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ANNUAL HAYWARD VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION & AWARDS DINNER

Tuesday October 7, 2014

Honoring Outstanding Volunteer Sandy Boswell,
of our AAUW Branch

St Rose Hospital's Grand White Tent

27200 Calaroga Ave, Hayward

Reservations \$40/person: Make out checks to

Hayward Volunteer Recognition and Awards Dinner

Send the checks to Supervisor Richard Valle's office
24301 Southland Drive Suite 101
Hayward, CA 94545

This is always a wonderful event where volunteers from all of Hayward's
organizations are honored each year.

SANDY BOSWELL, the choice for our branch has served in many
capacities in our branch over a long time. We need to come together for this dinner
to honor her service to our organization.

The deadline is September 30, 2014

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

TABLE AAUW _____

CHECK NUMBER _____

The PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Welcome to another eventful year when we all can take part in furthering the education and equity of women and girls.

The latest information from our National AAUW indicates that women now make 78 cents for every dollar that a man makes. We are not making much progress in this area because the congress will not bring it up for a vote.

Our branch is doing some really different things to raise funds for Tech Trek and the general fund. Last Saturday we had a Pancake Breakfast at the ice Creamery where we sold \$10 tickets and were able to keep \$5 of each ticket.

Our second fundraiser, for Tech Trek specifically, will take place on Monday November 17th. Be sure and read the flier that Judy Harrison included in this Shareline.

Our own members will be the servers as diners enjoy wonderful/tasty Italian food. We ask that you come with friends and tip well, as all the tips go to our fundraiser as does 10% of the gross receipts for the restaurant for that evening. We are looking for 7 women to be servers that evening. Thus far we have June Cook, Liz Bathgate, Judy Harrison and Helene Carr.

The commitment is from 4-9pm. The restaurant takes its last reservations at 8pm.

I have never been a waitress before, so it should be interesting being trained starting and 4 and waiting tables starting at 5pm.

I look forward to seeing you at many events this year.

Liz



Hayward/Castro Valley
Tech Trekkers, 2014

Gianni's Italian Bistro

"Tips For Change" Fundraiser for Tech Trek

A fundraising dinner where supporters and volunteers from our organization suit up as servers for the evening. All tips and 10% of the sales go directly to support our cause: to send 5 seventh grade girls to STEM camp at Sonoma State in 2015. Our goal is to raise at least \$4500.00 for 5 \$900 scholarships.

What do we need from you?

A night out with lots of friends and family—spend lavishly—it's our big chance to get the money to send our your ladies to a wonderful camp that will change their lives.

Make a reservation now!

When: Monday, November 17, 2014
5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Where: Gianni's Italian Bistro
2066 San Ramon Valley Blvd.
San Ramon
925-820-6969

www.giannissanramon.com

or

www.opentable.com

What is Tech Trek?

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 camps are held. Learn more at: www.aauw-techtrek.org.

From a 1999 Tech Trekker: *"Nothing done for a child is ever wasted. They are the future. One of the girls sponsored though this program will find the cure for cancer, save people from AIDS, become president, change the world. And she will need all the help and encouragement she can get. The most powerful thing you can do for someone is to believe in her more than she dares believe in herself. I can personally guarantee you, it will change her life."*

If you want to be a server, contact Ursula Batz, ursrpt@earthlink.net to confirm your participation as a server. If you want to make reservations to eat there that evening, please use the info above and reserve **before** 8 pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR !

October 6
Author Karl Marlantes
@Chabot College

October 8
Drama Meeting

October 10
Bunco

October 13
Board Meeting

October 15
LWV sponsored
District 15 Debate

October 20
Book Group
Dining Out

November 2
Fellows Luncheon

November 3
Board Meeting

November 17
Book Group
Tech Trek Fundraiser

December 7
Holiday Party

***LOOK INSIDE FOR
DETAILS***

DRAMA READING

We will meet on Wednesday, October 8th at 7 pm to read Gigi, a comedy in two acts.

We meet at Liz Bathgate's home and everyone will be given a part to read. We always have time for refreshments and talk.

All are welcome.

Let's Play BUNCO



Friday, October 10th – 6:30pm

It will be held at the home of Joyce Morrison, 3253 Roundhill, Hayward. Call if you need directions at 510-881-1972.

Bunco is a game for 12 people sitting at 3 tables and using dice to play. It is nice to meet casually the members of AAUW.

We start with snacks and wine that people bring. So, please call Dee Donaldson at 538-3415 to sign up and we will decide what you will bring: an appetizer or dessert or beverage as well as your 5-one dollar bills.

We play 2 games and break for dessert, coffee and tea before playing the last game. Then we declare the winners of 3 prizes of one dollar bills—

HIGHEST SCORE, LOWEST SCORE! AND MOST BUNCOS!!

It usually lasts until 9:30 P.M.

