

Grapevine



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Prospective Members Can Sample AAUW

Let's keep our branch strong!



Many of our interest groups will meet during the summer, and this may be the perfect time to invite a friend or neighbor to "sample" AAUW before deciding to join. This issue of the *Grapevine* has a calendar for the next three months with more information about many of the ongoing activities.

Do you have a regular walking buddy? The **Hikes and Walks** group meets twice a month with a longer scenic hike one Thursday and a shorter "back-by-noon" walk on another Thursday.

Have you and your friend decided to refresh that Spanish you learned many years ago? Maybe our **Conversations in Spanish** on the first and fourth Tuesday afternoon would help you reach that goal. *Want to try some new restaurants or discuss the latest movies?* Join the **Let's Do Lunch** group on the third Wednesday or the **Film Buffs** on a Tuesday afternoon.

Check the calendar for many other groups and call the contact person to be sure that you can bring a guest. AAUW membership is open to anyone with an associate or equivalent, baccalaureate, or higher degree from a qualified educational institution.

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

Over the Summer . . .

Stay in touch with your Los Gatos-Saratoga AAUW friends over the Summer. Consider participating in a new or continuing interest group.

A number of branch interest groups continue to meet over the Summer months. Check out the listing on the Calendar for June, July and August. See the schedule meetings for the following Interest Groups:

- **AM Book Review**
- **Back-by-Noon Walk**
- **Conversation in Spanish**
- **Film Buffs**
- **Let's Do Lunch**
- **Scenic – Hikes and Walks**



AN OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN A NEW INTEREST GROUP!

Branch Leadership Team

Membership Renewals

By now you should have received your membership renewal forms in the mail. Please note any corrections or additions to your Directory listing on the form. Our branch offers a variety of activities so you can be as involved as much (*or as little*) as you like. Take a look at the committees, small interest groups and assorted tasks, then check those where you would like to participate. Feel free to try something new this year!

If you did not receive your renewal forms, please call Virginia Turner at (408) 866-4234 or email her at vturner@sbcglobal.net and she will send them to you.

When you renew your membership, you may find it convenient to in-

clude donations to support our three local projects (*Tech Trek, Local Scholarships, and the Committee on Homeless Women and Children*) and/or AAUW Funds to support the Education Foundation and the Legal Advocacy Fund. These can all be included on one check. Your generosity will truly make a difference to these women & girls.

Dues remain the same as last year and will keep your membership active through June 30, 2018. Your response **by June 30** will simplify our work on the Directory and branch database.

Thank you for being a member of the Los Gatos-Saratoga branch of AAUW!



Virginia Turner and the branch Leadership Team of Gail Pedersen, Louise Quenon, Judy Borlase and Kay Duffy

Urge State Senator, Jim Beall, to Support Title IX Compliance!

We all know the statistics and have heard the stories. **Research** has shown that sexual violence in schools is all too prevalent. Yet, **89 percent of colleges and universities** reported ZERO incidences of rape on campus and **67 percent of local education agencies** reported NO instances of sexual harassment or gender-based bullying in the last federally-required data collection. Unfortunately, these numbers don't reflect the reality for women on campus and in schools. While zero incidences of sexual harassment would be something to celebrate, what is more likely is that schools do not have processes in place to protect against and accurately report harassment.

That's why it's crucial our legislature enact Senate Bill 169 to help remedy this under-reporting of sexual harassment and assaults and to assist schools in supporting their students.

California has consistently developed new laws to protect against sexual assault and harassment, on and off campus. But those laws need to be enforced in a manner that gives survivors confidence that their grievances are being treated fairly.



Jim Beall

SB 169 provides the guidance that many schools need to create programs that will be proactive in preventing these crimes, and take fair and immediate action once matters have been brought to their attention.

Schools need to provide equal educational opportunities for all students. Ask Senator Jim Beall to support Title IX compliance by voting "AYE" on SB 169.

Potluck Luncheon Photos

Pictured below, Sharon Graham, Cynthia Miller (our named gift honoree for 2017), Marlene Lamb and JoAn Lambert (seated left to right); pictured right, Dianne Priest, Marilyn Fuller, Roberta London and Diane McLaughlin (Dale Hill is barely visible over Dianne's shoulder) going down the potluck table.



