the Shareline

AAUW - HAYWARD/CASTRO VALLEY

NOVEMBER 2012

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November 19
Book Review
** No Dining Out
until January

December 2 Holiday Party

January 14
Presentation with
Judy Harrison

January 21 Book Review Dining Out

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our branch is doing its best to make an impact in our communities. We have a number of programs available to us thru our National AAUW website. These are called Programs in a Box and give us all the tools necessary to conduct programs relevant to our times. All of us with computers can access these by going to AAUW.org and looking for the Programs in a Box icon. If you do this and find a program that really strikes you as being important for our community, please let the board know about it. We would love to have our members work on getting one of these started so that we can put it on at the Castro Valley Library.

AAUW National is always working for us. They strongly support making higher education affordable and accessible for all Americans. They encourage women to pursue traditionally male STEM fields and find that people with professional degrees earn an estimated \$4.9 million over their careers, while those with less than a high school diploma earn only \$936,000. The STEM fields and business are the highest earning fields. Because of these statistics, Tech Trek was started here in CA and is now being expanded nationwide. All the dollars you contribute to our Tech Trek fund go directly to the girls we send to camp each year.

Five of our branch members are involved in either the Legacy Circle or the Mooneen Lecce Giving Circle. Because of their involvement in these giving groups, they were invited to a luncheon hosted by AAUW National at a winery in Napa. It was a chance for Carol Rognrud, the Director of Transformational Giving to say thanks and goodbye. She has accepted a new job at a college in the D.C. area where she will be in charge of their foundation giving.

Because voting is on everyone's mind these days, you need to know that Bill Quirk, Jennifer Ong and Sara Lamnin, all members of our branch, are running for office. When you vote this November, please be sure to study the propositions, as they can be very confusing. If you are having a hard time deciphering any of them, go to the League of Women Voters website for their recommendations. They are a nonpartisan group that has studied all these measures very carefully.

Liz Bathgate, President



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President's Message

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Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, research & philanthropy

We're on the Web:

Branch

www.aauwhcv.org

State

www.aauwca.org

National www.aauw.org

DRAMA READING

November 7th, Wednesday @ 7pm

We meet at Liz Bathgate's home, 22112 Queen St., Castro Valley.

The play this month is "The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail". It is a story based on his early life, leading up to his night spent in a jail in Concord, MA. Thoreau was jailed for refusing to pay a poll tax on the grounds that the money might be used to pay for the Mexican-American War, which he opposed.

Everyone is welcome and refreshments will be served.

BUNCO

Friday, November 9, 2012 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm

Place: Home of Olive-Riley Steward

Address: 32174 Bernice Way Hayward, CA

Telephone # (510) 471-3332

Directions: From Foothill Blvd. make a slight left at Mission Blvd. and drive south on Mission Blvd. about 11 minutes. Turn left at Blanche St. (Eiffel Tower Preschool). Drive 1 minute. Turn right at Trevor ST. (Kindango School). Drive less than 1 minute. Turn left at Bernice Way.

We enjoy and encourage new members to come to our game. We share appetizers and wine or soft drinks together before the game. Great way to make new friends!

RSVP: Dee Butner -Tel# (510) 537-8541 or Dee Donaldson (510) 538-3415



Home of Ursula Batz

4473 Hillsborough Drive, Castro Valley-Call Peggy Robinson at 728-0450 for reservations

BOOK REVIEW GROUP

Monday, November 19th

The October meeting of the branch book review group was a lively afternoon of interested discussion of Nicholas Kristof and Sheryl WuDunn's *Half the Sky.* Members were moved by the articles and are thinking of ways we might make a difference in the lives of the women discussed in the book. Members also brought items for the group's basket at the annual Holiday Party on December 2nd. Items can also be brought to the November meeting.

November's meeting will feature a review by Ruth Rymer of Robert Massie's dramatic new biography *Catherine the Great: Portrait of a Woman*. Massie, the author of the famed 1967 Pulitzer Prize biography, *Nicholas and Alexandria*, has once again given readers a moving portrait of a major figure in Russian history. The meeting will be at the home of Berna Neumiller, 21407 Tanglewood Drive, Castro Valley, from 2-4 on Monday, November 19th. If you have questions or need directions, contact Berna at 538-6650 or by email at ineumy@aol.com. Refreshments will be served.

There will be no book group meeting in December.

January 21 will find us at Margaret Hankle's home, 2244 Heathrow Place, San Leandro, where we will have our second group read, Bay Area news anchor Belva Davis' autobiography *Never in My Wildest Dreams*. Olive Riley-Steward will facilitate the discussion. More details will be in the January Shareline.

We look forward to seeing you all at our afternoons of good books, lively discussions, delicious refreshments, and special times with good friends.



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NO DINING OUT

Until January 2013

Hayward Volunteer Dinner

On October 9th the dinner was held in the St Rose Hospital Tent and our own Dee Butner received the award from our branch.

Dee has been a member since 2006 and in that short time has become a very active and valuable member of the branch. She has served on the Tech Trek committee, on the board and started Bunco along with Dee Donaldson.

She is always there to volunteer her time to help in any of our events. She has become the basket queen. She assembles beautiful baskets with incredible bows for our drawings at the Holiday Party. We are all so proud that you chose AAUW as one of your special groups.

Marilyn Gise, who has been a member of our branch since 1994, was honored at the same dinner for her work with Scholarships Inc in Hayward.

This group raises large amounts of money to give as scholarships to graduating seniors in Hayward high schools. She has been a mainstay of this group for years and they have been tremendously successful in helping these students go to college.



Sunday, December 2, 2012 1:00 - 4:00 PM

San Lorenzo Homeowners Assn. 377 Paseo Grande San Lorenzo, CA

Come join fellow members, family and friends in celebrating the holidays. Enjoy the musical performance of the Youth Orchestra of Southern Alameda County.

There will be good eats, libation and the annual silent auction supporting AAUW funds.

If you'd like bring a gift card or donation for FESCO.

RSVP: Peggy Robinson 24527 Marie Dr. Hayward, CA 94542

- A) I (we) will attend:
 @ \$10.00 suggested donation. Make check to AAUW H/CV.
- B) I will bring these finger food(s): ______(sweet or savory, your choice)
- C) I will bring an offering for the silent auction ______ (new, handmade, or a basket)
- D) I want to make an individual contribution.\$______

 Make check to AAUW Funds. On memo line write EF.

See you there!

SEE EASTER ISLAND

Monday, January 14th at Baywood Court @ 7pm

Judy Harrison will be speaking about her trip to Easter Island.

Judy is legendary for taking special trips and her pictures of these exotic places are wonderful to watch as we listen to her commentary.

The program will last just an hour. Come and enjoy!

SILVER JUBILEE SCHOLARSHIPS

The San Francisco AAUW branch will offer scholarships of \$2,000 each to help upper division and graduate school women complete their final year of study in an accredited college or university for the school year 2012-2013. Candidates must live or be attending a university or college within a 100-mile distance of San Francisco and be on track to complete their course of study by June 2013. There is no restriction on the use of the funds. Completed applications are due by April 30, 2013.

If you are interested, or have friends or relatives who may benefit from the scholarship, please check the Silver Jubilee Fund information on the AAUW San Francisco website at www.aauwsf.org.

MEMBER NEWS

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. Let's let our friends know we care.

MEMBERSHIP

We are always striving to gain new members as our core group ages, me included! I need everyone to recommend our group to your friends and invite them to join us at our events. This way they have the chance to meet our membership and get a better understanding of what wonderful things we do in our community.

Please call me when you have a prospect who needs to receive more information about joining the branch.