

Save the Date!
September 7, 2013
San Ramon AAUW
Annual Membership Brunch



Crow Canyon Country Club
Greet Old Friends and Make New Ones!
Meet our Tech Trek Campers and Renaissance Scholars!
(See the September issue for details)

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American Association of University Women advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.

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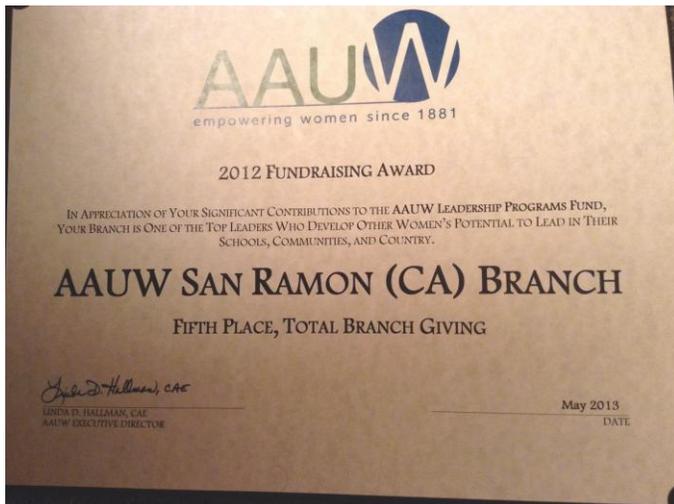
EDUCATION REPRESENTATIVE

~ (**Contact a co-president for information.**) ~

Presidents' Pen

We hope you have enjoyed your AAUW year as much as we have enjoyed serving as your AAUW co-presidents. It was wonderful to have Alicia Hetman, our AAUW state president, give the keynote address and install the new branch officers.

We are very pleased to inform you that the San Ramon Branch has received a beautiful certificate in appreciation for outstanding achievement in fundraising. Our branch achieved fifth place among the top 10 leaders who develop other women's potential to lead in their schools, communities, and country through "Total Branch Giving to the Leadership Programs Fund." This wonderful accomplishment clearly demonstrates the commitment of AAUW San Ramon Branch members who generously support AAUW's mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. Top Ten Branch and State Fundraising awards are two of AAUW's highest branch and state honors. We know that it is only because of the ongoing support and commitment of our members and donors that AAUW can continue to be a leading champion for women and girls.



The brunch this year at Crow Canyon Country Club will be a great way to start us off for another fantastic season. We're looking forward to seeing all of you and your guests there.

We want to extend our good wishes to the new board, which was installed on May 13. May you have an excellent AAUW year!

Stella Hadjimarkos and Betsy Hoffmann,
Outgoing Co-Presidents

AAUW CA Election Results

To those who voted, thank you very much!

Voting in the AAUW CA election closed on May 11, 2013 at 5:00 PM PDT. With 12.9% of the AAUW CA membership voting (1,563 ballots cast), these are the election results:

The Public Policy Priorities for 2013–2015 were **APPROVED**;

The proposal to increase state dues by \$4 effective 2014–2015 **FAILED** (it was 3.1% shy of the required 66.7% approval votes);

The proposal to amend the state bylaws to reduce the number of state directors from 16 to 12 effective 2013–2014 was **PASSED** with 96.3% of the vote.

Because the bylaws amendment was passed, only four directors at large were elected and they are:

Lynne Batchelor,
Helene Carr,
Cathy Foxhoven, and
Sue Miller.

The other candidates elected were:

Donna Mertens, Chief Financial Officer, and
Kathleen Doty, President Elect.

We appreciate these votes of support for the work of AAUW CA. Please know that we take our responsibilities to operate in both a fiscally sound and frugal manner very seriously. As the largest AAUW state, the work that we do must include a variety of expenses that some of our members do not understand.

