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Garage Sale—Excitement Builds!

Time to gather up all of your “no longer wanted” items that may have a value to someone else, and get them to Bonnie Colbert’s house. It’s the annual Gilroy AAUW Garage Sale!



Charleen checks out items for sale last year.

The first Saturday in June, this year it is June 6th, Gilroy AAUW members sell their stuff. The location is Bonnie Colbert’s house, at the corner of Church and Fourth Streets.

In preparation for the sale, Bonnie says members can take their sale items to her house anytime. Just be sure to call her first!



Many bargains were available at last year’s sale.

The day before, Friday, June 5th, members will gather to sort and price the items. The monthly Wine & Whine will take place in Bonnie’s kitchen, and that’s when the pricing gets really creative!

Help is needed! Please get to Bonnie’s house sometime Friday to help sort and price. Then on Saturday, please plan to be there early. The sale starts at 7 AM and many hands are needed. Plan to stay for a while because help is needed between 1:00 and 2:00 to clean up, sort and store leftovers.

Proceeds from the Garage Sale benefit the Tech Trek pro-



Marianne talks to a likely buyer at the 2008 Garage Sale.

gram. This year we sent three junior high school girls to the science and math camp, and each year the tuition goes up.

ALL HANDS ON BOARD, PLEASE!



DOs & DON'Ts for Sellers

Do:

- ⊙ Realize you're getting rid of things you don't want and price accordingly.
- ⊙ Use price tags that won't damage items or boxes.
- ⊙ Have a sense of humor.
- ⊙ Set up your items like you're a store. People need to see items to buy them.
- ⊙ Inform buyers if you know something doesn't work.
- ⊙ Give your leftovers to charity.

Don't:

- ⊙ Act as if you're operating a museum. People touch things at garage sales.
- ⊙ Be greedy.
- ⊙ Be crabby.
- ⊙ Sell broken things.
- ⊙ Quote eBay or book values. Nobody cares.

Election for 2009-10 Officers

The following slate of officers was elected with mailed ballots, and certified at the May meeting of the board:

Co-President	Susan Murphey Patereau	
<i>Susan has been actively involved in the branch for many years and served as the Co-President with Carol Smith for 2008-09.</i>		
Recording Secretary	Geri Allen	
<i>Geri is new to AAUW, joining our branch in 2008-09. She is jumping right in to take on the responsibility of the much dreaded, but needed, MINUTES.</i>		
Treasurer	Penny Lockhart	
<i>This is Penny's second year as Treasurer, this time around. She is a long-time member and has served in almost all of the offices.</i>		

The appointed positions are as follows:

The **Membership Committee** will renew with Arti O'Connor and Suzanne Barrett.

The **Program Committee** will be Charleen Arnberg, Vicki Baksa, and Jeanette Dickens.

Tech Trek will be handled by Margie Enger and Sandy Gaffney.

The **Scholarship Committee** has a lot of interest. The committee will be Vicki Baksa, Susan Bassi, Carolyn Schell, and Lori Franke.

Educational Foundation/Legal Advocacy Fund will be covered for the second year by Terry Newman.

Public Policy and International Studies will be covered by Lyn Hackett.

Connie Rogers will, again, cover **Publicity**.

Thanks goes out to all of you who filled out your ballot and mailed it in.

Thanks also goes out to all of our officers and committee chairs. Without our volunteers our branch could not exist. If your name isn't mentioned above, please let Susan or any of the officers or chairs know what committee or office you would like to be a part of. There's room for you!

Help Wanted

Gilroy AAUW member to serve as Co-President (Vice President) for 2009-10 term, moving to President for 2010-11 term. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY. Please contact Susan Murphey Patereau to discuss responsibilities. 408-981-2799, spatereau@charter.net.

Help Wanted

Gilroy AAUW member to serve as Garlic Festival Volunteers Chair. Solicit volunteers for shifts at the Information Booth at the Garlic Festival. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY. Immediate response needed. Please contact Susan Murphey Patereau to discuss responsibilities. 408-981-2799, spatereau@charter.net.

