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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Alice Campbell & Carolyn Ross, co-presidents

Welcome to this season of giving thanks for all that is good in our lives. We love this time of year with its cool mornings, colorful trees, crisp apples, and yummy Thanksgiving dinners. Then, as we gather family and friends close to celebrate the beginning of winter and the holiday season, we hope you'll take time to reflect on the joy around you.

On August 1st, AAUW National launched a new strategic plan called "Beyond Aspirations: Advancing Equity for Women and Girls." The strategic focus areas are Education & Training, Economic Security, Leadership, and Governance & Sustainability. It's an ambitious and exciting plan. We will address the plan over time. We encourage you to read the new strategic plan at www.aauw.org.

There are several propositions on the November 6th ballot. They will affect you, and as always, your vote counts. Women fought long and hard to get the right to vote; we urge you to exercise your right.

We have interesting and inspiring programs to look forward to this year. Interest groups have planned many fun, educational, and collegial activities in which we can participate. We look forward to keeping up with our AAUW friends and welcoming new members/friends. This season of thanks gives us the opportunity to renew our commitment to the mission and goals of AAUW. Your membership is important and appreciated. Happy Holidays!

Alice Campbell and Carolyn Ross



NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 11/20/18

Lodi Public Library

Alicia Hetman from AAUW CA, an expert on Title IX and equity issues, will be sharing updates on AAUW LAF cases.

Social

5:30 pm

Program Chairs:

General Meeting

6:00 pm

Sally Spenker, Kathie Mettler, Elena Wong

Speaker

6:40 pm



**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
AAUW LODI BRANCH
Tuesday, October 16th, 2018
Lodi Public Library**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm by President Alice Campbell.

Minutes: The minutes of the September 18, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Correspondence: Élise Forbes reported several welcome and get-well notes had been sent.

Treasurer's Report: Julie Thompson reported a balance of \$16,915.11 in General Funds and \$3,519.72 in AAUW Funds. All taxes have been paid for July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018.

Membership Treasurer's Report: Linda Hammons reported we now have 101 members in our branch.

Membership Report: Becky Greider reported that the September New Member Welcome meeting was well-attended. She suggested we have a Membership table at this year's Bunco Fundraiser followed by another welcome meeting later in the year.

EF Report: None given.

Acknowledge and Thank you: Alice Campbell thanked Julie Wolf for providing refreshments. Guests Margeaux Webb, Jan Alexander, Christina Swanson and Laurie Jones were introduced.

OLD BUSINESS:

November Program: Becky Hamner reminded the group there will be no Soup/Salad Supper this year. On November 20th, in the library Community Room, we will host Alicia Hetman. She will be speaking on the topics of Title IX and Pay Equity. (Bring your cash or checkbooks to support LAF.)

AAUW Fund Luncheon: Carolyn Ross reported she and Sally Irizary attended the luncheon held on October 7th. The purpose of the luncheon is to introduce and honor those receiving AAUW Fund grants. Carolyn asked members to look for a video posting on the California AAUW website sharing speeches given by the recipients.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bunco Fundraiser: Becky Hamner (chairperson) announced that Sharon Ceresa and Terrie Hedden

have volunteered to help her in organizing the March 9, 2019 event. Becky reported the three have already met to discuss possible changes. There will be another meeting on November 9th, 10 am at Sharon's home. Any member is invited to attend and contribute.

Some changes include: the possibilities of no vendors, no pod leaders, no packets, cash prizes, a boxed lunch, a silent auction, and outside sale of tickets. If any member has a comment or suggestion, please email Becky Hamner beckyaauw@gmail.com

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 pm by President Alice Campbell.

Post adjournment addition: Carolyn Hannesson announced the Christmas Munch will be held on Friday December 14th starting at Sally Spenker's farmhouse, followed by Linda Sattler's new home, and then Maggie Gordon's house. **Please check the November Newsletter for RSVP directions.**

Respectfully submitted,
Claudia Marson, Recording Secretary



On The Move Walkers

Date: Thursday, November 8th
Time: 9:30 am meet at Big 5, near Jack in the Box, for carpooling
10 am begin walk which should end early afternoon.

