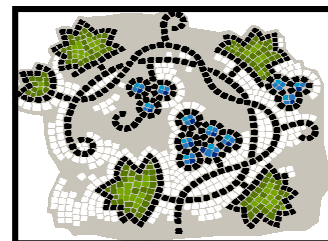




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What's happening on June 8?
at 10 am?

at JoAnn Houk's lovely home?

It's our annual potluck
brunch and installation of of-
ficers. This atmospheric river
of rain should have stopped
by then so come on out and
enjoy the morning. Since it's
a potluck here is what to
bring:

A-H breakfast casserole

I-N fruit or side dish

O-Z breakfast bread

Bring your food and your ex-
pectations of visiting with all
your AAUW friends in our fa-
mous California sunshine to

2169 Cameron Circle

Pleasanton

We'll need a count in order to have
enough tables and chairs so RSVP

Vicki-Dawn Rader

Or the evite that you will be
receiving.

See you there!

OFFICERS ELECTED for 2019-2020

President ... Devon LaHar

Program ... Maria Kennedy

Gwen Locke

Membership ... Marilyn Duman

Finance ... Chris Alesso

DIRECTORS-AT-LARGE

Communications ...Sandy Hansen

AAUW Fund ...Sandy Hansen

Publicity ... Roz Wright

Social Media ...Tina Amber

STEM ... Anita Massey

Nominating Committee:

Carolyn Kotch & Dot Bishop



Directions to JoAnn's Home:

Available in your directory.

**There will not be a new/old
board meeting before the
potluck.**

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Next Board Meeting

Wednesday

June 19 @ 1 pm

Chris Alesso

All members are

AAUW L-P-D

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Devon La Har



Our annual **Branch Installation Brunch** is upcoming. Join us on **Saturday 6/08/19** at JoAnn Houk's Pleasanton home (2169 Cameron Circle Drive for this chance to catch up with your AAUW friends. Don't we appreciate relaxing in JoAnn's lovely home and welcoming backyard?! We also look forward to hearing about our Tribute to Excellence and Named Gift Honoree recipients. Have you RSVP'd to attend? Check your email for a 4/18 Evite AAUW Brunch and Officer Installation and let us know that you will attend. Call Sal Tompkins or Maria Kennedy with questions.

Thanks, also, to Sal and Maria for gathering branch members to walk through Walnut Creek's **Bancroft Gardens** in May. This was the perfect time to see what cacti and succulents bloom in our area and to learn more about this Garden's emphasis on succulents and other drought-tolerant plants we need in California.

Look back on your interest group's involvement this year. Do you laugh or grow serious about a moment that you shared? The *Grapevine* is a great place to share! Send your memory to Grapevine editor Carol Guarnaccia. Comment on a favorite book that your group shared or highlight an activity that you would like to repeat. Share a branch member's accomplishment or challenge with us!

Devon



Speaking of the Ruth Bancroft Gardens, Maria Kennedy took this photo of Pat Mielke, Pam Copeland, Patty Rabada and Carol Guarnaccia last Friday. Thanks to Maria for arranging this beautiful garden tour.





MEMBERSHIP CORNER Marilyn Duman membership@aauw-lpd.org

Thank you to those who have renewed your memberships! I look forward to the rest of you renewing by the June 15th deadline. By now you should have received a renewal brochure in the mail as well as an emailed invoice from AAUW.

- If you would like to renew online, please use the personalized link contained in that email. It will take you directly to a form with your specific renewal information.
- Membership renewal as well as donations to the AAUW Fund can be made online using a credit card.
- If you would like to make a non-deductible donation to our branch general fund, please send checks to PO Box 661, Livermore CA 94551-0661.
- Donations to Tech Trek should also be made via separate check payable to AAUW-CA SPF, with "LPD Camp Curie" in the memo field and sent to the same PO Box.
- All information can be found on the renewal brochure which is also posted on our branch website. If you need a new email from AAUW with the personalized link, let me know and I will generate another invoice.

Please check your entry in the directory to verify that all information is correct. If you would like to make any changes, please let me know.

