The Shareline



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Dates To Remember

April; 3 – Drama Reading, 2:00pm

April 4 - Drama Reading, 7:00pm

April 12 - Play: "Private Lives", 8:00pm

April 14 – Gamble Garden, 10:00am

April 16 – Book Review Group, 2:00 – 4:00pm April 20 – Ice Cream Social 7:30 – 9:30pm

May 1 – Consumer Fraud & Identity Theft presentation, 7:30 – 9:00pm

May 19 - Scharffen Berger chocolate factory time TBA

Do You Care About Tech Trek? Do You Enjoy Sophisticated Amusement?

If your answer is "Yes!" to either of these questions and you have not yet bought tickets for our benefit performance of Private Lives, do it now. This classic romantic comedy by Noel Coward will be performed just for us on Thursday, April 12, at the California Conservatory Theatre in San Leandro. Tickets are just \$20 each.

Make out your check to AAUW and send it to Ruth Kuftin at 17219 Via del Rey, San Lorenzo, CA 94580.

She promises to mail your tickets within 24 hours of receiving your check.

We may not be able to send four girls to TECH TREK this year if we don't sell more tickets!

President's Message - Helene Carr

Thanks to Sandy Boswell and all of those who helped to make the Souper Supper another successful event. The soups were wonderful, the cookies plentiful and the company inspiring.

The Tech Trek team is now fully engaged in its selection process so a thank you also goes to Evelyn Gertler, Ursula Batz and Peggy Robinson who work so hard to visit the schools, recruit candidates and select the campers.

Upcoming Tech Trek fundraisers include the play ^{*}Private Lives" on April 12 and the Ice Cream Social on April 20. Tickets are still available for the play so if you wish to attend, please contact Ruth Kuftin or Nancy Turner. Please consult the Shareline for further information.

It is important that you attend the Ice Cream Social as it is at this event that we elect our 2007 – 2008 slate of officers and introduce our Tech Trek campers. You can welcome our new and returning board members so if you wish to attend and need a ride, please contact a board member.

One action I would like each one of you to consider this coming year is to choose an interest group, committee or fundraising event and volunteer. If you are new to the branch it is a great way to meet members; if you are a branch veteran it could be a way to reacquaint yourself with old friends. Each event needs help; choose to come early and pitch in. If there is a specific event that interests you, let a board member know and we will get more information to you.

The branch thrives and succeeds by teamwork; and the wonderful aspect of our team is that we will always appreciate and welcome new members to the team.

As always, thank you for your interest, help and support and I hope to see you at the Ice Cream Social.

Nominations For 2007-2008

The nominating committee made up of Peggy Robinson, Liz Bathgate, Linda Slater, Darlene Scott and Helene Carr met and came up with the following officers for next year. There are still a few slots open and we would like to hear from any of you who might be interested in being on the board.

President: Linda Slater President-Elect: Open

VP - Program: Nancy Turner

VP – Program Chair for Social Events: Ruth Kuftin

VP - Membership: Erica Campisi

Membership Treasurer: Rosalie Rienzo

VP – EF: Bonnie Smith VP – LAF: Ursula Batz VP – Finance: Open

Recording Secretary: Liz Bathgate

Corresponding Secretary: Barbara Jones

Jr. Past President: Helene Carr

Nominating Committee for 2008: Peggy Robinson, Liz Bathgate, Ruth Leth

and Helene Carr

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on the board.

MAYDAY!! MAYDAY!!
WATCH OUT BE AWARE!!

Tuesday, May 1, 2007; 7:30 - 9:00pm

Consumer Fraud & Identity Theft

Our branch is planning a FREE program, along with the Spanish Ranch 1 Homeowners' Association, on this important & timely topic. The program aligns with the Association focus *Education as a Gateway to Women's Security: Financial Literacy.*

Please encourage your family, friends, and neighbors to attend. One confirmed speaker is from Wells Fargo Advantage Funds. Don't miss learning how to protect yourself and your family.

Refreshments will be served. If you are able to volunteer to help, please contact Nancy Turner.

Seating capacity is 130 people, in a lovely clubhouse. Parking is limited, so please carpool.

Spanish Ranch 1 Clubhouse 28400 Granada Circle, Hayward 94544 For information, contact Nancy Turner at: 510-732-9098 The Shareline Page 4 of 7

American Association of University Women Hayward/Castro Valley Branch

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.aauw.org

(national site)

http://aauw-hcv.org (local site)



Book Review Group

Welcome everyone! We meet the third Monday of the month in each other's homes from 2-4 PM. On April 16. Pat Buchanan will be our reviewer of WAX, WHITE, AND JEWISH by Rebecca Walker. The meeting will be hosted by Berna Neumiller at 21407 Tanglewood Dr. For our last meeting of the season on May 21, we chose THE GLASS CASTLE by Jeanette Wals for our general discussion. Hope you can join us both months!

Women In History Group

We have one week to go in the schools. By the time this reaches you, we will have done programs in 12 schools in Hayward and Castro Valley. Our group also is doing outside performances for the AAUW in Fremont, the DAR in Lafayette and the League of Women Voters at their 50th celebration at City Hall in Hayward. It is a very educational program that we do in the schools and we are always looking for more of you to become members of our group. Next year Janice Friesen will take the helm. I would like to say thanks to the following women for all their dedication to this program: Ramona Bennett, Sharon Collins, Janice Friesen, Margaret Hankle, Sherry Mattson, Berna Neumiller, Joan Reynolds, Joellen Rice, Rosalie Rienzo and Nancy Schluntz. You have all done

Drama Reading

There are now two groups where you can join us to read the play of the month. The first group will meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 2pm at the Green Shutter Art Gallery. Peggy Robinson is in charge of this group so if you have any questions please call her at 728-0450. The regular evening group will meet at Liz Bathgate's home at 7pm the first Wednesday of each month. This month the play is the Heidi Chronicles by Wendy Wasserman and has roles for 8 people. Both groups will collect \$1.00 to pay the cost of mailing and being on the circuit to receive the plays each month. Come and join us!!!

