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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Members,

I'm just back from the CA Convention in Irvine. It was a wonderful experience full of opportunities to network; learn how other branches assist the women and girls in their communities; how they work with like-minded organizations; and handle fundraising. I came home with good ideas we can implement right here, right now:

- (1) Develop a Power Map to help us be more efficient in finding advocates/partners in our community to help support our mission;
- (2) Utilize new, innovative resources to expand awareness of AAUW and our highlight our fantastic work; and
- (3) Update our Branch Facebook page with new pictures, text, and a secure Group sight for members only.

I loved that the program chair brought in speakers from like-minded organizations to speak about their programs. **Let It Ripple** uses film, technology, discussion materials, and live and virtual events to engage people in conversation and action. Their short film, *50/50 Day*, shown at convention, discusses gender equity over a 100,000-year lifespan. Their films and discussion materials are free for our use.

The Joan Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice at the University of San Diego sent three fabulous women from the **Women Peacemakers Program and Network**, consisting of 1000 women peacemakers from conflict areas around the globe, to talk about how they are working to end cycles of violence. Their research and You Tube videos are available for branches to use as well.



AAUW CEO Kimberley Churches spoke about her assessment of the future of AAUW and why the National Board is proposing three bylaw amendments for a vote. The proposed amendments address: **(1) creating three-year staggered board terms; (2) opening board service to those outside of the AAUW membership; and (3) eliminating the degree requirement for membership.**

Ms. Churches stated the changes will keep AAUW vital as an organization and enable AAUW to increase our impact in advancing equity for women and girls. The State Board of Directors has also endorsed the proposed amendments. Now it's your turn to make your voice heard.

On April 25<sup>th</sup> all members with a valid email address received their **voter PIN**. **If you did not receive your pin, please email [connect@aauw.org](mailto:connect@aauw.org) with your member ID. Your Voter PIN is also listed on the back of your Spring Outlook. Then cast your ballot!**

<https://www.aauw.org/resource/national-election/>

Rationale and details for each proposed amendment can be found in the Spring *Outlook* or online at: [https://www.aauw.org/aauw\\_check/pdf\\_download/show\\_pdf.php?file=aauw\\_election\\_voter\\_guide](https://www.aauw.org/aauw_check/pdf_download/show_pdf.php?file=aauw_election_voter_guide)

Thanks,

*Linda Slater*

## MEMBERSHIP

Next week I will be sending out an email requesting you to renew your membership. The total this year will be \$94 for Members of the Branch, Nothing for 50 year members, and \$35.00 for Paid Life Members.

AAUW is at a pivotal moment in history, a time when your commitment to AAUW will have a lasting impact on our ability to ACHIEVE EQUITY FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS. For those at National AAUW, that means working tirelessly to close the pay gap, close the leadership gap, and close the STEM gap - in short to close the gender gap so more women can be leaders and create greater economic security for all.

What will be happening in the next couple of years is an expansion of AAUW WORK SMART AND START SMART, our key salary negotiation programs. We want to train millions of women to negotiate for fair salaries and rise to take on more leadership roles.

Our other fights will be to continue to hold lawmakers accountable across the country and fight for robust enforcement of Title IX, and address the sexual assault and harassment culture of silence that begins at school and college, long before women enter the workforce.

Once you receive the email for renewing your membership, go to that site and it is a simple process using your credit card. If you don't wish to use your card, you can send me a check made out to AAUW for \$94.00. Send it to 22112 Queen Street Castro Valley CA 94546.

Thanks, Liz Bathgate, Membership Chair

## 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 [atbb\\_jones@pacbell.net](mailto:atbb_jones@pacbell.net). Let's let our friends know we care.



## Announcing the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Danville-Alamo-Walnut Creek AAUW Garden Tour on Mother's Day weekend!

