



## CLAYTON AAUW MAY 2011 NEWS

**Our general meeting is Saturday, May 21 at 11:30 PM  
AT Dana McDaniel's home, 932 Tiffin Drive, Clayton.**

**We shall celebrate with a social pot luck luncheon. The program will be the  
installation of Officers for 2011-2012 as follows:**

President	Judy Bates
President Elect	Luz Argyriou
Vice President—Program	Carolyn Wetzel and Linda Pinder
Vice President—Membership	Dee Totman and Carol Gurrad
Vice President—Funds (EF)	Carol Bever and Joann Caspar
Vice President—Funds (LAF)	Joan Chesterman
Secretary	Dana McDaniel and Adela Olford
Treasurer	Carol Wolfe

**Please RSVP Judy Bates- email her at [jl Bates5900@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jl Bates5900@sbcglobal.net) or call her at 672-4620 with your choice of main course, salad and rolls, or dessert.**

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**Reminder: April GENERAL MEETING IS MONDAY APRIL 25 7:30 PM AT  
DIAMOND TERRACE.**

**The Lindsay Wildlife Museum of Walnut Creek will be presenting a wonderful program for us on April 25. Contra Costa County is blessed to have such a wonderful organization in our midst providing wild animal education and care.**

**Our presenters, one of which is our own Lynn Cheney, are museum docents. They will provide us with an evening dedicated to learning more about the wild animals that live among us and how the museum provides for them. Please mark your calendars early in order to not miss this date. Bring a neighbor, non-members are welcome.**

***Carolyn Wetzel***



## LAF Conference Call

Join in a conference call Tuesday, May 3, 2011, at 7 p.m. EDT for updates about case support and LAF Campus Outreach Grants and for programming ideas for 2011–12. Contact [laf@aauw.org](mailto:laf@aauw.org) to RSVP and receive the call information.

### Supporting the Women of Wal-Mart

AAUW showed our commitment to equity and to the women involved in the historic, LAF-supported case *Wal-Mart v. Dukes* not only by providing financial support to the lead plaintiffs and by signing an amicus brief but also by literally standing with them before and during the U.S. Supreme Court hearing.

On March 28, AAUW, with Alliance for Justice, co-hosted a reception for the plaintiffs. It was well attended by community members, local AAUW members, and AAUW staff. Each of the five plaintiffs who attended expressed their gratitude to AAUW during their speeches and spent time talking with staff.

On March 29, LAF Program Manager Holly Kearl attended part of the hearing, and AAUW co-led a rally of support for the women outside the courthouse. Photos of AAUW signs during the rally appeared in coverage of the case in dozens of media outlets.

Visit the AAUW blog to read Kearl's account of the events, watch a video clip of Betty Dukes, and view photos.

### Obama Administration Takes Action for Sexual Assault Awareness Month and You Can, Too

Last week the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights issued guidelines on sexual violence in schools. The guidelines make clear a school's obligation to prevent and respond to sexual violence under Title IX's provisions on sexual harassment. The department also recently announced that it is investigating a sexual harassment complaint by students at Yale University. AAUW's Lisa Maatz was interviewed by Good Morning America about the case.

Download AAUW's Campus Sexual Assault Program in a Box to find out what you can do about campus sexual assault as an alumnus, AAUW member, student, faculty or staff member, or as a parent.

### International Anti-Street Harassment Day a Success

LAF Program Manager Holly Kearl organized the first International Anti-Street Harassment Day, and on March 20, people all over the world challenged street harassment in their communities. In Washington, D.C., AAUW co-sponsored a community safety audit. Learn more on the Stop Street Harassment blog and in an article published today on The WIP by Holly.

## LAF Reminders

**Do You Know the Score? Have you made your plans to use LAF's Title IX Compliance: Know the Score Program in a Box to investigate your local high school athletics programs? Jean Read, the sports equity chair for the AAUW San Jose (CA) Branch, talks about how easy it was to use this Program in a Box in an AAUW YouTube video clip.**

**Case Support: LAF is actively reviewing new case support applications. If you would like to make a case recommendation, please contact [laf@aauw.org](mailto:laf@aauw.org). Recommendation forms are accepted on a rolling basis.**

**Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to LAF to help balance the scales of**

## What a Great Convention!

**We really celebrated AAUW-CA's 90th birthday in style in Irvine, April 8-10, 2011. Clayton Branch member Roseann Krane attended.**