Submitted by Stella Hadjimarkos
From personal e-mail by Alicia Hetman

Happy June Birthdays

Cindy Ferrin	6/03
Elaine Baldwin	6/06
Karen Van Zino	6/09
Juanita Davalos	6/11
Kandy Fitch	6/11
Carol Rowley	6/14
Renaë Buckser	6/16
Nancy Powers	6/18
Sally Blackwell	6/21
Elaine Graves	6/21
Marsha Froines	6/22
Lois Bernstein	6/23
Debbie Roudman	6/23
Sandra Budde	6/24
Jane Young	6/27
Thea Scioscia	6/28

Membership

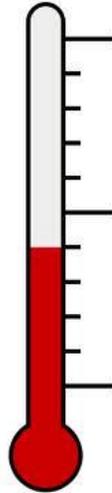
Great Start to Membership Renewals

We are pleased to report that to date, 46 of our 106 members have renewed their memberships. We appreciate your memberships and timely renewals (memberships run from July 1 through June 30).

Congratulations to Anna Fehrenbach, Sherri Hedman, and Julie Perfect for winning our three FREE Shape the Future National dues by renewing their memberships by May 13.

Now is the time to renew your membership, so please do so by June 30. We count on your continued support and membership. Renewing is easy and can be done online (preferred) by credit card or by mail with a check for \$85.

100%



Online Membership Renewals

Procedure:

1. You must be a registered user on the <http://www.aauw.org/> website.
2. In order to register, you must have your ID number (listed in our directory). Register and select a password.
3. In order to access the MSD (Member Services Database), you must have your ID number and registered password.
4. Visit <http://www.aauw.org/>.
5. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click on "Member Tools."
6. Click on the green "Login" button.
7. Input your ID number and password.
8. Scroll down to the bottom and click on the "Enter Here" button under Member Services Database.
9. Now click on "Enter Member Services Database."
10. Click on "CA0189San Ramon."
11. On the left side, click on "Renew My Membership."
12. Enter your credit card information and click "next."
13. Complete the process by following the instructions.

Prefer to Write a Check?

Please make out a check for \$85 payable to AAUW SR and mail it to:

AAUW San Ramon
P.O. Box 336
San Ramon, CA 94583

Our Goal Is 100% Renewals by June 30

Isabel Lau, Membership Co-Vice President and
Millie Kessler, Incoming Membership Co-Vice President

Program

Program Ideas for 2013–2014 Wanted

Do you know a dynamic speaker who would like to address our members? Have you seen a moving film or program that we could show to increase our membership?

Do you know of a good location for a branch event or program?

Would you like to be part of the program planning committee?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, please contact one of us!

Your Grateful Program Vice Presidents,
Margie Goldware and Renae Buckser

Happy July Birthdays

Pat Baran	7/01
Stephany Gooch	7/06
Barbara Blalock	7/11
Carol Lopez	7/17
Cheri Ng	7/17
Susan Walker-Christensen	7/20
Kathy Bryski	7/21
Chris Burchik	7/21
Pat Campbell	7/30
Sia Sauer	7/??

San Ramon Art & Wind Festival



I want to thank all of you who volunteered to work at our successful, fun fundraiser.

How did you like our spiffy new specially designed aprons to hold all those funds? With only days prior to leaving on a big trip, Millie Kessler single-handedly worked her creativity (and very masterful computer skills) to create our aprons. My sincere appreciation to Millie; she also donated the cost of the aprons!

Special thanks to the ice cream sellers: Sydney Allison and her helper Lan, Cindy Alpert, Pat Barley, Fran Bartholomew, Lois Bernstein, Susan Beyerle, Victoria Bissell, Marielle Boortz, Carol Callaway, Pat Campbell, Janice Colby, Laurie Dennen, Anna Fehrenbach, Carolyn Fishel, Julie and Ralph Gin, Margie and Stu Goldware, Diane Griffiths and her friend Jan Murphy, Stella Hadjimarkos, Anne and Walt Hayden, Sherri Hedman, Mary Beth Hodge, Betsy Hoffmann, Margo James and her sister-in-law Becky Said, Lois Kamoroff and her daughter Beth, Isabel Lau, Pauline Nolte and Robert Seymour, Susan Walker-Christiansen, Lucy Weed, Chris White, Jane Young. And to my great-niece, Ally, for her running on Sunday—my legs thank you!

Despite the weather, with all of the volunteers' wonderful commitment, cheerfulness, and willingness to help, our ice cream sale fundraiser was a FUN success! We netted **\$1,891.71**.

