for undocumented young individuals who came here before the age of 18 and who graduate from U.S. high schools and attend college, enter the workforce, or enlist in a military program. The impact of this legislation has the potential to reach hundreds of thousands of immigrants across the country, specifically providing immigrant women and girls with the educational and career opportunities that generations of Americans have relied on to achieve economic prosperity.

The ball is now in Congress's court and they must act quickly.

**[Send a message to your members of Congress now and urge them to stand up for young immigrants by passing the Dream Act of 2017 without amendment.](#)**

**TAKE**



## Hayward's 21<sup>st</sup> Century Library – A New Leaf

Right now, before we begin the in-depth process of purchasing equipment, arranging furniture, building programs and scheduling staff, we have the opportunity as a community to take Hayward's 21st Century Library to the next level on Opening Day. With your help we can grow the Opening Day Collection and equip it with the best technology to empower our community to meet the future. We can show the world that the Hayward community and our new library are the very best they can be. Right now, we can be a lasting part of the new Hayward. We can turn a new leaf for learning and opportunity in Hayward.

When we set out to design a groundbreaking new library for Hayward, our goal was to create a dynamic new facility that would be the right size, the right scope, and the right cost for Hayward. Good stewardship of public resources was always foremost in our minds. So, while Hayward's 21st Century Library has many truly innovative features, we were careful to keep the overall project cost at the same level as the average project cost for other library construction projects completed in California.

The base project budget includes 80,000 new books and media items, two after-school homework tutoring centers (one for children, one for teens), a computer-training center and a digital media-learning center with basic equipment and furnishings. But there is room to improve these resources for even greater impact.

Thanks to the voters in 2014, Hayward has the basic funding to construct this groundbreaking project. But any truly great civic initiative needs support from all sectors of the community—from private funds as well as public—especially, individuals, foundations, businesses, civic organizations and other community groups. You can send donations by going to our web site: [www.haywardfriends.org](http://www.haywardfriends.org) (click on Donations and under Comments put AAUW) or by sending a check made out to Friends of the Hayward Library with AAUW on the memo line and send it to Friends of the Hayward Library, 835 C Street, Hayward, CA 94541. Our goal is to get at least \$250 in donations in honor of AAUW so that our branch will have a leaf on the community donor wall.



### Tips For Change A Big Success!

Our August 21 dinner at Gianni's Italian Bistro was wildly successful! We brought in over \$3800 that night and with the donations that came in from folks who couldn't attend we made a total of \$6,225. The donations are still coming in so we will definitely send 7 lucky girls to Tech Trek camp at Sonoma State, June 2018.



**SAVE THE DATE: AUGUST 20, 2018 FOR NEXT YEAR'S FUN NIGHT AT GIANNI'S ITALIAN BISTRO.**

My heartfelt thanks goes out the committee for all of their hard work (Dee Butner, Sylvia Ginwright, Helene Victor) and to Liz Bathgate and Helene Carr, Jennifer Pierre-Louis and Angelina Parra, Scholarship winners and the fabulous wait staff who worked like demons that night.

Tech Trekkers, 2017



# Calling all Bunco Players!

## Call Early! Room for 8 players

**Date:** Friday, November 3rd  
**Time:** 6:30 to 9PM  
**Mary Graw's Home**  
**Address:** 4859 Beacon Hills Drive  
Castro Valley, CA  
**Mary's #:** 510-581-5636  
**Phone:** [510-537-8541](tel:510-537-8541)  
**RSVP to Dee Butner**

Bring five \$1 bills  
Light Meal before game, bring a dish, call Dee for suggestions

Go East to on Castro Valley Blvd to Crow Canyon Rd. and drive north to Beacon Hill Dr. Go right on Beacon Hill about 2 short blocks. Then go slightly left and Mary's house is on the right side of the street.



If you have news about a member who needs to be congratulated on a special occasion or accomplishment, who needs to be encouraged during illness or difficult time, or to be reminded we are here for him/her, please contact your corresponding secretary Barbara Jones at 538.0516 or by email [atbb\\_jones@pacbell.net](mailto:atbb_jones@pacbell.net). Let's let our friends know we care.

## Mark your calendar now!

Saturday morning, **October 21st**, from 8-10 we will enjoy a delicious pancake breakfast and raise money for Tech Trek at Knudsen's Ice Creamery, **3323 Castro Valley Blvd**. Breakfast includes all you can eat pancakes, bacon and beverages (orange juice, milk, coffee or tea) The **cost is \$12 per person**. You can buy your tickets in advance from any board member, or you can purchase yours at the door that morning. Invite your family, your friends, neighbors, all are welcome to join us for a wonderful morning of good fun, food and visiting with friends while you raise money for the branch's favorite program!

