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## the Shareline

December '16 -January '17



Hayward/Castro Valley Branch

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### HAYWARD/CASTRO VALLEY-FREMONT BRANCH FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

FEBRUARY 4<sup>TH</sup>  
**at ACQUA e FARINA**  
22622 Main Street  
Hayward  
(between C & B Streets)  
510.888.1568

We will have Connie Won, one of Liz Bathgate's fellows speak about her research which includes racial and gender violence, school discipline, and critical prison studies. She has worked as a community-driven researcher, high school teacher, sexual assault counselor and activist on issues of violence against women of color.

On November 4th she finished a paper titled: "Angered: Black and non-Black girls of color at intersections of violence and school discipline in the U.S." I have read it and find it very revealing concerning girls of color and the discipline they receive in our schools.

*The reservation form and food choices will come out in the February Shareline.*

# **The PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Hello Branch Members.

Well, the election is finally over and we are all looking to the future. Lisa Maatz, AAUW's top policy advisor, issued an intriguing online article on 11/17/2016 called "Five Take Aways from Election 2016". She gives the ups and downs from an AAUW perspective to mull over. Read the entire article at: <http://www.aauw.org/article/analyzing-the-2016-election/>

Looking forward to the holidays, our upcoming 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary luncheon on December 3, 2016 at the Redwood Canyon Golf Club (formerly Willow Park) from 12:30 – 3:30 PM is right around the corner. I hope everyone got in their reservation. This celebration is for you, for all of us. 75 years of empowering women is a big deal! The luncheon is a prelude to the Community Gallery exhibition at the Hayward Area Historical Society in May and June 2017 where our Branch history will be displayed and celebrated by the whole community. Diane Curry, curator for HAHS will be one of the speakers at the luncheon, along with Donna Mertens, current AAUW CA President and Caroline Garfein, past AAUW National and CA President.

Other fun stuff in December, our sister branch Danville-Alamo-Walnut Creek is hosting a Holiday Home Tour 12/9 & 12/10 from 10-4. Information and tickets available on their branch website at <http://daw-ca.aauw.net/hht2016/> I've toured the holiday homes several years and they are always beautiful!

Lots coming up in 2017, starting with a bi-branch luncheon with Fremont Branch on the first weekend in February. Our speaker will be Connie Wun, a fellow sponsored, in part, by our own Liz Bathgate.

The Board is looking for members who would like to get involved with Programs, Membership, Public Policy, and Tech Trek. Please contact me if you are interested. In the meantime, stay tuned in, check our branch calendar regularly, and watch for Yahoo Groups! notices. Let me know if your Branch can assist YOU. I also want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanzaa and Happy Hanukah!

Linda Slater, Administrative Officer

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***MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR !***

**NO** Board Meeting  
In December

December 3  
75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Luncheon

December 7  
Drama Reading

January 2  
Board Meeting

January 16  
Book Group

January 23  
Travel  
Adventures

February 4  
HWRD/CV/FMT  
Branch Lunch

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DETAILS***

**BOARD MEETINGS**

There will be no meeting in December.

The January meeting will take place at 6:30 on January 2<sup>nd</sup>  
at Liz Bathgate's home

**DRAMA READING**

Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>  
At 7 pm

**This month we will meet at Genie Lester's home at 7 pm. Her address is 22516 Charlene Way in Castro Valley. She is at the bottom of the cul de sac on the left side.**

The play this month is Agatha Christie's "A Murder is Announced". An announcement in the local paper states the time and place when a murder is to occur in Miss Blacklock's Victorian house. The victim is not one of the house's several occupants, but an unexpected and unknown visitor. What follows is a classic Christie puzzle of mixed motives, concealed identities, a second death, a determined inspector grimly following the twists and turns, and Miss Marple on hand to provide the final solution at some risk to herself in a dramatic confrontation just before the final curtain.

Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>

At 7pm

We will meet at Liz Bathgate's home to read Hay Fever by Noel Coward.

**BOOK GROUP MEETING**  
**Monday, January 16th**  
**2pm to 4 pm**

There will be no meeting in December

The next meeting of the branch book group will be at the home of Olive Riley-Steward, 32174 Bernice Way, Hayward. The group will be treated to guest reviewer JoAnn Smith Ainsworth who will discuss her recent book *Expect Deceptions: An Operation Delphi Novel*. Refreshments will be served.

All members of the branch are welcome to join us for an afternoon of good friends, great conversation, and interesting books. Regular members who are unable to come or are bringing a guest are asked to contact our hostess to let her know so she can plan refreshments and seating. Olive's phone number is 471-3332, her email address is [osteward@comcast.net](mailto:osteward@comcast.net). Thank you for your courtesy.

Looking ahead, the next two meetings in February and March are group reads. February 20th will feature the Melanie Benjamin novel, *Swans of Fifth Avenue*. Barbara Jones will facilitate the discussion of this fascinating look into high, high, high society in post-World War II New York City. March 20th we will discuss *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson, a book that was required reading for all freshmen at UC Berkeley this year. Liz Bathgate will be our facilitator.

Mark your calendars and come join in our always-stimulating afternoons with fine books and friends.

## TRAVEL ADVENTURES WITH JUDY HARRISON

JANUARY 23<sup>rd</sup> , 2017  
7:00pm at Baywood Court

Judy Harrison will present a stimulating show:  
*A Continent Divided; Oceans United*: Panama and Its Canal. It will trace the history of the Panama Canal and feature a peak into the indigenous cultures of the country.



--The next game will be after the Christmas holidays--

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## MEMBER NEWS

*All her many Hayward/Castro Valley AAUW friends wish Lois Peach a very happy 100th birthday on December 5! Lois has been a member of the branch since 1966. Enjoy your special birthday celebration with your family, Lois! Happy birthday!*

*Ruth Leth recently moved to Baywood Court. Her new address is 21966 Dolores St. Castro Valley, #339. She is enjoying her new third floor apartment after the busy difficult days of moving.*

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 at [bb\\_jones@pacbell.net](mailto:bb_jones@pacbell.net). Let's let our friends know we care.



### **KUDO'S TO OUR BRANCH MEMBERS FROM NATIONAL AAUW**

**This year 9 members of our branch contributed \$50,700 to the National AAUW Charting the Course Campaign. This has given us great distinction and the opportunity to have our picture taken with the check from National announcing our great achievement.**

**This initiative will raise \$1 million to bolster programs in your community that empower women and girls. Our 2 year campaign will ensure that AAUW is well prepared to meet the issues facing us today and into the future.**

**These unrestricted funds will be used wherever the need is greatest, empowering women in our communities, schools, workplaces, and positions of leadership.**

**The donors from our branch include Liz Bathgate, Marty Kennelly, Connie Rusk, Linda Myers, Ursula Batz, Nancy Turner, Linda Slater, Ruth Rymer and Peggy Robinson. Kudo's to all these members who stepped up to the plate and made a contribution toward AAUW's future.**

