



News and Events from AAUW Stockton Branch, Inc.

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# **Challenging Gender Stereotypes**

## Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

Vereschagin Alumni House at the University of the Pacific

The September AAUW Stockton branch meeting will be the Intergenerational Tea at the Vereschagin Alumni House at the University of the Pacific. AAUW's the Pacific Alumni cosponsors are Association, Pacific's Women's Resource Center, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, and the National Council of Negro Women Sacramento Section. All sponsors are making it possible for students to attend free of charge. AAUW members who have attended past Intergenerational Teas can tell you that this is an outstanding, not-tobe-missed event.

This year's topic is "Challenging Gender Stereotypes." We will hear from a variety of speakers who have different perspectives on the topic. There will be opportunity for audience engagement. We want to encourage interaction among the generations in attendance, so AAUW members will be seated at tables with Pacific and Delta College students. We have much to learn from each other.

Delicious refreshments will be served.

Join us!

# Intergenerational Tea - Challenging Gender Stereotypes

Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> 2PM - 4PM

Alex and Jeri Vereschagin Alumni House
University of the Pacific
1022 Dave Brubeck Way

Cost: \$20 Per Person

Reservation Deadline: Sunday, Sept. 20th

Checks Payable to AAUW

Reservations: Call Joan Erreca,
Reservations Chair 478-1457

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We affirm and promote the inherent worth and dignity of every person and are a welcoming congregation.



Welcome back! I hope that you all enjoyed your summer and are now looking forward to all of the activities that have been planned for the upcoming AAUW year. The theme for all of our activities this year is "It's All About Community." We'll focus on the many ways that AAUW Stockton Branch is involved in our Stockton community. Peggy Guttieri and Pat Hague, your vice-presidents. have once again stimulating, educational and fun branch meetings. The meetings will be held in a variety of locations, some for the very first time. We start on September 26 with the Intergenerational Tea at the University of the Pacific. You won't want to miss this outstanding event. On Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, we meet at Central Methodist Church and our program will be about uplifting the youth of our community.

Speaking of community - The sixty-fourth annual AAUW Home Tour is scheduled for Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. This is an event that is eagerly anticipated by the Stockton community. Your Home Tour committee has worked tirelessly over the summer to secure several homes for the tour, and they are terrific! The Home Tour theme this year is "There's No Place Like Home." We need all of you to volunteer as hostesses and to bake cookies, so answer the call with a resounding "Yes!"

Stockton, California is a community with many needs, of course, but with many assets, too. I believe that AAUW Stockton Branch is one of those assets that makes Stockton special. Let's celebrate that "It's All About Community."

Ronda Sanders President





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# STEM Trek

What a fabulous summer the STEM Mentoring program has had! We kicked-off the warm weather with a trip to Aptos Beach. Along the way, we stopped at UC Santa Cruz for a campus tour and picnic lunch. The girls were amazed at the beauty of the campus and were delighted that the deer were so tame that they came right up to us!

We spent two days at the Seascape Resort, exploring the beach and ocean life. However, the best times were spent around a beach fire, roasting hot dogs and s'mores and spending time together. Our girls genuinely like each other, and it is so interesting to watch their interactions.

With the help of the great Stockton Branch members, our Flapjack Fundraiser at Applebee's in July was a huge success! This year's event netted approximately \$2,300! While it was a terrific fundraiser, the greater value comes in the girls having the experience of being servers and meeting all of you who attended. We are so grateful for your support!

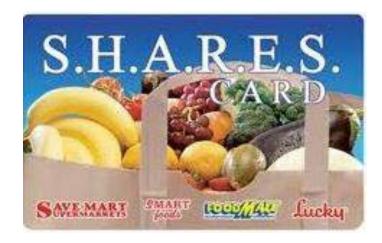
At the time of this writing, we are planning our welcome event on August 22<sup>nd</sup> for our new girls who went to Tech Trek Camp this summer. We are planning to picnic at Legion Park and welcome the new girls into the program. The older girls are planning some team-building activities, and all are looking forward to new beginnings.

Also this summer, mentors Pam Mallett-Jones and Paula Almaas have begun the task of helping our seniors negotiate the myriad of details in negotiating the college application process. There are many deadlines to keep and chores to be done. Paula and Pam have been meeting with the girls and their parents to map out the coming year.

So, as you can see, the STEM Mentoring program did not take a summer break!

