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Author's Luncheon 2017

Meet our Three Local Authors Fundraiser to Benefit the AAUW Funds

Thursday, February 16, 2017

The Terraces of Los Gatos, 800 Blossom Hill Rd, Los Gatos

11:00 am No-host Wine Bar | 11:45 am Lunch

\$55 (\$24 tax deductible) | Make Your Reservations by February 9, 2017.

SADMIT ONE

Read the reviews of the latest books by our guest authors: Janet Dawson, Shelly King and Anne Heffron on page 4 of this Grapevine issue.



Janet Dawson



Shelly King



Anne Heffron

Coming Soon...

Remember to Save the Date for:

Saturday, March 18; 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Saratoga Blossom Festival

The branch will have a table with AAUW information so stop by and say "hello."

Where: Heritage Orchard and the area around the Civic Center, 13777 Fruitvale Ave, Saratoga



Saturday, March 11; 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

AAUW Leadership Training

Open to anyone interested in learning or improving leadership skills. \$30 fee includes box lunch. Check the spring issue of the Perspective magazine from AAUW-California for more details.

Where: San Jose City College, located at Bascom Ave and Moorpark Ave, San Jose

Sponsored by the AAUW California.

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Letter from the Leadership Team



Looking for a Few Good Leaders For Next Year!

We are looking for members who can help lead our branch in the coming year, 2017-2018. We need officers (in particular the President and/or President Elect) who can take a more prominent leadership role. We also need people for our various committees and administrative functions like bylaws and website liaison. You can choose from a wide range of tasks and positions; check the directory for a list of the board positions.

Are you willing to help?

The Board meets once a month (September through May, with a special meeting in June), then members work independently or within a committee to carry out the various activities. It's a great

way to get to know other members! And you'll help keep the AAUW a vital organization in the Los Gatos and Saratoga area.

If you are interested in helping, or if you would like more information about a particular job, please contact Virginia Turner, (*Past President*) (408) 866-4234 or by email vaturner@sbcglobal.com.

Excellent supporting materials and information that will assist you in doing various jobs are available through the AAUW national website, the California website and from current board members.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to further the mission of AAUW!



Go Online & Check Out

2017 AAUW National Convention

Let's Come Together and Move Forward!

June 14 – 17 in Washington D.C.

The AAUW National Convention is all about learning. Connect with people who have new and creative ideas, explore various ways to expand AAUW's work, and develop valuable skills in diverse workshops at the convention.

Join us! For information regarding the Convention go to convention.aauw.org

Los Gatos-Saratoga AAUW

2017 English Tea & Silent Auction



Benefit for Homeless Women and Children & Local Scholarships

Saturday, April 8, 2017* | 2:00 – 4:00 pm Joan Pisani Community and Senior Center

19655 Allendale Ave, Saratoga



Door Prizes Jewelry Table

TICKETS Contact Sharon Kelkenberg (650) 962-1656

Seating limited to 150

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Preview of the 2017 Author's Luncheon Speakers

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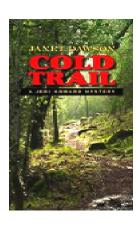
About the Books . . .



"Books don't change people's lives, not like everyone thinks they do," Maggie Duprés states at the beginning of her book. Maggie got her master's in library science in South Carolina before moving to Silicon Valley with her best friend, Dizzy. Back home, Maggie's bookishness and Dizzy's homosexuality marked them as outsiders, but in Silicon Valley, they find success and fly high until Maggie's job is outsourced to India.

Unemployed and drifting, she turns to her guilty pleasure, romance novels. Maggie undergoes a turning point at a book club of high-profile businesswomen who are reading *Lady Chatterly's Lover*. To impress Avi Narayan, the book club's founder, Maggie revamps the Dragonfly bookstore (*her hangout*), infusing it with good business sense, good book sense and a boost from her copy of *Lady Chatterly*: love notes written in the margins between two unknown people.

Shelly King packs lots of twists, turns and a sultry love interest into the story, and Maggie is an enjoyable counterpoint to the Dragonfly's community of misfits.

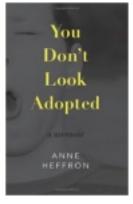


When there's evidence that a PI's brother has disappeared, she uses her skills to uncover the truth about his life in *Cold Trail*.

The Sonoma County Coroner's office calls in Jeri Howard to identify a John Doe; the case is personal as the body was found near her brother's bracelet. Jeri is relieved to report to her family that the body is not Brian's, though it doesn't solve the mystery of where he has been since leaving on a hiking trip the week before. Jeri tries to find out more information from Brian's wife, Sheila, but gets more than she'd bargained for when Sheila says that Brian has been having an affair. Seems like this is not the only secret Brian may be hiding. Maybe there was a reason for Brian's quickie move from Sonoma to Petaluma other than just getting a new teaching job.

