

It's All About the Community

Saturday, April 16th, 2016

Masonic Lodge - 340 E. Market St.

It's all about the community. Join us for this **special venue** and you can imagine yourself in a Dan Brown book. Yes, those Masons! The narrow entrance leads to a 1920's Art Deco building with a magnificent ballroom on the top floor and three separate rooms ready for Masonic meetings. The rooms are all magnificent and full of unique architecture and surprises. The Mexican Heritage Center and Fathers and Families of San Joaquin County are housed on the first floor.

Our guest speaker is Suzanne Schultz from the District Attorney's office. Ms. Schultz is leading the effort to establish a Family Justice Center which would put a variety of services under one roof. Tori Verber-Salazar, District Attorney, first told us about this in our June 2015 meeting. If you have had any contact with the legal system you will know how much this is needed!

Delta Kappa Gamma, Docents of Haggin Museum and Rainbow Girl Sponsors are invited to share in the event. Parking on Saturdays is available on the street and carpooling is encouraged. Don't miss this extra special opportunity!

Pat Hague/Peggy Guttieri
Co-Chairs Program

Schedule:

9:30am Registration & Noah's Bagel
Buffet - Coffee, Tea, Juice,
Fruit, Bagels and Smears
Information Tables

10:00am Announcements and
Introductions
Speaker and Q&A

11:00am Begin Tours

Cost: \$10 for Meeting Room, Food and
Guests

No Meeting-Only Option.

Reservation Deadline: Sun., April 10th

Checks Payable to AAUW

Reservations: Call Joan Erreca,
Reservations Chair 478-1457
Reservations MADE Must Be PAID.

President's Message



I am thrilled to announce that April 26th is the date of our new effort to empower women and girls. AAUW Stockton Branch and the Women's Resource Center at University of the Pacific are joining forces to sponsor the AAUW Start Smart Salary Negotiation Workshop.

Start Smart workshops are specifically designed for college students about to enter the job market. According to AAUW's research, women one year out of college are paid only 82 percent of what their male counterparts receive. By using the skills taught in this workshop, students are prepared to negotiate starting salary and narrow the gap early in their career.

It is fitting that this inaugural workshop will be held in the same month as this year's designated Equal Pay Day, April 12th. On that day from 11am-1pm, AAUW will be on the Pacific campus at the DeRosa University Center. We will be handing out information about the pay gap, signing up students for their free AAUW e-student affiliate membership and promoting attendance at the Start Smart workshop. Send an email to me at ronsan3628@sbcglobal.net if you would like to participate. We are always well-received and it is very energizing to engage with the students.

Ronda Sanders
President

2015-2016 Elected Board of Directors

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worth and dignity of every person and
are a welcoming congregation.

Welcome
Spring

STEM Trek

April will be a busy month for our STEM girls. This is the month for state testing at school, which is always stress-producing and easily erases any rest gotten during spring break. Our eighth graders are choosing their high schools at the same time as our seniors are checking their mailboxes for the "thick envelope" which contains the college acceptance letter. The mentors have all agreed that we would not want to be teenagers again! That being said, our mentor programs attempt to instill the idea that the whole world is open to them, and that though these years are stressful, they are also exciting.

Just a week following our March 26th activity volunteering to serve at the Cesar Chavez breakfast at the Mexican Heritage Center, we are headed to the County Office of Education where member Conni Bock will run a robotics lab for us. On April 2nd, the girls will have the opportunity to build LEGO robotic cars with which we will use a computer program to perform tasks such as negotiating a maze.

April 30th will find us together again volunteering to assist senior citizens at the Stockton Symphony's Pops concert.

During all this, the mentors are busy planning an all-day retreat for next month and our annual Flapjack Fundraiser in June.

If you are interested in being involved in some way with our mentor program, call Pam Mallett-Jones at (209) 463-3067.

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Title IX Cheerleaders

APRIL GAME OF THE MONTH!

What: Junior College Softball



The Delta College Mustangs vs.

The Modesto J.C. Pirates

When: Saturday, April 23rd, 12 Noon

Where: Delta College Softball Field

A future e-mail will tell directions.

Cost: Free

RSVP: Cindy Milford

cindymilf@comcast.net or 477-5984

Deadline: Thursday, April 21st

Spring has sprung, and bats will be crackin' as the community college women of Delta and Modesto "Play Ball!" Further information about game and parking location will be e-mailed to people responding with "Yes, I'll attend" at the RSVP contact numbers. Rain cancels. This is a spring daytime Saturday game so I expect lots of you to attend.