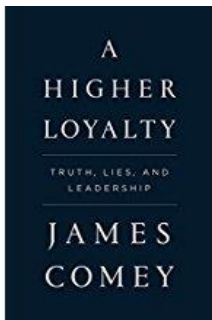
**The Tour will be held on Friday and Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, from 10 AM to 4 PM.** Tickets cost \$35 if purchased before May 4<sup>th</sup>; \$40 thereafter. Outstanding gardens in Alamo and Danville will be featured. Among the many highlights: a sculptor's garden containing fascinating basalt rocks and original artwork, a garden that features garden rooms with extensive and diverse plantings created by a self-described "hoardaculturalist" and another garden with spectacular views and an incredible garden on an acre-sized hill plot. Flowers make us all happy but one owner has used that as motivation for her update. Please plan on attending, and bring a mom!

Mail your **\$35** (before May 4) check payable for to: "**AAUW Fund**" with a self-addressed, stamped business sized #10 envelope to: AAUW Garden Tour, PO Box 996, Alamo, CA 94507. Starting on April 10, tickets will be at East Bay Flower Company at [206 Sycamore Valley Rd W. Danville](http://206SycamoreValleyRdW.Danville) (Livery Shopping Center) with cash or checks only. Or you can purchase them online with credit card: <https://daw-ca.aauw.net/payment/> and the ticket will be mailed to you.

Questions? email: [daw.aauw@gmail.com](mailto:daw.aauw@gmail.com). No children under 12. Tour is help rain or shine. Our profits from the spring Garden Tour go to help fund one of the largest sources of funding for graduate women, AAUW Fund. It provided more than \$3.7 million in funding for more than 244 fellowships and grants to outstanding women and nonprofit organizations in the 2017–18 academic year. Contact Tena Gallagher, Garden Tour Chair (925) 837-0826 (land), (925) 878-5161 (cell).

## BOOK CLUB

Monday afternoon, May 21<sup>st</sup>, will be the last book group meeting until September. We'll be meeting at Helene Victor's home, 19253 Parkview Road, Castro Valley, from 2-4 p.m. Ruth Rymer will review James Comey's hot-off-the-press best seller, *A Higher Loyalty*. Refreshments will be served.



If you are a regular member who cannot join us that afternoon or you are bringing a guest, please call Helene at 886-1640. If you are planning to come and are new to the group, please call Helene.

All branch members are invited to join us for an afternoon of special friends, good conversations, and delicious refreshments.

Information about the September meeting will be in a future summer Shareline.



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## APAPA East Bay Chapter Presents

Monday, May 21, 2018 | 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM  
 Doors open at 6:00 PM, FREE and OPEN to the Public.

### Candidates Forum Alameda County District Attorney Primary Election 2018 Candidates Nancy O' Malley & Pamela Price.

San Lorenzo Library,  
 395 Paseo Grande, San Lorenzo, CA 94580

Light refreshments will be provided.  
 This event is supported in part by San Lorenzo Library & League of Women Voters Eden Area  
 Alice Ren CPA, MBA, MST of Transamerica Financial Advisors.

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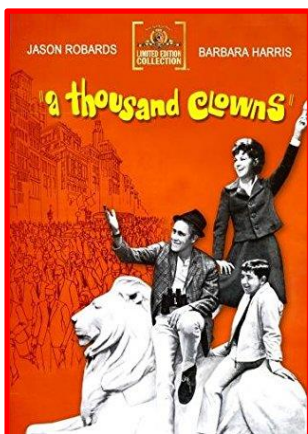


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## DRAMA READING GROUP



We will meet for our last read at Liz Bathgate's home on May 9th at 1:30pm.

We will be reading "A THOUSAND CLOWNS" by Herb Gardner.

Determined to avoid unemployment, Murray Burns, an eccentric former TV writer lives with his 12-year old nephew in a messy New York city apartment. When his unconventional home life is discovered, Murray comes under the scrutiny of a social worker, whom he quickly charms.

Everyone is welcome. We have a great time reading, conversing and eating!!