



"There is hope even when your brain tells you there isn't."

– John Green, American author and vlogger

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AAUW EVENTS



AAUW National presents

A Member Gathering
Tuesday, September 10, 2024
1:00 PM PST
On Zoom

We're excited to invite you to our upcoming Member Gathering!

At this special event, we will:

- Recognize outstanding supporters and branches
- Share updates on our work in Policy, Programs, and Membership
- Connect with fellow AAUW members

Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate our achievements and learn about our latest initiatives. We look forward to seeing you there.

[Register Now](#)

WEBINAR SESSION
**Crack the Code:
5 Must-Ask Questions About
Your University's Pay System**
September 17, 2024 | 3 p.m. ET
Register @ act.aauw.org/LTM2024

Jessica Bennett, Ph.D.
AVP, STEM Education at APLU

Gloria L. Blackwell
CEO, AAUW

Carol Marchetti, Ph.D.
RIT Prof. of Statistics

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AAUW National Presents

**Crack the Code - 5 Must Ask Questions About
Your University's Pay System
Tuesday, September 17, 2024
12:00 PM PST
On Zoom**

Higher education compensation systems have a significant impact on not just individual pay, but also on the broader economic health of communities and families. Yet, many of us don't fully understand how these systems operate.

Join AAUW for this eye-opening 60-minute webinar where we'll dive into the rationale for you to ask questions that can illuminate how your institutional compensation system works and, possibly, motivate system improvements and enhance future economic security. Don't miss out on this opportunity to make a meaningful impact on your institution and your career. Sign language interpreting will be provided.

[Register Now](#)



AAUW Hayward-Castro Valley Branch presents

**Our Annual Ice Cream Social
Honoring our Tech Trek girls and their families
Sunday, September 29, 2024
2:30 - 4 PM**

Faith Lutheran Church
20080 Redwood Rd., Castro Valley, CA

Our annual ice cream social is fast approaching. This year we are honoring six (6) Tech

Trek girls that attended camp at UC Santa Cruz, and their families. Come enjoy the ice cream, the camaraderie, and the wonderful stories of camp.

No registration required. **Please RSVP to Linda at slaterl@sbcglobal.net.**
Hope to see you all there.

Branch Interest Groups



Drama Reading Group

Drama Reading is on summer break until October. Please email elisabethbathgate@icloud.com if you have any questions. Thanks. Liz



Book Group

The Book Group will meet on **Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 1:00 PM** at Rita Sklar's home at 21730 Gail Dr., Castro Valley, CA.

We will discuss "**Death of a Lessor God**" by Vaseem Khan. A Guardian Book of the Year for 2023.

In the fourth rip-roaring thriller in the award-winning Malabar House series, Persis and Archie travel to the old colonial capital of Calcutta, where they collide head-on with the prejudices and bloody politics of an era engulfed in flame.

Everyone is welcome. Join us at Rita's for a lovely outdoor discussion. Please RSVP to slaterl@sbcglobal.net.



Dining Out Event

Dear Members. This summer we will enjoy the many fun adventures out in our community. We will keep you posted about dining out events.

Keep a lookout for emails from Pat Macsata at patmacsata@gmail.com.

President's Message

Your Board

Linda Slater - President
slaterl@sbcglobal.net

Helene Carr - Treasurer
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Liz Bathgate - Recording Secretary

Tech Trek 2024

Be sure to come out for our annual Ice Cream Social on **Sunday, September 29, 2024, from 2:30 - 4 PM** at the Faith Lutheran Church in Castro Valley.

Meet the Tech Trek girls and their families as they regale us with their stories of camp. It is a not to be missed event.

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

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.

<https://www.aauw.org>

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

<https://www.aauw-ca.org>

This year the annual summer Tech Trek camp was held, for the first time, at the University of Santa Cruz on the beautiful California coast.

Six girls were selected by our Tech Trek team, led by Judy Harrison, to attend camp. Thank you to Judy, Helene Victor, Linda Hendley, and Becky Bell for all your hard work.

The girls enjoyed structural engineering; marine biology; and mechanical engineering, to name a few professions, all provided by volunteer professors and teachers. They created projects, made lifetime memories and lastly friendships.

On a personal note, I mentioned last newsletter that it is time for me to change direction and relinquish my leadership role as Administrative Officer for the Hayward-Castro Valley Branch **effective December 2024**.

