

News and Events from AAUW Stockton Branch, Inc.

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# E<sup>3</sup> Engage, Educate, Empower: A Formula for Success

Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015

O'Connor Woods - West Hall - 3400 Wagner Heights Rd.

Our speaker was invited just after being elected as the first female District Attorney in San Joaquin County.

Tori Verber Salazar will speak to us about her rise through the ranks in the District Attorney's office and her successful campaign to lead this department.

We are pleased to have this meeting in West Hall at O'Connor Woods which is celebrating its 25th anniversary this June! We have many longtime AAUW members living there and look forward to enjoying the program with them, followed by a delicious lunch.

There is a book sale this month prior to our summer break—be sure to bring your books for the sale. We hope you will join us. We offer you a little questionnaire on this year's programs and ask for suggestions on topics and/or speakers for next year.

Let the gate attendant know you are attending the AAUW meeting. Watch for the AAUW signs for directions to the parking adjacent to West Hall.



Featured Speaker, Tori Verber Salazar

# Schedule:

9:30-10:00 Registration, Book Sale

10:00-10:30 Business Meeting

10:30-10:45 Book Sale, Break

10:30-11:30 District Attorney,

Tori Verber Salazar, Featured Speaker

11:45 Lunch

Meeting only \$5, Meeting with lunch \$20

#### Menu:

Green Salad - Ranch or Italian dressing Angel Hair Pasta or Fettuccini - Meat Sauce or Pesto

Garlic Bread

Platter of Cookies

Coffee, Decaf, Hot Water for Tea, Iced

Tea, Ice Water and Lemonade

Reservation Deadline: Sunday June 7th

Checks Payable to AAUW

Reservations: Call Pat Fluetsch at 951-6822

Reservations MADE Must Be PAID.





It's time to reflect. The 2014-2015 AAUW year is coming to a close. What a year it has been! From our first branch meeting in September right up until our celebration of new members in May, our programs have been inspiring, educational and fun. Co-program chairs Peggy Guttieri and Pat Hague, along with director-at-large Helen Smith, have brought us outstanding speakers, venues and meals. Thanks, also, to member Pam Mallett-Jones for organizing our May meeting.

AAUW members did an outstanding job this year of fundraising to support our programs. Thanks to all of you, we were able to continue supporting national AAUW Funds, RIF, Tech Trek, STEM Mentoring program, Delta scholarships, essay and speech contests, the Intergenerational Tea at University of the Pacific, and a scholarship to the National Conference of Women Student Leaders.

While many organizations are losing members and even dissolving, the membership of the Stockton branch of AAUW is growing. Membership treasurer Monica Frischkorn received a request from state and national AAUW to share our strategies for increasing membership. Financial Vice President Bette Outlaw and I will be happy to share our successes at the AAUW national convention in San Diego, June 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>. I can't wait to show off pictures of our "men of AAUW."

Ronda Sanders President





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It's time again for the STEM Trek Mentor Program's Flapjack Fundraiser. Mark your 11<sup>th</sup>, calendars for July 8:30-10:30, Applebee's Restaurant on March Lane. You will be served a yummy breakfast by the STEM girls. As an added feature, the Delta Harmony Xpress Chorus will be on hand for your entertainment. This fundraiser has become an annual event and helps to fund our important program.

Members will soon receive four tickets in the mail along with a stamped return envelope. Please consider purchasing these tickets, either for your own use or as gifts for friends, family members, the boy who cuts your lawn, etc. By doing so, you will be helping to change the lives of young women, who will, in turn, better our entire community.



# **Boudin's Brunch Bunch**

15 of us had a great time at Boudin's Brunch on Sat., May 2<sup>nd</sup>. We shared inspirational stories and fond memories of mothers, mothers-in-law, aunts and other relatives, since Mother's Day was the next weekend. We shared inspirational stories of fathers' influences in anticipation of Father's Day. Thank you Paula Almaas for suggesting this excellent, timely topic. Sonya shared how her grandmother opened a grocery store in her living room, and it was quite successful! We took down the address at California and 4<sup>th</sup> St. in Stockton to check it out.

Sat., July 4<sup>th</sup> is Independence Day and the first Sat. in July (odd-numbered month). Our AAUW Brunch Bunch will have lunch at Loving Hut at 8355 Elk Grove Blvd. in Elk Grove. We will meet for lunch at 11:30am and order by 11:45. Loving Hut is a serene, relaxing place to enjoy delicious plant-based food and good conversation with our AAUW sisters and their guests.

If interested in attending this Lunch Bunch Trek, carpooling, or both, please RSVP by Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, noon. If you can offer to drive or would like to ride with someone, please contact Joan Ray at (209) 712-4672 or <a href="mailto:familiar">familiar</a> comcast.net AND let me know when you RSVP. Those who want to carpool can meet at 10:20am in front of Trader Joe's and plan to leave by 10:30am.