Our Outstanding Named Gift Honoree!

Every year AAUW honors members who have done outstanding work in supporting the programs and goals of AAUW. For branches in particular, a **Named Gift** is a special way to pay tribute to an individual who has given extraordinary service.

We are privileged again this year to honor one of our members who has made a significant contribution to our branch.

Our honoree grew up and attended college on the East coast and then came to California and pursued an M.B.A. at Stanford. Along with her Computer Science undergraduate degree she fit right into Silicon Valley and found herself in *"the start up culture"* where she was very successful.

Fast forward and she has married a fellow *"start up"*, lives in Saratoga and has two children; her son is at Saratoga High and her daughter is at UC San Diego. Her early success allowed her to *"retire"* and now she

devotes her much of her time to the educational issues affecting young people. Four years ago she ran a successful campaign for the local school board and now serves as the President of that group. Her days are busy!

Her dedication to education is seen not only in her community service on the school board but also within our AAUW branch where she has taken on the leadership of the Tech Trek project, working with local teachers to identify potential campers, interviewing the candidates, agonizing over narrowing the selection to just 8 and following up with the voluminous paper work required before these girls can go to camp. But her work doesn't stop there. As a matter of fact, she is so committed to seeing that these young women have a wonderful and meaningful experience at the Stanford Tech Trek Camp that she serves as a Dorm Mom for the week at camp. That's dedication!!



Cynthia Miller

I'm told that she occasionally winds down and relaxes by gardening or taking time out to drink a cup of tea and read something fun — often a mystery where her mind is actively engaged in trying to figure out *"who done it"*. And I know from personal discussion that she recognizes the health benefits of the antioxidants contained in both chocolate and red wine – best enjoyed together!

Ladies, I give you **our Named Gift Honoree, Cynthia Miller!**

Thanks to Our Directory Advertisers

Much of the cost of printing and mailing our branch Directory is underwritten by the businesses that advertise in it. When you use any of those businesses, please let them know that you saw their ad in our Directory and tell them how much we appreciate their support for women and girls in our local community.

We sincerely thank our current advertisers and have invited them to advertise again next year:

- Azuca – Jewelry and Gifts
- Barbara Nesbet – Attorney at Law
- Icing on the Cake – Bakery
- Flynn, Rose & Perkins – Insurance Law
- Lydia and Dom Norcia – Real Estate Specialists
- Mai's Barber – Saratoga
- Pajaro Dunes Condo – Vacation Getaway
- Saratoga Retirement Community

Do you have a business or service that would benefit from being included in our Directory? Perhaps you or a friend or family member provide professional services, or you may have a local shop or restaurant that is looking for new customers. Consider advertising in our Directory. A full page ad is only \$100, a half-page is \$50 and a business card size ad is only \$35. **The deadline for inclusion is July 31, 2017.**

For more information or to place an ad, please call Virginia Turner at 408-866-4234 or email her at vturner@sbcglobal.net.



Celebration of Life for Peggy Corr

Saturday, July 23, 2017
1:30 - 4:00 pm
at Saratoga Foothill Club

English Tea & Silent Auction 2017

Give a "Thank You" to Our Sponsors

When you shop at these businesses, please thank them for their generous support and contributions.

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 Children's Discovery Museum – San Jose
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 Mint Leaf Cuisine – Saratoga
 Nob Hill Market – Los Gatos
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 Peet's Coffee and Tea – Saratoga
 Poor House Bistro – San Jose
 Purple Onion Café & Catering – Los Gatos
 Safeway Store – Los Gatos
 Safeway Store – Saratoga
 Safeway Store (on Union Ave) – Los Gatos
 Saratoga Ace Hardware

Saratoga Retirement Community
 Sipan Peruvian Restaurant – Saratoga
 South Bay Musical Theatre – Saratoga
 Sprouts Farmer's Market – West Gate West (SJ)
 Starbucks (Argonaut Center) – Saratoga
 Starbucks (Saratoga Village) – Saratoga
 Steamer's Grillhouse – Los Gatos
 Stiletto Wine Bar – Saratoga
 Summer Winds Nursery – Campbell
 Summer Winds Nursery – Cupertino
 Symmetry Sports Therapy & Chiropractic, Dr. Cody Fowler, DC – Los Gatos
 Symphony Silicon Valley – San Jose
 Trader Joe's – West Gate West (San Jose)
 Trader Joe's – Cupertino
 Trader Joe's – Los Gatos
 Uncorked Wine Bar – Saratoga
 Village Burger Bar – Saratoga
 VIVA Neighborhood Eatery – Los Gatos
 Willow Street Pizza – Willow Glen (San Jose)
 Wooden Horse, The – Los Gatos
 Yellow Brick Road Jewelers – Los Gatos

The English Tea & Silent Auction, our annual fundraiser, benefits our the Local Scholarship Committee and the Committee on Homeless Women & Children. Funds raised are spent in our local community.

