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SAVE THE DATE

AAUW's Healdsburg Homes Tour
Visit interesting homes in the heart of historic Healdsburg

May 5, 2019 10:00 - 4:00

TICKETS ON SALE

MARCH 1, 2019

\$45 advance sale OR \$50 at the event

www.healdsburg-ca.aauw.net

The 2019 Homes Tour selection team, led by **Cynthia Adam** and **Karen Messick Fanucchi**, is finalizing decisions on the home we will be visiting this year. This year's Homes Tour promises to be another great tour.

Currently **Julia Graves** is actively soliciting sponsors and advertisers; she'd welcome any ideas or recommendations you have. In addition, please watch for requests for docent and refreshment volunteers, as well as additional ways to contribute to the **Homes Tour** effort. We welcome your suggestions and participation!

Please contact this year's co-chairs, **Johanna Lieblein** <u>ikl216@comcast.net</u> and **Laura Tyler** <u>lauramtyler@earthlink.net</u>, if you have questions, ideas, or would like to participate.

-Johanna Lieblein and Laura Tyler



President's Message

It's that time! Time to start looking for who is going to serve on next year's Leadership Team; Linda Clark has notified me that she has initiated the Nominating Committee. If you are interested in joining the Leadership team, please let Linda know. If you receive that "cold call," think seriously about how you can support your Branch in a leadership capacity. If you are on the Leadership Team and are ready for a new challenge, I hope that you have groomed your replacement. It sure makes the job of the Nominating Committee a lot easier.

There is a brief notice on page six in this *Grapevine* about what portion of your dues is tax deductible. As you know, the dues you pay are divided between branch, state and national. Just a reminder that the \$25 that stays here at the Branch is not deductible because it is used to run the Branch. Money that is donated to the Healdsburg Fund is deductible.

What's happening at National? Recent changes to the National website layout make it easier to find out what is going on. If you log into the home page (aauw.org), the focus of the organization jumps right out at you via four major headings: 1) AAUW Denounces Rescission of School Discipline Guidance; 2) 10 New Year's Resolutions to support AAUW's mission (pay equity); 3) The Attack on title IX; and 4) The National Conference for College Student Leaders (NCCWSL). Click on any of these topics to read detailed information on what AAUW national is doing for women.

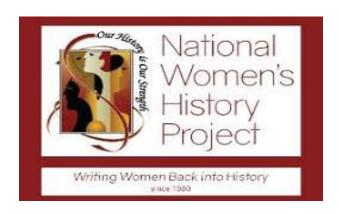
Item #4, the National Conference for College Student Leaders (NCCWSL) is something that our Branch hopes to support next year by identifying and sending a college student to this event. To that end, we have created a new position of NCCWSL Coordinator. Are you interested in working on this new project? Check out the National website to find out what this exciting program is all about and how we can be a part of it.

Our membership numbers fluctuated over this past year, but now that the membership renewals are completed, remain pretty steady at just below 200.

-Nancy Haiston

AAUW Santa Rosa and Healdsburg would like to invite you and the general public to an informative presentation on the

National Women's History Alliance at Charlie's Restaurant on Windsor Golf Course 4:00 Wednesday March 20, 2019



Northern California has a lot to be proud of in the development of the women's movement of the last half century. More than forty years ago on March 8, 1978 Molly MacGregor held the first Women's History Day in Sonoma County. Her idea grew into the presidentially endorsed and congressionally approved Women's History Month.

In July 1978 MacGregor received a call from then-President Jimmy Carter who issued a presidential proclamation establishing March 8 as Women's History Day. In 1987, after further petitioning, Congress designated the entire month of March as Women's History Month.

The nationally known Women's History Project in Santa Rosa will be presented by Molly MacGregor. We hope interested AAUW members and the general public will join us.

Charlie's at Windsor Golf Club.
Windsor Golf Club

1320 19th Hole Drive
Windsor, CA 95492

Get Directions

For further information please contact Kathleen Riley, womenshistory@sonic.net.

Please RSVP to Heather Young with a check for \$20 made out to AAUW Santa Rosa:
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1824 Slater Street

Santa Rosa, Ca 95404 707.478.4537

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—Sue Campbell

Public Policy

Title IX

For those of you who missed email e-blast about the death of Bernice Sandler, the "godmother" of Title IX, here's the link to the NY Times article: https://www.nytimes/2019/01/08/obituaries/ bernice-sandler-dead.html.

Also, check out **Hillary Kambour's** letter to the editor of the Press Democrat about the Department of Education's proposed changes to Title IX at https://pressdemocrat.com/opinion/9121950-18/wednesdays-letters-to-the-editor?ref=TSM&sba=AAS.

-Sue Campbell

MISSION-BASED PROGRAMS

A Field Trip to Canine Companions

On January 18 over 20 girls from Windsor, Geyserville, Cloverdale, and Healdsburg took a trip to Canine Companions in Santa Rosa to learn about the science of breeding animals as well as veterinary medicine. More information about the trip will be in the next Grapevine.

Future Prep

The next Future Prep presentation will be on February 28 and engineering and architecture will be the career fields covered. If you are an architect, or you know of one who would like to speak to high school students in a round table format, please e-mail **Kim Jensen**, worldofkim2010@gmail.com.