Easy directions from 99 - Take Highway 99 to Elk Grove Blvd., then take Elk Grove Blvd. exit on right, then left - west on Elk Grove Blvd. approx. 1/2 mile to Loving Hut, 8355 Elk Grove Blvd. at corner of Laguna and Elk Grove Blvd. You may also go I-5 to Elk Grove Blvd. Then you go east to Loving Hut. 99 and Turner Road is 21 minutes to Loving Hut in Elk Grove.

Thanks, Bobbie Landau (209) 334-5711. Bobbiei49@aol.com



Welcome all bridge players who would like to join AAUW's bridge tournament for 2015-2016. The tournament starts in September 2015 and ends with a luncheon in June 2016. Schedules will be mailed to participants by the middle of August 2015.

Beginners to advance players are welcome. Bridge players do not have to belong to AAUW to participate in the tournament. All proceeds from tournament fees of \$20 per person go to the AAUW sponsored speech contest. AAUW encourages high school girls to participate in written and verbal exercises. This experience could allow local high school girls to participate at the state and national levels.

To sign up for the bridge tournament, contact by phone, text or email: Yvonne Arnell yvonnearnell@comcast.net or 209-479-5007



Dee Matteucci, known to many in our Branch for her work with the League of Women Voters, is also a member of Toastmasters, as are a few of our Branch members. If you're interested in becoming a better speaker and presenter, communicating with confidence, developing your leadership skills, and listening effectively, you might attend a meeting "in a supportive, selfpaced, fun atmosphere" on Wednesdays, 12:05-1pm. For more info, including meeting location, (209)477-3628 contact Dee at Fmatooch@sbcglobal.net.



# **Calling All Expense Voucher\$!**

It's almost time to close our books for the year, so please submit all expense vouchers to Bette Outlaw by June 30<sup>th</sup>. That will allow us to wrap up the budget and generate the end-of-the-year report for AAUW-CA. Thanks for your cooperation with this—it makes financial matters run smoothly.

# **LAF's Fundraising Finale**







Mildred Tucker's donation raised the total number of contributors to our "Spring" fundraiser (which has spanned two seasons, having started in February and ending in May) to the goal of 60. And we slipped over the monetary goal of \$2,000, ending with \$2,155. Thanks go to all AAUW sisters who sent dollars to stamp out inequity.

Cindy Milford, LAF Chair

# AAUW Awards 2015 Scholarships to Delta College Students

Each year, the Stockton Branch of AAUW awards two \$1,000 scholarships for transferring graduates and one \$1,000 for a re-entry student who will be attending a four-year university in the fall. A HUGE thank you to Leslie Balestracii and Helen Smith who assisted me in choosing the 2015 recipients! There were many deserving women who qualified; it was a challenge to narrow it down to just three.

The recipients will be presented their AAUW "scholarships" at the Delta College Scholarship ceremony in August. (Note: the scholarship funds are actually awarded when Delta College receives confirmation from the universities that the recipients have been accepted and are attending in the fall).

Congratulations to the following 2015 AAUW Scholarship Recipients:

- Karen Ekeruche, a re-entry student, plans to attend UCLA, major in Mechanical Engineering, and wants to become an Engineer who contributes innovative ideas to the industry and pursue a Masters Degree.
- Monica Gonzalez, a transfer student, plans to attend either University of the Pacific or California Polytechnic State University San Luis Obispo, major in Business Administration, and pursue a career in the industry of green technology.
- Deisi Hernandez, a transfer student, plans to attend either University of the Pacific or California Polytechnic State University San Luis Obispo, major in Business Administration with a concentration in Accounting, and become a Certified Public Accountant.

The three scholarship recipients are invited to attend the AAUW June Branch meeting. Plan to join us and meet these wonderful women.

Beverley Dierking AAUW Scholarship Chairperson

We extend our deepest sympathy to Nancy McPherson whose husband passed away on May 4<sup>th</sup>.

# \*Volumes of Gratitude Go to These RIF Program Supporters:

\*Of course "volumes"--RIF is a literacy program!

## RIF's "Funders"

>Macy's (Corporate) for paying for 500 books (over 1/3 of the fall distribution)

>AAUW-Stockton Board for releasing Community Outreach Funds that paid for the winter distribution books

>Cortopassi Family Foundation for awarding our Branch \$2,700 which totally covered the purchase of our spring book purchase of 1,350 books

>Individual Branch Members for adding RIF donations along with their membership dues

# **AAUW's RIF Committee**

>School Liaisons who tirelessly coordinated distribution dates with school administrators, ordered books that children like, inventoried the shipped titles, prepared the books (stamping and organizing them by reading level), not just once but three times during the year:

\*Pam Mallett-Jones: Grunsky

\*Sharon Marr: Van Buren

\*Cindy Milford: Kennedy and one.TLC School for Homeless Children

>Volunteers who assisted the Liaisons in processing books and interacting with students on distribution days showing patience, humor, and love:

\*Joni Bean

\*Pat Davis

\*Rebecca Douglass

\*Pat Fluetsch

\*Bobbie Landau

\*Lynda Wong

# **School Contacts**

>The principals who supported the RIF program by finding space and time for us and our hundreds of books: Michael Sosa at Grunsky, lone Ringer at Van Buren, Carla Gonzales at Kennedy, and Mark Yost at one.TLC

>Teachers and Staff who assisted Liaisons: office staff at Grunsky, specialist Juli Auld at Van Buren, teacher Judi Tekerlek at Kennedy, teachers Gail Jones and Lisa Rie at one.TLC.