The committee for the English Tea & Silent Auction thanks the generous support of those who attended this year's English Tea. Watch for the details that will be published in September *Grapevine* issue.

Los Gatos-Saratoga AAUW "April Showers" (Continued from Last Month) 2017 English Tea & Silent Auction



Pictured (above) You can see from the picture above that we had a full house of members and guests. Table #12 guests were enjoying tea (Gladys Armstrong, Janice Baxter, Jane Bishop, Shirley Church, Marlene Duffin, Barbara Lau, Gail Pedersen, Laura Sternberg, and Ethel Worn – listed alphabetically)

Assist the Finance V.P. It's Time to Send in Vouchers for Reimbursement!

If you have any outstanding bills for branch expenses that you incurred in Fiscal Year 2016-2017, please submit them to Louise Quenon, Finance V.P., before **June 20, 2017**.

She needs time to finish the accounts for this year.



2017 Local Scholarship Recipients from West Valley College (pictured above on the left) Karin Sharmardani and (right) Yasmeen Mardi.



(Left to right in photo above) Judy Borlase and Sumi Tanabe (who acted as our English Tea – Master of Ceremonies).

June 2017 AAUW Calendar

- 6 Tuesday **Conversation in Spanish.** Meets 1:30-3:00 pm at Elisa Martinez's home (638 Hyde Park Dr, Sunnyvale). Join us to develop, maintain, or improve your conversational skills. RSVP to Marilyn Fuller, (408) 395-2419; Chair: Sharon Kelkenberg, (650) 962-1656. **Any Level are Welcome!**
- 8 Thursday **Scenic Hikes and Walks – Russian Vista Open Space Reserve.** Hike (5-7 miles) along the ridge with spectacular views in all directions and a special treat of late spring flowers. Lunch on the view deck. Meet promptly! 9:00 am at Argonaut Center, Saratoga (park way out in front of CVS Drugs). Questions? Jane Bishop, (408) 356-7796; Kay Duffy, (408) 867-0508. **Beginning a Walking & Hiking Commitment. New Hikers are Welcome!**
- 10 Tuesday **Old & New Board Planning Meeting.** Meets at 10:00 am at Louise Quenon (20297 Thelma Ave, Saratoga). RSVP to Louise, (408) 867-0698. Light refreshments will be provided. We will wrap up the current year and start making plans for next year. Please attend as all viewpoints and ideas are important! **All interested members are invited.**
- 13 Tuesday **Committee for Homeless Women and Children. Annual End-of-the-Year Potluck and Planning Meeting.** Meets 5:30 pm at Ann Roberts' home (18833 Harleigh Dr, Saratoga). RSVP to Ann Roberts, (408) 867-1834. Acting Chair: JoAn Lambert, (408) 867-6237.
- 16 Friday **AM Book Review.** Meets at 9:30 am. Bring a book (*good or bad*) you would like to talk about. For meeting location, contact chair Margaret Bard (408) 377-6625 or margaretbard@gmail.com. **Come & Find Your Next Great Read!**
- 20 Tuesday **PM Book Group. End-of-Year Potluck and Book Selection** for next year (*you need to have read the book in order to recommend*). Meets 5:30 pm at Ann Roberts' home (18833 Harleigh Dr, Saratoga). RSVP to Ann Roberts, (408) 867-1834; Chair: Marlene Lamb, (408) 497-1555. **Help Select Next Year's Reads!**
- 21 Wednesday **Let's Do Lunch.** Meet 12:30 pm at **Campo di Bocce – Los Gatos** (565 University Ave, Los Gatos). RSVP to Linda King (408) 354-4105; Chair Joanna Yates, (408) 395-2950. **Join Us for Good Food and Conversation!**
- 22 Thursday **Back-by-Noon Hike.** Exercise 5 miles on nearby trails + coffee or lunch. Meet promptly! 9:00 am in the Los Gatos "Free Parking - Northside Lot" behind Starbucks. Questions? Jane Bishop, (408) 356-7796; Kay Duffy, (408) 867-0508. **New Hikers Welcome!**
- 27 Tuesday **Film Buffs.** Meets 1:30 pm. Call the Chair: Marlene Lamb, (408) 497-1555, for location. **All Movie Lovers Welcome!**
- 27 Tuesday **Conversation in Spanish.** Meets 1:30-3:00 pm at Elisa Martinez's home (638 Hyde Park Dr, Sunnyvale). Join us to develop, maintain, or improve your conversational skills. RSVP to Marilyn Fuller, (408) 395-2419; Chair: Sharon Kelkenberg, (650) 962-1656. **Any Level are Welcome!**