If you have any questions, call Barbara Jones at 538-0516 or email her at [bb\\_jones@pacbell.net](mailto:bb_jones@pacbell.net).



Member Ruth Rymer's second novel, *Perfect Clarity, A Novel About Our Male-Dominated Misogynist Society and Four Women Who Fought Back (1874-present)* should be available for pre-publication order on Amazon. The book is stridently feminist, based on an in-depth analysis of misogyny and some actual events in the lives of members of the author's family

You can also order it from Ruth at [20885 Redwood Road, Suite 130, Castro Valley, CA. 94546](http://20885%20Redwood%20Road,%20Suite%20130,%20Castro%20Valley,%20CA.%2094546)

The retail price is \$18.95, and Ruth will discount it for AAUW members for \$11, plus \$1 sales tax, plus \$2 shipping or a total of \$14.00 by mail. Ruth will be reviewing it at the book club on October 16.



## AAUW FUND FALL LUNCHEON

The AAUW California Fund Committee invites you to meet and celebrate our 2017- 2018 California Fellowship and Grant recipients!

Northern California  
Crow Canyon Country Club  
Sunday, October 29 RSVP by October 16  
Noon to 3:00 pm, \$45 Registration begins 11:30 am  
711 Silver Lake Drive, Danville 94526

**SUNBURST SALAD:** Seasonal greens with mixed berries, tomatoes, blue cheese, spiced pecans, grilled chicken, mandarin oranges, balsamic dressing.

Please indicate # of each:

\_\_\_\_\_ Sunburst Chicken Salad \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian

Total Reservations: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Branch \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed form with check payable to AAUW California by Oct. 16 to 1331 Garden Hwy #100, Sacramento CA 95833

Or make your reservation by October 16 online at:

Danville: <https://eastbayfundluncheon.eventbrite.com> For further assistance contact the AAUW California office at 916-448-7795 or [office@aauw-ca.org](mailto:office@aauw-ca.org)

Do you need a ride to the luncheon? Would you like to car-pool? If so, please contact Liz Bathgate at 581-0461 or [lbbathgate@att.net](mailto:lbbathgate@att.net). We will be setting up rides from my home.

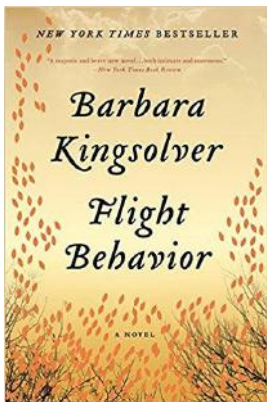


# BOOK CLUB

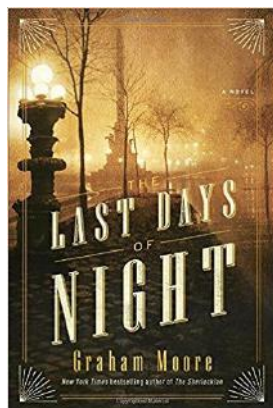
The Hayward/Castro Valley AAUW book group will meet on Monday afternoon, October 16th, 2-4, at the home of Helene Victor, 19253 Parkview Road, Castro Valley. The afternoon will be a highlight of our year, as our own Ruth Rymer will review her just-published second novel, *Perfect Clarity*.

All branch members are welcome to join in a special afternoon of good friends, stimulating conversation, fine books and delicious refreshments. If you are new to the group, or if you are a regular member who is either bringing a guest or is unable to join us, please contact Helene at 886-1640. Your courtesy helps our hostess plan refreshments and seating.

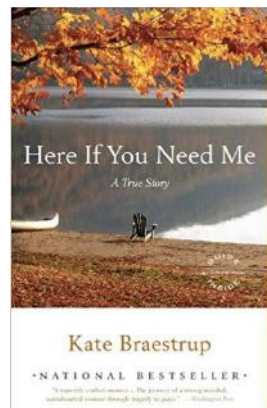
At our recent September meeting, the members selected the four group reads/discussions for the coming year.



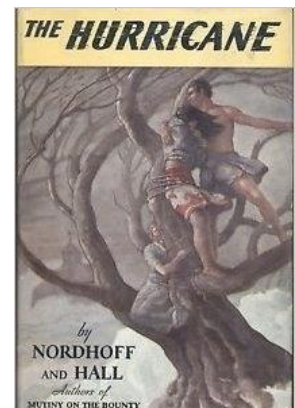
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We hope to see you in October and at all future meetings!

