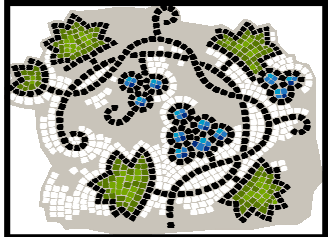




THE GRAPEVINE



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WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH AAUW has been invited to participate in Las Positas College's 5th Annual Event HONORING WOMEN VETERANS

WHEN: Wednesday, 10 a.m., March 1, 2017

WHERE: Barbara F. Mertes Center for the Arts
Building 4000, Las Positas College

PROGRAM: Two Keynote Speakers
Lanän Clark, V.P., Merrill Lynch
former Army Ranger
Lindsey Sin, Deputy Secretary for
Women Veteran Affairs

Panel of Women Veterans from several areas
The Veterans Group will provide deli sandwich lunch to all attendees.

The best place to park is in Lot A or B. There will be a small tram in the area picking up people with walking problems. Because school is in session, please car pool, if possible, or contact Chris Alesso (484-3415) or c.alesso@comcast.net to coordinate the need for a ride.

This event is open to the public and the auditorium is spacious so please invite your non AAUW friends, male and female.

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OUR COMPUTER PIONEER

For those of you who missed this excellent program last November and, at the request of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, LPD member, Mary Ann Karlsen, will repeat her program about her early years at LLNL working with Berni Alder and establishing the computer code for the supercomputers.

WHEN: Sunday, March 19 @ 2 pm
WHERE: Livermore Civic Center Library



Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 8
1:30 pm @
Chris Alesso

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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Chris Alesso



Hello All,

We have two events scheduled this month for women's history month. The Livermore Library asked us to reprise the event with Mary Ann Karlsen and we have agreed to do so. If you all were not able to make it the first time or would like to come again and support Mary Ann, please do so. Hope to see you all there!

If you are reading this early enough I'd like to remind you of the Veteran's program on March the 1st. You received an e-mail about it earlier this month. This event sounds terrific and is part of our attempt to get the AAUW name out in the community. I hope to have a good turnout.

Be sure to read about it all on Page 1.

Chris



COCKTAILS & CONVERSATIONS #1

After several members went to a Mardi Gras celebration at 828 Main last year with a very good New Orleans menu and a band next door, they decided to do it again this year.

Why don't we all grab all our beads, drape them around our necks and meet again at 828 Main for a Mardi Gras celebration at 6-6:30 pm on **February 28** this year?



COCKTAILS & CONVERSATIONS #2

We meet for conversation, visiting, good food, general camaraderie and some brainstorming on the first Tuesday of each month at

828 Main

WHEN: TUESDAY MARCH 7, 2017 AT 6 PM

WHERE: 828 MAIN STREET, PLEASANTON





If you are proud to be a member of AAUW let your friends and co-workers know why you are proud. Please "talk about AAUW". The national and state websites are great resources.

If you know someone who might want to join our group you can let them know that any memberships processed after March 1, 2017 are valid until June 30, 2018.

As always, if I can help you in any way, please contact me.

Marilyn

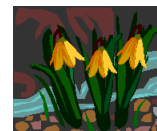


2017 LPD Local Scholarship Non-Event Fundraiser

SPRING GARDEN NON TOURS

Filoli Gardens in Woodside, Mount Vernon in Virginia, Butchart Gardens in Victoria
English Country Gardens in the Cotswold's, Gardens of Kyoto in Japan

Oh, my, where do we want to go!



The response to the Scholarship Non-Event Fundraiser has been wonderful. With your generous donations, we will be able to give young women help with their college expenses. If you haven't sent your check yet, there is still time!

