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## Grab Your Sunhats for September Meeting

Kick-Off Meeting on September 17

10:00 am to Noon

Hideaway Park, Lake Wildwood

Wear your creative sun hat decorated with your Interest Group symbols

Enjoy a fabulous brunch by the lake

View activity displays for each interest group

Meet this year's Tech Trekkers

Bring a potential new member to the meeting and win a prize

RSVP to Laurie Alire by Sept. 10 so your name will appear at the gate



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### Directions to Hideaway Park - its not really hidden!

!Take Highway 20 toward Marysville. Turn right at the second signal, PLEASANT VALLEY RD, drive 2 miles turn right at the NORTH GATE (the second gate) onto WILDFLOWER DR. At the end, turn right onto LAKE WILDWOOD DR. Pass Meadow Park, continue about 1/2 mile to HIDEWAY PARK. Veer right onto Laurel Loop, right again into parking lot. Watch for signs at the park and the AAUW sign with balloons at Laurel Loop. The park does not have very many parking spaces so if you are car pooling, the commuter lot at the corner of Highway 20 and Pleasant Valley Road is a good place to meet your passengers.

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## President's Message—Ann Shulse

Welcome to a new year! I hope you've had a relaxing and refreshing summer. Soon we'll be off and running with a **very** special year that marks our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary here in Nevada County! Our recent past presidents are planning an exciting gala event for March to celebrate who we are and tell our story of service to women and girls over the years. Our new Board and committee coordinators have been busy getting ready, too.

The **September 17th Welcome Back Brunch** will once again be at Hideaway Park in Lake Wildwood. Come join us lakeside and don't forget your hat! Have fun decorating it with items that represent your interest group activity. Visit with old friends, and bring potential members to see what we're all about – you might win a prize! Enjoy a presentation from our Tech Trek girls, sign up for Interest Groups, and enjoy the delicious food. A budget has been developed and awaits your approval at our September meeting. You will find the proposed budget in this issue of the Lodestone. Join us for a very good time, and pick up your new Membership Directory – I wonder what color it will be this year? Be sure to RSVP for the Brunch by September 10. Your name needs to be listed at the front gate to get in.

Your **Blue Coin Box** must be mighty full by now since we missed two meetings last spring. Please bring your overflowing box to the Brunch and help us fill our big blue buckets – we accept paper, too! We'll continue with this easy fundraiser to support Branch Operations. If you need a new box, they will be available at check-in.

Thank you for electing me President -- I look forward to our new year together. We are pleased with the number of renewals and extend a big welcome to our new members.



## Board Highlights—Bernadette Sylvester



### June, 2011 Joint Board Highlights

Fifteen Board members met for a joint meeting at the home of outgoing President Stephanie Norton on Friday, June 10, 2011. Stephanie thanked the outgoing members for their support during her two

years as President, and welcomed incoming President, Ann Shulse and the new Board members.

**TREASURER:** The Branch as of the end of May had \$13,056.28 on hand.

**PRESIDENT'S UPDATE:** Ann Shulse thanked Stephanie for two "awesome" years as President and thanked the retiring Board members for their service. The theme for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration was chosen – "75 Years of Service" - and a motion carried to budget \$1000 to defray expenses. A Governance Handbook compiled by Ann and Pat Pedersen was given to each Board member for reference.

**AAUW FUNDS** – Melanie Heckel reported that donations to the Educational Foundation were up but overall there was a decrease in funds due to lower profits at the Appraisal Faire. LaVerne Leach reported a \$635 total from sales of pins and donations for the Legal Advocacy Fund.

**TECH TREK** – Martha Rees announced funds had been raised to send 8 girls to the 2011 science camp at UC Davis in July.

**NEW BUSINESS** – The Board appointed Melanie Heckel, Stephanie Norton, Linda Ream, Bernadette Sylvester and Shirley Zeff to the 2012 Nominating Committee.

### August 2011 Board Highlights

The August 12, 2011 Board meeting was called to order by President Ann Shulse at 9:40 AM with 12 members attending.

**Treasurer Shirley Zeff** presented the Proposed 2011-2012 Budget for Board review along with the monthly financial report. Both reports were approved.

**Bernadette Sylvester** reported 29 business ad sponsors have paid & will be featured in the 2011-2012 Membership Directory.

**The September 17 Welcome Back Brunch** will be at Lake Wildwood and will include AAUW Funds information, introduction of Branch activities, new members, Tech Trek girls, ways and means, upcoming programs and sign-ups for interest groups and committees.

