

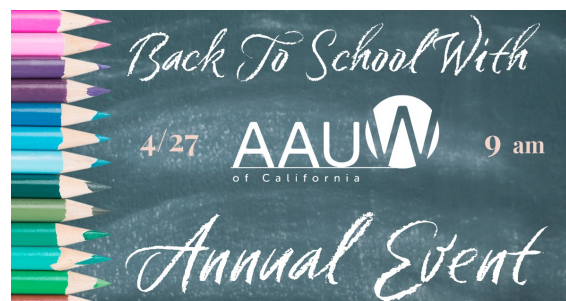


"Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory"

– Dr. Suess

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## AAUW Events



AAUW California Presents

**2024 AAUW Annual Event - Back to School!**  
**Saturday, April 27, 2024**  
**9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon**

There is still time to register for the event. It is always fun see and hear the winning Speech Trek and Gov Trek videos.

Find out what is happening in the halls of AAUW California. Join the State leadership team for a campus tour, classroom visits, rah-rah assemblies, and awards to star pupils.

Learn what AAUW California is doing for our branch. Learn who was awarded Branch Activity of the Year and State Named Gift honoree.

Then choose an elective for extra study in breakout rooms. Warning: there may be pop quizzes! Pack a snack and meet us in the principal's office.

[Register for the Event](#)



AAUW California Presents

**College and University Partnership Peer Group**  
**Thursday, May 9, 2024**  
**7:00 - 8:30 PM, on Zoom**

The Hayward-Castro Valley Branch has two potential College/University partner schools in our local community, Chabot College and Cal State Eastbay. We want to develop a C/U relationship with them to provide opportunities to attract and inform students and faculty on strategies for women to achieve education, leadership and financial goals.

To that end we are seeking members to learn more about the program by joining the inaugural C/U Partnership Peer Group, headed by retired professor Susan Bangasser.

[Register Today](#)

College and University Partner schools are a great place to recruit new members among the faculty and staff. They already qualify!

[Visit the AAUW College and University Partner Website](#)

## Branch Interest Groups



### Drama Reading Group

Drama Reading will take place on **May 9th at 1 PM** at Liz Bathgate's home. Light refreshments will be served halfway through the reading.

The play this month will be "**The Constant Wife**" by **Somerset Maugham**. The play, written in 1926, is a comedy whose modern and amusing take on marriage and infidelity gives a quick-witted, alternative view on how to deal with an extramarital affair.

Please email me if you can make it at [elisabethbathgate@icloud.com](mailto:elisabethbathgate@icloud.com). Thanks.  
Liz



### Book Group

The Book Group will meet on **Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at 3:30 PM** on Zoom. We will discuss "**House of Dawn**" by N. Scott Momaday.

House Made of Dawn, written in 1968, is widely credited as leading the way for the breakthrough of Native American literature into the mainstream.

It was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction in 1969 and has also been noted for its significance in Native American anthropology.

Everyone is welcome. We are a small, but mighty group.

Hope to have you join us. Please RSVP to [slaterl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:slaterl@sbcglobal.net) and I'll send you the Zoom link.



## Dining Out Event

Dear Members. This May we will expand our culinary experience with Burmese food.

**Save Wednesday, May 22nd at 12:30 for a visit to Burma, Burma at 7294 San Ramon Rd., in Dublin.**

[Visit their website.](#)

I have enjoyed the food at several Bay Area Burmese restaurants, and the highlight is the Tea Leaf Salad.

Save your place by sending an email to Pat Macsata at [patmacsata@gmail.com](mailto:patmacsata@gmail.com). **We can arrange carpools for the ride to Dublin.**

## President's Message

### Your Board

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AAUW Hayward-Castro Valley Branch board meetings occur on the first Monday of every month at 6:30 PM on Zoom. Contact Linda for Zoom information.

### A Special Thank You to Judy Harrison and Team

Once again, Judy Harrison and her team of volunteers, Linda Hendley, Helene Victor, and Becky Bell, have scouted, reviewed, interviewed, and chosen a group of nine (9) girls to benefit from the 2024 Tech Trek summer camp experience, both in person and virtually.