We would like to acknowledge the following donors: Wendy Ping, Vicki-Dawn Rader, Patty Rabada, Charlene Grandfield, Nancy Cotton, Bev Howell, Marilyn Foreman, Mary Jane Casper, Joy Robinson, Connie Squires, Helen Dourov, Joan Leighty, Karen Cowan, Sally Stock, Pam Copeland, Pat Mann, Marge Johnson, Devon Lahar, Ginny Reineking, Harriet Lawrie, Gwen Locke, Myla Grasso, Barbara Hempill, Marilyn Barbao, Norma Foss, Mary Ann Karlsen, Charlotte Severin, Susan Wacek, Ronald Wacek, Sharon Edwards, Ann Rivenes and Robin & Walter Morgan..

Last year, we collected almost \$5,000 and we would love to match that this year!

Many thanks to all, Patti Joki and Ginny Reineking

COFFEE "AND" Thursday, March 2, 2017



We meet at Sweet and Savory (corner of Stoneridge & Gibraltar Drives) in Pleasanton on the first Thursday of the month. All members are welcome. We like having friends & prospective members, too.



WHAT: A social time for all AAUW LPD members & guests.

WHEN: Thursday, March 2 at 10 AM

WHERE: Sweet and Savory, 5685 Gibraltar Dr., Pleasanton



It's the busiest, but most exciting, time of the year for the the Trek Committee! Nominations for Camp Curie at Stanford in July 2017 are in from our local middle schools. We have 31 nominees this year from which we'll have the difficult task of selecting 8 campers and 1-2 alternates.

We are happy to report that we have sufficient funds to send 9 girls to camp this year; we have requested an additional slot, but will only get that if another branch is unable to fill all of their requested camper spots.

We'll be interviewing all 31 girls in early March and will have our 2017 campers and alternates selected by the end of March. We are looking forward to meeting this year's candidates!



Here's another excerpt from a note we received from one of last year's Trekkers:

"Thank you so much for the opportunity to attend Tech Trek. It was amazing to get to stay at Stanford for a week and meet so many different girls and women with similar interests. I also found it fascinating to learn so much about forensic science and other STEM subjects. I think my favorite part was doing experiments in my core class. We extracted DNA from strawberries, stamped fingerprints and (did) other genetic experiments. I learned so much about genetics and solving crime. Going to Tech Trek and meeting so many women in the science field has really inspired me to keep learning, do my best and pursue a STEM career."

LEADERSHIP DAY—APRIL 1ST

Leadership Days are for everyone—board officers, incoming officers, as well as those who are considering taking a leadership position in a branch but are not quite confident that they have the skills to become a leader. The workshops planned should provide you with the tools necessary.

Registrations for the Leadership Day are available online. Don't miss out on the helpful, informative workshops that are being offered for the low price of \$25. That price includes lunch!

Cal State East Bay, Concord Campus 10-3 pm

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| Topics include: | Enact to Engage: Modeling the Value Promise |
| Motivation & Mission | Lobbying & Advocacy |
| Conflict Resolution Improvised | Public Speaking |
| Empower, Engage & Retain Younger Women | Dealing with an Aging Membership |

Enter <http://www.aauw-ca.org/aauw-california-leadership-days-2017/> for registration information..

Coming Up in 2017

- Feb. 28, Tue. 828 Main, Mardi Gras celebration**
- March 1, Wed. Las Positas College, 10 am Honoring Women Veterans**
- March 19, Sun. Livermore Public Library, Mary Ann Karlsen's program about her work at L.L. National Lab, 2 pm
- April 29, Sat. Zephyr Restaurant, Livermore Lunch & Annual Meeting, 11:30 am
- May 12, Fri. LPD AAUW Special Event**
Firehouse Arts Center, Pleasanton 8 pm *EVITA* the musical
Presented by the Pacific Coast Repertory Theatre
Gwen Lock has purchased 12 tickets (\$31.45 each) for seats in Row F1-12.. Contact Gwen gwenlocke41@gmail.com or 846-9146 and send a check made out to her if you would like to attend.
- June 10, Sat Potluck brunch,/installation of officers, 9 am Old/New Board Meeting, 10 am brunch
JoAnn Houk's home, 2169 Cameron Circle, Pleasanton

HOTELSTORM

AAUW is excited to introduce our members-only hotel booking website—powered by our new travel partner, HotelStorm—to bring you the lowest prices on hotels all over the world. In our private portal you'll find thousands of hotels at your fingertips, 24/7 customer service support and discounts of 10-55% on hotel rooms. Use the password MEMBERPERK and then visit the portal to start saving.

