Los Gatos-Saratoga Branch American Association of University Women

# Grapevine

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# June, July and August 2013

#### Join the Hikes and Walks for Summer Fun and Adventure!



friendship. We walk every second Thursday (*longer Scenic–Hikes*) and fourth Thursday (*Back-by-Noon Walks*). Join us for fun exploration that will work off those calories. Beginners can bring a walking companion for a shorter or slower hike.

Our Hikes and Walks continue all summer! Don't miss the exercise, adventure and

In the summer months we will be going to the cool coast under the redwoods, for our annual beach cleanup, and a very special trip in September to San Francisco walking along the bay to see all of those weird America's Cup boats. Check the calendar in this Grapevine issue for the details and the schedule. –Kay Duffy and Jane Bishop, co-chairs

# FOLLOW THE JOURNEY – HIKING THE PACIFIC CREST TRAIL TO BENEFIT MS

Christopher (the son of Kay, *Hikes & Walks co-chair*, and Bill Duffy) is hiking a 2,655 miles trail from Mexico to Canada. Chris is hiking to raise money for Muscular Dystrophy (MS) which afflicts one of our granddaughters. He is hoping for pledges as encouragement to complete this gruelingly long hike.

If you would like to follow his adventure go to the website www.doafmaster.com, where you can also contribute. (Chris "doaf" er Duffy, age 49)

As of June 1, 2013, Chris has gone 1/3 of the distance from the border, hiking 20 or more miles a day. Mom and Dad are hiking vicariously with him via his email maps and blogs. What and adventure! Check out the website above and share the wonderful photographs of each days hikes.

Christopher Duffy

# **Annual Planning Meeting Makes Next Year Successful!**

Old & New Boards Potluck

#### Saturday, June 8

11:30 am - 2:00 pm

at the home of Helen Lemmon, 20653 Woodward Ct, Saratoga, 867-0575.

RSVP to Lavonne Marafino, 867-1964.

This planning meeting is the **keystone** for next year's SUCCESS! Please come: All newly Elected Officers, All Appointed Members, and this year's Chairwomen of the Month. AND everyone who wants to make a difference in our branch. Open to all our valued members.

Bring a salad, an appetizer or a dessert treat to share at lunch. Tea, lemonade and ice water will be provided.



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# **Presidential Message**

# Reach Out! within the Branch, and within the Community

The summer may be here but your AAUW Board will not be idle over the next several months. We welcome your suggestions and comments as we plan the programs and events to be held in the coming year.

My hope for this year is that our branch will truly **REACH OUT** and grow stronger.

We will **REACH OUT** to our continuing members to keep them connected and informed. This effort will include interesting monthly general meetings, our many interest groups, and our two fundraisers. How can you help? Feel free to offer any ideas you may have for good speakers or programs that address our organization's commitment to equity for women and girls. Join one of the committees working on a specific topic. And try to attend the programs and groups that most interest you.

We will **REACH OUT** to potential members who may not know about AAUW and our efforts to advance equity for women and girls. Every member can tell friends and family about AAUW and invite new members to join us.

We will **REACH OUT** to our local community through our support of our local projects - Tech Trek, Local Scholarships, and the Committee for Homeless Women and Children – and our national projects through AAUW Funds, supporting the Education Foundation and the Legal Advocacy Fund. Many of our monthly meetings will be open to the public so that they can learn about us and help us. Invite your neighbors and friends to these meetings, or offer a ride to someone who might not otherwise be able to attend.

Everyone interested in planning for next year is welcome to attend the Old & New Board Potluck. Join us! Your ideas and help are welcome and will be greatly appreciated. (See the boxed information on the bottom of the front page.)

Thank you for your membership in AAUW. It is truly an honor and privilege for me to be serving such an active organization with so many bright, educated women!

-Virginia Turner President 2013-14

phone 408-866-4234; or email vaturner@sbcglobal.net

## News from April 2013 Awards Celebration and Potluck!

Every year two hard-working and dedicated Los Gatos-Saratoga members are awarded the 'Named Gift Honoree'.

We are very lucky to have two such deserving honorees selected for 2012-2013. Thank you to both Sarah and Charlene for your service!

#### Sarah Model Awarded Named Gift Honoree

I'm pleased to introduce a 'Named Gift Honoree'. Sarah Model is a 16 year member and has been a real "worker bee" in the branch. If you need something done – she will do it.