Will the identity of the body on the boat lead Jeri to her missing brother? Is Brian a victim or a potential suspect for murder? It feels like the more Jeri uncovers, the less she knows following this *Cold Trail*.





Adoption can be tricky. It's a wonderful thing to be chosen, to be brought up by loving parents, but in order for this to happen, there has to be an initial abandonment, and this loss can settle like a seed of unease affecting an entire life.

Anne Heffron, who was adopted at ten weeks old, embarked on a three-month journey she called "Write or Die", leaving California for her birth place, New York City, in order to tell her own story.

Anne met Kitty Stockett, the author of *The Help*, at a writer's retreat. Kitty offered the use of her Manhattan apartment for a month. Anne ended up staying in New York for 93 days. Kitty's generosity to a near stranger changed a life.

Anne gave up her apartment, put her stuff into storage, visited her daughter attending Berkeley and went to New York. Finding more than just her story, Anne found her roots and herself.

You Don't Look Adopted is a look at what it means to live in the world as someone who was both chosen and given away.

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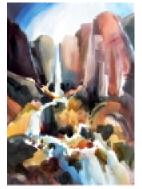
Members on the Move

Mother and Daughter Artists Gallery Exhibit



Golden Half Dome, (picture to left) Judy Duffy (daughter), photography

Yosemite Falls, (pictured to right)
Kay Duffy (mother), watercolors



Mother and daughter share a love of Yosemite National Park at a very special show at the *Aegis Galley of Fine Art* in downtown Saratoga.

Based on their recent excursions to Yosemite, this is a joint exhibition with Kay Duffy and her daughter (*Judy Duffy*). Photography works along with Kay's watercolor paintings and sketches are shown.

Dates of Show: February 28 – March 26, 2017 **Opening Reception:** Friday, March 4, 2017 4:00 – 7:00 pm (*Join us for the Opening Reception!*) **Location:** Aegis Gallery of Fine Art (14531 Big Basin

Way at 4th Street, in downtown Saratoga)

Kay Duffy is a longtime Los Gatos-Saratoga AAUW member, co-leader of the Hikes and Walks group and the branch Communications (recording secretary).

AAUW IS HOSTING A WORKSHOP NEAR YOU!

San Jose-Santa Clara AAUW is Co-sponsoring this event.

Saturday, February 11, 2017 | 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Willow Glen Library, Community Room (1157 Minnesota Ave, San Jose)

Women Leaders Needed

Our guest speaker, Ellen Hohbach Scheetz – the founder of *Authentic You*, is a certified coach and consultant specializing in serving individuals and organizations that care about eliminating gender bias.

Gender Leadership Gap

Women are much less likely than men to be in leadership positions. In universities, businesses, courts, unions, and religious institutions, male leaders outnumber female leaders by wide margins.

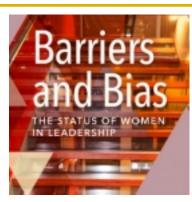
To get the most out of this workshop, do the following two things before attending the workshop.

1. Complete beforehand AAUW's 10-minute implicit bias test on

- leader-ship at www.aauw.org/ article/implicit-association-test/
- 2. Read as much of *Barriers and Bias: The Status of Women in Leadership*. Free PDF copies of the booklet are also available at aauw.org

Turning AAUW's Latest Report into Action!

Ready to hear new perspectives on women in leadership? Ready to grow in your own leadership abilities? You're invited to be part of a lively, interactive workshop that will inform and inspire. This workshop is focused on using AAUW's latest report to propel your own efforts in leadership and in increasing the number of women and girls in leadership.



Learn How to:

- Be even more effective in decreasing gender bias in leadership
- Leverage your experiences by sharing what works and what doesn't with others
- Hear how this test and report can help your efforts
- Learn new perspectives and new information
- Leave with specific steps you can use in your daily life

You will leave with an individualized plan that is right for you and your goals.

A special coaching package will also be available to attendees. Workshop attendees are eligible for a free follow-up call with the facilitator, a certified coach, to get additional support.

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AAUW San Jose - Gifts for Teens

2016 Another Successful Year!

Gifts for Teens wish to thank all the AAUW members who so generously donated cash/items or their time filling holiday gift bags in 2016. With your help, **Gifts for Teens** was able to reach our goal of filling 1,210 bags and provided 73 extra gifts. The bags, estimated value between \$150 and \$200 each, were warmly received by local low-income or homeless teens. These teen would have gone without access to agencies who can provide essential services or enjoyed any holiday cheer this year.

Gifts for Teens offers a special "thank you" to Sacred Heart Community Services for their generous donation of snack food items and to Whole Foods Market – Blossom Hill for their store gift card donation. The teens at Sacred Heart Community Services, Unity Care Group, Bill Wilson Center, Advent



and HomeFirst had a brighter holiday thanks to our volunteers. Your assistance and generosity helped to make a difference!