Check out other member perks at <http://www.aauw.org/membership/benefits/#storm>.

TRI-VALLEY EXPANDING YOUR HORIZONS (EYH)

AAUW-LPD - EYH Collaboration

Co-Chairs: Mekena Metcalf and Karen Cowan

More information next month.

INTEREST GROUPS



DUPLICATE BRIDGE

Group Co-Chairs: Nancy Rensink, 846-5023
 Fern Corley , 847-0102
dupbridge@aauw-lpd.org

The Duplicate Bridge Group meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7 PM.

DATE: Tuesday, March 28 @ 7 pm
 Nancy Rensink, 846-5023
 5541 San Antonio St., Pleasanton



MONDAY NIGHT BRIDGE

Group Chair: Marti Silva, 462-1159
monbridge@aauw-lpd.org

The Monday Night Bridge Group meets the 2nd & 4th Mondays at 7 PM.

DATE: Monday, March 13 @ 7 pm
 Carol Guarnaccia, 484-0839
 6834 Garland Ct., Pleasanton

DATE: Monday, March 27 @ 7 pm
 Harriet Lawrie, 230-8750
 4839 Perugia St., Dublin



AFTERNOON BOOKS

Group Chair: Mary Ann Karlsen
pmbooks1@aauw-lpd.org ,454-1648

DATE: Monday March 13 @ 1 pm
BOOK: *Soldier Girls*
AUTHOR: Helen Thorpe
HOSTESS: Helen Dourov
WHERE: Heritage Estates, Main Library
 First Floor, 900 East Stanley Blvd
 Livermore



EVENING BOOKS

Group Chair: Connie Squires, 846-4407
pmbooks2@aauw-lpd.org

DATE: Wednesday, Mar. 8, @ 7:30 pm
BOOK: *Take Me With You*
AUTHOR: Catharine Ryan Hyde
Reviewer Anne Dini
Hostess: Susan Wacek, 426-1769
 5771 San Antonio St. ,Pleasanton

Co-Hostess: Susan Wacek



MORNING BOOKS

Group Chair: Sally Stock, 484-3727
ambooks@aauw-lpd.org

DATE: Thursday, Mar. 23 @ 9:30 am
BOOK: *The High Mountains of Portugal*
AUTHOR: Yann Martel
REVIEWER: Joyce Ridley
HOSTESS: Joyce Ridley, 984-5277
 1350 Buckhorn Creek Rd.
 Livermore



Mah Jongg

Group Chair: JoAnn Houk, 223-8284
mahjongg@aauw-lpd.org

DATE: Tuesday, March 7 and 21
 At this time, no new players
 are needed.

INTEREST GROUPS (CONTINUED)



DINING AROUND

Group Chair :Vicki-Dawn Rader, 484-3321

diningaround@aauw-lpd.org

DATE: Thursday, March 30 @ 6:30 pm

WHERE: Baci's Café

500 Main St., Pleasanton

HOSTESS: Jan Van de Werfhorst

510-651-5303 or

jwerfhorst@yahoo.com

RSVP: Contact Jan by March 25



LET'S GO

Group Chair: Sandy Hansen

216-4945

letsgo@aauw-lpd.org

The Let's Go Group has been discussing future activities: currently a trip to **Filoli** on **April 5** (organized by Sal Tompkins, joining another group) and/or a visit to the **San Francisco Quilt Guild** annual event on **March 24** at the St. Mary's Event Center in San Francisco (Sandy Hansen).

Please contact the organizer of the activity for full details: Sal Tompkins @ 292-9552 or saltompkins@comcast.net for the Filoli trip or Sandy Hansen @ 216-4945 or letsgo@aauw-lpd.org for the Quilt event.

