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The Value of Belonging

Membership in AAUW offers exceptional tangible and intangible benefits — a strong voice, a vibrant community, relevant information, and valuable resources.

Strong Voice

AAUW's 100,000-member voice makes a difference on critical women's and civil rights issues — briefing policy-makers, spearheading coalitions, and impacting the world through international initiatives and partnerships. Check out all the opportunities for individual action through activities such as the AAUW Capitol Hill Lobby Corps and Two-Minute Activist. AAUW provides you the opportunity to support and be the first to learn about ground-breaking research on women, girls, and education.

Vibrant Community

Wherever you go, you will find a community of friends and professional contacts in AAUW — a powerful local and national network for personal and professional growth. Locate AAUW colleagues from around the world through our Member Services Database and give back to your local

community through projects to benefit women and girls as a branch member. Stay on the pulse of all issues and activities through AAUW's growing social media network by joining the AAUW Facebook page and group, and following us on Twitter, YouTube, and the AAUW Dialog blog.

updates members about the work of AAUW and provides information on today's hot issues and opportunities for activism.

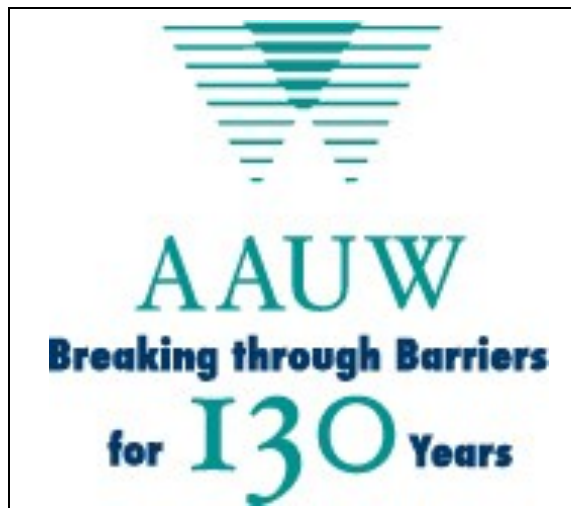
Valuable Resources

AAUW provides many educational and professional development experiences for you to improve your personal and leadership skills as well as opportunities for educational advancement through fellowships, grants, and awards. There are special resources for members facing employment challenges and exclusive member discounts on numerous things from subscriptions to insurance.

AAUW membership is an incredible value:

Representation. Community. Savings. Information. Education. Inspiration. You can find it all as part of AAUW. To enjoy these benefits and more, join AAUW today!

AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.



Relevant Information

AAUW is a trusted source of timely and important information. Our award-winning magazine *AAUW Outlook* highlights issues and individuals affecting women and girls today. Action Network briefs alert you to congressional actions on issues that can change your life. State and branch groups publish newsletters about local activities and interests, and the *AAUW Mission & Action* e-newsletter regularly

**National
AAUW Month**

**AAUW will
celebrate our 130th
Anniversary on
November 28,
2011.**

**To honor this
auspicious
occasion, we are
declaring
November National
AAUW Month!**



Tech Trek Trick or Treat

**Make a TAX DEDUCTIBLE donation to
Gilroy AAUW's Tech Trek fund
and make your treat count!**

**Gilroy AAUW would appreciate it if you
would treat a 7th Grade Girl to a week-long
Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM)
Summer Camp.**

**The tuition for one camper is \$800! Every dollar
counts so please donate whatever you can.**

Make your check payable to: AAUW CA SPF

Send to: Gilroy AAUW, P O Box 1962, Gilroy CA 95020-1962



Gilroy AAUW - Tech Trek ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Sunday, November 6th
2:00 - 4:00
Charleen Arnberg's home
8831 Morey Way, Gilroy

The 2011 Tech Trek students will be present to talk about their life-changing experiences at camp, courtesy of Gilroy AAUW and members' generosity. They also have an origami project planned!

All members are welcome and encouraged to attend. There is no charge for this event, but donations to the Tech Trek program are always appreciated.