–Jan Giroux, *Gifts for Teens* jgiroux603@aol.com



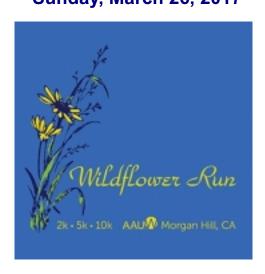
Read the article on pages 18 – 21 in the latest AAUW OUTLOOK magazine.

Is the Glass Ceiling Actually Concrete?

"Men greatly outnumber women in leadership positions, especially in top positions... Most books and articles on this subject offer advice to individual women on how to **stand up**, **step up**, **lean in**, **and make their voices heard**. But the leadership gap is significant, persistent, and systemic, and individual choices alone simply will not solve the problem."

Barriers and Bias: The Status of Women in Leadership Report. See the Workshop co-sponsored by AAUW and San Jose-Santa Clara AAUW (bottom of page 4). Attend this special event – Saturday, February 11th.

34th ANNUAL WILDFLOWER RUN Sunday, March 26, 2017



Fundraiser for AAUW Funds, Tech Trek and Local Scholarships for Women and Girls at the Live Oak High School, Morgan Hill.

- 10K USATF Certified Run
- 5K Run/Walk/Stroller
- Kids' 2K Fun Run
- Senior 2K Run/Walk (ages 60+)

Free Jamba Juice Smoothies and T-shirts

Family and Group rates
Reduced registration fees
through March 16, 2017

Registration Information is available at the website www.WildflowerRun.org

(You can register by mail)
Easy Online Registration at racemine.com or active.com



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Photos of 2016 Holiday Party at the Georgia Travis Home!







Top Left, JoAn Lambert and Sharon Kelkenberg stacking the wrapped gifts on the stairs for collection; Botton Left, Nancy Anderson, chair and JoAn Lambert, treasurer; Above Right, Committee members wrapping, tagging and ribboning the gifts for the Homeless Party Guests.

HELP THE HOWELESS

The Reads for PM Book Group!

7:30 pm, Saratoga Retirement Community

February's Book

Book: "The Wright Brothers" Author: David McCollough Reviewer: Ann Roberts

AAUW "Half-Year" Membership!

Starting January 1 and through March 15, the **cost of a national AAUW membership** is only \$24.50 for the rest of the program year instead of the regular cost of \$49. The annual dues for California AAUW (\$20) and for our Los Gatos-Saratoga branch (\$20) do not change. What that means for new members is that they only pay \$64.50 for a membership that extends through June 30, 2017.

Maybe that doesn't sound like such a big deal – saving \$24.50. But if one of your friends or neighbors has been thinking about joining and just hasn't quite decided, it could be enough of a saving to make the difference. They would be supporting the goal of AAUW to "advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research" and enjoying everything



that AAUW has to offer them personally.

As you begin to work on your 2016 tax returns, you should know that part of your **national dues may be tax-deductible** on your income taxes. Of your national dues, which are normally \$49, a total of \$46 is tax-deductible if you are itemizing this year. Branch and state dues are NOT tax-deductible.

For membership forms and more information, contact Virginia Turner at (408) 866-4234 or by email at vaturner@sbcglobal.net or visit our branch website www.aauwlgs.org.