AAUW Position on May 19 Special Election Issues

AAUW CA Public Policy Director, Anne Henke, has posted a statement from the Public Policy Committee regarding the position that has been taken.

AAUW CA members were asked to vote YES on the budget items.

To see the results go to www.sos.ca.gov and click on ballot measures.

Strategic Planning Planned

The 2009-10 Strategic Plan and Calendar of Events will be put together at our Board Meeting in June. We will meet on Thursday, June 11th at 5:30 for a pot-luck dinner. The location will be Marianne People's home, 1176 Hacienda Drive. Please plan to attend, bring your special signature dish, and help plan the branch's year. All board members, committee chairs, as well as the entire membership is encouraged to attend.

Installation of Officers & Start-the-Year BBQ

AAUW branches usually don't have meetings during the Summer months. Your Gilroy Branch is bucking that trend! We're going to have our Installation of Officers at a BBQ on Sunday, August 16th. This event will kick off our 2009-10 activities.

We'll be gathering at Charleen Arnberg's house, 8831 Morey Avenue, for a Tri-Tip BBQ. Charleen will be doing the



honors at the grill, and everyone else needs to bring a dish to share.

All members are encouraged to attend, and this is a great event to bring your spouse, significant other, AND/OR a potential member.

If you haven't been to Charleen's house, be sure to call for directions—it's a little tricky to get to. You can RSVP and get directions by calling Charleen at 842-2902.

Scholarship Recipient

This year's \$1,000 scholarship recipient is currently attending Gavilan College. Her name is Juana Esquivel, and she lives in Gilroy with her family which includes 3 children.

Juana also receives a Student Affiliate membership from our

branch, making her eligible to attend all of our events.

We all hope to see Juana at some of our events in the coming year. We also wish her the very best as she pursues her education.

Interest Groups—May

Wine & Whine

The first Friday of May found the group at Ninja Sushi. A smaller group than usual, but no less fun, the group ate some sushi and drank some wine. The whining started right at 5!

Don't forget that June's meeting is at Bonnie Colbert's house with the whining starting at 5, again. The group will also be sorting and pricing Garage Sale items. You don't want to miss this event! If you can't be at the Garage Sale on Saturday, please be sure to contribute by helping here.

Books Group Schedule

May 28	Carol Smith
June 9	Penny Lockhart
June 25	To Be Determined



Brian Copeland Appearance in Morgan Hill

Brian Copeland brings his highly acclaimed one-man play, "Not a Genuine Black Man" to the Morgan Hill Playhouse on Thursday, May 21, as a benefit for Community Solutions.

This appearance was arranged after Brian's very successful and warmly received tour to South County through Silicon Valley Reads. Brian appeared both in Gilroy and Morgan Hill for that tour.

The play starts at 7:30 pm. Doors will open at 6:30 pm for a pre-show, no-host cocktail hour with light hors d'oeuvres. Seating begins at 7:00 pm.

Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased at BookSmart.

A dinner and show package is also available from Rosy's at the Beach.

For more information, contact BookSmart, 778-6467.

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 III Huge Success

We worked hard. We had fun. We made money. Enough said.

Well, not quite enough. The Quilt Show Committee is reporting a record number of attendees at our annual fundraiser, as well as a tidy profit for our treasury. But we need to "de-brief." There will be one last meeting of everyone involved in Quilt Show III

on Wednesday, June 10th. This meeting will gather input about this year's event and make a recommendation on the future of the show.

Please plan to attend this meeting! All members are encouraged to attend. It will be held at Intero, 790 First Street, at the corner of First and Wren.

National Update

WASHINGTON – AAUW released "President Barack Obama's First 100 Days: A Progress Report on AAUW Priority Issues," an assessment of the Obama administration's actions with respect to advancing equity for women and girls. The AAUW report, which delves into critical issues including pay equity, job security, reproductive rights, education, and work-life balance, offers a close look at the administration's progress and identifies areas where more work can be done.

To see the document, visit http://www.aauw.org/advocacy/issue_advocacy/upload/obamaFirst100.pdf.