Place: Dry Creek Trail, Elk Grove
Lunch: Bring your own lunch and something to share if you wish

Walkers of all speeds are welcome. All that is needed is enthusiasm! Contact me 747-3452 or nancymellor582@gmail.com by November 7th if you plan to walk with us.



Nancy Mellor

November's Meeting

Please note the date change from what is printed in the Directory

Our November program on Tuesday, November 20th at the Lodi Library Community Room will focus on LAF (Legal Advocacy Fund) issues. We are privileged to have as our speaker, Alicia Hetman, from AAUW and AAUW CA. Ms. Hetman is considered an expert on Title IX and equity issues. She has served on the AAUW Board of Directors and created the Gender Equity Compliance program for the California Department of Education. Ms. Hetman has intimate knowledge of many of the cases that have benefitted from the AAUW LAF resources. She will share with us the status of some of the cases that are still pending, as well as the cases that have been decided.

Ms. Hetman has broad-based AAUW knowledge and enthusiasm for the Mission and Vision of AAUW. This is an exciting opportunity for our members to hear from an expert on LAF issues. This would be a great program to invite a friend(s) who is interested in learning more about the issues that affect the lives of women and families.

As with our past soup supper event for LAF, a voluntary donation to LAF will be greatly appreciated at this program.

Becky Hamner, LAF Chair

AAUW Book Group Note New Meeting Time

Attendance for book group has fallen dramatically so at the October meeting with only three of us at my house, we decided to try something different for November and December.



For November 19th we will meet at 10:30 am at my house, and each person attending should bring a book that she has read recently and enjoyed. This way everyone gets to speak about their book and those who are interested can write down authors and titles.

For December 17th we will use the same format but ask you to bring something related to the holidays if you can find a title you like. You may even bring a children's book if you have a favorite. We can meet at my house again unless there is someone who would like to volunteer. If interest in book group has come to an end, I guess we will have to call it quits and hope to start something in the future. Please contact me if you plan to attend. Thanks.

Leigh Ramsey

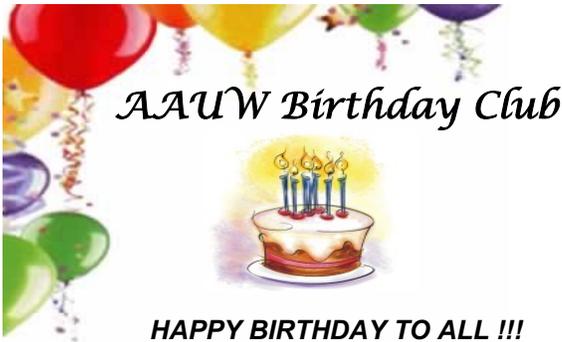


Chrysanthemum,
November's Flower



Narcissus,
December's Flower





HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL !!!
(It's Tax Deductible)

NOVEMBER 1 LINDA HAMMONS
FAMOUS WOMEN BORN ON THIS DAY

Mary Nutting (1858-1948) ⚡ the first nurse appointed to a university chair, a professorship at Columbia University.

NOVEMBER 3 SHEILA DUNN
FAMOUS WOMEN BORN ON THIS DAY

Judith Foster (1840-1910) ⚡ first woman to practice law in Iowa (1872)

NOVEMBER 8 KATHY ANDRADE
HIGHLIGHTS IN U.S. WOMEN'S HISTORY

The state of Washington passed a constitutional amendment guaranteeing women suffrage in 1910.

NOVEMBER 29 LORRAINE RAMSEY-BOWERS
FAMOUS WOMEN BORN ON THIS DAY

Louisa May Alcott (1832-1888) ⚡ the author of *Little Women* and many other works.

NOVEMBER 30 AUDREY CHURCHILL
FAMOUS WOMEN BORN ON THIS DAY

Mary Lasker (1900-1994) ⚡ worked with the Birth Control Federation of America in 1939, which was renamed Planned Parenthood in 1942. She lobbied for federal funding for the National Cancer Institute and the National Heart Institute.

