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<u>Hayward Volunteer Recognition and</u>

<u>Awards Dinner</u>

Tuesday, October 4th, at 6pm at St. Rose Hospital's Grand White Tent

AAUW honoree is Elizabeth (Liz) Bathgate

There is still room to attend, the cost is \$40.00 per person. Make a check out to the Recognition and Awards Dinner.

Call Supervisor Richard Valle's office at 510-259-1097, Ask for Ginny DeMartini for information on directions and where to send payment.

NOTE: AAUW table is full, but there is room with other agencies.

PRESIDENTIAL DEBATES

Tuesday, October 4th (Vice Presidential candidates), Sunday, October 9th and Weds., October 19th (2nd/3rd Presidential candidates)

At the CASTRO VALLEY and SAN LORENZO LIBRARIES

on their big screens

at 5:15pm

The debates will be followed by discussion periods led by members of AAUW &/or the League of Women Voters.

The PRESIDENT's MESSAGE

Hello Board Members

Well, here we are in September, count down till Christmas, wow! That means there are only 74 days till our 75th Anniversary luncheon on December 3, 2016 at the Redwood Canyon Golf Club (formerly Willow Park) from 12:30 – 3:30 PM. Yeah!

That's right it's our Branch's 75th Anniversary is in 2016. In May 1941, right before the US entered WWII, 21 women became Charter members and formed the Hayward California American Association of University Women. Over the years AAUW, and our branch, has seen a lot of change, done a lot of research, raised a ton of money for programs, and participated in advocacy that has improved the equity and education for women and girls in colleges, in the job market, and in the corporate and political world. This is your opportunity to join me, your fellow members, fellow members from other Alameda County branches, collaborative agency members and government officials to honor our Branch history and how far we've come in 75 years.

The luncheon is a prelude to the Community Gallery exhibition at the Hayward Area Historical Society in May 2017 where our Branch history will be displayed and celebrated by the whole community. Be sure to make your reservation for the luncheon and bring a friend or family member along to view firsthand how proud we all are of our branch history and its legacy in promoting equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

Thank you to the members who are assisting me in bringing this fabulous anniversary to fruition: Ursula Batz, Penny Peck, Mary Graw, Evelyn Gertler and Linda Myers. We meet Thursday afternoons from 1-3 PM at my home in San Leandro. Our next two meetings are 9/29 and 11/03. Please feel free to join us if you have an interest. Email me at slaterl@sbcglobal.net for directions.

Speaking of upcoming events, we are fast closing in on the important November elections. AAUW is actively encouraging all women to get out and vote through slogans like: "When Women Vote, We Change the Conversation" and articles like "Don't Boo, Vote! http://www.aauw.org/2016/08/04/dont-boo-vote/ which highlights the issues of equal pay, college affordability, paid leave and STEM representation, among others.

The League of Women Voters of the Eden Area (LWVEA) has scheduled several debate watch sessions, at both the Castro Valley and San Lorenzo libraries, to inform voters, and provide an opportunity for discussion and questions. All programs are 5:15 pm -8:00 PM. I hope you'll take the opportunity to participate in one or all of these debate watches. For additional non-partisan information on issues and propositions you can visit the LWVC Easy Voter Guide at http://www.easyvoterguide.org/

You can also follow the debates playing the AAUW "Debate BINGO" to track how well the candidates stack up to our shared AAUW values. Go to http://www.aauw.org/2016/09/07/play-debate-bingo-with-aauw/ to print out your bingo cards.

Lots coming up this fall. Stay tuned in, do your bit, and encourage your friends, family and neighbors to do the same. Let me know if your Branch can assist. Happy Fall!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

October 4
Volunteer Rec.&
Awards Dinner

VP Presidential Debate

October 5
Drama Reading

October 9

2nd Presidential

Debates

October 3
Board Meeting

October 14 Bunco

October 17
Book Group

October 19 3rd Presidential Debates

October 29 Fellows Lunch

November 10 Monarch Butter-Fly Walk

December 3 75th Anniversary Luncheon

LOOK INSIDE FOR DETAILS

BUDGET MEETING

Thursday, October 6th 6:30 pm at Liz Bathgate's home

BOARD MEETING

Monday, October 10th 6:30 pm At Liz Bathgate's home

DRAMA READING

Wednesday, October 5th 7:00 pm

We will meet at Liz Bathgate's home at 22112 Queen Street in Castro Valley.

If you have never joined us, please do so. We read a play cold with each person being given a part to read.

