

January, 2008



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- Tech Trek Chairs* Margie Enger 489-1324
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Mayor Program Proves Informative Annual State of the City



Mayor Al Pinheiro led an informal, but very informative discussion with AAUW members at his annual AAUW ap-

pearance. The facts were direct, the questions pointed, and the conversation stimulating. There wasn't any good

news, but the Mayor pointed out that it is very important for all Gilroy residents to be well-informed.

Interbranch Training

March 28
8:30 AM Check In & Coffee
9:00 - Noon Training

San Jose Headquarters
1165 Minnesota Avenue
San Jose 95125



Interbranch Council provides an opportunity for AAUW members throughout Santa Clara County, to share ideas and interests in AAUW issues and goals.

Golden Gate District: Santa Clara County

All AAUW Members Welcome! Branch Leaders are particularly encouraged to attend.

Training Topics:

- Membership Recruitment
- Newsletter Publishing
- Website/Webmaster Activities

Share best practices, as well as collaborate on resources. Each topic will be led by a moderator, and all questions and ideas are welcome. Attend if you are currently Chairing the topic, or if you are part of the leadership of your branch, or if you are simply interested. *All members are welcome.*

Contact Susan Murphey Patereau, (408) 981-2799, spatereau@charter.net, to reserve your seat in the carpool.

Nominating Committee Appointed

A nominating committee of three members has been appointed to solicit the membership for volunteers to fill offices for the 2009-10 year.

Two members were appointed by the Board of Directors. They are Arti O'Connor and Susan Murphey Patereau. One member was chosen by the membership at the January meeting. Susan Sterchi was elected and will join the committee when they meet in February.

Please consider taking an office. With the small branch

that we have we need every member to contribute. Your help is needed.

If you would like to be elected to a particular office, please contact one of the committee members. You can reach them as follows:

Arti O'Connor, 847-0451, w.oconnor12@verizon.net; Susan Murphey Patereau, 981-2799, spatereau@charter.net; Susan Sterchi, 842-3645.

There are three offices that will need to be filled this year. We need one Co-President, a

Secretary, and one Membership Co-Chair.

There are also many committees that need to be chaired.

Please consider putting your name on the ballot for one of these positions. If you would like additional information on an office, please contact that particular officer. You can see who is holding each office on the Gilroy AAUW website, at www.GilroyAAUW.org. Click on the "Local Business" button, then the "Officers" button.

2009 AAUW California Convention



April 24 - 26, 2009
Hilton San Diego
Mission Valley

"Riding the Waves
Of Change"

For more information
contact Mickie Feicht
at
vicepres@aauw-ca.org.

Silicon Valley Reads— Gilroy Save The Date

What if everyone in Silicon Valley read the same book, at the same time, then discussed it?

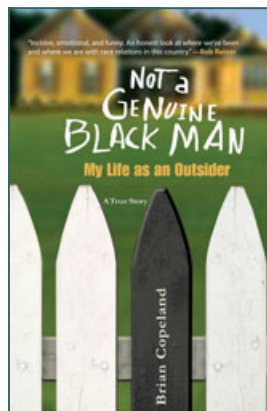
The Gilroy Author Talk and Book Signing is scheduled for Tuesday, March 24th, 6:30 PM, Gilroy City Council Chambers.

Co-sponsored by Gilroy AAUW, Friends of Gilroy Library, Gilroy Writing Project, and Vision Literacy, this program will fill the seats so get there early.

Gilroy AAUW will be providing refreshments. The Cookie Baking list will be tapped, and

servicing assistance will be needed.

Contact Carol Smith to volunteer: 848-2475, csmith_5141@yahoo.com.



"Celebrate Us"

AAUW San Jose 100th
Birthday Party

Saturday January 24th

2-4 p.m.

Join us for a good old
fashion birthday party.

California AAUW co-presidents and keynote speakers Gloria Taylor and Judy Pfeil, with their board of directors will help celebrate our momentous achievement.

Cambrian Library

1780 Hillsdale Avenue

San Jose

Interest Groups—January



Wine & Whine

In January the *Whiners* met at Mama Mia's Restaurant. This picture shows the happy whiners: Jan Paterson, Susan Murphey Patereau, Charleen Arnberg, Arti O'Connor, and Suzanne Barrett.

The schedule calls for the February 6th meeting to gather at Mimi's Café in the Gilroy Crossing Shopping Center. All members are welcome, even if you don't have anything to whine about.