**The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala** will be held on March 29, 2012, and Gloria Taylor, the AAUW-CA co-president will be the special guest. At each monthly meeting this year, there will be an AAUW/Nevada County Branch history presentation by a Branch member.

**Martha Rees** reported that our 8 Tech Trekkers had a very positive experience at the Science Camp at UC Davis. The girls will be attending the Brunch on September 17 at LWW.

Next Board meeting will be held on September 9. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM

Bernadette Sylvester, Secretary



## AAUW FUNDS OVERVIEW

Ann Shulse

July 1, 2009, AAUW FUNDS became the official title for all gifts given to support AAUW's work of promoting equity for women and girls. All contributions to AAUW Funds are fully tax deductible.

Through our fundraising events, Nevada County Branch has traditionally supported the Educational Foundation (EF) and the Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF). We will continue to support these two programs, but we need to be aware of a few changes. When AAUW FUNDS came into existence, **EF got a new name: Educational Opportunities Fund (EOF)**. Another change is that each of the Funds under the umbrella of AAUW FUNDS was assigned a number. When you make a contribution to AAUW, you will need to specify which Fund you intend to support.

**AAUW FUNDS #9110:** This contribution is an unrestricted gift and will support AAUW programs with the greatest need.

**Educational Opportunities Fund #4336:** Formerly EF, **EOF** administers the traditional fellowship and grant programs, including community action grants and special research projects, maintains a library, and sponsors symposia, conferences, and related educational activities. Currently, when gifting EOF, we need to further designate **Fund #4314** which will support our unfinished **Nevada County Branch Diamond Jubilee Endowment**. We have about five more years to fund about \$30,000 to our #4314 Endowment.

**Legal Advocacy Fund #3999:** LAF works to combat sex discrimination in higher education and the workplace.

### Other commonly designated AAUW Funds are:

Eleanor Roosevelt Fund #9170 which supports AAUW research reports.

Public Policy Fund #4337 which supports government relations, civic engagement, and field organizing.

Leadership Programs Fund #4339

This year our Branch has two AAUW FUNDS VPs:

**Linda Ream is our Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) VP**

**Francesca Erickson is our Educational Opportunities Fund (EOF) VP.**



## AAUW FUNDS EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND (EOF)

Francesca Erickson

Having just met with Melanie Heckel, I have a much better idea of what this Program is all about. I am very pleased to learn of the many and varied ways it supports women and our community. I suspect all of you know more than I, but I'll try a little summary in case there are some new people.

There are various programs that are supported by contributions to this fund, including one for Community Action Grants. Our local Friendship Club, which supports at-risk girls, was the recipient of one such grant. It also, I was surprised to learn, gave a grant to Marie Curie. Who knows, perhaps one of our Tech Trek girls will continue her college work and be the recipient of a graduate scholarship. There is an intent to support women in the sciences, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). There are ways that more traditional fields such as teaching are supported by grants for graduate work for teachers or researchers in these fields. There is also an international component with grants to help international students. Our financial support for these programs has historically come from several sources: 1) individual contributions; 2) the Appraisal Faire and 3) a % of shopping at SAVE MART and SPD using cards or script is dedicated to this category. There is an endowed fund which is more than half completed to fund continuously these programs. The goal this year is to match our Celebration of 75 years with a donation of \$75,000. We need only \$38,000 more--that is good motivation for us all. We are meeting to brainstorm to find new ways of fundraising that will both provide money and also increase the awareness in the community of the accomplishments of AAUW.

There is good news about SPD's new way of handling script. Once our organization is enrolled, and the process is beginning now, members will fill out one form indicating where they want their donation to go. Forms can be picked up at SPD and will be passed out at the meetings. A card will be issued to the individual member which can be used with each purchase. For more detailed information please check [www.escript.com](http://www.escript.com). How wonderful to have a more simple way of earning money by shopping--and for food--who can't justify that? Cards for SAVEMART are also available at meetings or can be requested from me and I will mail them to members.



## AAUW FUNDS LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND (LAF)

In the absence of Linda Ream, our AAUW Funds—LAF Vice President,  
This information is provided from the AAUW National Newsletter

### U.S. District Court Says UC Davis Violated Title IX

A U.S. District Court [found](#) that the University of California, Davis, failed to comply with Title IX when the plaintiffs in the [AAUW-supported](#) case [Mansourian v. Regents of the University of California](#) were students but that the school officials' actions relating to the women's wrestling team were meritless. Damages have not yet been determined

### AAUW to Co-sponsor Summit on Workplace Sexual Harassment

AAUW will co-sponsor a summit at Hunter College in New York City on October 15, 2011, that will focus on workplace sexual harassment. Anita Hill is the keynote speaker. Local AAUW members are invited to attend, and we expect to broadcast the summit online. Look for details in September.