RSVP to Sandy Gaffney, 842-7687, skcg45@gmail.com, to let her know you are coming, and tell her your favorite ice cream flavor! Also, if you have not been to Charleen's house, get directions from Sandy. It's complicated!

Wine & Whine

Friday, November 4
5:00 - 7:00

Mama Mia's
1360 First St., Gilroy



See you there!





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.

Gavilan has its own choir. . .
AND symphony orchestra!



Join South Valley Symphony and Gavilan College Choir

Seasonal Traditions
Bach, Mozart, Carols and more
Anthony Quartuccio, Conductor & Music Director
Brant Ruggles, Guest Conductor

Sunday December 11
4:00 PM @ Gavilan College Theater, Gilroy
General Admission \$20. Children & Students with ID

**2nd
wednesday
lunch BUNCH**



Wednesday, November 9th. Contact Janet Espersen if you are planning to attend the lunch: janet.espersen@yahoo.com, or phone, 408-847-2724.

GILROY AAUW

Books Group

2nd Tuesday & LAST Thursday of each month

Thursday, Oct. 27: Vicki Baksa - everyone come in costume, if possible

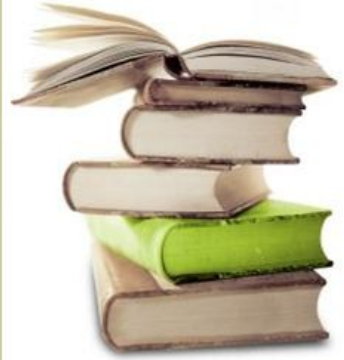

Tuesday, Nov. 8 - Betsy Werner

Thanksgiving is the last Thursday - no Books Group

Dec. 13: Jim Ebaugh - Books Christmas gathering

Jan. 10 - Eileen Barret

Jan. 26 - Connie Doty

LAF Luncheon

2012 California Public Policy Study

Santa Clara County Branches Joint Study
 CALIFORNIA INITIATIVE PROCESS
 Where: San Jose Branch Headquarters:
 1165 Minnesota Ave, San Jose
 When: Tuesday, October 18th, 1:30 to 3:30
 Session I: Initiative History, Background & Process
 Thursday, October 27th, 1:30 to 3:30
 Session II: The Politics of the Initiative Process
 Dr. Terry Christensen, Political Science Professor, San Jose State University
 Discussion and Recommendations for Reform

To participate contact:
 Gloria Leonard
 408-995-5128 or glorialeonard@sbcglobal.net

The California American Association of University Women will host a Northern Legal Advocacy Foundation (LAF) Luncheon on November 5, 2011, 12:00-2:00 PM, at The Embassy Suites, 150 Anza Blvd., Burlingame.

Since 1981, the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund has disbursed nearly \$2 million to more than 100 plaintiffs to help offset their legal fees in sex discrimination cases, and has been instrumental to the success of many cases.

Featured guest speakers will be Alicia Hetman and the Mansourian vs. UC Davis Title IX Litigants. AAUW adopted the case in 2005 and has extended financial and organizational support to the plaintiffs since that time.

Four former students and members of the wrestling team at the University of Davis claimed sex discrimination in violation of Title IX of the Education Amendments of

violated Title IX by refusing to provide female students with an equal opportunity to participate in intercollegiate athletics while the plaintiffs were students.



1972 after they were allegedly cut from the wrestling team for no reason. For nearly a decade, their case went through different courts to decide if there was sufficient notice of the discrimination, not on whether or not discrimination occurred. In May the U.S. District Court in California found that the university

AAUW applauds the decision of the Court to protect equality of women in athletics. However, the judge ruled against these particular defendants. It is critical for AAUW to continue to

show support for these wrestlers.

The cost of the luncheon is \$35. RSVP deadline is October 29, 2011. For more information, call 650-697-6936. For online reservations or mail-in form, go to www.aauw-ca.org, AAUW FUNDS section, and click on **Funds Luncheon**.

November Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					5:00-7:00 Wine & Whine	
2:00-4:00 Tech Trek Ice Cream Social		7:30 Books	12:00-2:00 2nd Wednesday Lunch Bunch			
				Thanksgiving 		