Culinary

A dinner with a difference is being planned by the Culinary Interest Group. The host will be Charleen Arnberg, and the menu will be Lite. Set aside Saturday, February 21st, and plan an early evening, beginning at 5 PM.

Call Charleen for a recipe. You can reach her at 842-2909.

Books Group

The correct meeting dates for Books Group are the First Tuesday, and the Last Thurs-

day of each month. The schedule is posted online, at <http://www.gilroyaauw.org/html/books.html>. You can also contact Elizabeth Barrett for details at 842-3508.

Symphony

Margie Enger, the group coordinator, reports that the next concert is the very popular Bach to Blues Concert at Gavilan College. On Friday evening, March 6th meet the



group in front of the Gavilan College Theater.

Enjoy the concert and afterward gather at a restaurant for coffee and a decadent desert. For additional information, contact Margie at 489-1324.

The Rules

Equal Times will be published approximately monthly in 2006-2007. The sole purpose of this publication is to convey the association's business to its membership. Only articles and announcements related to branch business will be considered for inclusion.

Submissions, articles and notices are due by the 15th of each month and should be e-mailed, posted or hand delivered to Susan Murphey Patereau, 7470 Crawford Dr., Gilroy 95020, 981-2799, spatereau@charter.net.

Equal Times encourages members to advertise by purchasing a business card size ad, available by contacting Communications Director, Susan Murphey Patereau.

QUILT SHOW 2009

**Gilroy AAUW
Quilt Show #3**

Saturday, May 9th

To be held at the beautiful Fifth Street home of Judy & Sam Bozzo

"Flower Garden" themed quilts are now being solicited.

Contact Marianne Peoples for registration information, 842-9022, quiltidy@qanlic.com

Save the Date

Faces of Pay Equity



"I am the face of pay equity ... in retirement! I went to school, worked all my life, and saved as much as I could for retirement, but you can't save money you don't earn! Pay discrimination is very real, and it affects us not just while we work, but when we retire, too."

Diane R.



"I have directly suffered from pay discrimination. I expect [Congress] to right the wrong and make sure my daughter is treated as an equal in every way—including pay equity. Anything less isn't good enough."

Tracee S.

Lifelong Learning Classes in MH

San Jose State University's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), a program offering university level courses for adults 50-plus, is partnering with the Morgan Hill Centennial Recreation Center and offering OLLI courses.

Two Spring four-session classes will start on Monday, January 26th:

- **So You Think That's Funny? A Century of Jewish Humor in America** will begin on January 26 and continue through February 16 from 10:00 am until noon. Instructor Mark Levy, a Bay Area performer and lecturer, will examine why Jewish
- **Infection and Immunity: Why Are We so Healthy?** also will be presented on four consecutive Mondays, starting January 26 and concluding on February 16, from 1:00-3:00 pm. Instructor Linda Caren, who received her M.A. and



jokesters have so deeply influenced 20th century American comedy. Vintage recordings and clips of performers including Fanny Brice, Jack Benny, George Burns and the

Marx Brothers will be discussed. The cost of the course is \$60.

Ph.D. in microbiology at Stanford University, is Emerita Professor of Biology, California State University, Northridge. The course will focus on infections, vaccines, allergies, autoimmunity, immunodeficiencies and transplantation. Fee for the course is \$60.

To register for classes: call SJSU OLLI, 408.924.2734, stop by the MHCRC Senior Center, 171 W. Edmondson Ave., Morgan Hill, 408.782.1284, visit www.osher.sjsu.edu, or contact Donna Weisblatt at dwcareers@charter.net, 408.778.7515.

OLLI offers many courses throughout Santa Clara County. A \$25 annual membership fee is required to join the Morgan Hill program.

Chorus Performance in Los Gatos



Mission Valley is a championship chorus of women singers committed to musical excellence, advancing the art form of barbershop harmony through individual growth, education, performance and community outreach.

The Chorus is doing a Carnegie Hall Performance on Tues-

day, February 24th, 7:00 PM, at Nordahl Hall, 580 West Parr Avenue, Los Gatos. The cost for tickets is \$15 per person. Reservations may be done by mail: AAUW of SCCO, Atten: Virginia Turner, 14415 Evans Lane, Saratoga CA 95070. If you would like more information,

call Virginia at (408) 866-4234.

Proceeds benefit West Valley College women majoring in science or math who will transfer to a 4-year college or university next year.

Sponsored by the Los Gatos/Saratoga Branch of AAUW.