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Hayward/Castro Valley Branch

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2014

techtrek!
science & math camp for girls



SOUPER SUPPER

DATE- FRIDAY May 22, 2015

TIME- 6 TO 9 PM

**PLACE- CASTRO VALLEY FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
18550 REDWOOD ROAD
(REDWOOD AND SEVEN HILLS ROADS)**

BENEFITS TECH TREK SCHOLARSHIPS

Meet our 2015 campers--hear stories of camp from last year's girls—get updates from former campers

ENJOY A RELAXING EVENING WITH US!

**COST- \$10 FOR MEAL WHICH INCLUDES SOUP, SALAD, BREAD, DESSERT AND BEVERAGE
WE WOULD APPRECIATE IF EVERYONE COULD BRING A FOOD ITEM OR DONATE SUPPLIES
BRING YOUR FAMILY
THANKS AGAIN FROM TECH TREK**

MAKE CHECK OUT TO – AAUW H/CV SOUPER SUPPER

**Send to Dee Butner tel# 537-8541 email-kinder55@aol.com
4789 Rollinghills Way Castro Valley CA 94546**

OR

**Judy Harrison tel# 388-1423 jharrison663@comcast.net
25319 Morse Court, Hayward, CA 94542**

NAME _____ GUESTS _____

AMOUNT SENT \$ _____ PHONE # _____

BRINGING _____ SOUP _____ SALAD _____ DESSERT _____ BREAD / BUTTER

_____ PAPER GOODS



The PRESIDENT's MESSAGE

On March 30th, 27 members and friends took BART and then the ferry to Alcatraz to view an art exhibit by Ai Wei Wei. It was located in a number of buildings, but the old factory structure had the most fascinating work. The artist had done faces of men and women held in jail by their countries for protesting the way their fellow members of society were treated. These faces were done in lego's and stretched in length the size of a football field. Each face was a different size and contained lego's of various colors. The background was all white. It turned out the best way to really see the features of each face was thru the lens of a camera. It was amazing what came out in the lens.

The other end of this building held a dragon made from bamboo and silk that had been painted and fashioned in the shape of a dragon head. Behind the head were discs of silk painted and lettered to protest the way people are held throughout the world. The length of the dragon had to have been 100 feet or more. Trips like this are very educational. If you are interested in starting a group to go to special exhibits or sites in our beautiful bay area or are interested in starting a hiking group, please let me know.

Nationally, AAUW has been actively addressing Title IX issues. Our own member, Elizabeth Kristen, who is an attorney for the Legal Aid Society in San Francisco, has recently won a decision in San Diego over this issue. Federal law prohibits sex discrimination at all schools and requires that every school must designate at least one employee who oversees all complaints of sex discrimination. The problems arise when schools are without a Title IX coordinator or have coordinators who do not understand the scope of the law. AAUW asked that these people receive a letter reiterating the importance of Title IX coordinators, a thank-you letter directly to coordinators reaffirming their roles, and a free resource manual to guide their actions. Now, instead of having to read case law to figure out what their job requires, they will have a free and easy-to-read resource guide to pave the way.

The other national issue is the Paycheck Fairness Act. We need to get in touch with our Members of Congress and tell them to stand with women and working families by cosponsoring the Paycheck Fairness Act today!! This has been put off too long!

I hope by now many of you have paid your dues online with National. It is a very easy process this year to do it by credit card. In addition, this is the time to vote both for National and State officers and by laws changes. If you have any questions about how to proceed on any of this, don't hesitate to call me at 581-0461.

Your board has nominated the following for officers in 2015-16. President/Administrator Linda Slater, Treasurer Helene Carr, and Secretary Ruth Rymer. You will have a chance to vote on these ladies at the Souper Supper on May 22nd.

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR !**

- May 6
Drama Reading
- May 7
Women's Issues
In Congress
- May 11-**NEW DATE!!!**
Board Meeting
- May 18
Book Group
- May 22
Teck Trek's
Souper Supper
- May 28 - 31
National Conference
Univ. of Maryland
- June 5
Bunco
- June 13
Installation Lunch

DRAMA READING

Wednesday, May 6th at 7:00 pm
at Liz Bathgate's home

This will be the last one of this year. We will start up again in October.

This month we will be reading "THE ODD COUPLE" (Female version) by Neil Simon. Unger and Madison are at it again! Florence Unger and Olive Madison, that is, in Neil Simon's hilarious contemporary comic classes. Instead of the poker party that begins the original version, Olive has invited the girls over for an evening of Trivial Pursuit. The Pidgeon sisters have even replaced by the two Constanzuela brothers. The hilarity remains the same. I hope to see a big crowd for this fun play.

**WOMEN'S ISSUES
IN THE 114TH CONGRESS**

With

Kelly Watkins, Assistant to Congressman
Eric Swalwell, (CA 15)

Thursday, May 7th, 2015 at 7PM

Lynnewood United Methodist Church

4444 Black Ave., Pleasanton

**LOOK INSIDE FOR
DETAILS**



Livermore-Pleasanton-Dublin (CA) Branch

Extra parking is available on the west side of and behind the church

BOARD MEETING

NEW DATE!!!

May 11th 6:30 pm at Liz Bathgate's home

BOOK GROUP MEETING

It just doesn't seem possible that another year is coming to an end. The branch book group meeting on Monday afternoon, May 18th, will be the last until next autumn. Come join what promises to be a lively discussion with good friends.