Debbie Marconi, Chair



Money Matters

Ladies, please send me your financial questions so I can help you and others in our group! Please e-mail them to diane@oaktreewealth.com. Your personal information will be kept confidential.



Last year my father passed away, and in his honor I would like to share a few things with you.

Have you written a will? Have you reviewed the beneficiaries of your retirement accounts and life insurance policies recently? Is a trust something you should consider? While I am not an estate-planning attorney, I would suggest that your answer to all of the above should be "yes."

I specialize in working with widows and divorcees, and since my father's death I have been able to put my skills to their highest service by helping my mother. My father was a very organized person, and I credit him with helping me to be financially aware and to become a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™ Professional. I have never seen an estate better organized than my parents'. I didn't have to go searching for any documents since they were all in a binder above the TV marked "Estate Plan." Inside the binder, he even had a letter addressed to us with their attorney and CPA contact information.

With this level of organization, you may think that his passing was expected. It was not. He organized and planned ahead because none of us lives forever. No matter your age, you are doing your family a tremendous service when you get your financial house in order. At a time when my mother and I were in tremendous grief, my father had lovingly left us a path to follow. Most people I meet have not done any estate planning. It is a hard topic to think about, and yet, by doing nothing you may put a financial and emotional burden on your family that you never intended.

If you would like a brief two-page overview of key estate planning documents you may need, please let me know and I will be happy to forward that to you. Taking action on these matters will help contribute to your peace of mind and your family's well being.

Diane L. Woodward, CFP®

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Public Policy



Congress Marches Backward

June 10, 2013 marks the 50th anniversary of the Equal Pay Act, the keystone law around fair pay. Unfortunately, this outdated and loophole-ridden legislation cannot protect and guarantee gender pay equity in private industry.

To shore up the effectiveness of the Equal Pay Act, Congress needs to pass the Paycheck Fairness Act (H.R. 377/S. 84), but progress has been repeatedly stalled in the House of Representatives, who refuses to bring the issue to a vote. The latest effort to force a floor vote on the Paycheck Fairness Act was recently defeated in the House by a 230–198 vote. A large group of our elected representatives are clearly more invested in playing to private enterprise over ensuring the equal rights of American citizens. And so, we must continue to push forward, even as Congress insists on pushing back.

As a more immediate step to addressing pay equity, AAUW is urging President Obama to implement part of the Paycheck Fairness Act through an executive order that would ban federal contractors from firing or retaliating against workers who share salary information or ask about wage practices.

Says AAUW Executive Director Linda D. Hallman, “Women were an important voting bloc in the 2012 election, and pay inequity was a key rallying point, but our policies are still frozen in time. Equal Pay Day must not be another occasion for politicians to use the same rhetoric with no follow-through. AAUW expects action, and our country expects action.”

[Tell the President to act on equal pay. Go to the AAUW website and add your voice.](#)

Student Loan Interest Rates Set to Double

Nearly one in five American households has student loan debt and, in 2011, the average graduating college senior owed \$26,600. Moreover, the gender wage gap makes student loan debt an even larger burden for women, who on average earn 18% less than their male counterparts **just one year out of college!**

The interest rate on subsidized Stafford student loans is set to double on July 1 unless Congress acts to prevent the scheduled rise from 3.4 to 6.8 percent. Students receiving subsidized Stafford loans are the ones

who are in most need of financial assistance to attend college—and are least able to afford paying twice as much in interest.

Contact Congress and urge them to prevent this interest rate increase AND ask your representative in the House to oppose the "Smarter Solutions for Students Act" (H.R. 1911). To learn more about pending legislation, and to contact your representative, go to the AAUW website and [become a Two-Minute Activist.](#)

Pregnancy Discrimination Claims on the Rise

Thirty-five years ago, the Pregnancy Discrimination Act became a groundbreaking law that made pregnancy discrimination in the workplace illegal. Unfortunately, many private sector employers have found ways to circumvent the law, and pregnant women are still being denied reasonable job accommodations or forced out of their jobs. **The Pregnant Workers Fairness Act—**reintroduced in the Senate on May 14—would do much to protect workers and their families from this shameful discrimination. **To learn more about this reintroduced legislation and to share in the conversation, [go to the Pregnancy Discrimination Act Community page on the AAUW website.](#)**