## **Calling All Mentors**

With 17 girls in the STEM Trek Mentoring program, there is a critical need for mentors. Some time ago you received an email outlining the "job description." While it is an extremely rewarding experience, we need mentors who can take on an active role in the program. If you are so inclined, please review that email or contact Pam Mallett-Jones for more information.



AAAUW Stockton Branch has partnered with Save Mart as a part of the S.H.A.R.E.S. program. SHARES Cards may be picked up at any branch meeting, or from Kathy White. Scan your card any time you shop at a SMART or Save Mart and earn up to 3% of every qualified purchase. Points are issued to our branch account. The money we receive from S.H.A.R.E.S. supports our branch's operating budget.

There is no cash value to the S.H.A.R.E.S. card, which is issued in the name of AAUW Stockton Branch so no personal information is needed or stored. As soon as you start using your S.H.A.R.E.S. card, you earn points. Anyone who shops can earn S.H.A.R.E.S. points for our branch so take one or two cards for friends or family. The card is good at any Save-Mart, Smart, Lucky or Food Maxx store in Northern California, Central California and part of Nevada. It may be used at any store.

There is no expiration date so the card will be good for a long time. Support our local programs while you shop. Take S.H.A.R.E.S. cards for yourself and your friends. With questions about the S.H.A,R.E.S. program or to request more cards, email Kathy White at whitek@sonic.net.

# **Boudins' Brunch**

Saturday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 10-11:30am

Don't labor in the kitchen on Labor Day weekend! Come join AAUW Stockton Branch at Boudin's, 5615 Pacific Ave., Stockton.

Please RSVP to Bobbie Landau <u>Bobbiej49@aol.com</u> or (209) 334-5711 By Wed., Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup> noon.

# A message from the outgoing Reservations Chairperson

Thank you, Joan Erreca, for taking over as the Reservations Chairperson for this year.

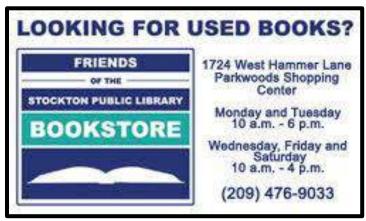
A big "THANK YOU" to all of the callers who have helped me during my time as Reservations Chairperson. The monthly volunteer commitment of your callers provides you with a vital link to Stockton AAUW.

I appreciate each member who has sent timely "Yes" or "No" responses to her caller.

Please look at your 2015-16 Directory and find your caller's name at the top of the page on which you are listed. Each month please respond promptly to her call or e-mail so she will know whether or not you will be attending a meeting.

Pat Fluetsch







When you contribute to AAUW Funds in general or to certain funds in particular (like the Legal Advocacy Fund - LAF), much of your donation bolsters grants and fellowships. You soon will have a chance to meet the women who have received such funding this year! Hear them describe their projects and passions. Celebrate and honor this year's AAUW Funds grant and fellowship recipients by joining your AAUW sisters in carpooling to the beautiful Crow Canyon Country Club in Danville for the California **AAUW** Northern Funds Luncheon. We've enjoyed attending this event in past years, except for 2014 when it fell on the same day as our Home Tour. Make your reservation now! Here are the details:

**What?** Northern California AAUW Funds Fall Luncheon

When? Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, noon-3pm
Where? Crow Canyon Country Club, Danville
Cost? \$40 for a Chicken or Veggie Sunburst
Salad (Specify)

RSVP by October 13<sup>th</sup>

Make a reservation in two ways:

><u>On-line</u>: Search—"Northern California AAUW Funds Fall Luncheon Tickets" and follow the prompts.

OR

><u>By Mail</u>: Send a check payable to **AAUW CA** to:

1331 Garden Highway, #100 Sacramento, CA 95833

Include your name, the name of your branch--AAUW-Stockton, and your choice of salad.

Checks must be received by Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Oddly, in another place on the website, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> is the reservations deadline. To be safe, mail your check by Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Want to carpool?** Contact Cindy Milford, 477-5984, or <a href="mailto:cindymilf@comcast.net">cindymilf@comcast.net</a>.

# **Los Angeles Adventure!**



Monday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> - Saturday, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015

MONDAY: Drive to Los Angeles and check into the hotel. Lunch and dinner on your own.

<u>TUESDAY</u>: The Getty Center and five of its current exhibits - "Power and Pathos: Bronze Sculpture of the Hellenistic World", "Louis Style: French Frames 1610-1792", "Art of the Fold - Drawings of Drapery & Costume", "Animalia", and "Degas Pastels". Two cafes, coffee carts, and one formal restaurant (310-440-6810).