A transplanted Easterner, Sarah loves California. She has a daughter and a son and four grandchildren. She is a financial whiz. With her children grown she travels a lot – like to the exotic Pacific Islands. Sarah and her husband, Klaus, also enjoy sailing on the San Francisco bay.

She has been active on the board in some capacity or other. She was longtime assistant *Grapevine* editor, worked with Sharon Kelkenberg, helped in Great Decisions, has been a longtime helper on the Author's Luncheon committee (naming only a few of her activities). Next year she will be our Sunshine Chair.

I first met her on the Board when I was suggesting an Interest Group called "Independent Women" (originally "Being On Your Own"). Immediately she volunteered to be co-chair. Fun to work with and with lots of good ideas, she talked her son into doing an e-Bay presentation for the group.

One of the 2012-13 'Named Gift Honorees' is Sarah Model.

# **Send in Your Membership Renewals**

It is time to renew your membership. Remember to update any changes in contact information on your Application. Keep our records up-to-date so that the 2013-14 Directory is up-to-date.

As you send in your renewals for 2012- 2013, consider a donation to the Branch operations. Your donations are allowing us to build the reserve account and improve the Branch's financial stability.

If you have any questions about your membership, call Gail Pedersen, (*Interim*) Membership Treasurer at 408-377-6895

Thank you. Pat Khan, Finance VP

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#### **Charlene Bunger Awarded Branch Named Gift Honoree**

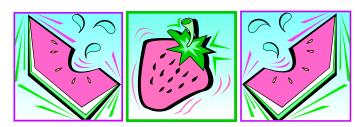
I'm pleased to present one of today's honorees. Charlene Bunger was born and raised in the South. She received her BS in Education from Central Missouri State University and a MS and License from Dominican College in family and child therapy. She had a practice for over 15 years, but first Charlene decided to see the world and accepted a teaching job in Germany where, in 1960, she met her future husband, Ken. They married in 1962 while still in Germany and have just celebrated their 52<sup>nd</sup> anniversary.

After a while, they returned to the USA, finally settling in Santa Rosa, California. Charlene taught while also helping to raise three children. She also had a her private therapy practice and was a counselor for a local the Santa Rosa high school district. She was also an educational consultant from 2002-2010.

In 1996, she and her husband, Ken, opened a private primary school for 20 children in Santa Rosa and Charlene taught at until 2004. During this time, they also opened a preschool for 44 children. Obviously this member likes to keep busy! After selling the schools in 2004, they decided to relocate to Santa Clara both for health reasons and to be near a grandson. Later the Bungers moved to the Los Gatos area.

For hobbies she enjoys crossword puzzles, and likes to read and garden. She became a member of the Los Gatos-Saratoga branch several years ago and immediately became active in many areas.

Recovering from some health problems, Charlene can't be here today. Her daughter, Shawn Bunger, will accept this award on her behalf today. Our other 2012-13 'Named Gift Honoree' is Charlene Bunger.



## Sunshine to a **Member in Need!**

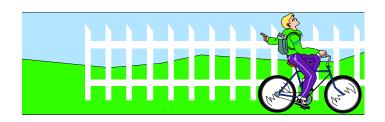
Do you know anyone who is ill or in need of support? Please send her information to our new Sunshine Chair, Sarah Model.

Contact Sarah at 408-354-7819, or fritznbits@aol.com

## **Next Year's Elected Officers** & Appointed Board Members

#### **Elected Branch Officers for 2013-2014**

President – Virginia Turner President Elect - OPEN Financial VP - Pat Khan Membership VP - Charlene Bunger Membership Treasurer - OPEN Communications – Lavonne Marafino Program VP - Shirley Cancellieri AAUW Funds VP – Geri Williams Legal Advocacy Fund VP – Arleen Pickett



#### **Appointed Board Members for 2013-2014**

By-Laws – Marge Bunyard Calendar Editor – Sharon Kelkenberg

Choice Chair – Joyce Sogg

Database Manager and Name Tags - Louise Quenon

Directory Advertising – Helen Lemmon

Directory Editor - Gail Pedersen

Barbara Lea (Directory proof-reader)

General Meeting Refreshments – various Interest Groups

General Meeting Greeters - Ann Fenolio, Beth Goldfaden,

Audry Lynch, and Mary Pastrone

Grapevine Editor - Gail Pedersen

Joyce Sogg (Grapevine proof-reader)

Historian – Jean Wenberg

Interbranch Council Representative – Nancy Hobbs

Interest Group Coordinator - OPEN

Local Scholarship Chair - Sumi Tanabe

Nominating Committee Chair – **OPEN** 

Parliamentarian – Sharon Kelkenberg

Photographer - Margaret Bard

Public Policy - Linda Hagelin

Publicity – Joan Kjemtrup

Sunshine Chair - Sarah Model

Tech Trek Chair – Blenda Mariani

Web Liaison – Sharon Kelkenberg

West Valley College Rep - OPEN

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## Hats Off to a Successful English Tea!