Susan Beyerle Public Policy Chair

Happy August Birthdays

Susan Beyerle	8/01
Diana Aiken	8/02
Janice Colby	8/04
Carmen Burks	8/06
Diane Schinnerer	8/07
Debra Marconi	8/11
Mary Venkat	8/14
Lucy Weed	8/15
Linda Yoshizawa	8/22
Joan Leabman	8/25
Elisabeth Reber-Cox	8/26
July Bracken	8/27



**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY
TO OUR DADS!**

Local Scholarship



High School Graduates

The 2013 scholarship recipients have been chosen! These five young women are very impressive with their outstanding academic achievement, school and community involvement, and skill in several languages. All of our candidates this year were articulate and a delight to interview, making our selection very difficult. We are confident they will all be very successful in accomplishing their goals. If you didn't have a chance to meet them at our installation dinner in May, here is a brief overview of their many accomplishments and future goals. What an outstanding and inspiring group of young women!

Maria Angelica Wong Chang is our single recipient this year from California High School. Since arriving in San Ramon from her native Peru less than two years ago with her mother, grandmother, and older sister, Maria has demonstrated strong academic skills, individual focus, and a significant level of motivation and personal responsibility (sometimes holding two jobs while maintaining a 4.21 GPA). Maria has successfully adjusted to a new culture, instructional language, high academic demands, and different social environment. She also volunteered at the San Ramon library and became involved in on-campus activities. Maria will attend UC Davis and major in psychology. She hopes to have a career as a social worker or a school counselor.

Raina Ahuja became interested in her career choice of working in the medical field after her older brother experienced a misdiagnosis and needed to undergo many rounds of testing before the correct diagnosis and treatment were determined. She pursued her interest in the medical field by volunteering at Kaiser Permanente Walnut Creek for three years, accumulating hundreds of hours and being selected as the Special Projects Leader for all of the volunteers. She is an accomplished pianist and a second-degree black belt in tae kwon do in addition to her on-campus activities at Dougherty Valley. Raina will attend UC San Diego and major in bioinformatics. She hopes to pursue research in the medical field and focus on computer science and genetics.

Rachel Elizabeth Imani Buckner demonstrated her motivation and interest in working with people in many areas, including team captain for the basketball team at Dougherty Valley, 12 years as a Girl Scout, church activities, the Jack and Jill Club, and the Mosaic Project. Her work as a volunteer with the Mosaic Project—which focuses on teaching tolerance, diversity, and conflict resolution—strengthened her interest in working in her

community. Imani will attend Howard University in Washington, D.C. and major in political science and business. She hopes to go to law school and pursue a career in politics or community involvement.

Michelle Koo demonstrated her wide range of interests and accomplishments by participating in numerous on-campus clubs and organizations at Dougherty Valley in addition to developing her computer and piano skills. These organizations include National Honor Society, California Scholarship Federation, Science Alliance, Unicef Club, Key Club, Interact, and Technovation Club. She began volunteering at the public library as a fifth grader while living in Petaluma. She continued this when her family moved to San Ramon for high school. Throughout high school, Michelle volunteered at the Dublin Public Library, putting her strong computer skills to work by organizing a database for vintage books and designing bookmarks in addition to other volunteer responsibilities. Recently, her team of four girls from the DVHS Technovation Club competed with teams throughout the world and made the top 10 finals. The challenge was to create a phone application that focused on community problems. As finalists, her team was selected to present their design in San Francisco at Twitter headquarters on May 2. Although they did not win the top prize (\$10,000), the DVHS Team was recognized as having the best business plan. Pretty good! Michelle plans to attend UC Berkeley and major in computer science.

Aradhna Madireddi demonstrated her passion for school and community leadership throughout high school. She served as the student representative to the Dougherty Valley PTSA, was a San Ramon Teen Council member for three years, and was a precinct worker for the last San Ramon mayoral campaign. On campus, she was a member of the National Honor Society, Mock Trial, Speech and Debate Club, California Scholarship Federation, Eco Club, and Math Help Club. Additionally, Aradhna has a first-degree black belt in karate and is an accomplished piano player and dancer. Aradhna's passion for math and science and her desire to serve as a positive model, especially for other girls, motivated her to start a free math-tutoring club at Dougherty Valley at the end of her freshman year. This model has since become the framework for other free tutoring services offered at Dougherty Valley. Aradhna plans to attend Duke University in Durham, North Carolina and major in computer and electrical engineering.