DECEMBER 2 JEAN WHITTED
FAMOUS WOMEN BORN ON THIS DAY

Ellen Swallow Richards (1842-1911) ⚡ graduated from MIT in 1873 and was co-founder of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae which became the American Association of University Women (AAUW).

DECEMBER 4 ELENA WONG
FAMOUS WOMEN BORN ON THIS DAY

Angelia Newman (1837-1910) ⚡ fought polygamy in Utah and worked through the Methodist Episcopal National Home Missionary Society to establish homes for women who wanted to escape polygamist situations.

DECEMBER 15 ALICE CAMPBELL
FAMOUS WOMEN BORN ON THIS DAY

Vida Scudder (1861-1954) ⚡ professor of English at Wellesley College and helped organize the Women's Trade Union League in 1903.

DECEMBER 16 KIYOMI HOXIE
PHYLLIS ALMENDAREZ

FAMOUS WOMEN BORN ON THIS DAY
 Margaret Mead (1901-1978) ⚡ renowned culture anthropologist who studied female-male relationships.

DECEMBER 28 THERESA PEARSON
HIGHLIGHTS IN U.S. WOMEN'S HISTORY

Muriel Siebert ⚡ the first woman to own a seat on the New York Stock Exchange in 1967

Please add your name to the AAUW Birthday Club in honor of your birthday. By joining, you are helping to support the continuing graduate education of women (Educational Opportunities Fund) #4336 or the field of research (Eleanor Roosevelt Fund) #9170. All donations are tax deductible.

REMEMBER ... birthdays are good for you; the more you have, the longer you live!

Thank you,
 Sally Irizary & Joanne Cobb,
 EF co-chairs



November Gal-Livanter
 Thursday, November 29th

Our November outing is to Stanislaus County where you will be able to do some Christmas shopping.

Our first stop will be in Modesto to sample artisan-crafted olive oils and vinegars the Sciabica family has been producing since 1936. Then on to Durate Nursery where you will be able to purchase poinsettias, cyclamen plants, and holiday floral arrangements.

Our last stop will be lunch at Hilmar Cheese Company with a tour of their cheese making process.

Meet in the Big 5 parking lot near Jack in the Box at 8 am. RSVP by November 20th to me, 747-0372 or kea44@comcast.net. Drivers are needed.

Kathy Anderson

Be Informed

If you haven't taken a class about the history of the Women's Movement, you should have

been at October's Be Informed meeting.

Beverly Fitch McCarthy, the epitome of involvement in



the fight for justice and equality for women, was our speaker. She has been a long time Stockton activist, influential in many aspects of making her community and our world a better place to live. Beverly has received many awards and recognition for a long life of service. Through that service, she has traveled, met many interesting people, been give many opportunities and responsibilities, and still found time to present a well-planned, thoughtful program for us. She is warm, approachable, perky, fun, and obviously a very special person.

The important thing: it takes courage and stamina to know when to speak up, reach out, and fight for what you know is worthwhile and right. It is up to each and every one of us to continue this struggle for justice and equality for women. It has been going on for well over a hundred years. We have a long history, and what is blatantly clear is that **we still have a very long way to go.**

Apparently, the theme for this fall has been the strength of women. Our last presentation highlighted the struggle for women to be included in the Alaskan Iditarod races; this month was about the

history of women's fight for rights; and our November meeting will be a presentation by Liz Kirkley, who works for the electrical utilities department in Lodi. She is anxious to share the opportunities in this field for young girls. This supports many of the activities and goals of our AAUW branch to encourage girls to take STEM subjects in school and possibly for future careers.

The November meeting is at the home of Élise Forbes, 10 am, Thursday, November 1st. Everyone is invited and welcome to attend. We hope to see you there.

Margy Gish, Be Informed coordinator



September New & Prospective Member Social



Come Help Create Our Tree!

A small Tree Festival group met Oct. 22nd to start planning. In keeping with AAUW goals, our tree theme will be "Reading Plants Seeds for the Future". If you are interested in helping with the tree, join us when we meet again on Nov. 5th at 10 am at my home. Let me know if you'll be coming so I can put you on the email reminder list.