All these folks made the RIF program a Best Seller!



Volunteer Rebecca Douglass listens to one.TLC students read.



Van Buren children proudly display their new RIFbooks in front of Teacher Heather Whigham, Volunteer Pat Davis, and Liaison Sharon Marr.



Liaison Cindy Milford and Volunteer Bobbie Landau help Kennedy pupils pick out just the right book.



A Grunsky student tells Liaison Pam Mallett-Jones and Volunteer Lynda Wong about her new RIF selection.

# Mark Directory update

# **Phone # Change:**

Patricia Miller

2040 Nuthatch Way Blacksburg, VA 24060

<u>Preferred</u> telephone number is now (540) 552-1738.

(This # is able to accept messages).

<u>Backup</u> telephone # is CA cell

(209) 481-6695

(This # does not accept messages).

For any additional directory changes, please notify Membership Treasurer Monica Frischkorn (209) 478-9507 or mofrischkorn@gmail.com

# California Legislative Session

More than 20,000 bills have been submitted during the 2015 session of the Legislature.

Three bills in the legislature deal with **Equal Pay** issues which are high on AAUW CA legislative priority list.

- AB1017, Campos, would prohibit an employer from advertising a job without including minimum rate of pay, from paying wages for less than what were advertised and from seeking and releasing salary history information from an applicant;
- AB 1354, Dodd, would require an employer of 100 or more, before contracting with the state, to submit an income equality program to the Department of Fair Employment and Housing for approval and to submit period reports of compliance;
- SB 358, Jackson, prohibits an employer from requiring an employee to reform from disclosing his or her wages, or discriminating against an employee for making such a disclosure.

To follow progress of the bills, go to <a href="http://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/publish.aspx?">http://ctweb.capitoltrack.com/public/publish.aspx?</a> <a href="mailto:session=15&id=86d18572-6c2d-4694-9cb8-0ff25d633472">session=15&id=86d18572-6c2d-4694-9cb8-0ff25d633472</a>

# U.S. Congress Elementary and Secondary Education Act (Update)

Several bills amending and updating the act are in various stages of development.

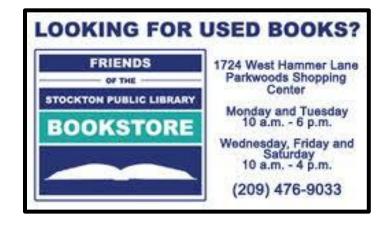
## Senate

The Senate version has not yet been given a bill number. Among other things the bill maintains the testing of No Child Left Behind, allows states to create their own accountability system, does not allow Title I funds for low-income students to follow the student to other public or private schools of their choice, reinstates the 21st Century community learning centers (after school program), requires states to identify low-performing schools and increases the number of school counselors and social workers.

# House

The bill (Student Success Act H.R.5) retains current testing in grades 3-8 and high school, eliminates adequate yearly progress (AYP) as well as the basic proficient and advanced categories. The bill requires reporting by high schools on their graduation rates. It limits charter school grants and sub grants to no more than five years. The bill makes a number of changes in distribution of federal funds and mandates limits on how much money can be used for a number of school activities and programs. The Bill seems to establish criminal background checks when hiring personnel.

The Bill is being worked on closely by Sen. Lamar Alexander of Tennessee and Senator Patty Murray of Washington. The hope is to get the bill considered early in the session before appropriations bills are to be considered.



# **AAUW Book Group**

June 16<sup>th</sup> – 6pm Book Selections for 2015-16 Mimi's Restaurant/TBA

New members welcomed – Contact Jeanne Gaia – 451-5317

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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.

# June Palendar

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location/Contact
		Online	Submission of Articles/Pictures	ronsan3628@sbcglobal.net
		Anytime	for stockton-ca.aauw.net Web Page	
		All Day	Reservation Deadline	Pat Fluetsch at 951-6822
Sat	13	9:30am	E <sup>3</sup> Engage, Educate, Empower: A Formula for Success	O'Connor Woods
Mon	15	6:00pm	Joint Board Meeting	Home of Marilyn Wylie 8618 Treasure Avenue
Tue	16	6:00pm	Book Group - Book Selections for 2015-16	Mimi's Restaurant/TBA
Sun	8/15	8:30am	Board Retreat	Home of Marilyn Wylie 8618 Treasure Avenue