I look forward to seeing you at our installation potluck brunch on June 8th. Look for details elsewhere in this newsletter.

Marilyn

LPD SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION Ginny Reineking scholarship@aauw-lpd.org



We are still accepting donations for our non-event fundraiser, Cruising American Style. Please send your check to Ginny Reineking, 4123 Silver St., Pleasanton, 94566.

We will be selecting our scholarship recipients soon. Please consider donating if you haven't as yet. The cost of education has escalated so much that all help is appreciated.

Thank you, Vicki-Dawn Rader and Ginny Reineking



Tech Trek – June, July and August 2019

Just this week all eight of our 2019 Tech Trek campers and their parents had their Camp Curie questions answered at an Orientation Pizza Party. It was planned for JoAnn Houk's lovely back yard on Wednesday May 15th; unfortunately, due to weather we all had to move inside. A major thank you to JoAnn for her hospitality and her flexibility.

The evening allowed us to tell our girls everything they needed to know as new Trekkers. Also there to share their wisdom were six of our 2018 Trekkers, who enthusiastically regaled our newbies with their favorite camp stories and lots of helpful hints such as “**bring a fan**” and “**you can survive without a cell phone**”. It was heartwarming to hear their enthusiastic recollections of their time at camp – nearly a year later! – as well as their comments about how Tech Trek had changed their lives and impacted their choices in the classes they were now signing up for as they prepare to enter high school – not to mention the new friends they'd made, many of whom they keep in touch with! The LPD Tech Trek Committee members all left with big smiles on their faces, ever grateful to LPD members for their very generous support of this program.



Camp Curie 2019 will take place July 7-13, at Stanford University. On Wednesday, July 10 Devon LaHar and I will be visiting camp and participating in the Mad City Money event.

For those of you who read the *Independent*, one of our former Trekkers, Katie Wiest (2017) has been in the news twice recently. In mid-April Katie was part of Amador Valley High School's Chevron Design Challenge team. This 3-girl freshman team placed second out of 15 teams from the Bay Area. On May 4th, they placed 4th out of 18 teams at the California State Finals. In exchanging a congratulatory note with Katie she said, “Thank you for your support! It means a lot. Tech Trek has really inspired me to pursue engineering more.”

I'd like to echo Katie's thank you. Tech Trek could not offer STEM opportunities and encouragement to young women, like her, without the financial support from all of you. Anita

More from Anita Massey and Tech Trek—June, July and August 2019



**COCKTAILS &
CONVERSATIONS**

First Tuesdays @ 5:30 pm

June 4, July 2, August 6

Join us to discuss current events and/or whatever else comes up.
All opinions are welcome. Lots of lively conversations.

Always the first Tuesday of each month at 828 Main in Pleasanton

WHEN: June 4, July 2, August 6 @ 5:30 pm

WHERE: 828 Main, Pleasanton



The notecards chosen in the art contest by AAUW National have been distributed, a set of six different cards. These are similar to the one that our member, Charlotte Severin, won last year. If you haven't received them, contact AAUW at connect@aauw.org. (Remember, this hyperlink probably doesn't work, you will have to address your email yourself to request them.)

INTEREST GROUPS



DUPLICATE BRIDGE

Group Chair: Nancy Rensink
dubridge@aauw-lpd.org

DATE: Wednesday, **June 26** @ 7:00 pm
 Harriet Lawrie

DATE: Wednesday, **July 31** @ 7:00 pm
 Robin Morgan

DATE: Wednesday, **August 28** @ 7:00 pm
 Carol Guarnaccia



MORNING BOOKS

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

DATE: Thursday, **June 27** @ 9:30 am

HOSTESS : Gwen Locke

BOOK: *The Life We Bury*

AUTHOR: Allen Eskens

REVIEWER: Gwen Locke

HOSTESS: Gwen Locke

DATE: Thursday, **July 25** T.B.A.