The play this month is Neil Simons "Biloxi Blues". There are 9 parts, so we need a good turnout. The play centers on the experiences of a young army recruit Eugene Morris Jerome, during World War II. At basic training in Biloxi, Mississippi, Eugene is determined to use his army experiences to help his writing career, and keeps a detailed memoir about his experiences. Eugene and his fellow soldiers-in-training suffer under a hard-nosed drill sergeant, attempt to stomach the terrible army food served up in the mess hall and bond over an adventure to visit the local prostitute. The semi-autobiographical comedy has been termed by Frank Rich, "Mr. Simon's first serious attempt to examine his conscience as an artist and a Jew".

It is great fun and is followed by dessert and socializing.
All are welcome.

If you are a new member and need more information, call Liz at 581-0461.



Friday, October 14th from 6:30 to 9:30 pm
-The next game will be after the Christmas holidays-

Location: Dee Butner

4789 Rollinghills Way

Castro Valley, CA

(We will be having it at my home for awhile)

PLEASE NOTE: We will only have 8 players.

PLEASE BE ON TIME.. Also CONFIRM that your ride will pick you up on time.

RSVI: Tel#@ 510-537-8541 (Dee Butner)
RSVI by October 10th

Bring 5 \$1 bills to play with. I will help you decide what to bring for our lite dinner before the game.

Easy directions: To get to Dee Butner's house coming from Castro Valley Blvd. turn North on Center St. and continue to Edwards and turn right. Go one long block and turn left on Gliddon. Go 2 short blocks and turn right on Rollinghills Way. My house is the yellow one on the corner.

We would love to have new members come. We also enjoy our faithful regular players too.

Until then-

Dee Butner

BOOK GROUP MEETING Monday, October 17th 2pm to 4 pm

The branch book group got off to a fine start on September 19th with a very productive meeting at Dee Butner's Castro Valley home. Always our gracious hostess, we enjoyed Dee's delicious refreshments, visited with friends, and reported on books we've been reading. Our schedule for the year ahead was established, our group reads selected and our programs secured. Another fun year for the group lies ahead. If you are interested in joining us, please do! All branch members are welcome.

If you would like more information about the book group or have questions, please contact Barbara Jones at 538-0516 or by email at bb_jones@pacbell.net.

Our October meeting will be on Monday afternoon, October 17th, 2-4 p.m. at Margaret Hankle's home, 2244 Heathrow Pl., San Leandro. Directions will be sent to all members before the meeting.

New member Dorothy Seeger has volunteered to review a recent book she has enjoyed. Details will be announced.

If you are a member who cannot attend the meeting, are bringing a guest, or are new to the group, please contact Margaret at 667-9556. Letting our hostess know helps her plan her refreshments and seating.

Looking forward to seeing you on October 17th for another special afternoon of books, conversations, and friends.

FALL FELLOWS LUNCHEON

Saturday, October 29th at 11:30 AM Crow Canyon Country Club in Danville, CA

This luncheon is a highlight of our year in AAUW because we get to hear from a number of women who have been awarded Fellowships to finish their graduate degrees, medical school, post graduate studies, special projects etc.

This year we will hear from my Fellow who is at Stanford pursuing a master's degree in design methodologies and manufacturing in the developing world. She is the daughter of Nigerian immigrants and hopes to improve design practices for people interested in international sustainable development. Her undergraduate degree is in Mechanical Engineering.

Our branch is in charge of decorations and will be going early to set up the tables. The reservations for the luncheon must be made by going to the AAUW-CA website. Once there you will click on AAUW Home and the luncheon should pop up. There are two luncheons, one in the south and ours here in Danville. Be sure and sign up for the Northern CA luncheon.

We will be carpooling from Liz Bathgate's home. If you are helping with the set up, we will be leaving here at 10:30am. Please let me know if you will be helping or carpooling a bit later.

Monarch Butterfly Walk

Every year the Monarch
Butterfly flies thousands of miles
back to the same trees at the San
Leandro Marina to spend the
winter. The City of San Leandro
sponsors the Monarch Butterfly
Walks to share this exceptional
program.

Join the AAUW, Hayward-Castro Valley Branch for a special guided walk by Naturalist Adrienne De Ponte on **Thursday, November 10**th at **1:00 PM** at 13800 Monarch Bay Drive. Meet in the parking lot in front of the green double-decker driving range.

After a brief talk we will take a short walk to see the monarch butterflies clustered on the Eucalyptus trees. Be sure to wear comfortable shoes as we'll walk two, flat blocks on paved surfaces, then on grass to view the butterflies. Bring your binoculars to get the best views!