The May 18th meeting will be at the home of Berna Neumiller, 21407 Tanglewood Drive, Castro Valley, from 2 -4 p.m. This will be our last group read of the year, Christina Schwarz's intriguing novel, *Drowning Ruth*.. Sandy Boswell will facilitate the discussion. Refreshments will be served.

If you are new to the group, a regular member who is unable to attend or are bringing a guest, please contact Berna at 538-6650 or by email, jneumy@aol.com. Courtesy to our hostesses helps them plan the wonderful refreshments we all enjoy.

In addition to the book discussion, we'll be talking about plans for our next year which begins on Monday afternoon, September 21st. We'll sign up hostesses, reviewers and facilitators for the year. Please bring your suggestions for future group reads.

All branch members are welcome to join. Call Berna if you have questions or need directions.

See you there!

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT TO NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR COLLEGE WOMEN STUDENT LEADERS

at the University of Maryland May 28th-31.

This is the second year we have given a Chabot College student an opportunity to attend this AAUW event. Last year our recipient Erika Cortez came and spoke at our Installation luncheon.

This year our recipient is Sheba Sharifi, a 20 year old student at Chabot whose aspires to be an empowered woman who can be strong, resourceful and tenacious. Sheba follows a dream of leading a life that is of use to others. Having come from a family who escaped Afghanistan in the 80's, she knows only too well about the culture of women being denied their freedom. She feels very blessed to have been born in this country and would like to empower and inspire other young women around the world to be able to follow their own dreams. She plans to go to nursing school and use her skills to alleviate health issues locally in women who have been victims of human trafficking. In the future she would like to return to Afghanistan and help rebuild the nation by promoting education,

improving literacy rates for women and children and seeing that health care goes to all members of their society.

Your Scholarship Committee was headed by Penny Peck and had Liz Bathgate and Joanne Young as interviewers.



Friday, June 5th – 6:30pm to 9:30pm

Bring a snack or dessert and five \$1.00 bills for prizes.

Nice to meet other AAUW members casually.

Our game will be held at Dee Donaldson's home--
19286 Parkview Rd., Castro Valley, CA 94546
Tel.# (510) 538-3415

Easy directions: 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. Go to the end of Rollinghills and this is Parkview. You will see Dee's pretty blue house straight ahead.

Contact : Dee Donaldson at 538-3415 and she will help you decide what food item to bring and to sign up for the games.

MEMBER NEWS

We are so saddened by Carol Jarvis' devastating news that her beloved son Chris, 32, passed away suddenly in his sleep. Our thoughts, prayers, and condolences go to Carol, her husband and daughter during this difficult time.

Mary Krieg has been ill and is undergoing numerous tests at Kaiser. Her many friends wish her well and look forward to seeing her back at her favorite activities soon.

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.

INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

Saturday, June 13th at 12:30pm

**at Swiss Delices
3315 Castro Valley Blvd
Castro Valley
881-8669**

The cost is \$17.00

**Last year we had a very delectable lunch and heard from our
Scholarship Recipient as well as the President of Chabot College.**

**This year we will be installing our new officers and will hear from Sheba Sharifi
about her time at the University of Maryland attending the Leadership
Conference in May.**

Food choices are as follows:

**1. Chicken with Sun-dried tomato flambé' and cognac, oven roasted potatoes
and organic vegetables and side baby lettuce salad with home made dressing**

**2. Tilapia fish with a tomato-coconut sauce, rice and roasted vegetables and
side baby lettuce salad**

**3. Vegetarian option: Eggplant Parmesan Rigatoni, roasted vegetables, side
baby lettuce salad**

Dessert will be French Macaroons

**Coffee and other drinks will be extra and can be paid for in cash on the day of
the luncheon.**

**If you would like to come to this wonderful event, please send your check for
\$17.00 made out to AAUW H/CV to Liz Bathgate 22112 Queen Street CV 94546.
Deadline to receive your check is by June 5th.**

AAUW WASHINGTON

UPDATE

April 17, 2015

State Spotlight: California

In northern California, AAUW San Francisco collaborated with the San Francisco Commission on the Status of Women to hold a stellar equal pay rally at city hall. AAUW San Francisco is acknowledged as the leading advocacy group on equal pay advocacy in the city. The branch was asked to host a press conference, and Roberta Guise, branch Co-Chair of Public Policy, served as the event's MC. Six San Francisco city supervisors attended, speaking about equal pay and their commitment to co-sponsor a resolution declaring April 14 as Equal Pay Day in San Francisco. Other equal pay supporters in attendance included representatives from Gap Inc., a regional administrator from the Department of Labor, and members of the Bay Area Equal Pay Coalition. Several media outlets covered the press conference, resulting in stories in the [San Francisco Chronicle](#) and [San Francisco Examiner](#), along with pieces on local CBS and Fox affiliates. The successful Equal Pay Day rally follows on the heels of another victory for AAUW San Francisco: in November 2014, a city ordinance was passed that will require companies contracting with the city to report data on pay equity.

AAUW Cheer of the Week

On Tuesday, April 14, President Obama issued a [Presidential Proclamation](#) declaring the date National Equal Pay Day. He spoke about the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act and his creation of the National Equal Pay Task Force, which focuses on violations of equal pay laws. He also reiterated the critical role of Congress in this effort and urged them to pass the Paycheck Fairness Act. Broadening his call to advocacy, the President asked "all Americans to recognize the full value of women's skills and their significant contributions to the labor force, acknowledge the injustice of wage inequality, and join efforts to achieve equal pay."