DATE: No meeting in August



MONDAY NIGHT BRIDGE

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

The Monday Night Bridge Group meets
 the 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month @ 7 pm

DATE: Monday, **June 10**, 7 pm
 Margie Bodley

DATE: Monday, **June 24**, 7 pm
 Mercedes Daggett

DATE Monday, **July 8**, 7 pm
 Harriet Lawrie

DATE: Monday, **July 22**, 7 pm
 Karen Cowan

DATE: Monday, **August 12**, 7 pm
 Vicki-Dawn Rader

DATE: Monday, **August 26**, 7 pm
 T.B.A.



AFTERNOON BOOKS

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

DATE: Monday, **June 10** @ 1 pm

BOOK: *The Silver Pigs*

AUTHOR: Lindsey Davis

WHERE Heritage Estates, Livermore

HOSTESS: Helen Dourov

DATE: Monday, **July 8** @ 1 pm

BOOK: Leonardo da Vinci

AUTHOR: Walter Isaacson

HOSTESS: T.B.A.

DATE: Monday, **August 12** @ 1 pm

BOOK & LOCATION: T.B.A.

INTEREST GROUPS (CONTINUED)



EVENING BOOKS

Group Chair: Walter Morgan

pmbooks2@aauw-lpd.org

DATE: Wednesday, June 12 @ 7:30 pm

BOOK: *The Sandalwood Tree*

AUTHOR: Elle Newmark

REVIEWER: Connie Squires

HOSTESS/CO-HOSTESS:

Pat Mielke

DATE: Wednesday, JULY 10 @ 7:30 pm

BOOK: *The Reluctant Fundamentalist*

AUTHOR: Mohsin Hamid

REVIEWER: Joan Leighty

HOSTESS-CO-HOSTESS:

Chris Alesso

DATE: Wednesday, August 14 @ 7:30 pm

BOOK: *Where the Crawdads Sing*

REVIEWER, HOSTESS AND CO-HOSTESS:

Pam Copeland,



SOLO: GROUP FOR SINGLES

Group Chair: Sandie Brown

solodining@aauw-lpd.org

DATE: Friday, June 21 @ 5:30 pm

WHERE: Esin Restaurant and Bar
750 Camino Ramon, Danville

DATE: Friday, July 19 @ 5:30 pm

WHERE: China Paradise
4580 Dublin Blvd., Dublin

DATE: Friday, August 16 @ 5:30 pm

WHERE: Faz
5121 Hopyard, Pleasanton

Contact Sandie Brown several days before about attending.



Mah Jongg, American Style

Group Chair: JoAnn Houk

mahjongg@aauw-lpd.org

If you are interested please contact JoAnn Houk (mahjongg@aauw-lpd.org) or Anita Massey.



LADIES LUNCH 'N MURDER

Group Chair: Maria Kennedy

DATES: Third Mondays, 11:30 am
June 17, July 15, & August 19

WHERE: Sunshine Saloon
1807 Santa Rita Rd., Pleasanton

Join us on the third **Monday of each month** for a discussion of our latest authors and a tasty lunch.



MISSION DISCUSSION GROUP

Group Chair: Chris Alesso

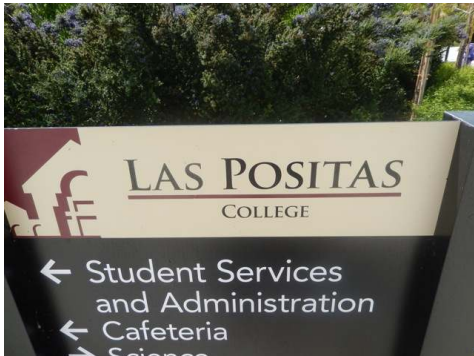
advocacy@aauw-lpd.org

DATES: Second Thursdays @ 10:00 am
June 13, July 11, August 8

WHERE: Sweet & Savory
5685 Gibraltar Ave., Pleasanton

This Mission Discussion Group meets on the second Thursday of the month at Sweet & Savory. Each month we choose a topic for study and review with each member bringing information to share.

Susan Wacek, Chair, Scholarship Selection Committee
scholarship@aauw-lpd.org



**Alisha Shaik from Las Positas College
Winner of our sponsored AAUW Tribute to Excellence Award**

Our branch's donation is making a difference in helping Alisha reach her dream of being a doctor.