Renaissance Scholar Update

This year one young woman in the Renaissance Scholars program at CSU East Bay has applied for scholarship help. She appears to be a strong candidate. Members of our committee will interview her in July and present her at the September brunch.

Susan Walker-Christensen, Co-Vice President with Julie Gin

AAUW Funds

New AAUW Fund Pins

This year AAUW has added two new pins: the “Inaugural 2013 AAUW Funds pin” and the “Educational Opportunities Fund pin.” Now with a cumulative donation of \$100 or more, donors can receive either of these pins or one from the other AAUW programmatic funds—the Public Policy Fund, the Leadership Programs Fund, the Eleanor Roosevelt Fund, and the Legal Advocacy Fund. The AAUW Funds pin features the new AAUW logo and symbols of the other funds, illustrating that a gift to AAUW Funds supports all of AAUW’s programmatic work. In recognition of the 125th anniversary of the fellowships and grants program, the new Educational Opportunities Fund pin will be sent to donors who support any named fellowship or grant or the national Tech Trek camps. These new pins are already being sent to AAUW members, so look for those who may be wearing them!

Legal Advocacy Fund

Support Legislation that Helps Military Sexual Assault Survivors

On April 17, AAUW’s Director of Public Policy and Government Relations, Lisa Maatz, stood alongside Rep. Jackie Speier (D-CA), representatives from other women’s organizations, and survivors of military rape to announce the reintroduction of the Sexual Assault Training Oversight and Prevention (STOP) Act (H.R. 1593). AAUW strongly supports this legislation, which would change how sexual assault is handled in the military by creating an independent body to investigate and prosecute sexual assault cases.

This legislation is backed by the plaintiffs AAUW supports from three class-action lawsuits against the military and by victims’ rights advocates, including Susan Burke, the plaintiffs’ legal counsel. You can read more about the legislation on the AAUW blog (<http://www.aauw.org/article/stop-act-aims-to-end-sexual-assault-in-the-military/>) and use AAUW’s Two-Minute Activist (<http://capwiz.com/aauw/issues/alert/?alertid=62601651>) to ask your congressional representative to support the STOP Act.

Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to LAF to help balance the scales of justice for women.

Jeanne Benedetti, AAUW Funds Vice President

Glossary



AAUW CA

Mooneen Lecce Giving Circle: A group of AAUW members who pool their contributions to the Eleanor Roosevelt fund and choose a project to support financially. Although originally started by California members, the circle is open to members from all states that make an initial contribution of \$300 or more and commit to an annual increase.

Speech Trek: This program encourages high school students to develop their career-enhancing speaking skills and increases their knowledge of AAUW and its mission.

SPF: An abbreviation for the AAUW California Special Projects Fund. The fund is a tax-exempt 501 (c) (3) corporation that serves as a pass-through fund that enables California approved state projects such as Tech Trek to collect tax-deductible donations from individuals, branches, and corporations.

Tech Trek: A weeklong summer camp that introduces middle school girls to innovative math and science projects. Originally sponsored by AAUW California and begun in 1998, Tech Trek is now an AAUW National program. Branches raise funds to send eighth grade girls.



HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!

Interest Groups

CORK'N'FORK

Saturday, June 15

You still have time to RSVP for the Summer Barbecue!
Janice Colby

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LUNCH BUNCH

First Tuesday

Tuesday, July 2; 11:30 AM

Clementine's 973-0433
18070 San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon
Enjoy some Creole/Cajun or, if you don't like spicy, feast
on one of their milder dishes! Please RSVP to me by
Sunday night, June 30.

Tuesday, August 6; 11:30 AM

Café Attila 837-2886
2211-B San Ramon Valley Blvd., San Ramon
Let's try this eatery after hearing a great recommendation
from one of our regular attendees. Please RSVP by noon
on Monday, August 5.

