



HAYWARD/CASTRO VALLEY

November 2009

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Holiday Boutique

Sunday, November 8 – Noon to 5

Get all your holiday gifts in one convenient place Support our Scholarship Program for women transferring from Chabot to a 4-yr college



Free Admission





San Lorenzo Village Community Hall 377 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo



Hayward/Castro Branch

2009-10 Board

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MEMBERSHIP:

Liz Bathgate: 581-0461 We have a total of 10 women who have joined or rejoined our branch since September. We would love to have many more, but that can only happen if you call and give me the name of a friend who might be interested in our wonderful organization which makes such a difference in the lives of girls and women.

Please add these names and numbers to your directory:

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If you did not get a copy of this year's Directory, please contact Liz to arrange for you to pick one up at her house or to have it sent to you, for a small fee.

Correction: Michelle Lemaster wrote to us,

"Thanks so much for including me in your new member news. I just wanted to clarify a few things: I am not pursuing a credential in special ed. I am pursuing my multiple-subject credential. Also, I work in a general education classroom as both a student teacher and as a full-inclusion aide for a high-functioning student with autism. We are not in a special ed class. Thanks! I would like to add that I am currently an AmeriCorps fellow working on my community service learning and that I am a docent for the Fitzgerald Marine Reserve. Thanks again!"

We apologize, Michelle. Thanks for setting us straight.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Thursday, November 19 – 6:30 PM

Liz Bathgate's home 22112 Queen St, Castro Valley

All members are welcome to attend

You and your family and guests are warmly invited to a celebration of different bells & their history in the lives of people

A benefit for the AAUW Funds (EF)



HOLIDAY PARTY

SILENT AUCTION

DECEMBER 6 •• 2:00 - 5:00

San Lorenzo Village Community Hall 377 Paseo Grande, SLz

\$7 Pre-registered (\$8 at door) -- Free, Kids under 16

Champagne, Wine, Martinelli's, and punch will be served

Please bring an hor-d'oeuvres to share and an item(s) for the Auction **

Don't forget Family Emergency Shelter (FESCO) & Emergency Shelter Programs (ESP) -- they would be grateful for any gift cards and donations

For Party questions, contact Dee Donaldson at 538-3415 or <u>cydondee@yahoo.com</u>; for the Auction, contact JoEllen Rice at 581-0674 or <u>jo3rice@aol.com</u>; for Carpooling, contact Liz Bathgate at 581-0461 or <u>lbbathgate@worldnet.att.net</u>.

> ** gift baskets, homemade baked goods and other foodstuffs, handmade art and craft items, merchant donated gift certificates for goods and services, unused re-gifting items of some value

Please send your check and the Registration Form to Dee Butner, 4789 Rollingshills Way, CV

-- Look for registration form and bid sheet at end of newsletter --

We belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

Welcome news

Our membership chair is happy to announce that \$46.00 of our dues is now tax deductible.

AAUW Funds is the new name for the Educational Foundation (EF).

We're on the Web



www.aauw.org national

www.aauw-ca.org state

www.aauw-hcv.org branch

AAUW – Advancing equality for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research

The Shareline is the newsletter of the Hayward/ Castro Valley Branch. It is published ten times a year. Please submit material to Editor Bonnie Smith at <u>mzzboo@sbcglobal.net</u>

It is distributed by Susan Mahaney 633 Via Amigos San Lorenzo, CA 94580 Meet Nafisa Maji, local author of *The Writing on My Forehead* Wednesday, November 4 6:30 pm, Hayward Main Library 835 C Street, Hayward



Meet the Author Program at the Hayward Library

The second program in the Meet the Author series at the Hayward Public Library will be on Wednesday, November 4, 6 p.m. at the Main Library, 835 C Street. Nafisa Haji will discuss her highly acclaimed novel *The Writing on My Forehead*. The novel follows the story of Saira Qader, a Muslim American of Indo-Pakistani descent, who rejects the cultural traditions of her family to become a world roving journalist.

When tragedy strikes, Saira's life is thrown into turmoil, leading her to revisit the stories of those who came before—one grandfather's work in the struggle for Indian independence, another's adultery, and a beloved great-aunt's journey to personal independence.

Nafisa Haji was born in the United States to parents who emigrated from Karachi, Pakistan, in the late 1960s. Her family had migrated from Bombay to Karachi in 1947 during Partition, when the Indian Subcontinent was divided into two states. A Bay Area resident, Nafisa Haji will read from and discuss her highly acclaimed debut novel, *The Writing on My Forehead*.

As in the past, our branch will provide desserts for the evening. If you are willing to bring cookies, brownies, fruit, or any other delicious treat, please contact Barbara Jones at 538.0516 or at <u>bb_jones@pacbell.net</u>.

This program is co-sponsored by the Library, Friends of the Hayward Library, and AAUW.

Book Review Group

The November meeting of the Book Review Group will be on Monday, November 16, at the home of Dee Butner, 4789 Rollinghills Way, Castro Valley. Mathilde Schmidt will review Geraldine Brooks' *The Year of Wonders* All branch members are invited to join in an afternoon review and discussion with friends who enjoy books. Refreshments will be served. If you have any questions or need directions, contact Dee at 537.8541. Looking forward to seeing you there!