<u>WEDNESDAY</u>: Historic Adamson House & Malibu Lagoon House, and Getty Villa in Malibu featuring exhibits e.g. "Glass Making in Antiquity."

THURSDAY: Huntington Library in San Marino featuring the "Magna Carta: Law & Legend" 1205-2015, and the LA Philharmonic Orchestra playing Immortal Beethoven Symphonies 1 & 2 with Violinist Simone Porter and Maestro Gustavo Dudamel in the Walt Disney Concert Hall.

Food service at the Huntington includes the Rose Garden Tea Room, coffee shop, café, Rose Garden patio, and Chinese Garden Tea House.

FRIDAY: Frank Lloyd Wright Hollyhock House in Hollywood, the Broad Museum in downtown LA, and the Norton Simon Museum in Pasadena.

<u>SATURDAY</u>: Ronald Reagan Library & Garden in Simi Valley. The special exhibition is "Football!" including 5000 artifacts displayed in a 5000 sq; ft. exhibition hall. Time will be provided

for lunch. Dinner will be at the Harris Ranch.

This trip includes all transportation on a 46-passenger bus, all admissions, two hotels, and driver's gratuity.

#### **TOUR ESCORTS:**

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#### FOR RESERVATIONS, CONTACT:

Administrative Assistant, Merylene Marengo (209) 940-6311 <a href="mailto:mmarengo@hagginmuseum.org">mmarengo@hagginmuseum.org</a>

### SAVE-THE-DATE FOR A FORUM:

# CLIMATE CHANGE: IMPACTS ON HEALTH

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 9:30am-1pm

### SPECIAL GUEST

Congressman Jerry McNerney, Representative of District 9

#### PRESENTERS:

Linda Rudolph, MD, MPH, Director of Center for Climate Change and Health, Public Health Institute

Bonnie Holmes-Gen, BS, MA, Senior Policy Director, Air Quality and Climate Change, American Lung Association in California

Katelyn Roedner Sutter, Environmental Justice Program Director Catholic Charities, Diocese of Stockton

Health Plan of San Joaquin, Community Room 7751 S. Manthey Rd, French Camp Exit 467B for Matthews Road West

The Forum is FREE and open to the Public Questions/RSVP: Patricia Voss <a href="mailto:tinricia@att.net">tinricia@att.net</a>

## THANKS, AAUW Sisters!

Important thoughts merit repetition. In the June Steamer, I extended my appreciation to the 59 Stockton Branch members who contributed a total of \$2,055 in amounts of \$5 to \$150 to our LAF spring fundraiser. I neglected, however, to list the names of those who helped Stamp Out Inequity. Here they are, listed in the order of the date their contribution was received:

Joanne Koenig Dorothy Henning Marilyn Lagier Bette Outlaw Ann Filson Nancy McPherson Mary Indelicato Coralita Rathhaus Kay Kirk Patricia Voss Julie Pichardo Liz Blanchard Paula Almaas Marilyn Wylie Linda Christensen Bonnie Geib Jamie Davis Pat Miller Carolyn Martin Donna Lebaron

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Note: Some of you won't find your names listed here although you might recall having donated to LAF in early 2015. Many in our Branch responded to a mailed request for donations from National AAUW, but those checks were directed to Washington, D.C., so were not a part of our particular local fundraising activity "Stamp Out Inequity". Thanks to you, also, for supporting equity for women and girls.

### **EVERY CHILD ACHIEVES ACT**

In July the U.S. Senate passed Every Child Achieves Act (S. 1177) which includes many AAUW-supported provisions, but still needs improvements to hold the schools accountable for improving academic results for all students.

This bill includes many important gender equity provisions and insures that students receive a strong K-12 education. There is still no provision for holding the schools accountable to improving academic results for all students and closing the achievement gap before the bill goes to the president for his signature.

The bill calls for college or career state K-12 standards, statewide annual assessment, goals for academic achievement and better graduation Gender equity amendments fund state work on Title IX enforcement. Also included were amendments to provide public data on high school athletic program expenditures for girls and boys, and provide STEM programs for girls and minority students. There is an amendment to support pregnant and parenting students.