We are hoping that one of our members will quickly offer to host the game and the news will be out to all.

NOTE: It is time to think about our Holiday Basket for the Annual Holiday Party. Please bring items to make up a snack basket. Cash will be accepted also and Dee Butner will purchase items for the basket.

BOARD MEETING

October 13th

at Liz Bathgate's home

BOOK GROUP MEETING

October 20th

The Bully Pulpit: Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft and the Golden Age of Journalism, Historian Doris Kearns Goodwin's newest presidential biography, will be the topic of Ruth Rymer's review at the Book Group meeting on Monday afternoon. The group will gather at the home of Helene Victor, 19253 Parkview Road in Castro Valley, from 2pm-4pm.

We'll enjoy refreshments, a review of an outstanding biography, and good visits with special friends. All branch members are welcome to join us.

Hostesses do request that regular members who cannot make the meeting please call to let her know so she can plan the refreshments. If you are new to the group and would like to join us, or are bringing a guest, please let the hostess know. Thank you. Helene's phone number is 886-1640.

Looking ahead to our first group read meeting Monday, November 17th

at the home of Genie Lester. The novel selected is *The Icon Thief* by Castro Valley native Alec Navala-Lee, it is the author's first novel. A special highlight of this meeting will be an opportunity to hear from the author himself and discuss the book with the group via Skype. Genie Lester will facilitate the discussion.

Mark all these dates on your calendar and join us. All members of the branch are welcome. If you are unable to make the September meeting at Dee's, or need directions, please call her at 537-8541.

See you all there for these exciting afternoons of books and friends.

LEAGUE of WOMEN VOTERS

District 15 Debate

October 15th

Home Owners Assn, San Lorenzo

6pm – 6:50pm

League of Women Voters are sponsoring the debate

Congressman Eric Swalwell

VS

Hugh Bussell

Dining Out – Monday, October 20th

See last page for details

FELLOWS LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND

11:30 am

Ladies, this is a highlight of each year when we can hear from women who have received Fellowships from AAUW speak about their studies.

I have the privilege of having two Fellows in the bay area. One is at U.C. Berkeley and is studying for a PHD in Ethnic Studies. The other is studying for an MBA at Mills.

The luncheon usually has at least 10 Fellows speak and it is really an inspiring time for us all.

The event will be at Crow Canyon Country Club in Danville.

To sign up for the luncheon, go online to aauw-ca.org:

On the front page is a blue column with options. Scroll down and click on AAUW Funds and that will take you to the Fall Funds Luncheon. From this site you can register online for the meal choice and pay with your credit card.

We will have carpooling from my home that morning, so let me know if you are coming. Liz Bathgate 510.581.0461.

Membership News

For those of you who have not yet sent your annual dues in, please let this be a reminder that your dues are overdue.

If you are unsure whether you have sent your dues in or not, please call me at 548-9370 so I can clarify your status with you.

If you want to send in your dues, please send me a check for \$80 made out to AAUW and mail it to 4473 Hillsborough Dr., Castro Valley, CA 94546.

Ursula Batz

MEMBER NEWS

Olive Riley-Steward, recently recovered from back surgeries, is now facing still another surgery, this time on her left hip. Her many friends in the branch wish Olive a smooth operation and a speedy recovery so she can soon return to her many favorite activities. She is very missed at branch meetings.

The branch is proud of longtime member Nancy Schluntz who recently published her book, *Hand in Paw: A Journey of Trust and Discovery*. Nancy is an intuitive animal communicator, animal Reiki practitioner and an interfaith minister with certificates in spiritual psychology and pet-loss bereavement counseling. Nancy dedicates her practice to helping human and animal family members enrich their relationships and provides spiritual guidance through life transitions. She is also the author of numerous essays and articles.

Our congratulations to Nancy!

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.

techtrek!

Our annual Membership event at Sulphur Creek Nature Center on September 13th was a great success. Those who attended heard from two of our Tech Trek girls and our three "dorm moms" about the wonderful experience these girls had at Sonoma State in June.

We also learned about the habitats and habits of some local snakes and possums from two staff members.

Additionally we had a wonderful time eating shared foods and renewing friendships.

Last Saturday, September 27th, the branch held a pancake breakfast fundraiser at Knudsen's Ice Creamery in Castro Valley.

Over sixty people: AAUW members, their families and friends, gathered to eat delicious pancakes and bacon while enjoying good conversations. Cost of the breakfast was \$10, with \$5 going to the branch. In addition to those who came to enjoy the meal, many made generous donations.

Many thanks to the branch members who sold tickets and invited others to join them for this delightful activity. We also thank the many who donated as we spread the word about Tech Trek and its achievements.

