### Delta Steamer SHAPE THE FUTUR with AAUW

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# "Painful, But Necessary"

### Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Dameron Hospital Annex, 445 W. Acacia Street

(NE corner of Lincoln and Acacia Streets)

The Women's Center has been an important part of our community for over 35 years. Joelle Gomez. CEO. will discuss their recent merger with Youth and Family Services (enabling them to provide even more effective programs for San Joaquin County) and their new work with the victims of human trafficking. This subject is a difficult one for most of us to consider, but one that deserves a very serious focus. Joelle will present an overview, provide us with local statistics, as well as what the local response has been to this problem and how others can help.

And don't miss the great buys at our semi-annual book sale!

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#### Schedule:

- 9:30 Registration
- 10:00 Business Meeting
- 10:30 Book-Buying Break
- 10:45 Program
- 11:45 Lunch

#### Luncheon Menu:

Chicken Marsala, wild rice, fresh, oven-roasted vegetables, salad, roll, dessert, and coffee/tea.

Cost: \$13 (Program Only - \$5)

Reservations Deadline: Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> Checks Payable to AAUW

Questions?? Call Pat Fluetsch at 951-6822 Reservations MADE Must Be PAID.

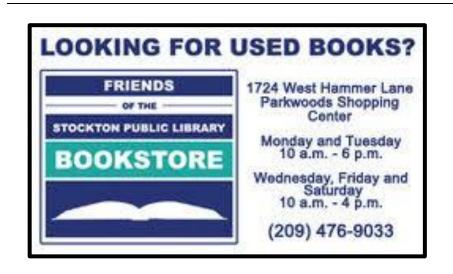


President's Message

I hope that everyone had a happy holiday season. Those of us who attended the December branch meeting had a great time, enjoying each other's company, fine food and entertainment provided by a group from the Stockton Portsmen acapella singers. It was also a time to celebrate a banner year for our branch, including an outstanding Home Tour and the advancement of our college and university partnerships. In 2013, for the first time, we sponsored a Pacific student for the National Conference of Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL), Danielle Procope, who spoke at our cosponsored tea at the University of the Pacific. We added 14 new members in 2013. Our outreach programs, including Tech Trek, STEM Trek mentoring, and RIF are thriving. Our Title IX cheerleaders attended a variety of female athletic events.

I've mentioned just a few of the highlights of 2013, and I know that 2014 will be even more exciting for our branch (in the most positive way, of course). In January, several branch members will attend the California Women's Policy Summit at the Sacramento Convention Center. LAF chair Cindy Milford, Marilyn Wylie, and I will attend an afternoon session on how to assess Title IX compliance in our local schools. We'll be working with our University of the Pacific rep, Corrie Martin, to involve some Pacific students in this effort. Student Danielle Procope will attend the summit as well. Supporting equity for women and girls, while connecting with the youth of our Stockton community is something of which AAUW Stockton branch can be proud. I look forward to the New Year with all of my AAUW sisters!

> Ronda Sanders President





#### 2013-2014 Elected Board of Directors

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## Title IX Cheerleaders

JANUARY GAME OF THE MONTH!

What: High School Girls Basketball The Stagg Delta Queens vs. The Edison High Vikings When: Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 4pm Where: Stagg High School's gym 1621 Brookside Road A future e-mail will tell directions.

Cost: Free

RSVP: <u>cindymilf@comcast.net</u> or 477-5984

Take a sentimental trip to Stagg High School's gym. Return to the site of our very first Cheerleaders event: visiting Stagg High in January, 2011, to watch their freshman girls play Tokay High's team. We're leaving the volleyball and wrestling of autumn to watch these young athletes dribble, pivot, and shoot their way into a winter sport, basketball.



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, or borrow a loaner shirt from me (M and XL). As we attend each monthly local athletic event, we'll be supporting female athletes while raising AAUW's profile in the community. Phone 477-5984 to get on our e-mail/phone list. You'll receive a reminder the week prior to the event with details (confirmed costusually \$0, directions, parking). See you at the game!

### **\$\$\$ HOME TOUR \$\$\$** FINANCIAL WRAP-UP

Thanks to you, the 2013 62<sup>nd</sup> Home Tour was a smashing success! The net profit was \$14,565.99. 438 tickets were sold.