-Virginia Turner Membership Chair



David McCollough

March's Book

Book: "The Man Called Ove" Author: Frederick Backman Reviewer: Marilyn Lenomand



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February 2017 AAUW Calendar

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| 2 | Thursday | Trail Clean-up + exercise, back-by-noon, coffee or lunch. Meet 9:00 am Los Gatos in "Free Parking – Northside Lot" behind Starbucks. Bring gloves and clippers, if you have them. Bags and grabbers provided. Questions? Jane Bishop, (408) 356-7796; Kay Duffy, (408) 867-0508. |
| 3 | Friday | Travel "Armchair" Adventures. Meets 7:30 pm at Terraces of Los Gatos, 800 Blossom Hill Rd, Los Gatos. Program: "A Whirlwind Journey through South Africa" presented by World Travelers Bob Feigelson and Michael Marron. Chair: JoAn Lambert (408) 867-4383. Visitors Welcome. |
| 6 | Monday | Board Meeting. Meets 3:00 pm in the Community Room at the Saratoga Fire Station, corner of Saratoga Ave. & Saratoga-Las Gatos Rd. |
| 7 | Tuesday | Conversation in Spanish. Meets 1:30-3:00 pm at Barbara Davis's home (7608 Erin Way, Cupertino). Join us to develop, maintain, or improve your conversational skills. RSVP Chair: Sharon Kelkenberg, (650) 962-1656. Visitors are Welcome! |
| 9 | Thursday | Scenic Hikes & Walks. <i>Livermore Ramble</i> – VALENTINES DAY. Bring your lover or best friend on this easy hike along a lovely creekside trail to picnic and taste at Wente Winery. Meet promptly! 9:00 am at Los Gatos in "Free Parking-Northside Lot" back behind Starbucks. Questions? Jane Bishop, 356-7796; Kay Duffy, 867-0508. New Hikers Welcome! |
| 14 | Tuesday | Committee for Homeless Women and Children. Meets 3:30 pm at Nancy Anderson's home (13561 Lomond Ct, Saratoga). RSVP: Chair, Nancy Anderson, (408) 867-4383. Come and Help! |
| 15 | Wednesday | Let's Do Lunch. Meets 12:30 pm at <i>Park View Kitchen Restaurant</i> in the Juniper Hotel (10059 South. De Anza Blvd, Cupertino (corner De Anza Blvd and Steven's Creek Rd). RSVP: Dr. Babs Davis, (408) 252-7608. Chair Joanna Yates, (408) 395-2950. Friendly Group, Join Us! |
| 16 | Thursday | Author's Luncheon – Fundraiser for AAUW Funds. 11:00 am No-Host Wine Bar; 11:45 am Lunch; followed by our local authors. The Terraces – Los Gatos (800 Blossom Hill Rd, Los Gatos). Cost: \$55. Make your reservations by February 9, 2017 to attend this popular event. (See the front page and the flyer for details about reservations, and read about the author's books on page 3) |
| 17 | Friday | AM Book Review. Meets 9:30 am. Bring a book (<i>good or bad</i>) you would like to talk about. For meeting location, contact chair Margaret Bard, (408) 377-6625. Find Your Next Great Read! |
| 21 | Tuesday | PM Book Group. Meets 7:30 pm in the Saratoga Retirement Community (14500 Fruitvale Ave, #6150, Saratoga). Book: The Wright Brothers, by David McCullough. Reviewer: Ann Roberts. Chair: Marlene Lamb, (408) 497-1555. All Book Lover's Welcome. |
| 23 | Thursday | Back-by-Noon Hike. Exercise on nearby trails, coffee or lunch. Meet promptly! 9:00 am in Saratoga at Argonaut Center, (way out in front of CVS). Questions? Jane Bishop, (408) 356-7796; Kay Duffy, (408) 867-0508. New Hikers Welcome! |
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| 28 | Tuesday | Film Buffs. Meets 1:30 pm at the home of Barbara Lea (121 Strathmore Pl, Los Gatos) RSVP Barbara Lea, (408) 354-2287. Chair: Marlene Lamb, (408) 497-1555. Movie Lovers Welcome! |
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BOARD NOTES – At the January 9th Board Meeting

- 1. **Finance Report:** Members donated \$4,425 in response to the October *"appeal"* letter. (Tech Trek = \$1,235; Local Scholarships = \$1,315; Committee on Homeless Women & Children = \$1,775.)
- 2. Committee on Homeless: Due to a catering conflict, the date for the English Tea & Silent Auction has been changed to Saturday, April 8. (See the save the date notice on page 2.)
- 3. **Local Scholarship:** Correction Julie Stevens will be **in training to be a co-chair** with Sumi Tanabe (*Not to be "replacing" Sumi*). There will be 2 scholarship given this year. \$1,500 each for women in math and science transferring from West Valley College to a 4-year University.
- 4. **Tech Trek:** Cynthia Miller reported that we have enough money raised to send 6 girls this year.. The nomination process is just beginning.



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Meet our three authors and have them autograph their books







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Shelly King

Anne Heffron

Janet Dawson, author of Cold Trail; Where the Bodies are Buried, and many others
Shelly King, author of Moment of Everything
Anne Heffron, author of You Don't Look Adopted and co/writer with Antonia Bogdanovich of the film Phantom Halo

Invite your friends to a delightful afternoon of good food and interesting book talk No/host wine bar will open at 11:00 am; lunch will be served at 11:45 am

Open Seating – tables of eight

Cost is \$55.00 per person, (\$24.00 is tax deductible)

Luncheon – Choice of Entrée, a Garden Salad, choice of Coffee, Soda, Iced Tea, and Tiramisu for dessert Choice of Entrées – (1) Chicken Picatta; (2) Salmon with Orange Hollandaise Sauce; (3) Vegetarian Lasagna

Make Check Payable to AAUW FUNDS and include your menu choice with your check.

Send the Names of your Guests and their Entrée Choices as well

Mail to Eleanor Yick, 105 Stacia St, Los Gatos, 95030 | Tel. 408-354-7473 (*Include your email to receive a confirmation that your check has been received*)

Reservations with payment must be received by February 9, 2017 to guarantee your attendance!