Thursday, November 10th at 1:00 PM

Fee is \$12 per person. We have a maximum of 20 slots, so send in your check as soon as possible to ensure a spot. Send check to:

Linda Slater 3422 Del Campo Circle San Leandro, CA 94578 510-435-6150 slaterl@sbcglobal.net



SAVE the DATE

Saturday, December 3, 2016 12:30 - 3:30 PM

Redwood Canyon Golf Club (formerly Willow Park) Castro Valley, CA

75th Anniversary Luncheon

More information to follow.

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.



TECH TREK REPORT

The August 22nd Tips For Change evening at Gianni's Italian Bistro was another fun-filled evening. We just about sold out the restaurant which kept our fantastic wait staff jumping. Thank you, Liz for getting such great volunteers! Dee Butner put together beautiful baskets for the raffle which brought in over \$600. Thank you, Dee! While our tip total was lower than last year, people who could not attend were very generous with their donations and we made \$3,100 for Tech Trek. With our carry over from last year we will be able to send 7 girls to Sonoma State in 2017. Thank you to all who contributed. You know you will change a girl's life.

Save the date for next year: August 21, 2017.

We are looking forward to seeing you all there next year.

Membership Event in Park

Saturday, September 17, we had a lovely picnic at Sulphur Creek Nature Center. One of our Tech Trek girls and her mother attended. She told us about her best experiences at camp. She made new friends with whom she is still in contact. Most of all, she emphasized that she was able to talk to us because she had gained a new self confidence in herself as part of her experience.

The two naturalists talked about a California Garter Snake and about a Barn Owl. We were all encouraged to touch or get near these two rescued animals as we learned about their habits and habitats.

Since some of our less able members don't feel sure about footings in the park, It may be time to have our Membership Event in a different venue in the future.

With a few members still needing to renew their memberships, we now have 124 renewed and new members.

Ursula Batz, Membership Chair



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Play Debate Bingo with #AAUWDebates!

Debates offer an opportunity for voters to see where candidates stand on issues. It's a chance to see candidates speak off the cuff, without the prepared remarks and teleprompters, and defend their plans for our country. As in past election years, AAUW will be watching to see candidates' plans to address policies affecting women and girls like equal pay, campus sexual assault, college affordability, paid leave, STEM representation, and others.



We've created bingo cards with some of the key words women and girls want to hear from both candidates during the course of the debates. This year we're proud to announce a new Debate Bingo feature: interactive bingo cards! If you choose to play, now you have the option of either downloading and printing out your bingo cards (great for a large group!) or visiting this link to access our brand new interactive bingo cards! It's as easy as click, click, BINGO!

But because you're doing such important work holding the candidates accountable for their stances on women's issues — and because it's always more fun to play with friends — tweet your progress and a picture of your winning card with hashtag

#AAUWDebates. We'll be watching and even awarding some prizes! Make sure to follow <u>@AAUWActionFund</u> as we live tweet every debate.

Click here to play Debate Bingo!

By the end of the debates, we'll not only have some bingo winners but also a better sense of where both candidates stand on issues important to advancing equity for women and girls!

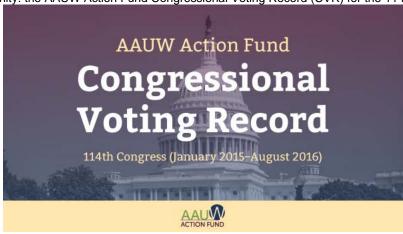
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How did your Senators and Representative score in the new CVR?

There are just over 60 days until the election, and AAUW members nationwide are getting out the vote with the It's My Vote: I Will Be Heard campaign. Today, we released a new tool to help educate and empower voters in your community: the AAUW Action Fund Congressional Voting Record (CVR) for the 114th Congress!



Download the electronic version here and/or request a hard copy today!

Are you wondering how your representative and senators measure up on issues such as equal pay, women's health, and safe campuses? Use this updated CVR to better understand how your legislators scored on issues important to women and families!

Ready to put your CVR to use this election season? Here are a few ideas:

- Refer to information in the voting record during community issue forums and candidate debates or at town hall meetings held by your members of Congress
- Distribute copies during local voter education events and at local libraries, community festivals, and civic centers
 - Share the voting record with coalition partners, friends, family, and prospective AAUW members
 - Post voting record information on Facebook, Twitter, and other forms of social media
- Cite the voting record when writing letters to the editor, blog posts, or op-eds about a legislator's position on AAUW's priority issues

From our paychecks and health care services to educational funding and campus safety, there is so much at stake each time women head to the polls. The AAUW Action Fund Congressional Voting Record is yet another tool to hold our legislators accountable on issues that directly affect women and families.

And remember: When women vote, we change the conversation!