Title IX

While cheering on both teams, members of our Branch's 40-person cheerleading squad will wear our **bright blue** T-shirts proclaiming "AAUW Supports Title IX!" You do not need to have an official shirt to add your voice to the cheers. Simply wear a blue shirt or sweater to the game. **To borrow a loaner shirt sizes M, L, or XL call me ahead of time. (See RSVP.)** As we attend each monthly local athletic event, we'll be supporting female athletes while raising AAUW's profile in the community. You will receive a reminder the week prior to the event, with details (confirmed cost—usually \$0, directions, parking). See you at the game!

Support Equal Pay Day Activities

AAUW of Stockton will be partnering with the Women' Center of University of the Pacific (UOP) to host a table on campus distributing cookies with a bite taken out of them to emphasize the pay discrepancy between men and women. White women only make seventy-nine cents to a white man's dollar. Minority's women make even less. Over a year's period it would be like a woman receiving two months less pay. Volunteers are needed to help on April 12th between 11am & 1pm. Call Ronda if you can help out.

This year Barack Obama is returning to the gender pay issue that was the basis of the first piece of legislation he signed at the White House: closing the pay gap. The first law enacted was the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act. This law allowed women to collect the difference in back pay between themselves and male employees in the same job that showed a pay difference. This new law is incomplete and Congress needs to pass the Paycheck Fairness Act that will strengthen enforcement.

Members and friends are encouraged to tell their legislators in Washington that the time has come to support the Paycheck Fairness Act (H.R. 1619 and S.862). For the last ten years annually this bill has been introduced only to die at the end of the legislative session. This year both these bills have been referred to committee. They will allow an employee to ask what salary others are receiving. Previously talking about salaries was not allowed and one could be fired or punished were she to do so. If they could not discuss salaries, they were powerless to try to redress the situation. Ms. Ledbetter was unaware the salary difference until she retired and someone anonymously told her of the difference.

"In April 2014, to celebrate, Equal Pay Day, President Obama signed two executive actions to recognize the full equality of women and increase equality for all in the workplace. The first was an Executive Order prohibiting federal contractors from discriminating against employees who discuss their compensation. The second was a Presidential Memorandum

that instructed the Secretary of Labor to propose a new regulation on companies with more than 100 employees to report to the federal government annually how much they paid employees based on gender, race, and ethnicity. This public information will help enforce equal pay laws and will make discrimination public knowledge." The President is renewing his call to Congress to turn his executive orders into law and pass the Paycheck Fairness Act.

We are very lucky in California to have a legislature and governor who recently signed into law AB358 providing strongest pay equity legislation for men and women. California's law – the strongest in the nation -- provides for support of equal pay for "substantially similar work." The work need not be at the same location. Seniority should be considered. It is O.K. to discuss salaries without fear of any incrimination.

Celebrate Equal Pay Day by notifying your legislator of your support for the equal pay legislation –H.R. 1619 and S.862.

Marilyn Wylie
Public Policy Chair

Message of Appreciation



The members of Write On! would like to thank Liz Kearney for the time and energy she committed to organizing and binding our texts on inspirational woman. The booklets Liz created, titled *Hidden Heroines*, are a source of pride for all of the contributing authors. Not only do they beautifully showcase the women we admire and our efforts as writers, they showcase Liz's generosity of time and spirit and her talent for supporting and empowering others.

Thank you, Liz, for your kind offer and your hard work. You are truly one of our heroines!

Sincerely,
The Members of Write On!

25th Annual Trivia Bee

April 22nd – 5-9:30pm - Stockton Arena

The theme this year is **Heroes and Villains---
Who Will You Bee?**

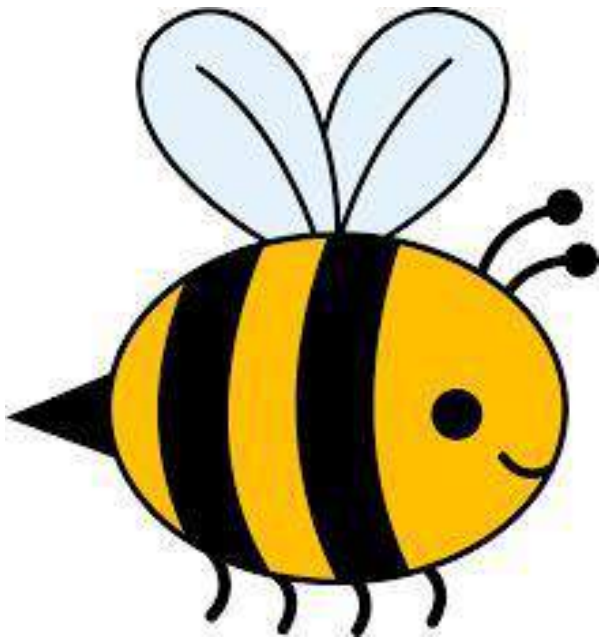
*Come out, dine, have fun and support our
AAUW team members!*

Our team is, once again, sponsored by our own
Della Richardson

The Bee supports the **Library and Literacy
Foundation of San Joaquin County**

RSVP Jamie Davis 451-4430

luvzxena@gmail.com



Heroes and Villains- Who Will You Bee?