I had a chance to attend this wonderful ceremony at L.P.C. and meet Alisha. She is a fine young woman and I was proud to represent our branch at this worthy event. We hope to meet her at the June 8 potluck.
Susan Wacek

COMMUNICATIONS Sandy Hansen communications@aauw-lpd.org

COFFEE "AND"

Thursday, June 6, July 4 (a holiday, should we meet?) & August 1 @ 10 am

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

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

WHEN: **June 6, July 4? & August 1, 10 am**

WHERE: Sweet & Savory, 5685 Gibraltar Dr. Pleasanton

An online archive for branch history and documents has been established. Sandy has received a bag of photos that need identification so that they can eventually be found in the archive.

Lets retire these photos and have some laughs at our June "Coffee AND" the first Thursday in June, the 6th. Why don't you go through your old AAUW photos and scrapbooks and bring them to the meeting for our edification and identification?

We might do this again in July or August at Coffee "AND".



AAUW Livermore-Pleasanton-Dublin Nominates Named Gift Honorees

Each year, branches of AAUW (American Association of University Women) nominate one or more **Named Gift Honorees**. This honor gives special recognition to AAUW members who have done outstanding work to promote the programs and goals of the AAUW Fund and/or AAUW California. Each branch can nominate a gift honoree for each \$750 it contributes to the AAUW Fund.

AAUW Livermore-Pleasanton-Dublin honors the following three women for their outstanding branch and community service to promote educational and economic access for girls and women.



Dr. Kelly Bowers: Honored for her support of AAUW LPD STEM and STEAM programs for girls. Dr. Bowers is Livermore Valley Joint USD Superintendent of Schools (9 years), previously LVJUSD Assistant Superintendent of Schools (3 years), named Superintendent of the Year, Region VI (Association of California School Administrators ACSA), and Distinguished Alumna of the Year, California State University East Bay (2016-17).



Anita Massey: Honored for her work both as AAUW LPD President and current STEM Outreach board director. Anita's professional life included being a Human Resources Director (Comcast) and Human Resources Lead for Regional IT Operations (Kaiser Permanente). Her professional jobs included executive level coaching, labor negotiations, and reorganization planning. Anita now spends considerable time organizing and leading such AAUW projects as the annual Tech Trek experience for 8th grade girls.



Diane Keller: Honored for creating, piloting, and leading AAUW LPD's Planning for College evenings for female high school juniors and their parents. Diane helps students and parents to successfully navigate the educational path from high school to college. She specializes in connecting students with colleges that specifically fit their academic, social, and financial goals. Diane brings her years of experience in both public and private education (College Connection, Livermore) to AAUW LPD Planning for College.

We hope to visit with these outstanding women when they are awarded their certificates at our June 8 potluck/installation at JoAnn Houk's home.

AAUW is a non-profit grassroots organization which has empowered women as individuals and as a community since 1881. AAUW improves economic and educational access for women nationally and internationally.

From Sandy Hansen: if you have anything for branch distribution before late August, please let me know. communications@aauw-lpd.org



Two of the cloud services we have used in AAUW are Google Docs and Dropbox . Although there are others, these two services are relatively easy to use and have features that make them useful for groups.

Cloud services store and protect documents - if your computer breaks and you have your documents uploaded into the cloud your documents will still be there. Also, you can access documents from anywhere, on any device and you can allow others to have access also.

Both Dropbox and Google Docs are free.

The AAUW Board is in the process of transferring all current and historical files to Google Docs. One Page 8 of this newsletter, please read Sandy Hansen's invitation to bring AAUW photos to the Coffee "AND" meeting on June 6th at Sweet & Savory.

Personally, I used Dropbox to store my 20,000 photos and all family records. If you are interested in more info about either of these services, or others, contact me and I would be pleased to help you.