And we especially thank Knudsen's Ice Creamery for their generous support for local non-profit organizations like AAUW to hold fundraisers at their restaurant on Saturday mornings. Thanks to this opportunity, we raised \$1200 toward the five Tech Trek scholarships we plan to award in 2015.

techtrek! - continued

Now, put Monday, November 17th, on your calendar and come enjoy dinner at Gianni's Italian Bistro in San Ramon. Here's another opportunity to enjoy a delicious meal, good friends, and raise money for AAUW scholarships.

SAVE THE DATE!

Annual Holiday Party

**Sunday, December 7, 2014
2 - 5 PM**

We will be returning to the San Lorenzo Homes Association community hall for a day of fellowship, good food, fine wine and entertainment.

Stay tuned for more details in upcoming Sharelines.

Keep an eye out for *Yahoo Groups Messages* about the holiday party committee and let me know if you'd like to be part of the fun.

**Thanks,
Linda Slater, Holiday Party Chairwoman**





LAF EXPRESS

New LAF Case Challenges Gender Discrimination at the University of Tennessee

We're proud to announce LAF support for a new case, *Moshak v. University of Tennessee*. The lawsuit was filed in 2012 by Jennifer Moshak, Heather Mason, and Collin Schlosser, former employees of the University of Tennessee's women's athletic department. The plaintiffs allege sex discrimination and unlawful retaliation under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and the Equal Pay Act of 1963. They claim that they were unlawfully discriminated against and eventually forced out of their positions during a university-led merger of the women's and men's athletic departments.

Schlosser and Mason argue in part that they were fired by the university after making internal complaints alleging unequal pay between the women's and men's athletic departments. Moshak claims that she was demoted, marginalized in the department, and then forced to retire. The plaintiffs also say that during the merger the vast majority — 86 percent — of terminated employees were either women or were men in the women's athletic department.

Veterans Dismissed in Military Sexual Assault Case

Last month, the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled against a group of veterans that had sued the U.S. military for alleged acts of sexual assault while the veterans were on active duty. In the LAF-supported case, *Klay v. Panetta*, the plaintiffs said that U.S. military officials tolerated sexual predators in their ranks and antagonized service members who reported rape, sexual assault, and harassment. The plaintiffs argued that this culture of sexual assault violated their constitutional rights. In 2013, a U.S. District Court granted the defendants' motion to dismiss the case, saying that the plaintiffs' injuries were incident to their military service and that the court was prevented by legal precedent from ruling on a military matter. The plaintiffs appealed to the D.C. Circuit. Following court arguments held in February, the circuit court affirmed the district court's dismissal of the case.

AAUW is very disappointed in this latest ruling. The plaintiffs and their advocates are deciding how to proceed.

Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to help balance the scales of justice.

AAUW Washington Update 8/22/14

Article Spotlights Confidential Survivor Advocates as a Much-Needed Campus Resource

This fall University of California, Berkeley and many other higher education institutions are hiring [confidential survivor advocates](#) to help address campus sexual violence. "Instead of bouncing around among various resources, you can have someone you work with throughout the process," said Anne Hedgepeth, AAUW government relations manager. "When survivors have an advocate, they get better medical treatment and they understand their options better." Recognizing the success of these advocates on campuses where they already exist, a White House task force [report](#) in April recommended hiring confidential advocates as a positive step schools can take to meet the needs of survivors on campus.

Obama Administration Announces Review of Contraceptive Coverage Accommodation

Today the Obama administration announced proposed revisions to regulations for the Affordable Care Act that would change how certain workers receive insurance coverage for contraception. Under the proposal, a closely-held for-profit business with a religious objection to contraception would notify the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) of its objection, and HHS would work with the insurance company to ensure continuing contraceptive coverage without co-pay for the business's employees. Religiously affiliated non-profits, such as hospitals and schools, also have the option to notify HHS of their objection, and HHS would work with their insurers to continue coverage. The proposed rule also seeks to clarify the definition of a "closely held" business, as this definition varies between federal and state tax codes. These revisions are in response to the Supreme Court's recent Hobby Lobby decision.

DINING OUT
Monday, October 20, 2014 6 p.m.
[Acqua e Farina](#)

[22622 Main St. Hayward, CA](#)

Restaurant phone # (510) 888-1568

By popular demand, *Dining Out* will resume on the third Monday of the month!

We will venture to a new restaurant in the former Rue de Main location. Acqua e Farina (water and flour in Italian) has been well received and is the unanimous choice of those who signed up at our membership event.

I'd like to let the restaurant know how many diners are coming so they'll have adequate wait staff for our group. *Separate checks will be requested.*

There is ample parking: the lot across Main St. next to the beauty school, the parking garage across from Hayward City Hall or the parking garage by the theater.

Please call Sandy Boswell (510) 909-5466. Or email sandyboswell@rocketmail.com by Sunday 10/19.

On Monday, November 17th, *Dining Out* will participate in our branch's **Trek Tech "Tips for Change"** fundraiser at Gianni's, San Ramon.