**From Cynthia D'Amour's inspiring Leadership presentation to Lilly Ledbetter's story, we built our bridges from the past to the present and on to the future. The AAUW-CA Past Presidents put together an amazing Saturday night gala which traced our 90 years beautifully.**

**We watched "We Did it for You" a performance piece that reminded us of all the fantastic women who have made their story special. Many branches participated in Connection Corner and showed off pieces of their own branch's story. Onward and upward - here's to another 90 years at least! Carlyne McDonnell, Convention Chair and [Leadership Development Director](#)**

**Officers: Sue Miller was elected as Vice President and Donna Mertens was elected as Chief Financial Officer, both for the 2011-2013 term. Directors: the following individuals were elected to the Board of Directors for the 2011-2013 term: Helene Carr, Kim DeBroux, Carolann Ford, Cathy Foxhoven, Lynn Janeway, Sherry Ludwig, Bakula Maniar, Shelley Mitchell. (Ed note: they will join continuing board members: Judy Pfeil, Gloria Taylor, Laurie Dennen, Ginny Hatfield, Lorelei Self, and Harriet Tower when they assume their duties on July 1.) Laurie Dennen, [Secretary](#)**

## Speech Trek

**More than 125 Convention attendees watched the State Finals Round of high school students compete for cash prizes in the Eleanor Stem Allen Memorial Speech Contest on April 9, 2011. Emily Shumway, representing the Sonora Branch won the \$1000 first prize. Jasmine Khangura (Sacramento Branch) and Montanna Tarkington (Visalia Branch) placed second and third place and each won \$500. Honorable mentions were named: Susan Vang (Stockton Branch) and Jesse Nelson (Roseville Branch).**

**Branches are encouraged to offer this competitive speaking opportunity to high school students in their areas next year. The topic for 2011-2012 is: *BULLYING: So What?* Dee Quatraro, [Speech Trek Coordinator](#)**

## Public Policy

**The 2011 - 2013 AAUW CA Public Policy Priorities were approved at the state convention this month. These reflect the results of the Every Member Survey from fall, 2010, and are consistent with national Public Policy Principles. The Priorities have been developed to guide us in taking positions on women's issues and legislation in support of the AAUW mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research, and can be found on our website in the Forms & Documents section under Public Policy.**

**Sue Miller, [Vice President](#) and [Public Policy Director](#)**

## May 2011 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 7:30 Board	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 7:30 Evening Bridge	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 11:30 p.m. General Meeting
22	23	24	25 12:30 Movie & Lunch  7:30 Evening Literature	26	27	28  7:30 Couple's Bridge
29	30	31				

Other Interests Sections - Contact these chairs:

**FIELD TRIPS AND OUTDOOR ADVENTURES** – Call Adela Oldford – 672-9446

**MAH JONG** – Learn this ancient Chinese tile game. Sue Kelson – 672-0674

**TRAIL HIKING** – Hike Clayton's trails. Call for info Linda Pinder – 672-7815

**Roseann Krane will not be able to do the newsletter or the directory for the Clayton AAUW next year, so she is seeking volunteers to take over those duties.**

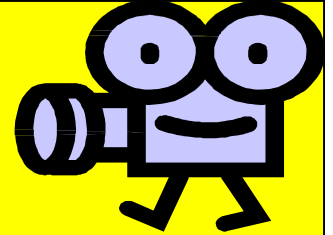
**Anyone willing to take over one or both of those jobs should contact Judy Bates. Roseann will train and help. She will still be doing the web site.**

**Hi Movie Goers,**

**Lunch and movie date is on the fourth Wednesday.  
We meet on April 27 for lunch at 11:00am . We see  
Water for Elephants at 12:55 at the Civic Arts.**

**We meet on May 25 for lunch at Fiore's at 12:00am .**

**Please join us at Fiore Restaurant, 5100 Clayton Rd #A14, Concord.  
JoAnne Caspar**



## **Evening Literature Meetings**

**are at the home of Barbara Fogerson, 672-2525.**

The evening Literature will be meeting on April 27 and on May 25.  
Please contact Barbara for the book and other info.



