American Association Of University Women Hayward/Castro Valley Branch

November 2006

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DATES TO REMEMBER

November 1 – Evening Drama Reading Group "Come and Gone"

November 2 – Afternoon Drama Reading Group "Don't Dress For Dinner"

November 7 – Election Day

November 11 - Cabernet & Chocolate

December 2 – Annual Holiday Party

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.

(Reservation Sign-up sheet is on Page 7)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From Helene Carr

When I attended the Breast Health forum and listened to the stories of the cancer survivors, I felt very fortunate to be surrounded by women who are united by a common bond – that of women striving for a greater understanding of a disease that has hit so close to home; either by personal experience or by striking a loved one. The women who shared their experience impressed me with their courage, tenacity and humor when faced with a life-threatening situation. Thank you to Nancy Turner, Debbie Wescott and those of you who participated in and supported this event.

On a lighter note, we have several events on the horizon: The Cabernet and Chocolate event November 11 at Ursula Batz'. We will not only enjoy desserts, wines and goodies provided by the members but will learn more about the Legal Advocacy Fund. So bring your sweet tooth and enjoy this event. It is always a sell out so call Erica Campisi for reservations. A dessert contribution is welcome but not mandatory.

Plans are going forward for another successful Holiday Party – details can be found in this Shareline. Helpers are needed so make your call to Joyce Morrison or Linda Slater to volunteer your help.

November 7 is an important date; mark your calendars and be sure to vote. There are women who have gone before us that fought hard to give us this right so get out there and honor them by casting your ballot.

I hope each and every one of you have a wonderful Thanksgiving; I personally am thankful for all the help and support you extend to me and to the board in our endeavor to make this world a better one for everyone.

Successful Breast Health & Breast Cancer Forum

On Monday, October 16, thirty-seven people gathered to hear a talk by a Breast Health Facilitator along with the stories from five breast cancer survivors. Mr. Ken Smith from the American Cancer Society was very informative about the multiple manifestations of breast cancer, and he provided a wide variety of literature. The breast cancer survivors, Debbie Wescott, Norma Stephenson, Margaret Hankle and Donna Jones, spoke with candor and humor about their diagnoses, treatment and how their lives have been impacted by breast cancer. Following a question and answer period, the event ended with refreshments, and time for all to visit and peruse the literature from AAUW, East Bay Cancer Support Group, 1st Presbyterian and the American Cancer Society.

Hayward-Castro Valley AAUW sponsored this event along with Halleluiah for Health from the First Presbyterian Church in Castro Valley where the forum was held. Our branch was well represented. Thanks to all who attended.

MEMBERSHIP CORNER - by Darlene Scott, Membership VP

The Annual Membership Dinner, held on September 20, 2006 was a great success! Over 60 persons were in attendance, including our 4 Tech Trek girls and their parents. This annual event is where we like to greet all our members, showcase our various activities and introduce new members. New members present were Norma Stephenson, Tania Haddock, Audrey Wede, Emilia Martins, and Emilie Frybarger.

Please warmly welcome recent members: Norma Stephenson, Maria McGrath Give-A-Grad-A-Gift), Edith Carlson, Emilia Martins, Emilie Frybarger and Mary Goldhoff!

MEMBER NEWS

Longtime branch member and past president, Rose Ferreira, 83, passed away on October 12th after many years of battling heart disease. Rose joined the branch in 1959 and was president from 1988-89. A funeral mass will be given for her at 11 a.m. on November 2nd at St. Joachim's Church on Hesperian, just south of A Street. She is survived by her husband Adam who asks that any donations by given to AAUW in her name. His address is 202 Santa Susana, San Leandro, 94579.

Peggy Robinson and Judy Harrison are two very happy members these days following cataract surgery. Both are thrilled with their new-found clear eye sight.

Please share information on branch members who need encouragement, congratulations, or just need to know we all care, by contacting Corresponding Secretary Barbara Jones at 538.0516 or by e-mail at <mailto:bb_jones@pacbell.net>bb_jones@pacbell.net. Thanks.

We have a new member.

Please add her to your directory.

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Directory Changes

The phone number for, Judy Harrison should be: **510-889-1431** Deborah Wescott's phone number should be **510-278-9313** Helene Carr phone number is 510-538-3743 Barisha Spriggs email should read barishaspriggs@yahoo.com Ellen Corbett's email address is: corbett4senate06@yahoo.com Suzanne Barba's address is 5787 Highwood Road, not Drive

Make these changes in your directory, so you will have the correct information.

EVENING DRAMA READING

Liz Bathgate hosts the play reading at 7:00pm the first Wednesday of each month. November's play is described below. December's play will be "Joe Turner's Come and Gone" by August Wilson.