## DRAMA READING

The group usually meets on the first Wed. of each month, but in October I will be out of town on that date. I would like to move it back one week to October 11th.

We meet at 7pm at Liz Bathgate's home, 22112 Queen Street in Castro Valley. My email is [lbathgate@att.net](mailto:lbathgate@att.net). Everyone who likes to read a play cold is invited. We have a jolly good time with everyone getting a part or two depending on how many are in the play.

I do not know the name of this first play since the process has been handed over to a new AAUW branch and they have not given us a heads up on the list of plays for this year. As soon as I get the information, I will email it to the members who came last year. If you are new to AAUW and want to join us, please email me and I will let you know the name of the play once I get it. We enjoy refreshments and good conversation after the first act!!



In advocacy of women's rights, join us at Chabot College for a showing of the award winning film:

## Miss Representation

Miss Representation (87 min; TV-14 DL) uncovers a glaring reality we live with every day but fail to see. Written and directed by Jennifer Siebel Newsom, the film exposes how mainstream media contribute to the under-representation of women in positions of power and influence in America.

Tuesday, October 17, 2017 11:00a – 12:45p Chabot College Student Initiative Center (Bldg: 2300 RM: 2338)  
Please RSVP at: <https://missrepresentationchabot.eventbrite.com>

After the film, representatives from the American Association of University Women (AAUW) and Chabot College Gender Equity Taskforce will be available for a debriefing/discussion session.

Don't miss out on this eye-opening opportunity!



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## **MEMBERSHIP**

We have 109 members. In order for AAUW National and our branch to function efficiently, we need more members to join. This is not something that one person can do alone. We need all of you to think of neighbors and friends from the gym or library who are interested in the mission of AAUW! We are committed to advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

With this climate in D.C., more of us need to be involved in seeing that our politicians do not trample women's rights.

If you have anyone in your sights that might be interested in our branch, have them come to the pancake breakfast and they can join for \$60.00, a savings of \$24.00. They need to sign up at the fundraiser and pay that day to receive this discount.



## PROGRAM

There are a number of interesting programs that we can do this year. I cannot do this alone. I need help with the planning and securing speakers for a program on Immigration, one on relationship violence, one on disaster preparedness, one discussing AAUW's latest research on the debt that our college graduates have for years, one on Climate Change and perhaps an authors tea.

Please email me if you can help with one or more of these possible programs.

We are working with Chabot College on a number of programs that they are presenting that gel with our goals. They have a Gender Equity Task Force which Linda Slater and I have attended. They plan to show the movie Miss Representation and follow it with a discussion. The original date has been moved back so when it is finalized, I will email you the times and date.

## PY 2017-18 Branch Budget

Hello Branch Members. Below is our PY 2017-18 Branch budget. It is an estimate of what your Board feels the Branch can accomplish, through fundraising, this year to support Tech Trek, Local Scholarship, AAUW Funds and local programs.

We are well on our way for **Tech Trek** thanks to a very successful "Tips for Change" event at Gianni's Italian Bistro in August. Thank you to all who came to work as servers and hosts, for donating items and preparing baskets, and for scheduling a dinner with friends and family. In addition, the upcoming Pancake Breakfast at

Knudsen's Ice Creamery in Castro Valley on Saturday, October 21st from 8-10 am will support Tech Trek, so come out and eat your fill of all-you-can-eat pancakes.

Our **Local Scholarship** goal has been increased to \$1,600 this year because that's what it cost to send our 2016 and 2017 student leaders, Jennie Pierre-louis and Angelina Parra, to Baltimore for NCCWSL (National Conference for Collegiate Women Leaders). It's a terrific experience that prepares young women for leadership positions at their college, and eventually their community.

Our **AAUW Funds** goals remains at \$3,000, divided between Educational Foundation and Legal Advocacy. We are planning a fundraiser as part of our Holiday Party on Sunday, December 3rd, so be sure to "Save the Date", come have fun and we'll raise funds to support the educational and employment goals for women.

Our local programs goal dropped because we successfully completed our 75th Anniversary Gallery Exhibit last year, all that remains is for the Branch to turn over our historical documents to the Hayward Area Historical Society for safe keeping.

Do you have an idea for a fun and interesting fundraiser? Email me at [slaterl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:slaterl@sbcglobal.net). Be sure to let me know if you have questions. Thanks.

Linda Slater, Administrative Officer  
AAUW, Hayward-Castro Valley Branch