Judy and team work diligently from January to September to: (1) send out notifications to all of the middle schools in our area, (2) follow-up with the schools encouraging them to participate, and (3) to review and interview each of the girls who apply.

They are looking for new members to join their small, but mighty team. Consider lending your hand.

Once chosen the team ensures each girl and their family stays in communication and makes it successfully through camp. Then the team follows up to include each girl in our fall event where the girls and family share their experience. It is a labor of love and so appreciated!

Judy says that the response to this year's Tech Trek invitation to submit nominees for camp was very light. Castro Valley and Hayward middle schools were the only districts that did so.

Since the response was light it made the team's job easier because they were able to place every girl, they

All branch members are encouraged to attend board meetings.

AAUW's mission is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research.

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AAUW California's mission: AAUW California facilitates California branches in meeting the vision and mission of AAUW by providing programs, education and resources.

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interviewed, into UC Santa Cruz or in the virtual program.

This year's campers from Creekside Middle School are Valerie Chen, Jacqueline Garcia, Camillia Moler, Rita Sunoo, and Julia Weltin-Carias; virtual campers are Megan Garrison and Winnie Kwong.

The campers from Hayward are: Chriselene Medina, King Middle School and virtual camper Catherine Huang, Winton Middle School.

UC Santa Cruz may need volunteers for a day in a classroom or to help chaperone a field trip. Judy will keep you posted. Camp is from July 14-20.

Judy Harrison, Tech Trek Coordinator



## Public Policy



### PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE SETS 2024 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

The AAUW California Public Policy Committee met virtually over a weekend in early March to select the top (“A”) bills that we will advance as our 2024 Legislative Agenda. All of the bills on the agenda fall under at least one of our four Public Policy Priority pillars; one bill - AB 2349 - falls under three.

Excitingly, our signature “A” priority bill **AB 2843** “Health Care Coverage for Rape and Sexual Assault Survivors” was authored by AAUW California. The bill is sponsored by AAUW California and falls under two of our Public Policy Priorities: “Social and Racial Justice for All Members of Society” and “Economic Security for All Women.” The bill eliminates cost-sharing, including deductibles, from being imposed on any rape survivor seeking medical care following a rape. (See the Lobby Days Talking Points and Bill Text for more details.)

Our second “A” priority bill, **AB 2326** “Title IX Oversight and Compliance Act,” is also sponsored by AAUW California. This bill falls under our Public Policy Priorities pillar “Equal Access to Quality Education for All Students” and champions something that AAUW California has long supported: Title IX enforcement. AB 2326 requires the Chancellors of the Community Colleges and State Universities and the President of the University of California to provide an annual report of their compliance with Title IX, with the report to be presented publicly and orally to the Senate and Assembly Budget Subcommittees on

Higher Education Finance, a move to hold the systems, and their leaders, more publicly accountable.

Our third “A” priority bill is **AB 2099**, “Protecting Reproductive Health Clinics.” This bill falls under our Public Policy Priorities pillar “Social and Racial Justice for All Members of Society.” The bill makes it possible for the D.A. to file a felony charge for sharing personal information or images of individuals such as reproductive health care providers or patients, with the intent of causing harm or violence against them, if the posting and subsequent action results in bodily injury. With violence against abortion providers continuing to rise following the reversal of Roe, the protection of providers and patients is now more important than ever.

To see our full 2024 Legislative Agenda, please go to our Bill Tracking Report. This report will continue to be updated as the bills move through the legislative process so you will always be able to see the latest status.

[View the 2024 Bill Tracking Report](#)

## May Community Events



The Hayward Area Historical Society presents:

### **How to Tell Your Own Story with Naomi Shibata** **Saturday, May 4, 2024** **11:30 AM**

HAHS Museum  
22380 Foothill Blvd., Hayward, CA

Writer Naomi Shibata will share how documenting family stories began as a gift to her mother and evolved into a means of connecting five generations of her family. She will discuss lessons learned along the way, as well as how she worked with novice writers to help them turn oral histories into the written word. For interested attendees, we will offer a four-part writing workshop that begins in June and concludes in September with a reading of the participants stories.