There were hats aplenty at West Valley College on April 27, so a difficult decision had to be made: Which hats were most deserving of prizes? The Committee composed of Nancy Hobbs, Sumi Tanabe, and Jean Wenberg discussed, debated, and finally decided that the Most Original award went to Nikki McAlister, the Most Beautiful award went to Audry Lynch, and the Most Humorous/Comical award went to Paula Senn. Thanks to everyone who wore such amazing hats — and thanks to Margaret Bard and Louise Quenon for the great pictures!

The Silent Auction and Jewelry tables, under the watchful eye of JoAn Lambert, drew a lot of attention and competitive bidding. Members of the National Charity League and several of our Tech Trek girls and their mothers helped in setting up the displays. Pat Khan supervised the registration and check-out tables, with her capable crew of Ivan Fawley, Lavonne Marafino, and Vicki Reeder. Many thanks to the local businesses and individual donors who provided a wide range of items for the Silent Auction.

The delicious sandwiches and luscious desserts brought rave reviews from the more than 200 people in attendance; a tip of our hat to West Valley College Catering for a job well done! Linda Hagelin organized high school students from both Saratoga and Lynnbrook High Schools for the serving and clearing, allowing our guests to enjoy the afternoon. Linda also arranged our entertainment, English country tunes played on the dulcimer and fiddle by Art Friedman and Peter Tommerup. Spectacular flowering plants provided by Jean Knofler added a splash of color to the room, and AAUW members' own china sets added a personal touch to each table.

Proceeds from the Tea will support our three local projects: Tech Trek, Local Scholarships, and the Committee for Homeless Women and Children. One of the clients of the Georgia Travis Center spoke movingly about how much she had been helped by our support which is given to several agencies that work with homeless women. We do make a difference to these women.



Then one last piece of business remained: Drawing for the beautiful diamond pendant which Patty Weber had displayed during the tea. The lucky winner was our own Jean Wenberg.

Much of the work that goes into the English Tea is "behind the scenes," and we could not have put on the event without the help of our other committee members: Nancy Anderson, Charlene Bunger, Joan Kjemtrup, Marlene Lamb, Blenda Mariani, Louise Quenon, Ann Roberts and Geri Williams. It was really a fun committee to work with, and people stepped forward to take on additional jobs as needed. Thank you, Thank You, THANK YOU!

-Virginia Turner Co-Chair Committee to Support Local Women and Girls

## Find that Next Great Read and Join in the Fun!

### **Los Gatos-Saratoga Morning Book Discussion Group**

The morning book discussion interest group has a little different format to many book groups. We don't all read a preassigned book. Instead, each of us reports on any interesting book we have read. Sharing to let the others find books they might want to read, or might want to avoid! The books run the gamut from serious nonfiction to frivolous light fiction and every variation between.

For example Blenda Mariani has been reading Henry James, a classic from her college years, as well as *The* 

*Outsiders*, a book that appears today on many high school reading lists.

Dale Hill read Sanjay Gupta's *Monday Mornings*, a story that follows the lives of five surgeons who have to confront their personal and professional failings.

I was fascinated by a story written by Agatha Christie under a pseudonym since it was not a mystery: *Absent in the Spring*.

Arleen Pickett reported on *Reinventing Bach*, a book about the history of recording music.

Judy Borlase told us about Bill Bryson's *Notes from a Small Island*.

Some of our members prefer biographies, while others political commentary. At each of our meetings we are amazed by the variety of books we have talked about. We all leave with a list of books we're now interested in reading since we know something about the book.

If you would like to join our group we welcome you! We meet the third Friday of the month, year round *See the calendar on pages 6 & 7 for details*.

-Margaret Bard, Chair

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# **Everyone had a Great Time at the English Tea!**

These wonderful photographs (and more) were taken by both Margaret Bard (branch Photographer), and Lousie Quenon.