Marsha Froines

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GAME NIGHT

First Saturday

Saturday, July 13; 7:30 PM **Note Special Date**

Hostess: Chris White

Saturday, August 3; 7:30 PM

Hostess: Debbie Marconi

Questions? Contact Lucy Weed



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Interest Groups

CHINESE MAH JONG

First Tuesday and Third Thursday

Tuesday, July 2; 7:00 PM

Hostess: Chris White

Thursday, July 18; 7:00 PM

Hostess: Debbie Marconi

Tuesday, August 6; 7:00 PM

Hostess: Mary Venkat

Thursday, August 22; 7:00 PM **Note Special Date**

Hostess: Linda Louie

Please RSVP to the hostess.

If you have questions about this group, contact
Beth Allen

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WALKING GROUP

Saturday, July 20; 9:00 AMNote Special Date****

Meet at the Dublin Dog Park on Amador Valley Blvd. to
walk along Dublin Creek. This is an easy 2.5-mile walk
with shade much of the way. Let us know you are coming,
and we will wait for you. Estimated end of hike is 11 AM.

Saturday, August 17; 9:00 AMNote Special Date****

Meet at the Bollinger Park and Ride at 9:00 AM to carpool
to the Oyster Bay Regional Shoreline in San Leandro for
an easy 2-mile walk. Estimated time of return is 11:30. Let
us know you are coming, and we will wait for you.

Saturday, September 7

We'll "walk" to the annual brunch! You can get a copy of
this year's walking schedule then or have it e-mailed to
you. If you have been on the list, you will receive an e-
mailed copy of the new walks.

Diane Griffiths
Lois Kamoroff

Interest Groups

READING SOCIETY

Third Monday

May Book Review

Clara and Mr. Tiffany, by Susan Freeland

Our May selection was about Clara Driscoll and the women who worked at Tiffany Studios and created some of the most famous glass murals and lamps ever made. The book is based on knowledge gleaned from Clara's actual letters to her family and friends. It is an inside look at the important roles these women, many of them from struggling immigrant families in the poor neighborhoods of New York City, had in the creation of artworks for Louis Comfort Tiffany. The women were not allowed to marry and received no recognition for their work, yet they were valued for their keen eye and artistic abilities. The book contains much technical information about working with glass and also a peek into the social side of New York in the late 1800s. It makes for interesting historical fiction and an enjoyable read, although the style of writing is hardly grandiose.

June 17; 7:00 PM

Karen Van Zino will review *The Dog Stars*, by Peter Heller at the home of Cheri Ng

July 15; 7:00 PM

Terry Kalashian will review *The Sand Castle Girl*, by Chris Bohjalian. We'll meet at the home of Chris White

August 19; 7:00 PM

Elaine Baldwin will review *Beautiful Ruins*, by Jess Walters at the home of Diane Griffiths

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Interest Groups

TUESDAY NIGHT BRIDGE

Third Tuesday

Tuesday, June 18; 7:00 PM

Hostess: Margo James

Tuesday, July 16; 7:00 PM

Debbie Marconi

Tuesday, August 20; 7:00 PM

Sandy Budde

RSVP required: Call hostess as soon as possible to let her know if you are playing or not.

Questions? Contact Chris White

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Interest Groups

DAYTIMERS

Sonoma Lavender Festival

Saturday, June 22; 10:00 AM–4:00 PM

\$10 person/Children under 12 free

We'll visit a spectacular festival celebrating lavender and its many beautiful and aromatic uses. We'll see a five-acre lavender farm in full bloom plus these offerings:

- Music, food, wine and lavender products
- Lavender specimen garden
- Educational demos
- Plant sale
- U-cut fresh lavender
- Craft making

Location: Sonoma Lavender Barn, 8537 Sonoma Highway (Hwy 12), Kenwood. Turn East at Chateau St. Jean winery and follow the signs.

For more information, visit

<http://www.sonomalavender.com/festival.html>

Contact Pauline if you are interested in attending. She will organize carpools. Details will be in the reminder e-mail.
Pauline Nolte

Disney Family Museum

Monday, July 1; 9:30 AM–4:30 PM (est.)

Cost: \$20/adults; \$15/seniors. Meet at the Market Place outside CVS to carpool. We'll have lunch at the museum.