Drama Reading Group

This wonderful group will read The Glass Menagerie by Tennessee Williams. Our date for this month has been moved back a week due to a conflict with a program at the Hayward Library, which we are co-hosting. We will meet on November 11th at Liz Bathgate's home at 7pm. All are welcome to join us for a fun evening of socializing as well as reading.

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 <u>bb_jones@pacbell.net</u>. Let's let our friends know we care.

Notes From a Dorm Mom

Tomales Bay field trip. Many girls overcame their fear of the water while kayaking and ended up loving it. They also learned about the flora and fauna of the area and how to identify useful plants used by the Miwoks.

Tech Trek trivia: over 700 girls attend camp each year at one of 6 campuses throughout the state.

Judy Harríson

The TT committee wishes to acknowledge the following persons who recently contributed to TT:

Nena Sabrio,, Mary Krieg, Mary Graw, Jim and Muriel Sampson, Janice Owen, Bonnie Smith, and Alison and Sherman Lewis.

Thank you very much!

Cabernet & Chocolate

When asked about the October 17 Cabernet and Choclate fundraiser, Liz wrote: Last Saturday evening a group of 25 of us met at Suzanne Barbas' home for a delightful evening of food, wine, and of course conversation. One of our new members, Marcia Prinz, was able to attend with her significant other. We had a great time getting to know both of them.

The highlight of the evening, besides the desserts, was the talk by Gail Steele. She has been an Alameda County Supervisor

for the last 18 years and was on the Hayward City Council 1974-82. Her entire life has been devoted to helping others and the stories she told about the juvenile court system and the dysfunc- tionality of the child protective services were really chilling.

Through the generosity of our LAF supporters, we raised \$1000.00. Thanks to Suzanne Barba, Liz Bathgate, Dee Butner, and Helene Carr for their efforts in making this event a success. Many thanks to R. Zaballos & Sons for providing the wine.

Welcome new member!

Linda Sawyer received both a BS and MS at Cal State Hayward in Kinesiology. She then began a PE teaching career at Las Lomas High School in Walnut Creek which spanned 37 years and saw many changes in responsibilities. She began teaching just when the GAA, which was a play day situation for girls, morphed into the Girls Interscholastic

Athletics with real competition. Linda coached swimming and track, became Girls Athletic Director and before she quit was the Department Chair over both the men and women's PE department. In 1976 she began a Girls Invitational Track Meet for the East Bay which was taken over by the Castro Valley Schools when she stopped hosting it.

Since retiring (she flunked this according to her husband) she has taken a job at Cal State supervising student teachers and teaching some theory and analysis classes in the Kinesiology Department. Her hobbies include sewing, stained glass and walking (she is working toward a 26 mile pin with the Regional Parks).



Tech Trek 2009



Tech Trek is a math/science camp designed to develop interest, excitement, and self-confidence in young women who will enter eighth grade in the fall. It features hands-on activities in math, science, and related fields. All sleeping, eating, instructional, and recreational facilities are located on a university campus where the camps are held. Our girls attended Sonoma State this year

and loved the experience.

What can you do to make this possible?

ADOPT-A-CAMPER!

Help sponsor a girl to next year's AAUW Tech Trek Math and Science Camp at Sonoma State by paying for all or part of her experience at Camp:

\$750 will pay for her entire week

350 will pay for half of her stay

100 will pay for one day of her stay

50 will pay for $\frac{1}{2}$ day at camp

- 25 will pay for a trip to Chabot Science and Space Center
- 20 will pay for her supplies for science and math classes

15 will pay for her meals for one day

10 will pay for her snacks for one week

We know that you want to make sure our girls have an opportunity to attend camp by adopting one with a donation of any amount.

We plan to send four girls to Tech Trek camp in June 2010 for six days of a wonderfully unique educational experience.

Please send your donation to **Peggy Robinson**, **24527 Marie Court**, **Hayward**, **CA 94542.** Checks should be made out to **AAUW CA-SPF**. Be sure to write **Tech Trek** on the check's memo line. All donations are tax deductible.

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Yes, I would love to ADOPT-A-CAMPER! I am enclosing

\$______to pay for:______

Signed_____

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HOLIDAY PARTY RESERVATION FORM

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Total amount included: \$ 16 & under. Make checks payable to AAUW H/C Send to Dee Butner at 4789 Rollingh	
Member Name:	
Guest Name(s):	
I will bring an hors d'oeuvre to share:	YESNO
I will bring a gift card(s) for the shelters:YESNO Gift cards to stores such as Target, Sears, Payless Shoes to be spent on children's shoes, clothing, etc. for shelter residents. The Family Emergency Shelter Coalition (FESCO) and the Emergency Shelter Program (ESP) are both 501©(3) organizations; therefore all donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.	
I will bring an item(s) for the auction:YESNO Suggestions: Gift baskets; Homemade foodstuffs, art and craft items; Merchant donated gift certificates for goods and services; Unused re-gifting items of some value. Bring auction items and bid sheets with you on the day of the party.	
Please complete one bid sheet for each item. Bring the bid sheet, along with the item, when you come to the Holiday Party and Silent Auction on December 6. Put the item and it's bid sheet on one of the auction tables when you arrive. There will be extra blank bid sheets at the event but we're hoping to have the bid sheets filled out in advance. Thanks.	
SILENT AUCTION BID SHEET	
Item:	Approx Value: \$
Donated by:	Minimum bid: \$
INCREASE BIDS BY \$1.00 OR MORE	
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4	91
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