In the meantime, all members could be looking for book themed ornaments like bookmarks or small books.

The tree must be up between 11/24 and 11/29, so if you have a date that works best for you, let me know. We will probably decorate on Nov. 27th or 28th at 10 am. Tell the person at the Micke Grove kiosk that you are coming in to decorate a tree; there will be no charge for entering the park. Thanks for your help in making our tree such a success every year.

Leigh Ramsey

GET A JUMP START ON YOUR HOLIDAY CHEER!

Christmas Party!!!

Come join us on Friday Dec. 7th at 6 pm to have an evening of good food, wine, and fun company to get the holidays off to a great start. The party will be at the During home at 201 Royal Oaks Ct. in Lodi's Rivergate neighborhood. Bring your spouse, significant other, friend, or just yourself. Be sure to RSVP by Dec. 1st. Call Sharon Ceresa at 481-3007 or Suzanne Talbot at 603-8319.

Sign up to bring a hardy appetizer or a dessert, \$10 per person for scholarships, and a bottle of wine to share.

If you would like to be in the white elephant gift exchange, bring a wrapped gift of approximately \$10 value. We will be awaiting your call or sign up in November at the general meeting.

Sharon and Suzanne, co-chairs



Old Fashioned Christmas Munch

Come one, come all! This year's Old Fashioned Christmas Munch will be on December 14th at 9:30 am starting at Sally Spenker's lovely country home with everyone welcome through the back door to enjoy fruit and scones. Then off to Linda Sattler's Lucas Road home nestled in the vineyard for open faced sandwiches and quiche. Our last stop will be for dainty desserts at Maggie Gordon's on Del Rio Dr. with a wide open view of oak trees and golf course. Come share the holiday joy!

RSVP: Carolyn Hannesson – 200-0023

carolynhannesson@gmail.com or

Maggie Gordon – (775) 742-7909

tahoemag@gmail.com



Carolyn & Maggie, co-chairs





Personal Ads

From:

Member, Glenda Burns

<https://glendaburnsart.com>

*Funding for the Future -
Bunco Fundraiser 2019*

March 9, 2019

Our only fundraiser for this year is on March 9th, 2019 at the Vinewood Community Church. We are making some significant changes to this fun day, and we invite any member who would like to help with the planning to come to our first committee meeting on November 9th, 10 am at Sharon Ceresa's home.

Please let me, Becky, know if you will be coming to this meeting. We welcome anyone who is interested in making this event successful in the support of our scholarship programs. If there is something you are interested in helping with, but are unable to attend this meeting, please let me know.

Thank you for your support!

Becky Hamner, Terrie Hedden, Sharon Ceresa
Co-chairs



Aware of These Dates?

Daylight Savings Time ends ☞ 11/4
Cook Something Bold Day ☞ 11/8
Veterans Day (Armistice Day) ☞ 11/11
World Kindness Day ☞ 11/13
Universal Children's Day ☞ 11/20
Thanksgiving Day ☞ 11/22



World AIDS Day ☞ 12/1
Hanukkah begins ☞ 12/2
Human Rights Day ☞ 12/10
Bill of Rights Day ☞ 12/15
Christmas Day ☞ 12/25
Kwanzaa begins ☞ 12/26

In Stockton:

San Joaquin Potters' Guild Fine Art Festival
November 16th 4–8 pm and 17th 10 am–4 pm
St. Basil's Church, March Lane

Peaceful Holiday Faire

Nov. 30th 4–9 pm and Dec. 1st 10 am–4 pm
Central United Methodist Church
3700 Pacific Avenue

**San Joaquin Potters' Guild –
Artist of the Month**

**Elsie Goodwin Gallery hrs. Wed–Sat 11 am
to 6 pm; Reception Dec 8th 4–7 pm
Pacific Avenue**



from Member, Christy Locke

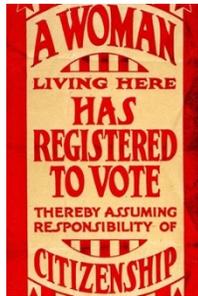
Wildflower Honey for Sale. Great tasting and makes a wonderful hostess or holiday gift. Pint jars are \$12.50/1.25 lbs. Will deliver locally. Call/text Christy Locke (209) 747-8444.