Also, let Sandy know if you might be interested in an excursion to the new Sunset HQ in Sonoma—Cornerstone Sonoma (<http://www.cornerstonesonoma.com/>), quite a foodie/gardening center that has some special events on their calendar. We might want to stay overnight.

How about a trip to Chateau Sonoma and the annual French Flea Market on Saturday or Sunday May 27 & 28?

Any further thoughts about future excursions?

Would you like to be included in the e-mail's regarding Lets' Go? Let Sandy know.



SOLO: GROUP FOR SINGLES

Group Chair: Sandie Brown, 999-8400

solodining@aauw-lpd.org

DATE: Friday, March 17, 6 pm

WHERE: Berevino Cucina & Wine Bar

4590 Dublin Blvd., Dublin

RSVP: Sandie Brown by Mar. 15th

999-8400



March 17



You may stop anytime!

I, along with 65,000 women, men and children, marched for equal rights and the rule of law in Oakland on January 21st. There were many signs carried by AAUW members supporting our national mission— including Wendy Ping, Mary Jane Casper, Susan Wacek, Jackie Shurtleff and Elva Cooper. Elva attended with her daughter and her granddaughter. The atmosphere was one of kindness and acceptance.

Roz



Roz Wright on January 21, 2017 in Oakland at the Women's March

THIS 'N THAT

HELP WANTED!

The state is looking for some good people to join the state leadership team. If you are interested in stepping up to this challenge, check out the positions available and fill out the form. Deadline for submitting is May 15th.

<http://www.aauw-ca.org/join-the-board/>

ANNUAL MEETING

“Making Connections” will be held in San Mateo on April 22 at the San Mateo Marriott, 8-3 pm. Registration Fee for the one day event includes the annual meeting, lunch, Speech Trek finals, Branch Program Recognition and the introduction of the State Board candidates. For the schedule and to reserve your place:

<http://www.aauw-ca.org/2017-annual-meeting/>

CALIFORNIA PERSPECTIVE

Each of you receives the quarterly newsletter from the state office. The state is interested in hearing what you think about the publication's form, cost, content, tone and length. If you have any input you would like to give, complete the survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2NWR3HX>

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS 2016-2017

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION/TIME		
Feb. 28	Mardi Gras, Cockta.Conv.	828 Main	6:00 pm	Pleasanton
Mar. 1	Honor Women Vets	Las Positas College	10:00 am	Dublin
Mar. 2	Coffee "AND"	Sweet & Savory	10:00 am	Pleasanton
Mar. 7	Cocktails & Conversation	828 Main	6:00 pm	Pleasanton
Mar. 8	Board Meeting	Chris Alesso	1:30 pm	Pleasanton
Mar. 8	Evening Books	Susan Wacek	7:30 pm	Pleasanton
Mar. 12	Daylight Savings Starts			
Mar. 13	Monday Night Bridge	Carol Guarnaccia	7:00 pm	Pleasanton
Mar. 17	Solo Dining	Berevino Cucina	6:00 pm	Dublin
Mar. 19	Mary Ann Karlsen Talk	Civic Ctr. Library	2:00 pm	Livermore
Mar. 23	Morning Books	Joyce Ridley	9:30 am	Livermore
Mar. 24?	S.F. Quilt Guild Event	Let's Go Group		
Mar. 27	Monday Night Bridge	Harriet Lawrie	7:30 pm	Dublin
Mar. 28	Duplicate Bridge	Nancy Rensink	7:00 pm	Pleasanton
Mar. 30	Dining Around	Baci's Café	6:00 pm	Pleasanton
Apr. 1	Leadership Day	Cal.St.East Bay	10-3 pm	Concord campus
Apr. 5?	Filoli Tour	Let's Go Group		
Apr. 29	Lunch/Annual meeting	Zephyr Restaurant	11:30 am	Livermore
May 12	<i>Evita</i> , the musical	Firehouse Arts Ctr.	8:00 pm	Pleasanton
Jun. 10	Potluck Brunch, Installa.	JoAnn Houk	9 & 10 am	Pleasanton

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