Thanks to the efforts of Underwriting Chair, Jean Knight, we received \$1050 in community support. Another \$210 was raised through Home Tour Ads. This revenue covered \$1176.76 in expenses, which included printing Save the Date cards, tickets, posters, and brochures, mailings, refreshments, home owner gifts, raffle baskets wrappings, balloons and refreshments.

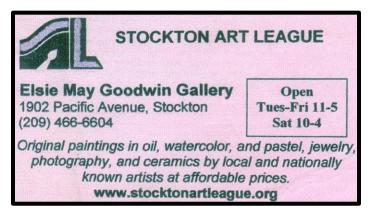
Out of the total Home Tour proceeds, our branch donated \$3925 to the Education Fund (\$25.00 for each of our 157 members). The Home Tour proceeds will also cover two \$1,000 Delta Scholarships, the remainder will be added to our Community Outreach Fund that supports our Tech Trek, Speech Trek, RIF (Reading Is Fundamental), Essay Contest and STEM Trek Mentoring program.

We received an additional \$100 in direct donations to the Education Fund and the vendors contributed \$369.75. Together with donations received from our members through the year and the portion of the Home Tour profits, this year's Branch Contribution to the Education Fund was \$4819.25.

It would fill up the Steamer to mention all the wonderful people who contributed to the success of the Home Tour, but the large number of tickets purchased by you or sold by you was an important factor.

We should all be proud of our support to education and lifelong opportunities provided to women and girls.

Bette Outlaw, Mentee of Pat Miller, Financial V.P.



## **Book Sale in January**

January is a great time to stock up on books for those cold and rainy winter days. Our Book Sale at the January Branch Meeting is your opportunity to find some wonderful books to read.

We currently have many interesting books, bookson-tape, CDs, videos, and DVDs. However, we can always use those books you have already enjoyed reading and would like to share with others. Just bring them with you to the January meeting.

Come early to the January Branch Meeting and check out the selection of books donated by our members.

Questions? Contact Pat Miller at 239-6783 or <u>sonomapm@aol.com</u>.



## Speech Trek

The annual Eleanor Stem Allen speech contest was held on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, on the University of the Pacific campus, under the direction of Pam Mallett-Jones, coordinator. Eight finalists from area high schools competed for prizes of \$150 for 1<sup>st</sup> place, \$100 and \$75 for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. This year's topic was "Women at the Top...Why Not?" and challenged speakers to explore the topic in 5-6 minute speeches. Anneka Sonstroem from Lincoln High School won 1<sup>st</sup> place, while Hannah Jobrack and May Simpson, both from Bear Creek High School placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. A DVD of Anneka's speech is being forwarded to AAUW California, where it will compete for a \$1,500 prize.

Thank you to Bette Outlaw, official timer, Katherine White and Julie Pichardo, judges, and Cheryl Meeker, videographer.

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The STEM girls and mentors celebrated the holiday with a celebratory luncheon at the home of mentor, Paula Almaas on December 21<sup>st</sup>. The girls reflected on their accomplishments and social development since joining the program. Rosa, our senior girl, was congratulated for being accepted to several universities for next year. Rosa also recently completed a marathon, despite her team's glaring violations of title IX! The mentors could not be prouder.

After the luncheon, the group drove to the Gallo Theater in Modesto to see the Posada Navideña. We are so fortunate to have the opportunity to expose our girls to so many cultural activities and are looking forward to carrying on our mission in the New Year.

### **Rummage Resolution Reminder**

Is one of your New Year resolutions to get organized and weed out your "possessions?" Are you wondering what to do with those unneeded Christmas gifts from well-meaning family and friends? Don't forget that the STEM Trek mentoring group will have our annual rummage sale in May to fund our program. You are urged to hold on to those items to donate to the cause. Also, if you or someone you know has any space to help us store donations please call Pam Mallett-Jones at 463-3067.



### Susan B. Anthony Dinner

Come support our outstanding candidate for the coveted SBA award. An awards dinner will be held on February 15<sup>th</sup> at the Stockton Country Club. Helen Smith is in charge of ticket sales. We will arrange tables for ten. Tickets are \$45. Checks need to be in prior to January 31<sup>st</sup>. Send to: 5615 Melones Way, Stockton 95219.