### Student Testing

No provision for controlled testing was provided in SB 1177. The Council of State School Officers (CSSO) which along with the National Governor's Conference was responsible for the Common Core Standards now say that 39 states are considering ways to reduce overtesting or cut redundant tests. Ideas vary from state to state. Uncertainty what will be included Elementary and Secondary (ESEA/NCLB) adds to the confusion. There is a consensus of opinion that there is too much testing. It would seem that identical tests should be administered and the results compared state to state.

### **Evaluating Teachers**

The Record had an article (8/24/2015) about the results of a recent Gallop Poll that found that 63 percent of parents of public school students teacher opposed linking and principal evaluations to students' test scores. These evaluations are encouraged though the Race To The Top grants to schools and other programs. It is felt that other factors should be considered like student work and parent feedback.

Teachers, unions and others feel that there is too much emphasis on testing along with 67 percent of public school parents.

## Proposed Budgets July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016

**Proposed Operating Budget Continued** 

**Proposed Operating Budget 2014-2015** 

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REVENUES		Programs	
Cash Carryforward	3,954.71	College & University	500.00
Membership (125 x \$20)	2,500.00	Public Policy 200.0	
Steamer Ads	600.00	International Affairs	50.00
		Total Programs	\$750.00
Monthly Program 7,000.00 Interest + Donations 15.00		Monthly Meetings	
General Fundraisers 300.29		Programs/Meetings	7,000.00
Total Unrestricted Revenues	\$ 14,370.00	Awards/Gifts 50.00	
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		Total Monthly Meetings	\$7,110.00
EXPENSES		<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	\$14,370.00
Administrative			
President	100.00		
Treasurer/Financial Secretary	100.00		
Bank Fees	100.00	Proposed 501(c)(3) Budget 2014-2015	
Secretary	50.00		
Historian (photos)	50.00	COF Revenues	
Insurance	625.00	COF Revenues \$39,510 (From existing funds, donations, Home Tour*)	
Bylaws	50.00	(1 Totti existing failus, adriations, Florite Tour )	
Tax Filing Fees	50.00	COF Expenses:	
Storage Unit	636.00	RIF (books + expenses)	\$3,600
Bulk Mail Postage	400.00	STEM Trek (expenses)	\$5,000 \$5,75
Reserve	534.00	Essay Contest (awards + expenses) Tech Trek (4 x \$900 + expenses)	\$575 \$3,900
Total Administrative	\$2,695.00	Speech Trek (awards + expenses) \$750	
Membership		NCCWSL	\$1,800
Membership Treasurer	100.00	Delta Scholarships (3 x \$1000)	\$3,000
Directory	250.00	Carry to 15-16 \$20,885	
Membership	100.00	Total COF Expenses \$39,510	
New Members	100.00	EF (Educational Foundation)	
Total Membership	\$550.00	EF Revenues	\$5,434
Leadership Development		(Home Tour*, existing funds, donations	
Association Convention 1,000.00		EF Expenses	\$5,434
CA Convention/Leadership Dev.	1,000.00	(\$25 per member, \$4,025;	
Board Retreats (2)	300.00	donation, \$400; expenses, \$260;	
Total Leadership Development	\$2,300.00	carry to 16-17, \$749)	
Publicity		LAF (Legal Advocacy Fund)	
Delta Steamer	400.00	LAF Revenues	\$4,008
Discover	200.00	(Fundraiser, existing funds, donations)	
Web site	150.00	LAF Expenses	\$4,008
Comm. on the Status of Women	115.00	(\$5 per member, \$805;	
Trivia Bee decorations 100.00		donation, \$1,000; expenses, \$100; carry to 16-17 \$2,103)	
Total Publicity	\$965.00	carry to 10 17 $\psi 2$ , 100)	
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**Constance Starner, Financial Secretary** 

distributed according to Branch policies and procedures.

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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.

# September Calendar

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location/Contact
		Online	Submission of Articles/Pictures	ronsan3628@sbcglobal.net
		Anytime	for stockton-ca.aauw.net Web Page	
Sat	5	10:00am	Boudin's Brunch	Bobbie Landau
				Bobbiej49@aol.com or 334-5711
Thu	17	6:00pm	Board Meeting	Home of Cindy Milford
				3664 Five Mile Drive, Stockton
Sun	20	All Day	Reservation Deadline	Joan Erreca - 478-1457
Sat	26	2pm-4pm	Challenging Gender Stereotypes	Vereschagin Alumni House
			Intergenerational Tea	University of the Pacific