## **Couple's Bridge**

**... 7:30 p.m. fourth Saturday of the month**

**... May 28 at the home of Jeanne Boyd**

**... June 25 at the home of Allegra Mills**

**... July 23 at the home of Mary Ann Hayes**

**We will not be playing in August.**

## **DUES RENEWAL**

**A reminder for all members, it is time to send in your dues renewal. Please send a check in the amount of \$85 (made payable to Clayton Branch AAUW) to Carol Wolfe, 5650 Lewis Way, Concord, CA 94521.**

**The breakdown is as follows**

<b>Association Dues</b>	<b>\$49.00</b>
<b>State Dues</b>	<b>16.00</b>
<b>Branch Dues</b>	<b>20.00</b>
	<b>\$85.00</b>



**Dual branch members who pay their Association and State dues to another branch need only submit the Branch Dues portion of \$20.**

**CLAYTON BRANCH AAUW  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**April 4, 2011**



**Call to Order:** 7:45 pm by **Judy Bates**

**Members present:** Judy Bates; JoAnn Caspar; Linda Pinder; Dana McDaniel; Carolyn Wetzel; Luz Argyriou; Carol Wolfe

**Minutes:** **Linda Pinder** presented the minutes from the March 7, 2011 meeting, which were accepted as written.

**Treasurers Report:** **Carol Wolfe** presented the financial report. The financial report was accepted and filed for audit. Carol said that she is still waiting for the final bills for the Spaghetti Feed.

**President:** **Judy Bates** addressed the topic of the Spaghetti Feed, which she said was a big success and thanked everyone for participating. We discussed the possibly moving the Spaghetti Feed to the last Wed. in May for 2012 in order to take advantage of better weather that would allow us to use the patio at Endeavor Hall. The pros and cons of moving the date will be discussed at a future meeting when we can solicit input from more people.

Judy said that Roseann Krane will not be able to do the newsletter or the directory for us next year, so she is seeking volunteers to take over those duties. Anyone willing to take over one or both of those jobs should contact Judy.

**President Elect:** nothing to report

**Secretary:** nothing to report

**V.P. Membership:** nothing to report

**V.P. Program:** **Carolyn Wetzel** said that the April 25 program will be a presentation by docents (including our own Lynn Cheney) from the Alexander Lindsay Museum. Carol Bever will be in charge of refreshments.

**V.P. LAF:** nothing to report

**V.P. EF:** nothing to report

**Tech Trek:** nothing to report – other than the fact that we have received the parent's share of \$50 for each of the three participants.

**Scholarship:** nothing to report

**IBC: Judy Bates** reported that the next meeting will be on May 24, 2011 at 7:00 pm at Stratford at Countrywood on Pleasant Hill Road. This will be a pot luck.

**Communication:** nothing to report

**Unfinished Business:** The Board acknowledged receipt of a slate of officers for 2011/2012 as presented by the nominating committee and published in the April newsletter. The election for the new Board will be at the April general meeting.

**New Business:** None

**Announcements:**

- May newsletter deadline will be April 22, 2011. Send articles to Roaseann Krane.
- Next General meeting will be April 25, 2011, 7:30 pm at Diamond Terrace
- Next Board meeting will be May 2, 2011, 7:30 pm at Diamond Terrace
- The following interest groups will be removed or temporarily suspended due to lack of interest.
  - o Bunko
  - o Gourmet
  - Trail Hiking

**Interest Groups:**

Bridge-Couples: Carol Wolfe

Bridge Marathon: Diane Rogers

Field Trips & Outdoor Adventures: Adela Olford

Lunch & Movie: JoAnn Caspar

Bridge-Ladies Evening: Mary Ann Hayes

Evening Literature: Barbara Fogerson

Great Decisions: JoAnn Caspar

Mah Jongg: Sue Kelson

**Adjourn:** 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Pinder, Secretary

## Danville-Alamo-Walnut Creek Garden Tour

Seven delightful gardens are on display for this years **American Association of University Women's (AAUW) Garden Tour**. This will be the 11th year for this popular event. The tour includes a great variety of garden types in Alamo, Danville and Walnut Creek. Several landscape designers will be on hand to answer questions.

**Friday May 6 and Saturday May 7, 2011 10AM to 4 PM**



Tickets: \$30 by April 30th, \$35 thereafter; \$25 for seniors 65+ by April 30th, \$30 thereafter

Proceeds benefit aspiring women scholars.

**\*501c3 tax deductible charity**

Mail check by *April 30* payable to *AAUW Funds\** with a business size, self-addressed stamped envelope to:

**AAUW Garden Tour  
400 Cliffside Drive  
Danville, CA 94526**

**Tickets (cash or check only) are also available M-F 9-6 & Sat 9-5 at: East Bay Flower Company 206 Sycamore Valley Road West (Danville Livery).**

*No children under 12 please; Light Refreshments will be provided*

further information: [gardentour@aauw-daw.org](mailto:gardentour@aauw-daw.org)

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