[Registration Required](#)



The League of Women Voters of the Eden Area (LWVEA) presents

**A Cinco de Mayo Party  
Sunday, May 5, 2024  
2:30 - 4:00 PM**

Fern Lodge  
17750 Madison Ave., Castro Valley, CA.

You are invited to join LWVEA for a day of games, food and drink to celebrate Cinco de Mayo. Please RSVP to [lwvea57@gmail.com](mailto:lwvea57@gmail.com). Hope to see you there.

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Hayward Area Historical Society presents.

**Tour Hayward's Historical Homes**

**Meek Mansion - Saturday, May 4, 2024  
McConaghy House - Saturday, May 11, 2024  
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

Meek Mansion  
17365 Boston Rd., Hayward, CA.

McConaghy House  
18701 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward, CA.

Visit both mid-1800 Victorian era farmhouses, with self-guided tours. More information about visiting can be found [HERE](#).

Open to the public and free of charge. A \$5 donation is suggested. No registration required.

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National First Ladies Library presents.

**A Virtual Legacy Lecture**  
**Helen Taft: Millennial First Lady with Patricia Taft**  
**Friday, May 10, 2024**  
**9:00 AM PST**

Could a First Lady of the United States who lived more than 100 years ago influence today's generation?

Helen Taft's millennial great-granddaughter, Patricia Taft, seeks to prove just that. Helen became First Lady of the United States in 1909, yet her trailblazing practices, tactics, and policies remain directly applicable to today's historical, cultural, and political climates. Most well-known for bringing the beloved cherry blossom trees to Washington D.C., Helen Taft was an especially progressive and political minded First Lady.

Patricia Taft is a dynamic and multifaceted professional, embodying the spirit of innovation and cultural synthesis as a biracial woman of color and a descendant of the distinguished Taft Political Dynasty.

[Register Today](#)



The Hayward Public Library presents.

**The Three Sisters: A Master Gardener Lecture**  
**Saturday, May 11, 2024**  
**11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

Hayward Public Library  
888 C Street, Hayward, CA

A great way to learn about companion planting, a Three Sisters Garden follows the Native

American tradition of planting corn, pole beans, and squash closely together to allow all three easy-to-grow vegetables to benefit from their proximity to another.

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San Leandro Historical Society Presents.

**San Leandro Architecture & Home Tour**  
**Saturday, May 18, 2024**  
**12:00 - 5:00 PM**

Begin at the Historic Little Brown Church  
384 W. Estudillo, San Leandro, CA

Discover San Leandro architecture and history on this self-guided tour of beautiful homes and buildings. Highlights this year include the Best House (an Italianate-style home built in 1878 and once home of entrepreneur and inventor Daniel Best); a grand Tudor Revival-style home that once housed a convent; and the Streamline Moderne-style Historic Bal Theatre.

Cost for this self-guided tour, is \$20 for individuals and \$30 for families. You'll pick up your tour booklet at the Historical Society's Little Brown Church and will have from 12pm until 5pm to visit the rest of the sites at your own pace.

The keepsake booklet is your "ticket". It provides a map and site addresses, architectural information and history, past and present photos, and bonus material. This year's extras include articles about Daniel Best, the Best Building and Best Theater, Caterpillar Tractor, and more.

[Register Today](#)

## 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 branch president, Linda Slater at [slaterl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:slaterl@sbcglobal.net).

## Membership Matters





The Hayward-Castro Valley values you as a member. This vital organization, which advances equity for women and girls, is strongest when we all join together. Please renew online or make your dues check payable to **AAUW-HCV**:

Renew **BY CHECK**: Mail to Liz Bathgate, membership chair, at 22112 Queen St. Castro Valley, CA 94546. Regular member \$107; Life member \$15; Dual member \$15.

Renew **ONLINE**: Go to [Login - AAUW](#)

Questions? Send an email to [elisabethbathgate@icloud.com](mailto:elisabethbathgate@icloud.com)

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