Organizer: Marsha Froines

Daytimers' Planning Meeting for 2013–2014

Monday, August 26; 9:00–11:00 AM

Please come with ideas, your calendar, and an appetite.

Brunch will be served. RSVP required.

Chris White



Interest Groups

TRAVEL GROUP

The Travel Group is taking a rest for the summer and will reconvene in the fall. Please stop by our table at the annual membership brunch in September to learn more about our program plans for 2013–2014.

Travel Group programs are open to AAUW members, their spouses, friends and significant others. We'd love to see you at our events this year! Because refreshments are served at our events, please respond positively to this event's hostess if you can attend.

Renae Buckser

Anne Hayden

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WANNA GO (BUT NOT BY YOURSELF?)

E-mail me and I will let the group know you are interested in doing something, but not by yourself. Group members who are also interested will contact you so you can schedule your excursion!

Marsha Froines

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FOURTH FRIDAY FLICKS

We meet on the fourth Friday of each month to enjoy a movie chosen by the Monthly Organizer. Contact the Monthly Organizer via e-mail if you are interested in joining us.

Friday, June 28

Organizer: Chris White

Friday, July 26

Organizer: Lois Kamoroff

Friday, August 23

Organizer: Carol Lombardi

If you would like to receive these e-mails, please contact Chris White

JUNE 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 7:30 PM Game Night Diane Griffiths
2	3	4 7:00 PM Mah Jong Pauline Nolte	5	6	7	8 9:00 AM Walking Group Diane Griffiths
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 5:00 PM Summer BBQ Janice Colby
16	17 7:00 PM Reading Society Cheri Ng	18 7:00 PM Bridge Margo James	19	20 7:00 PM Mah Jong Lucy Weed	21	22 10:00 AM Lavender Festival Pauline Nolte
23	24	25	26	27	28 Fourth Friday Flicks Chris White	29
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SNIPPETS

We wish Kandy Fitch a speedy recovery from her surgery on June 7 to repair a torn bicep in her right arm.

Pauline Nolte and Robert Seymour plan to get married before the end of this year. Congratulations and best wishes, Pauline and Robert!

Submitted by Joy Perkins, who presents the following local testimony to the value of sending girls to Tech Trek Camp: Elise Ruark, who attended Tech Trek when she was at Iron Horse Middle School, recently published an article in *Nature* http://www.nature.com/nature/journal/v493/n7432/fig_tab/nature11725_F2.html. Elise double-majored in Math and Statistics at the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana campus and graduated Magna Cum Laude in three years. She got her Master's degree in Biostatistics at UC Berkeley (in a fully paid graduate position) in 2010. Elise lives in London and works as a bioinformatician at the Institute of Cancer Research in Sutton, UK. Congratulations, Elise! We always knew you'd be an extraordinary young woman!

If you have a Snippet item (family events, career changes, etc.) that you would like to share with branch members, please contact Marsha Froines. **This column depends on member contributions.**

Save the Dates

September 7: San Ramon AAUW Annual Membership Brunch, Crow Canyon Country Club

JULY 2013

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	1 9:30 AM Daytimers Disney Family Museum Marsha Froines	2 11:30 AM Lunch Bunch Marsha Froines 7:00 PM Mah Jong Chris White	3	4 	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 7:30 PM Game Night Chris White
14	15 7:00 PM Reading Society Chris White	16 7:30 PM Bridge Debbie Marconi	17	18 7:00 PM Mah Jong Debbie Marconi	19	20 9:00 AM Walking Group Diane Griffiths
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AUGUST 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 7:30 PM Game Night Debbie Marconi
4	5	6 11:30 AM Lunch Bunch Marsha Froines	7	8	9	10
		7:00 PM Mah Jong Mary Venkat				
11	12	13	14	15 Newsletter deadline for September issue	16	17 9:00 AM Walking Group Diane Griffiths
18	19 7:00 PM Reading Society Diane Griffiths	20 7:00 PM Bridge Sandy Budde	21	22 7:00 PM Mah Jong Linda Louie	23 Fourth Friday Flicks Carol Lombardi	24
25	26 9:00 AM Daytimers Planning Brunch Meeting Chris White	27	28	29	30	31