American Association Of University Women

Hayward/Castro Valley Branch

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# **The Shareline**



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#### DATES TO REMEMBER

December 2 – Annual Holiday Party, 1:00 – 3:00pm

December 6<sup>th</sup> – Joe Turner's Come and Gone by August Wilson, 7pm

January 4<sup>th</sup> -, Drama Reading: Defying Gravity by Jane Anderson, 2pm

January 15 - Book Review Group: "Three Cups of Tea" by Greg

Mortensen, 2:00pm

January 20 - Gourmet Dinner, 6:30pm

February 3 – Educational Foundation Luncheon, 11:30am

#### **ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY AND SILENT AUCTION**

Saturday December 2nd 1:00 – 3:00pm, Hill and Valley
Club 1808 B Street near Center
Benefit for the Educational Foundation

Do you have any gifts you have never used? Do you have collectibles that you are no longer interested in hanging onto? Do you have any "white elephant" items or any antiques you want to part with? Homemade items from your kitchen are most welcome. How about any paintings, sculptures, pottery? Would you like to donate any of these items for the auction? The funds go to the Education Foundation to fund women in higher education. We made over \$2,000

last year and hope to do the same this year. It helps to know ahead of time what you would like to donate so that we can make out a bid sheet. On your reservation form you can list your auction items and then bring them with you the day of the party or you may leave your items at Emilie Frybarger's home at 2662 Ganic Street in Castro Valley. near Wisteria. Emilie is a new member and a teacher at Canyon Middle School. Her phone number is 889-9066, so be sure to call and make arrangements to drop off your items with her if that is your wish. Everyone is asked to bring an hors d'oeuvre, an item for FESCO or ESP, and

one or more auction items.

This party is for members, friends, prospective members, spouses and significant others. We always have a great time sipping champagne or sparkling cider, chatting and of course trying to outbid our friends for that wonderful auction item.

**FESCO**, and **ESP** the Emergency Shelter would like us to bring the following items as donations to their programs: Adult and children's sweat suits, Easy Reader children's books, or gift certificates at Target or Payless Shoes. Please bring the item in a plastic bag, but not wrapped so that the organizations may more easily know what it is and get it to the right family.

Tickets for Noel Coward's **Private Lives** will also be available at the party. California Conservatory Theatre is giving us a benefit performance of this romantic comedy on Thursday, April 12. As Tech Trek will benefit from your purchase of the \$20 tickets, you'll be helping girls while ensuring a very pleasant evening for yourself

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Helene Carr

As you may be aware, this is the time of year that the **Grapefruit Sale** is in progress. Liz Bathgate informed me that the sales are lagging far behind what was sold in previous years.

This is of concern to us as it is the proceeds from this sale that goes directly into funding the programs that we enjoy through the year. Recent programs include the New Member Meet & Greet at Buffalo Bill's; the membership pot luck and the Breast Health Symposium. Nancy Turner and Ruth Kuftin have scheduled future programs that will require funding and we need your help.

The costs include hall rental, insurance, advertising, paper goods, beverages and other incidentals that are necessary to sponsor such events. We do everything we can to exercise fiscal responsibility, but these costs cannot be avoided.

The grapefruit are sold at a very reasonable price; (\$15.00 per box) makes wonderful gifts and maintains their freshness until spring (if stored in a cool place). It is also believed that these particular red grapefruit can contribute in reducing cholesterol.

If you would like to order and need help with delivery, please call Liz and make your grapefruit reservation and we will see that it gets delivered to you.

Again, it is vital to our branch that this fundraiser is successful. I want to thank you for your consideration and hope to hear from you.

The change of venue did not hamper the wonderful time everyone enjoyed at the **Cabernet and Chocolate** event. Thanks to Ursula Batz for hosting the event and for giving us the opportunity to carry on the tradition.

I want to extend to all of you my sincere hopes that you have a **wonderful Holiday Season**. That all of you enjoy what is important – good health, good friends and the promise of peace.

#### **EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION YEARLY REPORT**

The AAUW Educational Foundation supports women pursuing higher education goals including working toward PHD's and MD's. The general membership supports our efforts thru many fundraisers we hold each year. The auction, coming up in December, is one of the largest money raisers we have. Everyone enjoys bidding on auction items and going home with goodies from the Holiday Party. In addition there are a number of members who give money thru individual donations directly to the Educational Foundation. The many ways this is done includes putting AAUW in your will, being a member of a special giving circle or giving money in memory of one of our members who has died. The members who give in these special ways include Liz Bathgate, Ursula Batz, Ardeen Russell-Quinn, Margaret Hankle, Erica Campisi and Nancy Turner. Branch members can also give money in memory of members who have passed away.

Our EF is also helped along with donations from the Bridge players and the sale of Entertainment Books. This year we will be giving \$3,000 from our branch fundraising in 2005-2006 to the Barbara Reimer Research and Projects Endowment.

Peggy Robinson, EF Treasurer

#### **MEMBER NEWS**

**Mary Krieg** has had her share of doctors and hospitals in recent weeks. She had cataract surgery recently, and is now at home following knee replacement surgery and rehab time in Kaiser's skilled nursing facility.

**Beverly Stoermer** is having cataract surgery in early December. We wish her well and the pleasure of good eyesight once more.