### AAUW Business Ad Report

Bernadette Sylvester, Business Ads

The Membership Directory for 2011-2012 will feature 29 sponsors, including many renewing sponsors and a few new advertisers. We welcome back AAUW member Ann Armstrong

who generously pays for her large ad inside the front cover of the Directory. We also welcome our new supporters: The Magickal Florist (Karin Tintle), Tina Yedding, Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital (Women's Imaging Center), and 151 Union Square. A full listing of the 2011-2012 sponsors can be found elsewhere in the *Lodestone*.

Many thanks to those members who contacted new and renewing sponsors for the Directory. The funds raised through these ads defray our branch administrative costs, such as meeting room rent and printing of the Directory and the *Lodestone*.

Special thanks to Teri McConnell for once again creating and designing the ad pages, and to Shirley Zeff for her many trips to the Post Office in search of sponsor checks.

Please browse through the sponsor pages when you receive your new Membership Directory. You will note that some sponsors are offering a little bonus if members bring in the Directory ad. We hope that you will patronize our sponsors whenever possible, and thank them.



### 2011-2012 Proposed Budget

Shirley Zeff, Treasurer

Please review our 2011-2012 proposed budget as approved by the Board on August 12, 2011. This budget will be voted upon at the General Meeting on September 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### INCOME:

Carry-over from 2010-2011	\$ 733.32
Business Advertising	1,525.00
Fundraising	1,459.60
Local Dues	<u>1,800.00</u>
Total Income	\$5,517.92

#### EXPENSES:

Administration/Conventions	\$2,229.00
Communication/Advertising	971.80
Membership Development	685.00
Program Expenses	1,557.12
Public Policy	<u>75.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$5,517.92



Marlene Aspey's husband Alan passed away on Thursday, August 11; he was a great friend and a tireless volunteer for many AAUW events. They moved here in 1990 from Saratoga and both became active almost immediately in many community organizations. Our heartfelt sympathies go to Marlene and family. The family is planning a private memorial celebration of his life at a later date.



## *Tech Trek comes alive at UC Davis*

By Martha Rees

I had the privilege to serve as dorm mom during the inaugural Tech Trek science and math camp at UC Davis this summer. It was truly a wonderful experience for me ... the girls touched my heart and life in ways that I could never have imagined. I didn't have any of our Nevada County girls (Jessica Dent, Viviana Gamino, Sarah Hunter, Alex Junge, Lily Karim, Lacey Krutiak-Brown, Casey Richards, and Jenna Segel) in my dorm group ... did see them throughout the week, and they made the most of their opportunities. Sarah was among the lucky ones who were able to take the Veterinary Hospital tour ... spots were limited a lottery was held. Alex was among those who got to go to the Bohart Museum (a bug/entomology museum) -- did you know bugs played a role in forensics as well as medicine, etc.?

Everyone went on the Grace Foundation (horse rescue) center as well as the Aerospace Museum of CA --- girls who said they were afraid of horses (i.e. Lacey) ended up petting them, and everyone got a chance to fly via flight simulators w/ the help of instructors (all of whom were pilots). Plus they saw a video re: Mission to Mars 2034 --- the girls figured they be 36-37 years old then, and one said, "I want to be the first woman on Mars ... no, I want to be the first PERSON on Mars." The Mondavi Center tour touched on architecture and acoustics/sound and lighting engineering.

Morning classes included physics experiments involving theories of gravity, motion and rotation, geometry-based hands-on activities, and building soccer-field models using ratios and proportional math, and more. Afternoon/evening activities ran the gamut from bats and raptors to building motors to team building activities such as tower building (teams of 5 girls were given 11 pieces of paper and about 1 yard's length of tape and their assignment was to build the tallest tower they could that would stand for at least 10 seconds ... all w/out talking out loud to each other!) Another activity one evening had the girls figuring out Barbie's measurements if she were real ... using math proportions they came up with her dimensions if she were 5'6" and then used a tape measure to visualize them... the conclusion led to discussions of body and self image. One evening focused on college admissions and finances – surprisingly well-received and incredibly informative. The next night the girls met and “interviewed” several professional women with science/math/technology- based careers, including a vet, a wildlife biologist, an info technology manager, a civil engineer, etc.