The San Joaquin County Library and Literacy Foundation's **Trivia Bee** is just around the corner!! Friday, April 22nd is the date, the Stockton Arena is the place and it's time to make your reservation. So easy.....just contact Jamie Davis at 451-4430 and you will be put on the list. Tickets will be mailed or handed over to you during our April meeting. Payment may be made anytime, (checks payable to Jamie) including the night of the Bee. But we need that **reservation** now. \$25 for a tasty dinner, great company and a kick-~~&~~%# Trivia Bee Team which includes our own member Carolyn Wischhusen, Lisa Cooperman, curator of education at the Haggin Museum and Kathy

Fong, a museum docent who adds more brilliance to an already dynamic team.

Della Richardson is sponsoring our team. She has generously sponsored AAUW for the past several years, combining her love for libraries and for the mission of AAUW. As the daughter of migrant farm workers, local libraries were the magnets that drew her into each community in many states throughout the west. Books and librarians nurtured her through those years and accompanied her on a journey in which she earned a Bachelor's degree in her forties and continued on in a career at UOP. She has served on the board of the Lodi Friends of the Library and, after moving to Stockton, served on the board of the Library and Literacy Foundation. Della has sponsored Trivia Bee teams for many years and looks forward, as many of us, to this annual event. Thank you, Della, for your sponsorship and your many contributions to the Stockton community. See 'ya at the Bee!!

Nominations for Officers 2016-2017

President-Elect

Vacant

Program Vice-President

Marilyn Platt

Sandra Mazzuola

Director at-Large

Jo Wagner

Our branch policies require we advertise the names of the nominees (to the members) for at least 30 days before voting. We will be voting on the nominees at the May meeting. Additional names can be nominated at that time.

Ronda will be completing her 3rd term as President in June 2017. The President-Elect would have an opportunity to "shadow" her for the next year. Her experiences to share would be "priceless." If you feel you would be or could suggest a possible candidate for President-Elect, please contact Bette Outlaw at 477-3709.

Thank you Della Richardson, Cindy Milford and Bette Outlaw for serving on the Nominating Committee.

Bette Outlaw

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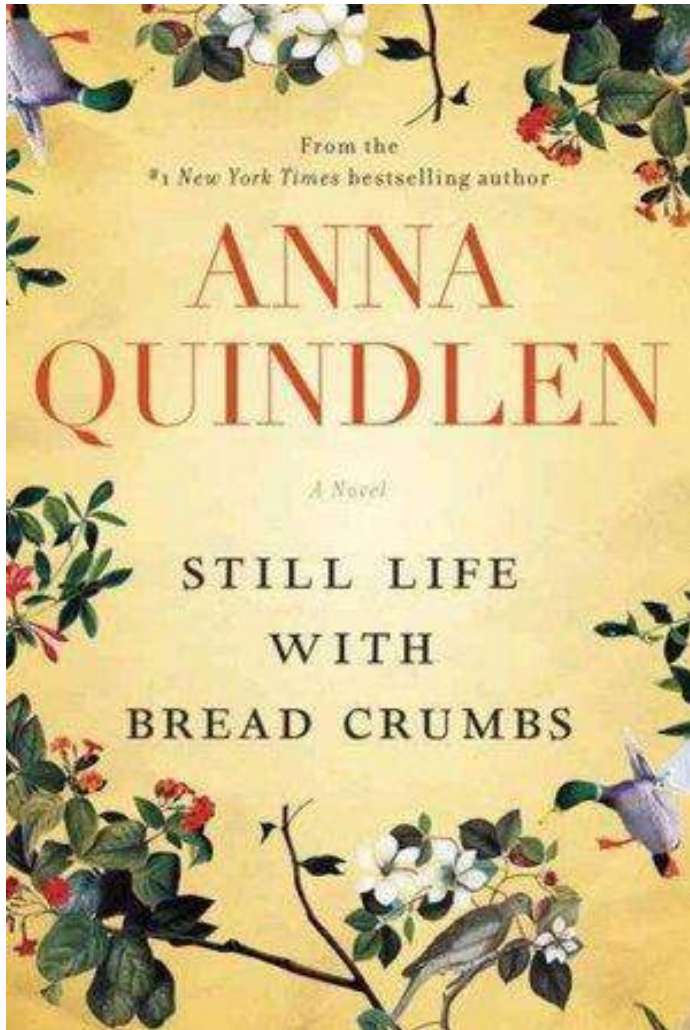
AAUW Book Group

Tuesday, April 19th – 7pm

Still Life With Bread Crumbs – Anna Quindlen

Discussion Leader: Helen Vignolo

Hostess: Irene Case



Still Life With Bread Crumbs – Fiction, moving and funny love story about a woman who finds unexpected love in the middle of nowhere.