### SENIOR LIVING AT ITS BEST

### Find out what Active Senior Living is all about at O'Connor Woods!

3400 Wagner Heights Road Stockton, CA 95209 (209) 956.3400 www.oconnorwoods.org **Facebook** 



### AAUW Book Group II Book Discussion



January 21<sup>st</sup> Discussion Leader: Helen Vignolo Hostess: Alice Malde

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Bernadette Fox is notorious. To her Microsoft-guru husband, she's a fearlessly opinionated partner; to fellow private-school mothers in Seattle, she's a disgrace; to

design mavens, she's a revolutionary architect, and to 15-year-old Bee, she is a best friend and, simply, Mom. Then Bernadette disappears. To find her mother, Bee compiles email messages, official documents, secret correspondence--creating a compulsively readable and touching novel about misplaced genius and a mother and daughter's role in an absurd world.

### Names Names Names Names Names

That's all I need are Names – of friends, associates, people you have spoken with and who ask about what is AAUW and what do you do with the organization. With those Names and Mailing Addresses I shall happily send them our Membership packet for them to peruse in the privacy of their domicile where pen and check book are available for completion of the application, and mailing of a check to:

AAUW Stockton Branch, Inc., PO Box 690663, Stockton CA 95269-0663

Patricia Voss, Membership Vice President





**Something's Coming!** Check your mail during the last week of January for a surprise! It's in a white, legal-size envelope with an AAUW return address. Do not toss it! You'll be throwing away something useful, pretty, and relevant to supporting equity for women and girls.

Training To Be Sleuths! Three of your sisters will be attending the Women's Policy Summit on January 16, 2014. Pres. Ronda Sanders and former and current LAF Chairs Marilyn Wylie and Cindy Milford will each visit different morning workshops. After lunch, they'll unite for the Title IX Compliance workshop where they'll be trained in evaluating how level the playing field is in local high schools' athletic programs. They'll return to Stockton, ready to recruit and train other branch members to join a "cadre for equity". (We'll think of a more catchy name.) Throughout California, other branches will be doing the same investigating. In May, there will be a hearing in Sacramento to release and publicize the Title IX sleuths' findings. Legislation may result.

**Kudos to the LAF Team!** Many donations throughout 2012, including the spring LAF fundraiser, added up to \$700. Then five special women stepped up to the plate and swung their bats, hitting \$100 apiece into our LAF coffers. A total of \$1200 was sent to AAUW-California as a single check from Stockton Branch. Thanks to all who played on our LAF team last year!

### **Solution** Directory updates

#### Changes:

New address:

**Elaine Fineran** 3550 Wagner Heights Road, Apt 19 95209

Correct the phone number of **Lori Maltbie** to: 323-4151

Correct the spelling of the last name of: Rosa Solis (instead of Solia)

New:

Marcha Haydel 2205 Pennington Court, 95207 (H) 951-1166, <u>marshahaydel@comcast.net</u> UC Berkeley. AAUW Stockton Branch, Inc. DELTA STEAMER P.O. Box 690663 Stockton, CA 95269-0663

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Mission: AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

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Day	Date	Time	Event	Location/Contact
		Online	Submission of Articles/Pictures	katienal@comcast.net
		Anytime	for <u>aauwstockton.org</u> Web Page	
Sun	5	All Day	Branch Meeting Reservation Deadline	Pat Fluetsch, 951-6822
Mon	6	6:00pm	Board Meeting	Home of Ronda Sanders
		_		3628 Mill Springs Dr., Stockton
Sat	11	9:30am	"Painful, But Necessary" – Program & Book Sale	Dameron Hospital Annex
Tue	14	4:00pm	Game of the Month – Stagg/Edison Girls Basketball	Stagg High School Gym
Wed	15	6:30pm	Needlework Meets – New Members Welcome	Home of Coralita Rathhaus
Tue	21	7:00pm	AAUW Book Group	Discussion Leader: Helen Vignolo
			Where'd You Go, Bernadette? By Maria Semple	Hostess: Alice Malde