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- 13 Thursday **Scenic Hikes and Walks – Soquel Demonstration State Forest.** Lovely, cool hike in the Santa Cruz Mountains above Los Gatos. (5-7 miles) We will visit Summit Store for tasty snacks. Bring lunch. Meet promptly! 9:00 am at the Los Gatos "Free Parking - Northside Lot" behind Starbucks. Questions? Jane Bishop, (408) 356-7796; Kay Duffy, (408) 867-0508. **New Hikers Welcome!**
- 19 Wednesday **Let's Do Lunch.** Meet 12:430pm at **Bell Tower Bistro** (A20490 Saratoga-Los Gatos Rd, Saratoga). RSVP to Julie Stevens (408) 867-5968; Chair Joanna Yates, (408) 395-2950. **Join Us for Good Food and Conversation!**
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Calendar for August 2017

- 1 Tuesday **Conversation in Spanish.** Meets 1:30-3:00 pm at Elisa Martinez's home (638 Hyde Park Dr, Sunnyvale). Join us to develop, maintain, or improve your conversational skills. RSVP to Marilyn Fuller, (408) 395-2419; Chair: Sharon Kelkenberg, (650) 962-1656. **Any Level of Spanish Speakers are Welcome!**
- 3 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.
- 10 Thursday **Scenic Hikes and Walks – Beach Hike and Annual Clean-Up – Moss Landing.** (We will be hiking for 5 miles) Bring binoculars for whale watching! Bring gloves and bags. Reward ourselves with lunch at Captain Phil's. Meet promptly! 9:00 am at the Los Gatos "Free Parking - Northside Lot" behind Starbucks. Questions? Jane Bishop, (408) 356-7796; Kay Duffy, (408) 867-0508. **New Hikers Welcome!**
- 16 Wednesday **Let's Do Lunch.** Meet 12:430 pm at **Hult's Restaurant** (165 Los Gatos-Saratoga Rd, [corner of University Ave], Los Gatos). RSVP to Chair Joanna Yates, (408) 395-2950. **Join Us for Good Food and Conversation!**
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Old & New Board Planning Meeting



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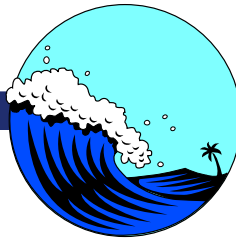
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New Calendar Editor Needed for Next Year

I need help! Looking for a calendar editor. Please contact Virginia Turner or myself if you can assist.

A Very Special Thanks to Ann Griffin for volunteering to help with this last year's newsletter. Ann will be continuing as the *Grapevine* proofreader but will not be able to do the calendar.

Please send your submissions by August 10th for the September 2017 *Grapevine* to both Ann Griffin (Proofreader, anngriffin107@gmail.com) and Gail Pedersen (GV editor, gail_pedersen@yahoo.com).

Looking for news items about our members for the "Members On the Move" column. Send in events or good news about branch members.



Can You Help with Next Year's English Tea?

The English Tea committee will be organizing next year's English Tea & Silent Auction.

Can you do a small job, assist a committee member, sell some tickets, get a few donations for the Silent Auction, or help in any way? HELP! We need new volunteers to make our annual fundraiser a success next year.

Contact Judy Borlase for information at judith@borlase.com; (408) 358-2262.