**William E. Jones**, husband of member Barbara Jones passed away in November, after a prolonged illness. If you would like to make a donation in his name, you may do so by sending it to the San Francisco Symphony Chamber Music at California Palace of the Legion of Honor, San Francisco Symphony, Davies Symphony Hall, San Francisco, CA 94012 or to Cal Performances by making your check out to U.C. Regents/Cal Performances and mail to Cal Performances at 101 Zellerbach Hall, Berkeley, CA 94720. Be sure to put "In memory of William E. Jones" on the memo line. Barbara thanks you in advance knowing that supporting these two programs would mean a lot to Bill. He really looked forward to their times in these venues.

Please continue to send news of members to **Barbara Jones** at bb\_jones@pacbell.net or by telephone at 538.0516. Let's let members know we care.

### **EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION LUNCHEON**

#### COME ONE COME ALL TO ENJOY THE FAMOUS TRI-BRANCH EF LUNCHEON

This year we are featuring a woman fellow to speak about her studies. The speaker is Lumina Albert, an International Fellow who will speak about depression in women. Many of us saw her at the fall viewing and chose her from about 12 EF recipients. In order to raise more money for the EF cause, we are asking that everyone bring one or two white elephant items for a silent auction. Each branch is asked to bring one larger item for a live auction.

Please join us for an enjoyable day to hear from Lumina, make new and meet old friends from our neighboring branches, and have fun with the auction items.

WHERE: Sunol Valley Golf Club (off 680 freeway south of Pleasanton)

WHEN: Saturday, February 3, 2007

BRING: One or two White Elephant items for auction

COST: \$30.00 Please send checks to Erica Campisi made out to AAUW at

841 Hampton Road, Hayward, CA 94541

**MENU CHOICES:** Chicken Piccata Please indicate which menu item you wish

Grilled Salmon to have with your reservation. We have

**Tortellini Privavera** guaranteed Sunol 80 participants.

If you have any questions call Joyce Morrison at 728-1029. Please send in your reservation check to Erica early as this very popular event is great fun and we can set up carpools. We all look forward to sharing a wonderful day of friendship and fellowship.

#### RESERVATION FORM FOR EF LUNCHEON

**DATE:** February 3rd 11:30 am at Sunol Golf Course in Sunol Please send this form with your \$30 check made payable to AAUW E.F. Tri Valley Luncheon to Erica Campisi at 841 Hampton Road Hayward, CA 94541

Make your selection from the menu choices below: Mark an X on your choice.

- 0 Chicken Piccata
- 0 Grilled Salmon
- 0 Tortellini Primavera

Lunch includes salad, desert and beverage of coffee or tea.

NAME;Guest	

#### **EVENING DRAMA READING**

The evening drama group will meet at Liz Bathgate's home at 7pm on December 6th and we will be reading Joe Turner's Come and Gone by August Wilson. In January we will meet on January 3rd at 7pm to read Defying Gravity by Jane Anderson.

#### **AFTERNOON DRAMA READING**

The afternoon drama reading will take place at 2pm, on January 4th at Baywood Court. The play will be: "Defying Gravity" by Jane Anderson.

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www.aauw.org

(national site)

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



#### **WOMEN IN HISTORY GROUP**

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Thanks to the efforts of Sharon Collins, we now have 12 school programs scheduled. We also have two outside programs, one at Rossmoor and the other for the League of Women Voters 50th anniversary dinner. If you are interested in helping by being one of the actors in this production, call Liz Bathgate at 581-0461.

#### **Grapefruit Sale**

We have extra cases of grapefruit which I would like to sell. The pick up day, for the grapefruit you have ordered and any extra's you might wish to buy, will be December 11th from early morning to evening. I will plan to be home all day and the fruit is in my garage at the back of the house. My home is off Grove Way four blocks from Trader Joes as you go east. Queen will be a right turn as you head east and the address is 22112. If you cannot pick up the fruit that day, please call me and we can set up an alternative time for pick-up. Liz Bathgate 581-0461

#### **Book Review Group**

The next meeting of the Book Review Group will be held on January 15, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. Margaret Smith, at 5934 Highwood Rd., Castro Valley, will be the hostess. (Her phone number is (510) 581-7035)

Mary Mayer will review THREE CUPS OF TEA by Greg Mortensen. Hope you can join us!

#### **Entertainment Books....**

.....are now available for \$25.00 for the year of November 2, 2006 through November 2007. \$5.00 from each purchase goes to the Educational Fund. The books offer great savings on both gourmet and casual dining, sporting events, movies, and attractions, such as: Zoo, Aquarium, Miniature Golf, as well as coupons for travel, airlines and special events.

Please contact Betty Lucchesi @ 537-8202, or Joyce Morrison @ 728-1029

#### EASY GOURMET DINNER SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2006, 6:30 P.M.

It,s time to take a breather from fancy holiday cooking, so this month we are featuring a great little cookbook for busy people called "Cooking With 5 Ingredients or Less" by Susan Kosoff & Teresa Kennedy

Appetizers: Apricot Rumaki Stuffed Gouda Cheese Orange-Onion Salad Italian Chicken & Sausage Bake with Gnocchi No crust Spinach Quiche Mystery Cake

Gourmet Dinners are held at a member,s home for 10-12 people and the hostess doesn't cook, but serves tea and coffee after the meal. She (and partner?) doesn't pay for the meal and the rest of the guests pool their costs and divide them equally, so we have a great time and a great meal at a great price!

So sign up with **Dee Donaldson at 538-3415** or **Estelle Raderman at 581-7891** by Jan. 13. The recipes will be sent to all, including hostess, to be added to your files.

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