Book Review: 'The Woman's Hour' Review: Friends and Foes of the 19th Amendment

By Fergus M. Bordewich

Two years ago, more than 73 million women cast votes for the president of the United States, and for decades women have consistently outnumbered male voters in national elections. It is almost impossible now to imagine the country without women voters or candidates. But today's reality was no more than a gleam in the eye of the suffragists who descended on Nashville, Tenn., in July 1920 for the climactic battle of the decades-long struggle to win the vote for women.



They composed a talented and indefatigable brigade, and the campaign they waged ranks among the most politically skillful in American history. Among them were Democrats and Republicans, radicals and conservatives, rabble rousers and club women, the flamboyant and the staid. They were bound together—though not always amicably—to lobby the Tennessee legislature to ratify the 19th Amendment. President Woodrow Wilson had endorsed the amendment, and Congress had approved it in June 1919. Thirty-six states were needed to ratify it. Thirty-five had done so, but several had flatly rejected it, and in other states the legislation had stalled. The amendment now depended on Tennessee.

In "The Woman's Hour," a gripping account of those fraught and steamy days in Nashville, Elaine Weiss delivers political history at its best. A Baltimore-based historian and journalist, she writes with verve and color that captures the feverish excitement of a moment when, whatever the outcome, every woman and man packed into Tennessee's imposing statehouse knew that history was about to be made. With a skill reminiscent of Robert Caro, she turns the potentially dry stuff of

legislative give-and-take into a drama of courage and cowardice, showing the pain of compromise and the power of substantive debate in an age when rhetoric was still an art and political discourse still aimed to persuade.

The roots of what was often called the "Susan B. Anthony Amendment," after its leading advocate, lay more than 70 years in the past, at the Seneca Falls Convention of 1848, which issued the first declaration of equal rights for women in the United States. In 1878, the amendment was first introduced in Congress by a California senator whom Anthony had befriended when their train was trapped in a snowdrift in the Rockies. By the early 20th century, tireless effort by Anthony, who died in 1906, and by Carrie Chapman Catt, her successor as leader of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, began to bear fruit. Ratification of the 19th Amendment would grant full voting rights to women. But its passage was far from assured.

To read the entire article from the Walls Street Journal June 2018, click on the link below.

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/the-womans-hour-review-friends-and-foes-of-the-19th-amendment-1529618303>

Submitted by Rilette Hugo





New Member:

Philinda Stillwell (Robert)

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Whitworth College - B.A. French
Fresno State - B.A. Therapeutic Recreation
CSU Stanislaus - Teaching Credential



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Dana College - B.A. Education & Business
Administration



Nancy Rouppet has a new email:

nrouppet@gmail.com

Please put all in your new Directory.

Attention Special Interest Group Leaders

Please contact Denise Reich if you want pictures taken of your group or event this year. Her phone number and email are in the Directory



Public Policy

AAUW California 2018 Legislative Year Update

If you've been tracking AAUW California legislation in the last few years, you'll note the number of bills related to closing the gender pay gap. We've made tremendous headway since 2015 working with the Stronger California coalition. The Fair Pay Act has been improved (SB 358–2015, SB 1063 - 2016) and California now limits the use of one's prior salary to establish a new salary. Just this year, an additional refinement was made (AB 2282 – Eggman) so there is no doubt, an employer cannot inquire or use one's prior salary. There are still other areas to be addressed, including pay data transparency so that employers and the public can better understand a company's pay practices. Unfortunately our cosponsored bill on this issue (SB 1284– Jackson) was stalled in the legislative process this year.