Tina

Taken from the *Independent* obituaries on May 2:

June Gabrielle Schaefer, a long time member of L-P-D AAUW, passed away April 12 at age 93. She joined AAUW in July 1965. June was a woman ahead of her time. During World War II she studied drafting at a time when few women did so. Later, she worked for Consolidated Aircraft in San Diego drafting instrument panels for the B-24 Liberator aircraft. She met and married Henry Schaefer, lived in New Orleans, both attended Tulane University. June graduated Phi Beta Kappa in Chemistry. They returned to California where June worked as a chemist for Shell Development in Emeryville. Then June worked as a technical writer putting her scientific education to good use, truly a woman ahead of her time.

Susan Wacek, Chair, Scholarship Selection Committee



Scholarship Foundation Update

We have several great candidates already and are looking forward to receiving more. Devon LaHar, Roz Wright and I will be reviewing them all and will be sure to find some worthy young women.

Thank you , again, for your donations to help ease some of the financial responsibility for these women due to rising college/university fees, etc.

We will know the winners by this coming July. Stay tuned ...

Susan



CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS 2018-2019

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME	CITY
June 4	Cocktails & Conversation	828 Main	5:30 pm	Pleasanton
June 6	Coffee "AND"	Sweet & Savory	10:00 am	Pleasanton
June 8	Potluck/Installation	JoAnn Houk's Home	10:00 am	Pleasanton
June 10	Afternoon Books	Heritage Estates	1:00 pm	Livermore
June 10	Monday Night Bridge	Margie Bodley	7:00 pm	Dublin
June 12	Evening Books	Pat Mielke	7:30 pm	Pleasanton
June 13	Mission Discussion Group	Sweet & Savory	10:00 am	Pleasanton
June 17	Ladies Lunch 'n Murder	Sunshine Saloon	11:30 am	Pleasanton
June 21	Solo Dining	Esin Restaurant	5:30 pm	San Ramon
June 24	Monday Night Bridge	Mercedes Daggett	7:00 pm	San Ramon
June 26	Duplicate Bridge	Harriet Lawrie	7:00 pm	Dublin
June 27	Morning Books	Gwen Locke	9:30 am	Pleasanton
July 2	Cocktails & Conversation	828 Main	5:30 pm	Pleasanton
July 8	Afternoon Books	T.B.A.	1:00 pm	T.B.A.
July 8	Monday Night Bridge	Harriet Lawrie	7:00 pm	Dublin
July 10	Evening Books	Chris Alesso	7:30 pm	Pleasanton
July 11	Mission Discussion Group	Sweet & Savory	10:00 am	Pleasanton
July 15	Ladies Lunch 'n Murder	Sunshine Saloon	11:30 am	Pleasanton
July 19	Solo Dining	China Paradise	5:30 pm	Dublin
July 22	Monday Night Bridge	Karen Cowan	7:00 pm	Livermore
July 25	Morning Books	T.B.A.	9:30 am	T.B.A.
July 31	Duplicate Bridge	Robin Morgan	7:00 pm	Pleasanton
August 1	Coffee "AND"	Sweet & Savory	10:00 am	Pleasanton
August 6	Cocktails & Conversation	828 Main	5:30 pm	Pleasanton
August 8	Mission Discussion Group	Sweet & Savory	10:00 am	Pleasanton
August 12	Afternoon Books	T.B.A.	1:00 pm	T.B.A.
August 12	Monday Night Bridge	Vicki-Dawn Rader	7:30 pm	Pleasanton
August 14	Evening Books	Pam Copeland	7:30 pm	Livermore
August 16	Solo Dining	Faz	5:30 pm	Pleasanton
August 19	Ladies Lunch 'n Murder	Sunshine Saloon	11:30 am	Pleasanton
August 26	Monday Night Bridge	T.B.A.		
August 28	Duplicate Bridge	Carol Guarnaccia	7:00 pm	Pleasanton
Sept. 21	Fall Welcome LPD Meet.	Lynnewood Meth. Church	T.B.A.	Pleasanton
Oct. 6	Annual Fund Luncheon	Crow Canyon Country Club		Danville



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By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women and girls have a fair chance.

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WOMEN AND GIRLS TO
REACH THEIR HIGHEST
POTENTIAL.**

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(hopefully formatted) to Carol for the
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by August 18th or sooner