I have been honored to fulfill the role for many years now. It is time to hand off the leadership reins to another capable member.

Please consider taking a more active role in the leadership of our branch. We can only do this if we work together.

Yours in Service,
Linda Slater, Administrative Officer

**Tech Trek
2024
Carson Camp
at UC Santa
Cruz**

Making projects, making
friends and making
memories for a lifetime.

Public Policy



Plans a Busy Year Ahead

On August 24th, the AAUW California Public Policy Committee spent the day together at Committee Day to make plans for the coming year. We have many exciting things planned to support the public policy work of our AAUW members, including: GOTV and Voter Education Public Policy Priorities biennial update with input from membership School Board Project with continued work to promote school board candidates who will protect Public Education Lobby Days annual event in April to meet with legislators and advance key legislation Legislative Action Agenda with continued advocacy for California legislation to advance gender equity.

The Public Policy Committee will present a webinar entitled, “**Getting Out the Vote (GOTV) in a Polarized World**” on **Monday September 23, 2024, at 7:00pm.**

The webinar will address Voter Registration, GOTV Logistics, Voter Education/Suppression, and Community Collaboration/ Having Difficult Conversations.

You can register for the webinar [HERE](#).

We thank you in advance

[Read issues of the AAUW CA Public Policy Newsletter](#)

September Community Events



The League of Women Voters of the Eden Area presents:

2024 General Election Candidate Forums and Pros and Cons of State Propositions

September 12, 2024 - October 19, 2024

On Zoom and In Person

The League of Women Voters of the Eden Area is educating voters and offering opportunities to meet the candidates during a series of Candidate Forums, Proposition Pros & Cons, and other events to help voters decide how they want to vote during the November General Election Ballot.

Registration is required for all Zoom Webinars so that we can safely get the zoom links to you. Please click on links below to register.

In person events do not require registration. Thank you for being an informed and engaged voter. We look forward to seeing you at the events!

[Click HERE for a List of ALL Events](#)



City of Hayward Downtown Library presents

**The 21st Century Library & Community Learning Center
is Turning 5!**

**Saturday, September 14, 2024
10:00 AM - 4:15 PM**

Five years ago, on September 14th, 2019, to the pounding of taiko drums and the pounding with joy of our hearts, our 21st Century Library & Community Learning Center opened its doors. Come Celebrate the 5th Anniversary of the Downtown Hayward Library on Saturday, September 14 from 10am-4:15pm!

Join us for a full day of activities, fun, and festivities for all ages. Bring your family and friends, and let's make it a day to remember!

Featuring: Storytime for children, family fun art classes, yoga for adults, a special 5-year anniversary project in the Makerspace, a performance by Gavin Halloran Jazz Band, poetry reading by the Hayward Poet Laureate, and announcement of the winners of our library card design contest.

[Check out the Full List of Events HERE](#)



Hayward Historical Society presents

**Casino Royale
Fundraising Event for HAHS
Friday, September 20, 2024
6 - 9 PM**

Hill and Valley Club
1808 B St.
Hayward, CA 94541

Put on your casino chic attire and join us for an evening of fun and games, food and drinks, chocolate tasting, and entertainment at the historic Hill and Valley Club!

Funds generated from the event will ultimately help the Hayward Area Historical Society fulfill its mission to connect people, experiences, and stories, and will directly support our ability to continue our educational programs, K-12 classroom support, exhibition and research services at our Downtown Hayward Museum, online history resources related to our service area, and programming at our two historic sites: McConaghy House and Meek Mansion.

The Historical Society has been a part of the unique fabric that encompasses the City of Hayward and surrounding unincorporated areas of Castro Valley, San Lorenzo, Ashland, Fairview, and Cherryland since its founding in 1956.

Cost is \$75 per person.

[Purchase Your Tickets HERE](#)



United Seniors of Oakland and Alameda County presents

**21st Annual Healthy Living Festival
Thursday, September 26, 2024
9 am - 2 PM**

Oakland Zoo
9777 Golf Links Rd., Oakland, CA

The Healthy Living Festival is a free event for older adults, 55 and above, living in Alameda County. This annual event promotes health and wellness for aging adults, and includes free food, music, fun and more. Join us in taking collective action to improve the quality of life for seniors throughout Alameda County. Together, we can make a positive change!

Friends and family of guests are welcome to attend and must be registered in advance.

[Reserve Your Spot!](#)

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.

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