Member News

Her many friends were saddened to hear Elizabeth Dennett's husband Eugene passed away. Our condolences are extended to Elizabeth and her family.

Joyce Morrison's e-mail is incorrect in the Directory. It should read as follows: joycebobmorr@sbcglobal.net

Please call corresponding secretary Barbara Jones if you have news about a branch member who would appreciate a card of encouragement, of congratulations, or get well. Let's let our friends know we care. Barbara's phone number is 538.0516; e-mail address is: bb_jones@pacbell.net Thanks.

Spring has sprung! It's time for an ICE CREAM SOCIAL

What could be better than ice cream sundaes that you build yourself from a choice of many toppings? There's tea and coffee and kids drinks and cookies, too.

It's a fund raiser by the American Association of University Women to benefit TECH TREK, a program to send four 7th grade girls to Mills College for one week where they'll be doing all sorts of imaginative math and science projects and meeting with women working in these fields. At the social we will have some of the girls who will be attending this year and some who have gone in prior years speaking of their hopes and experiences. So let's have fun and hear all about it!

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2007 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm Call Dee Donaldson, 538-3415 by April 14

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH

17200 Via Magdalena, San Lorenzo Adults, \$6, Kids under 12, \$3

Directions: As you drive north on Hesperian from Hayward toward San Leandro, turn left on Hacienda where you will see Popeye's and KFC. The second right turn will be Via Magdalena and the church is on your right about 3 or 4 houses from the corner at 17200

Attention Members: Expect to receive this letter with a stamped remittance envelope early in April. Please note that your check is due MAY 11, 2007.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN Hayward-Castro Valley Branch # CA 0039

April 2, 2007

Dear Member:

Happy Spring! During this season of renewal it is time to **remind you** that your annual membership dues are **now payable** to Hayward-Castro Valley Branch AAUW. Deadline for payment is May 11, 2007. Please mail your check in the enclosed envelope before the postage increase effective May 14, 2007.

Your dues are based the following categories. Identify your membership category and send your check in the enclosed stamped and addressed envelope.

Regular Member: \$76.00

(\$45 for National Association, \$16 for State, and \$15 for Branch)

Life Member: \$31.00

Student Affiliate: \$42.50

Dual Member: \$15.00

50 year member \$00.00

You will be eligible for an opportunity drawing for a **FREE membership** when your check is received by May 5, 2007!

Thank you for your membership! Please contact Darlene Scott ((510) 895-8757) if you have any questions or concerns.

A May Excursion for All Chocolate Lovers

The name Scharffen Berger is a mouthful, but candy made at this chocolate factory in Berkeley is a really *delicious* mouthful.

Visitors who take a free tour are able to see the production process and then taste the various kinds of chocolate free of charge. For those who want more, there is a factory store, and an independent restaurant, Café Cacao, is located next to the factory. It offers a varied lunch menu, and low-calorie dishes are available as well as decadent chocolate desserts.

We now have two reservations for a free tour of Scharffen Berger Chocolate Maker on Saturday, May 19: one at 10:30 and one at 11:30. Although the maximum number of visitors officially allowed in a tour group is 10, a few more could probably be squeezed in, a friendly informant said. As there are already 7 people on the list for the 10:30 tour, if you want to be included in either one, contact Ruth Kuftin—at (510) 276-0601 or mail to: rekuftin@comcast.net If you want to have lunch at Café Cacao, notify Ruth about that as well, so she can make the necessary reservation a few days in advance. Let her know, too, if you need help in getting a ride. One caveat for everyone: *No open-toed shoes are allowed on a tour!*

Chocolate lovers who are also plant lovers might be interested in making a very small side trip before going home. Magic Gardens, a nursery that specializes in unusual perennials, is located at 729 Heinz Avenue—across the street from Scharffen Berger, which is at 914 Heinz Avenue.

Directions to Scharffen Berger and Magic Gardens: From 880, turn right onto Ashby, left onto 7th Street, and then left again onto Heinz. From 580, go down Tunnel Road, continue on Ashby, turn right onto 7th Street, and then turn left onto Heinz.

THE SHARELINE

This is a recipe for soup that **Dee Donaldson** brought to the recent Souper Supper and had the request from several friends and one to put it in the Shareline

POTAGE CRECY

Serves 6

Preparation timee 15 minutes Cooking time: 35 minutes

Delicately seasoned with herbs and spices, this beautiful carrot soup could be an elegant opener to an important dinner.

1 cup sliced carrots

3 tablespoons butter

1/2 cup finely chopped onion

4 cups chicken stock

1 bay leaf

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon dry basil

1 teaspoon sugar

½ teaspoon nutmeg

1/3 cup uncooked white rice

½ cup half & half

pinch of white pepper

fresh croutons

Saute sliced carrots in the butter for five minutes without browning. Add the onion and saute for 3 minutes more. Add the chicken stock, bay leaf, salt, basil, sugar, nutmeg and rice. Cover and simmer for 30 minutes. Remove the bay leaf and puree in a food processor or food mill. Add the half-and-half and the pepper. Taste and correct for seasonings. Reheat and serve with fresh croutons. (Note: I used brown rice which had been precooked for 30 min. and put in pot)