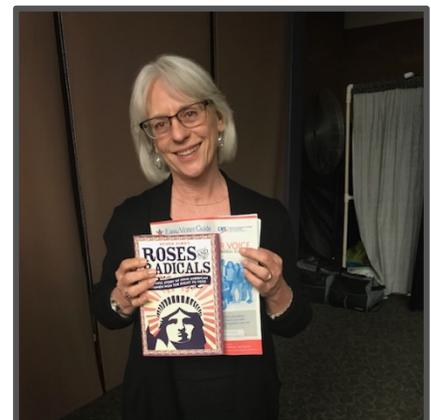
Momentum on the equal pay bills was assisted by the #MeToo movement and awareness that sexual harassment is fueled by disproportionate power dynamics, as is the gender pay gap. Many bills made it to the Governor's desk, with mixed results. Most importantly, Governor Brown signed SB 1300 (Jackson), a bill addressing discrimination and harassment in the workplace - also known as the "no free grope" bill.

Our work is not done. To quote a former Governor, "we'll be back," to work with the new Governor to accomplish all that needs to be done to make California a bastion of equity and fairness for women.

For a full list of our bills in 2018, go to our website.

From an AAUW California email

Jane
Wagner
Tyack,
speaker
October
General
Meeting





November & December 2018 Calendar of Activities

- Thursday, 11/1** *Be Informed:* 10 am-12 noon at Élise Forbes' home. Liz Kirkley, who works for the electrical utilities department in Lodi will share how this area is perfect for STEM interested girls. Please call Margy Gish for further information. **There is no Be Informed meeting in December**
- Thursday, 11/8** *On the Move Walkers:* 9:30 am meet at Big 5 near Jack in the Box for carpooling to Dry Creek Trail, Elk Grove. Bring your own lunch and something to share. Please RSVP to Nancy Mellor by 11/7.
- Monday, 11/12** *Les Dames Françaises French Group:* 1 pm-2:30 pm meet at Karen Ruzak's home. Meetings are typically the 2nd & 4th Monday. For additional info call either Maija French or Sylvia Mayorga. Contact Karen if not attending.
- Wednesday, 11/14** *Board Meeting:* 3:30 pm in the Drummond Room of the Lodi Library. Board members, for quorum purposes, contact either Alice or Carolyn if you are not coming.
- Monday, 11/19** *Book Group:* 10:30 am at Leigh Ramsey's home; **note the different time.** Please bring a book that you have recently read and enjoyed. Contact Lorraine Ramsey-Bowers or Leigh Ramsey for information.
- Tuesday, 11/20** *General Meeting:* Will be held at Lodi Public Library, Community Room. Social time is 5:30 pm; meeting at 6 pm, followed by presentation by Alecia Hetman (covering several LAF cases and other AAUW information) at 6:40 pm. If possible, please bring a monetary donation for LAF.
- Monday, 11/26** *Les Dames Françaises French Group:* 1 pm-2:30 pm meet at Connie During's home. Contact Connie if not attending.
- Monday, 11/26** *Bunco:* 7 pm at Julie Thompson's home. Contact Julie with any questions or comments. **There is no Bunco in December.**
- Thursday, 11/29** *Gal-LivanTERS:* 8 am meet at Big 5 near Jack in the Box to car pool to Modesto. First is the visit to the olive oils and vinegars of the Sciabica family; then on to Durate Nursery followed by lunch & tour at Hilmar Cheese. RSVP to Kathy Anderson by 11/20.
- Friday, 12/7** *Holiday Party:* at 6 pm at Connie & Kent During's home. Please bring \$10 donation to scholarships, gift for game exchange (optional), food item & wine to share. **There is no General Meeting in December.**
- Monday, 12/10** *Les Dames Françaises French Group:* 1 pm-2:30 pm meet at Susan Wyckoff's home for a Holiday Tradition. Members, please contact Susan if not attending.
- Friday, 12/14** *Gal-livanTERS Progressive Christmas Munch:* Munch will start at Sally Spenker's at 9:30 am and then proceed to Linda Sattler's home, followed by Maggie Gordon's home. RSVP on the sign-up sheets at the next meeting or contact either Carolyn Hannesson or Maggie Gordon.
- Monday, 12/17** *Book Group:* 10:30 am at Leigh Ramsey's home. Please bring a holiday book to share with the others. As always, please contact Leigh if planning to attend. If interest doesn't pick up, this might be the last meeting.

There is no Board meeting in December



Last Year's Munch