Thank you to the many volunteers that make all of our Mission Based Programs possible. I'd like to especially thank **Barbara Epstein** for her amazing job in organizing the Holiday School Supplies Program.

-Beth Wolk

EXPANDING YOUR HORIZONS SONOMA COUNTY 27th ANNUAL CONFERENCE Saturday Morning April 6, 2019, Santa Rosa Junior College, 8-10 a.m.

WE NEED FIVE VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN ME AND HELP REGISTER STUDENTS! AAUW is a proud sponsor and supporter of this exciting opportunity for our area students.

This is a one-day conference to encourage 7th & 8th graders to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Students from Sonoma, Marin, Napa & Lake counties participate in hands-on workshops led by women who are experts in these fields and occupations.

If you are interested please email, text or call **Victoria Toboni** by March 8: 707-591-4084 or maclachlan123@sbcglobal.net

-Victoria Toboni, Healdsburg AAUW EYH Liaison

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AND INTEREST GROUPS

The Social Committee is looking forward to 2019 with fun and interesting activities for all our members! We will be sending out e-blasts to update and remind you of upcoming events.



Valentine's Day Happy Hour Tuesday, February 12

We hope you are planning to join us for our first Happy Hour of the year that is coming up in a few weeks.

Date: Tuesday, February 12

Time: 5-7 PM

Bring: Appetizer, Cash for Wine (\$7-14/Glass)

Location: Longboard Vineyards, 5 Fitch Street

Your RSVP would be much appreciated by Friday, February 8th. RSVP to carolhazlett@me.com We look forward to what we hope will be a great turnout on a cold winter evening!

-Carol Hazlett and Neita Comings (707.799.1362) (602.670.4320)

SAVE THE DATE:

Lunch Bunch, 3/20/2109, 12:00 p.m.

Wine~N~Dine, 4/06/2019, evening

Cultural Event/Vocal artist, Sunday, 4/28/2019, 1:00 p.m.

Healdsburg Branch Annual Appeal

The Board wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of the members who responded so generously to the AAUW Healdsburg Annual Appeal. As of mid-January, our branch has received over \$10,000 from 40 members. Your donations really do change the lives of local women and girls. And if you would still like to participate in our annual drive and haven't had a chance to send in your contribution, we would very much appreciate hearing from you. No amount is too small. You can go on-line at https://healdsburg-ca.aauw.net to donate, or use the donation envelope sent to the entire membership in October.

Thank you!

-Terry J. Leach, Healdsburg Branch Fundraising Chair

MEMBERSHIP

Tax reminder: When you file your taxes, don't forget that \$56.00 of your \$114 dues fee is tax deductible. If you paid for a half year, the deductible amount is \$28.00.

OBITUARY

A past, but long time AAUW member, **Joan Reid**, passed away on December 10th. A celebration of life will be held at 2pm on Sunday, February 3rd at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 547 Mendocino Avenue, Santa Rosa.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!



Anne Friedemann

Anne and her husband were both born and raised in small communities in southern California. Anne met her husband, John, while working as a paralegal at a law firm in Los Angeles. After they married, John started his own law firm, and Anne assisted in the start-up. With the birth of their daughter several years later, they began discussing the wisdom of raising their family in Los Angeles. Thus began their search for the perfect place to raise a family. After visiting Healdsburg several times, they decided it would be the ideal community in which to raise their family. When the Northridge earthquake hit Los Angeles, their plans accelerated and they quickly moved to a rental home in Windsor. They then set out to build their dream home in Healdsburg.

That was more than twenty-five years ago. Anne and John raised their two children in Healdsburg and Anne was active and engaged throughout their pre-school, elementary, middle and high school years with various PTA and school organizations. She is also a past-president of the Healdsburg Education Foundation and Healdsburg Youth Soccer League. Anne is an avid golfer and a member of both Healdsburg Women's Golf Club and Windsor Women's Golf Club. When not golfing, she enjoys cooking, reading and playing Mah Jongg. Given her past involvement with Healdsburg's public schools, Anne is interested in the various educational support programs AAUW offers.



Shelly Roth

Shelly and her husband moved from Fremont, CA to Healdsburg just five months ago. After more than 30 years in Fremont, they grew tired of fighting congestion and sprawl and looked for a quieter community. Her husband, an avid golfer, fell in love with the Myacama Golf Course and the couple looked for a home nearby. They landed in Healdsburg and have been impressed with the friendliness of our little burg.

Before health problems led her to an early retirement, **Shelly** practiced internal medicine in the San Jose area for close to 25 years. But retirement did not equal idleness. **Shelly** volunteered with the International Rescue Committee in the South Bay where she assisted with relocating Liberian refugees. In addition, she worked as a volunteer ombudsman at a nursing home where she was an advocate for residents and taught them to speak up for what they needed. She fought

inappropriate discharges and transfers as well. Finally, since the election in 2016, Shelly has been active in progressive campaigns in the South Bay, working in both state and local elections nationwide.

Shelly joined AAUW, looking to meet people in her new community. She is interested in finding a book group and in getting involved with the public policy committee. Also, she and her husband love to throw parties, so she is looking into participating in a Wine 'n Dine soon.

The Grapevine is published online each month, except in July and August. Please submit articles and announcements in WORD or PAGES and photographs in Jpeg by the 15th of the month prior to the issue in which you want them included. Send to kk.lacy@gmail.com.