AFTERNOON DRAMA READING

Eva Kastel is hosting the drama group in the afternoons. It will meet at Baywood Court on the first Thursday of each month at 2pm. There were 5 members who came last month and the group could easily expand to more. The play that will be read in November is Don't Dress for Dinner by Marc Camoletti. This play has 6 characters and is said to be a real "knee slapper". Call Eva for directions at 583-1236.

WOMEN IN HISTORY GROUP

Sharon Collins and I have been calling schools trying to line them up for our March program. We present ourselves as Women from History to 4-6th graders. This year we had hoped to do mostly Castro Valley and Hayward schools, but many of them are too busy to accept our free program. We now have 8 schools and two extra programs on our schedule. If you are interested in helping with this project, contact Liz Bathgate 581-0461.

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We're on the Web!
See us at:
www.aauw.org
(national site)

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



Entertainment Books are now available for \$25.00 for the year of November 2 2006 through 2 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

GRAPEFRUIT SALE;

November 18th is the deadline for sending in your orders. Thus far I have only received orders for 20 cases, so please send in your checks now. The cost this year is \$15.00/case. If you have never ordered this fruit before, you have missed a true treat. These grapefruit come to us directly from Texas, freshly picked and packed in 20# boxes. We usually sell around 300 cases which arrive by truck in early December. They make great holiday gifts and last for months in your cool garage. Send your check made out to AAUW to Liz Bathgate, 22112 Queen Street, Castro Valley, 94546. Be sure and ask your friends if they want to share in this wonderful treat of ruby red grapefruit. I always order 20 extra cases, so if you decide at the last minute you want more, please don't hesitate to ask me if I have extras.

CITY OF HAYWARD YEAR 2006 LIFETIME AWARD

One of our members, Marlene Teel-Heim was honored on October 26th at the Hayward Volunteer Dinner with their highest award. Marlene was lauded by the Fire Chief, the Police Chief, the head of St Rose Hospital and one of our members Marilyn-Baker-Madsen who have all worked with Marlene in her many volunteer activities in the community. Marilyn described Marlene as having limitless energy, endless enthusiasm, phenomenally positive attitude, and dedication with panache: she inspires us to increase our own efforts to help our community".

Marlene, a former Catholic nun, says that "art is a necessity, not a luxury". With this in mind, she helped organize the Hayward Arts Council, chaired it for six years, and led HAC's first major project: sponsoring a competition in nine Bay Area Counties for a City of Hayward poster. She has volunteered with the Sun Gallery, headed the Hayward Zucchini Festival, helped in the preservation of Hayward's city hall on Mission Blvd., took an active part in Hayward Neighborhood Alert, did some mentoring of Junior High youngsters, worked on Project Legacy at the Hayward Public Library and currently serves on the board of the St Rose Hospital Foundation.

Recently, she married a childhood friend Ron Heim. Her energy is boundless and we are proud to be able to count her as a member of our AAUW branch. Congratulations Marlene for all your wonderful volunteer activities.

Cabernet and Chocolate November 11, 2006,7 to 9 p.m. 4473 Hillsborough Dr.Castro Valley

Our annual Cabernet and Chocolate Event is a fund raiser for the Legal Advocacy Fund of AAUW (LAF). LAF supports women in higher education who are discriminated against because of their gender or sexually harassed in their work place. Litigants are supported by the Fund emotionally, legally and financially when they file litigation against their institution of higher learning. There are always many more deserving litigants applying for funds from LAF than the Fund is able to take on. To help promote this important work in our colleges and universities, our branch has long supported the work of LAF.

The cost is \$20 per person . <u>Make out your check to AAUW Hayward/Castro Valley.</u> Additional donations to the Legal Advocacy Fund are also welcome. Please make these tax deductible checks out to AAUW LAF.

As always, our members will be making wonderful chocolate and other desserts to accompany the wines the branch is providing.

In addition there will be coffee and tea and some fresh fruit platters.

Betty Spees, at whose home our past Cabernet and Chocolate events for LAF have been held, will be here from Redmond Washington, to visit with all her AAUW friends at this event. Look for two additional surprises: a. Milton Bowerman will play background music on the piano. We will also have a special speaker about the Legal Advocacy Fund.

We look forward to a wonderful evening of music, wine and chocolate and renewed friendships.

Please fill in the below form and mail, by Nov. 1, to:

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HOLIDAY PARTY SATURDAY DECEMBER 2: HILL AND VALLEY CLUB 1-3PM

RESERVATION SIGN-UP SHEET

DEADLINE: Monday November 27th

Member Name:	_Guest(s) Name:		
Price: \$7.00/person with pre registration \$8.00 at the door Make your check payable to Hayward/Castro Valley AAUW and send to Peggy Robinson at 24527 Marie Drive, Hayward 94542-1021. Phone number 510-728-0450.			
I will bring the following hors d'oeuvre			
			
My donation(s) for the auction will be:			
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