

## AAUW RIVERSIDE PIPELINE

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research

## **DECEMBER, 2012**

#### **MEETINGS**

December 3rd, Monday, Board Meeting at 10:00 AM at Jo's

December 6th, Thursday, Book Group at at 1:00 PM at Stella's — Girl in a Blue Dress by Gaynor Arnold

December 6th, Thursday, Christmas Party at Canyon Crest Winery at 4:00 PM

December 6th, Thursday, Book Group at 7:00 PM at Jo's — State of Wonder By Ann Patchett

**<u>Healthy Hearts</u>** will **<u>NOT</u>** meet this month.

**<u>Current Affairs</u>** will meet at the Xmas Party

### **CA Public Policy Survey**

Click HERE to complete the survey and submit your responses by December 1, 2012. Your responses are important. You can help to decide where our priorities and resources should be directed for the next two years.

### Start the holiday season with an AAUW Christmas Party!



Where: Winery at Canyon Crest 5225 Canyon Crest Dr. Suite 7A (next to Rite Aid)

When: Thursday, Dec. 6

**Time:** 4:00 pm

**Cost:** \$15 per person at the door **RSVP:** Lisa Newhall 951-323-3838 by Dec. 2 - seating is limited!

Learn about wine making and bottle your own wine! Each guest will receive a glass of wine and bring home a bottle of AAUW Sangria. Appetizers and desserts will be provided; drinks sold separately. A raffle will be held to support Tech

Trek.

### **Board Members**

Co-Presidents

AAUW Funds VP Membership VP Secretary Treasurer Communications Parliamentarian

Barb Ryon Barbara Purvis Stephanie Dingman Carlease Chandler Marilyn Puckett Stephanie Dingman Taffy Geith Bessie Ridley

### Interest groups & Others

Book Group—1st Thursday at 1 PM Book Group - 1st Thursday at 7 PM Bridge Group - 4th Saturday at 7 PM Current Affairs - 4th Monday at 1:00 PM

Healthy Hearts - 3rd Friday at Noon Out & About - dates & times very International Affairs Chair Public Policy Chair **Tech Trek Coordinator UCR** Coordinator

Stella Fife Lisa Newhall Mary Lou Morales Marilyn Dunagan Dorothy Andruss Bessie Ridley Jo Turner Carrie Garret Ann Kasper Lisa Newhall Adrienne Sims



# December 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Board Meeting 10:00 am	4	5	6 Bk Gps 1 and 7 pm Canyon Crest Winery 4:00 PM	7	8 Ruthann MLCoch
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			Mary Humboldt		Ted Dyer	
16	17	18	19	20	21  Marilyn Dunagan	22
23	24	25 Merry Christmas	26	27	28	29
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### PRESIDENT'S CORNER



By Barbara Purvis

It seems that time is progressing rapidly, too rapidly. We are approaching the holiday season, and Barb and I wish you all

Happy Holidays. But we are also approaching the New Year and the wonderful programs that are scheduled for 2013. Hopefully, those members who could not make it to any of the great programs this fall can make it to at least one next year.

We have a wide variety of upcoming programs including Ruthie GoldKorn on Living with Disabilities; Jane Moore on Africa; Christine Gailey on the Suffragettes; Jodie Holt on Botany and Avatar, and Opal Singletary on Human Trafficking.

If transportation is a problem, please let me know and arrangements will be make to pick you up and get you home

### Pay Gap

AAUW's latest research reveals that women are paid less than men just one year after college graduation. *Graduating to a Pay Gap* takes into account factors such as occupation, college major, and hours worked, making the comparison as close to "apples-to-apples" as possible. The report also examines one immediate effect that the pay gap has on many women: The gap makes it harder for young women to bear the heavy burden of student loan debt.

You can obtain free copies of this report at "ShopAAUW" (plus postage).

### **AAUW CA 2013 Annual Meeting**

Plans are underway for our AAUW CA Annual Meeting to be held on **April 20, 2013** in Sacramento, CA. The Annual Meeting is for the members of AAUW CA and it is when any business of the members is transacted. During State Conventions, the Annual Meeting is known as the Business Sessions; however, in 2013 AAUW CA will have a one-day meeting in Sacramento.

At this meeting we will hear from, among others, AAUW President, Carolyn Garfein and Special Projects Fund President, Sue Cochran. Other details will be revealed in the January issue of *CALIFORNIA Perspective*. There will be a luncheon speaker and presentations from the three state projects: Tech Trek, Speech Trek and Financial Literacy.

In the afternoon we will hear from the three Speech Trek finalists and a Community Action Project Grant recipient. At this time, we are planning to have the meeting at our AAUW CA office; however, we are looking into the possibility of meeting at the State Capital.

Please save the date for a trip to Sacramento ---- April 20, 2013.

It is with great sadness that we report the death of longtime AAUW member, Melanie Schodde.

### Welcome our new member

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- "Poetry is music written for the human voice."
- -- Maya Angelou

### Riverside Pipeline

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## California Senior Legislature - What Is It? What Does It Do? By Anne Kasper

The California Senior Legislature (CSL) was founded over 30 years ago by Henry Mello and other state legislators. These men and early CSL members also played a key role in the development of other state-sponsored programs for seniors: Long-term Care Ombudsmen, HICAP (Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program), Adult Day Health Care and nursing home reform.

Currently, CSL works to identify priority senior concerns (and also those of people with disabilities), develop legislation to address them and to influence others to become more aware of public policy for these residents.

As in the state legislature, CSL has an Assembly and a Senate. New members are assigned to fill vacancies in their district. The number of members from each county depends on its population. After training, each member is assigned to a committee of interest.

During the months preceding CSL's legislative session (held in Sacramento each October)members produce tentative proposals based on their current concerns and send them to the CSL Legislative Committee. The efforts are put into proper legislative terms by attorneys in Sacramento who volunteer to help. The "best" proposals are printed in a manual and sent for review to each member before the formal legislative session.

The latest CSL session began with 83 proposals. The various committees in both houses read and questioned the authors of each submission in their area of interest. Some proposals failed immediately, while others were judged viable. Many were heard a second time by another committee.

The final session includes all members. Each surviving bill was again voted upon and the "Top Ten" identified. These most successful bills will be presented by various CSL members to actual state legislators, hoping they will find them compelling enough to be submitted and voted in as actual bills (and from there to proceed to the Governor's desk for his signature!).

CSL is supported entirely by voluntary donations. State taxpayers can make a donation when they sign their state income tax(under the "CA Fund for Senior Citizens" line 402) to support California's "Senior Legislature".