That's just a glimpse of the week. I believe our girls all left camp feeling stronger, more confident, and with the belief that they really could do anything they put their minds to doing. From their comments, college has become an exciting reality for them, and their interests in science and math has grown.



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<b>151 Union Square</b>	151 Mill St., Grass Valley	(530) 205-9513

**PUBLIC POLICY**, Sharon O'Hara



**The good news:** the Dept. of Health and Human Services (HHS) is considering adopting the Institute of Medicine's (IOM) recommendations that women's preventive health care be completely covered by any new health insurance plans under the new health care reform law! **The bad news:** efforts are underway to expand "religious refusal" exemptions where certain employers would not have to provide coverage for contraceptive services to their female employees if the employer is opposed to contraception. **Here's more good news:** HHS is currently waiting to hear from the public! That's right -- AAUW has a chance for input, both as an organization and as individual members and e-advocates. Below is an edited version of the message for Lodestone.

***I join with AAUW in asking you to accept the recommendations of the IOM as pertain to coverage of preventive care under the new health care law, and to reject any exemptions for "religious employers." These preventive services are a critical element of the new law and would provide countless women better access to necessary health care. I urge you to ensure women have access to quality preventive care by accepting IOM's recommendations and rejecting the proposed religious refusal exemption provisions.***

Please email to [E-OHPSCA2713.EBSA@dol.gov](mailto:E-OHPSCA2713.EBSA@dol.gov) or write a letter or postcard to Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, /, HHS / 200 Independence Avenue, S.W./ Washington, D.C. 20201 For more information, please go to [AAUW.org/ACT/Two minute activist](http://AAUW.org/ACT/Two minute activist).

**OUR VARIED INTERESTS**

Nancy Knaus, Interest Group Coordinator



Do you like to "dabble" in craft projects? Or attend local plays, musical events, or activities with friends? Do you like to get out-and-about in our local and regional outdoors? Is gardening in Nevada County a challenge? Perhaps you yearn to resume playing bridge, or want to discuss current books. Are you (and/or your spouse or companion) ready for new cooking adventures? Do you wonder about the background on current world affairs?

If you answer "yes" to any of the above, you are invited to review our listing of Interest Groups and find the group that will meet your interests. All activities welcome new participants. Hesitant to make a commitment for the year? Feel free to come as a visitor! Sign-ups and complete information will be at the September Membership Brunch. If you miss that opportunity, contact the chair of the group or the Interest Group coordinator, Nancy Knaus. Group leaders and contacts are listed in your membership directory, and on the calendar page of the Lodestone with the activities listings. Or, if you have an interest we haven't listed that you would like to pursue with other AAUW members, we can establish a new group. Yes, we have many varied interests!



AAUW Walkers



Arts & Crafts



Book Discussions



Daytime Bridge



Gad-Abouts



Gardening Group



Gourmet Group



Great Decisions



World Cuisine

## MEMBERSHIP NEWS



Hello fellow AAUW members! We've had several months to recharge and tune up our AAUW "engines". We're sure you are all looking forward to fall, especially after such a difficult winter which went directly to summer heat. Your Membership team will be ready to greet members and guests at the September brunch and hand out directories at the end of the event. Last year, eleven new members signed up at the brunch! Almost all of them were recruited by current members. Bring your friends for a delightful meal and an introduction to branch programs and interest groups, all in a lovely lake view setting.

Starting out this year, our membership numbers are down, largely due to the sadness of deaths and members moving. A few members did not renew; the current total membership is 113. This brings up the topic of keeping in touch with both new and long-time members. Yes, members read branch news in *The Lodestone*, but they would welcome a call to encourage further involvement. All of you are the "Recruiting Team"; let's break last year's record of **eleven** new members! Once again, there will be raffle prizes for both the members that bring a guest and for the new members.

### Summer's the time for fun!



At the Nevada County Fair:

**Teri McConnell** entered some of her preserves at the County Fair, and won Ribbons!

**Bernadette and Ed Sylvester** received Ribbons for their flower arrangement and photography

**Liz Rees** won 3 Ribbons for her crocheting.

Sharon O'Hara won 4 Ribbons for her jams.



Linda Marschall played oboe in the Nevada County Concert Band at the concerts in Pioneer Park. She sits next to former member Linda Graham, who plays flute.

Stephanie & Ken Norton celebrated their 50th Anniversary with a really delightful party. All or nearly all of their large family were there and presented a slide show of their married life that was great fun to watch.