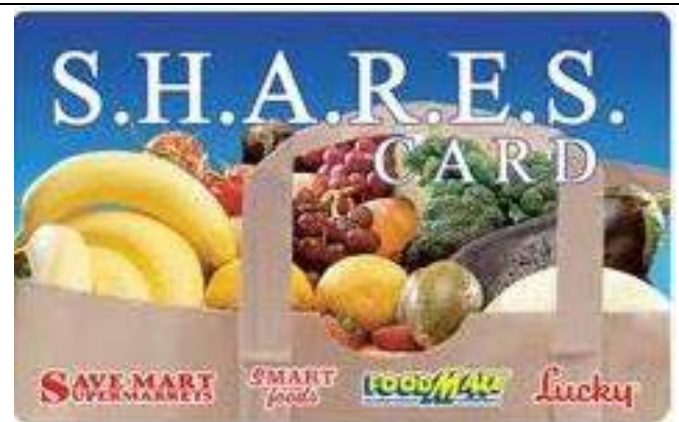
AAUW May BBQ Bash Date Changed!

Wednesday, May 11th, 2016

5-ish – 8-ish

- Games
- Beer
- BBQ
- Celebrate new members!

Micke Grove Park
Bear Creek Shelter



Thank you to all those who have been using the SMART card. We have doubled our "rebate" this past quarter to \$53.52. This money goes into our Operating account.

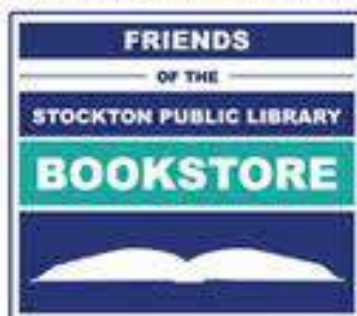
Keep up the good work!

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| Kathy White | Irene Case |
| Van Ha To-Cowell | Betty Gundert |
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| Helen Underhill | Paula Almaas |
| Helen Vignolo | Dorothy Henning |
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| Erin Thiele | Cindy Milford |
| Christie Kelley | Rebecca Douglass |

It's All About LOVE!

Our Branch's spring fundraiser this year benefited both LAF and RIF, as you likely recall from having read the special LOVE mailing you received in early February. 43 of you donated just to RIF, 6 gave just to LAF, and 17 contributed to both worthy funds. Altogether, 66 AAUW Sisters generously showed their love for Literacy (\$2,301 total) and for Legal Advocacy (\$786 total), including one person who sent cash anonymously so can't be acknowledged with the rest below. The grand total was **\$3,087!** Six more than the 60 participants of last year contributed almost \$1,032 more than in 2015! Congratulations on LIVING the AAUW mission! Names are listed in the order that their contributions were received. (Note: **The original June 1st fundraiser deadline has been moved up to April 15th**, a memorable date indeed!)

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| Tot Castleton | Kathy Hart |
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Thank you

Thank you, branch members, for all of your cards, emails, and telephone calls during the days and weeks following the death of my husband, Ted Finucane, in January. Your kind, thoughtful, and caring expressions of sympathy and support meant more to me than you will ever know.

- Gladys Finucane

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Vision: AAUW will be a powerful advocate and visible leader in equity and education through research, philanthropy, and measureable change in critical areas impacting the lives of women and girls.

Mission: **AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.**

Value Promise: By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

April Calendar

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location/Contact
		Online Anytime	Submission of Articles/Pictures for stockton-ca.aauw.net Web Page	ronsan3628@sbcglobal.net
Sat	2	11am-3pm	AAUW booth at Stockton is Magnificent	San Joaquin Delta College
Sun	10	All Day	Reservation Deadline	Joan Erreca – 478-1457
Mon	11	6:00pm	Board Meeting	Home of Alice Malde, 2506 Sheridan Way
Tue	12	11am-1pm	Equal Pay Day Tabling	DeRosa University Center - UOP
Sat	16	9:30am	It's All About...The Community	Masonic Lodge – 340 E. Market
Tue	19	7:00pm	AAUW Book Group – Still Life With Bread Crumbs By Anna Quindlen	Discussion Leader: Helen Vignolo Hostess: Irene Case
Sat	23	12:00pm	Game of the Month - Delta College Softball vs. MJC	Delta College Softball Field