(Top, Left) Louise Quenon serving Jean Wenberg; (Left) Lovely Tea Table set for eight; (Above, Right) Silent Auction bidders hard at work (Below) Jewelry Table and (Below, Left) Overview of the Silent Auction tables.







**Hats! Hats! and More Hats!** (Above, Left) Courtney Duncan (Jean's grand-daughter) and (Above, Middle) Jean Wenberg; (Below, Left) Nancy Hobbs, (Below, Center) Audry Lynch–Winner of Most Beautiful Hat; and (Below, Right) Paula Senn–Winner of Most Fun Hat.







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# **Coming This Summer...**

#### Let's Do Lunch! continues to meet in June, July and August

Come and join in the fun and conversation. The Let's Do Lunch! group will be meeting throughtout the summer. All members are welcome. Take this opportunity to come and see what all the fun is about and make new friends. See Calendar on pages 6 & 7 for details.

#### AM Book Review shares books in June, July and August

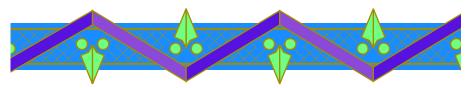
We are readers! Come and share your latest or favorite book with a the group. A great way to fill your summer reading list. We meet at members homes. See Calendar on pages 6 & 7 for details.

# Conversation in Spanish meets to practice their Spanish skills in June, and July (No Meetings in August)

We continue to meet at Nancy Anderson's home during the summer. Join us and brush up on your Spanish. See Calendar on pages 6 & 7 for details.

# Both the Scenic – Hikes and Walks and the Back-by-Noon Walks continue to hike and walk in June, July and August

Join us for fun and adventure. See the front page (top) for details. Please call with any Questions? Kay Duffy, 867-0508; Jane Bishop, 356-7796. *See the Calendar on pages 6 & 7 for details*.



#### June 2013 AAUW Calendar

4 Tuesday Conversations in Spanish meets at 1:30-2:30 pm at

Nancy Anderson's home, 13561 Lomond Ct, Saratoga. RSVP: Nancy Anderson, 408-867-4383. Co-chairs: Sharon Kelkenberg, 650-962-1656; Helen Lemmon, 408-867-0575.

8 Saturday

Old & New Boards Potluck meets 11:30 am-2:00 pm at Helen Lemmon's home, 20653 Woodward Ct, Saratoga, 408-867-0575. RSVP: Lavonne Marafino, 408-867-1964. Delicious lunch and desserts, and beverage – lemonade and iced tea provided. This planning meeting is the **keystone** for SUCCESS, Invited all Elected Officers, all Appointed Members, and this year's Chairwomen of the Month.

11 Tuesday

Committee for Homeless Women and Children will meet at 6:00 pm at the home of Nancy Anderson, 13561 Lomond Court in Saratoga, 408-867-4383. Any interest members are welcome and needed. RSVP to Chair: Pat Khan, 408-741-1616.

12 Wednesday

**Let's Do Lunch** will meet at 11:30 am at the Wine Cellar Restaurant, 50 University Ave, Los Gatos; RSVP to Roberta or Barbara. Chair: Roberta London, 408-741-7645; Co-chair: Barbara Hawkes, 408-395-4397.

See page 7 for the continuation of the Calendar.



# **In Memoriam**

#### Pruda Lood

Her sister called and informed us that Pruda passed away on April 19, 2013. Her wish was to have no service or formal announcement.

We express our sympathy to her family and AAUW friends.



#### **Corinne Rathjens**

Corinne Rathjens passed away on May 22, 2013. Her 81st birthday would have been June 22.

Corinne was active to the end, spending her days playing bridge and volunteering in the community. Corinne is survived by her two children, Karen Werner and Tom Rathjens, and five grandchildren. Her husband, Jack, predeceased her.

We express our sympathy to her family and AAUW friends.