## LOCAL INTEREST ITEMS

**AAUWalkers** will, on Wednesday, September 7, be hiking to Middle Loch Leven Lake along the Salmon Creek Trail. This is a beautiful granite-lined alpine lake where we will have our lunch. We will meet at the Madelyn Helling Library at 9:00 am for carpooling. This is a very scenic 5-mile round trip hike, which should probably be classified as moderate. There are no grueling long uphill inclines, but there are several shorter rocky uphill and downhill ascents and descents to pick our way through. Bring lunch, water, hiking boots and walking sticks, although we will have a few spare sticks to share. RSVP to Melanie Heckel or Deb Cubberley by email. Looking ahead, in October we plan to hike to Milk Lake from the Carr/Freeley Trailhead in the Grouse Ridge area.



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**Gadabouts**, with a continuously open membership (!) will gather Thursday, September 15, 10:00 am at Caroline's Coffee Roasters, 1110 E. Main, Grass Valley to plan their schedule of events for the current and coming year. Interested parties are encouraged to attend and bring any advance information concerning coming attractions on stages or concert halls in the area, not-to-be over looked local eateries, or any unique venue worthy of a visit by a group of educated and interesting women! This is the opportunity to have a group of AAUW friends to get out-and-about with! Contact Sally Smith for further information.



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**Gardening Group** will meet Friday, September 16, at 10 am for a planning meeting, and to make flower arrangements for the branch Membership Brunch the following day. Meet at 10 am at Teri McConnell's. Bring flowers and/or greens for the arrangements. We will also need gardening sheers or scissors for cutting stems, and need your imaginative flower arranging insight! All else will be provided. And, bring your suggestions for activities for the year! RSVP to Teri McConnell (preferably by email).

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There may be more of you with summer fun. Let us know so we can get it in the next Lodestone.

# September 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<i>1 Arts &amp; Crafts</i>	<i>2 Daytime Bridge</i>	<i>3 World Cuisine</i>
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<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>	<i>Gourmet Group on 10-1-2011</i>

**INTEREST GROUP SECTION:** Nancy Knaus is the interest group coordinator. Please get your info to her by the 8<sup>th</sup> of each month. Please note that we do not put addresses, phone #s, or email in the Lodestone except once in the membership column.

**AAUWalkers:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wed, 9/7, 9am. Hike to Middle Loch Leven Lake. Meet at Madelyn Helling Library to carpool, (details pg. 8) . RSVP to Melanie Heckel or Deb Cubberley.

**Arts and Crafts:** 1st Thu, 9/1, 10am. Hostess, Pat Pedersen. **Note the time change!** We will create Mosaic Pots. Information will be sent online to current members. RSVP to Pat by August 29.

**Book Discussion:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thu, 9/8, 1pm. Hostess, Ellie Anderson. Our book is *The Biology of Belief: Unleashing the power of consciousness, matter and miracles*, by Bruce Lipton, with discussion facilitated by Linda Marschall. For October selection will be *The Hotel at the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford.

**Daytime Bridge:** 1<sup>st</sup> Fri, 9/2, 10 a.m. at Alta Sierra Country Club. Call Lisbeth Noel or Bernell Scott if you'd like to play and have not already signed up.

**GadAbouts:** 3rd Thu, 9/16, 10am Planning meeting Caroline's Coffee Roasters, 1110 E. Main, Grass Valley (details pg. 8). Contact Sally Smith

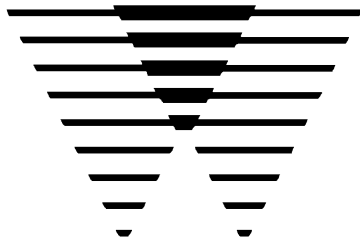
**Gardening:** 3rd Fri, 9/16, 10am. **Note change in usual day.** Meet Friday, at Teri McConnell's home to make flower arrangements for the Branch Membership Brunch, and to plan for the year. (details pg. 8) RSVP to Teri by email.

**Great Decisions:** No meeting til February. Details will be forthcoming.

**Gourmet Adventures:** Save the date! Gourmet Adventures will begin on Saturday, October 1 at the home of Carol and Herb Giese. Details in October Lodestone

**World Cuisine:** 1st Sat. 9/3, 5pm **Note change in date.** World Cuisine will meet at the home of Linda and Carl Marschall. Bring an appetizer, and your suggestions for themes, locations and hosts for the year RSVP to Linda Marschall. The first dinner will be in November.

Note: If you are interested in joining an interest group, please refer to your directory for the names and telephone numbers of the leaders of each interest group or call Nancy Knaus. Additional participants are always welcome.



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