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## June 2013 AAUW Calendar

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| 13   | Thursday        | <b>Scenic – Hikes &amp; Walks</b> . Exciting trip to <i>Half Moon Bay</i> – Hike along the bay through the marina to a fun seafood lunch at Barbara's Fish Trap. 6 miles. Meet promptly at 9:00 am at Argonaut Center, Saratoga ( <i>way out in front of CVS Drugs</i> ). Questions? Kay Duffy, 408-867-0508; Jane Bishop, 408-356-7796. |
| 18   | Tuesday         | <b>PM Book Review</b> meets at 6:30 pm at Ann Robert's home, 18833 Harleigh Dr. Saratoga for annual June Potluck and book choices for next year. RSVP to Ann Roberts, 408-867-1834 by June 15. 2013 indicating what you will bring. Co-Chairs: Pat Khan, 408-741-1616; Marlene Lamb, 408-497-1555.                                       |
| 21   | Friday          | <b>AM Book Review</b> meets at 10:30 am at Margo Restrick's home, 15725 Peach Hill Rd, Saratoga, for a Potluck and to share a wide range of reading with other book lovers. Chair: Margaret Bard, 408-377-6625.  |
| 25   | Tuesday         | <b>Conversation in Spanish</b> meets at 1:30-2:30 pm at the home of Nancy Anderson, 13561 Lomond Court, Saratoga. RSVP: Nancy Anderson, 408-867-4383. Co-chairs: Sharon Kelkenberg, 650-962-1656; Helen Lemmon, 408-867-0575.  |
| 25   | Tuesday         | <b>Film Buffs</b> meets 7:00 pm at the home of Vicki Feigelson, 20075 Seagull Way, Saratoga. RSVP to Vicki at 255-8822. Chair: Mary Ellen Madden, 264-4488.  |
| 27   | Thursday        | <b>Back-by-Noon Walks</b> meets promptly at 9:00 am at Los Gatos Park & Ride; go somewhere nearby and return by noon. Questions? Kay Duffy, 408-867-0508; Jane Bishop, 408-356-7796.   |
|      |                 | July 2013  |
| 9    | Tuesday         | <b>Conversation in Spanish</b> , meets at 1:30-3:00 pm at the home of Nancy Anderson, 13561 Lomond Ct, Saratoga. Contact Nancy for meeting information. RSVP: Nancy Anderson, 408-867-4383. Cochairs: Sharon Kelkenberg, 650-962-1656; Helen Lemmon, 408-867-0575.   |
| 10   | Wednesday       | <b>Let's Do Lunch</b> meets at 11:30 am at The Diner on Highway 9, Los Gatos. Reservations to Barbara Hawkes, 408-395-4397.  |
| 11   | Thursday        | Scenic-Hikes and Walks meets at 9:00 am. <i>Portola Park</i> – a cool hike in the Santa Cruz Mts under redwoods above the coast. 5-6 miles. Bring lunch. Meet at 9:00 am at Los Gatos Park & Ride lot. Questions? Call Kay Duffy, 408-867-0508; Jane Bishop, 408-356-7796.   |
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| 1    | Th 1            | August 2013  |
| 1    | Thursday        | Trail Clean-up for Hikes and Walks, 9:00 am. Meet promptly at 9:00 am in the Los Gatos Park & Ride lot. Bring gloves, clippers and bags. Questions? Kay Duffy, 408-867-0508; Jane Bishop, 408-356-7796.  |
| 8    | Thursday        | <b>Scenic–Hikes and Walks</b> , 9:00 am. <i>Beach Hike and Annual Clean-up</i> – Zmudowski Beach near Moss Landing. 5 mile. Bring gloves and bags. Reward ourselves with lunch at Captain Phils. Meet promptly at 9:00 am in the Los Gatos Park & Ride lot. Questions? Kay Duffy, 408-867-0508; Jane Bishop, 408-356-7796.               |
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### **In Memoriam:**

Los Gatos-Saratoga Members who Passed Away this Year.

Corinne Rathjens, Died May 22, 2013

**Pruda Lood**, Died April 19, 2013 (Lifetime member)

**Enid Shoor**, Died Feb 21, 2013 (Honorary Lifetime Member)

Bernadine Fawley, Died July 9, 2012

See the written notices on page 6 in this Grapevine issue for Corinne Rathjens and Pruda Lood. (For members who have passed away earlier this year – see past 2012-2013 Grapevines. Check out our website for past issues.)



### **New Los Gatos-Saratoga Members**

Patricia Belote (New 2013)

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Janis Black (New 2013)

800 Blossom Hill Rd, Q-167, Los Gatos, CA 95032 email janisblack@hotmail.com; phone 408-354-2074

Geri Lamble (New 2013)

21280 Glenmont Dr, Saratoga, CA 95070 email g.lamble@comcast.net; phone 408-741-1014

Nancy Lorenzen (New 2013)

12354 DeSanka Av, Saratoga, CA 95070 email – none listed; phone 408-996-8765

Carla Walter (New 2013)

650 Castro St, #120-476, Mountain View, CA 94040 email dr.carlawalter@gmail.com; phone 408-638-7808

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