



## **AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN CLAYTON BRANCH AAUW April 2017 NEWSLETTER**

*Rosemary Harwood, Newsletter Editor*

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### **Spaghetti Feed Wednesday, May 3rd**

By now everyone should have signed up to participate in our one and only fundraiser which helps send 3 Tech Trek girls to Sonoma State in the summer and also supports a Scholarship for a worthy Clayton Valley Charter High School senior.

The latest news from the County is that we can no longer make spaghetti sauce at home and serve it at Endeavor Hall. Joyce should have contacted all willing spaghetti sauce makers and is working out a plan to solve the problem this year. We also cannot parboil the spaghetti at home so early Wednesday we will need help getting as many pounds of spaghetti as possible partially boiled.

Cookies are also on the no-no list so those planning to make their own delicious cookies will have to purchase them instead ☹

Please call Joyce at 672-3850 if you have questions. We will be sending out updated news after Joyce talks to the County Health Department.

Roseann Krane, Webmaster, has reminded us that all members should check out the [New Clayton AAUW website](#) . Let her know if there are items you think we should add.

Roseann's email is [rkrane@yahoo.com](mailto:rkrane@yahoo.com).

## **AAUW CO-PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE**

### **Joyce Atkinson & Carol Gurrad**

A round of applause for Carol Herington and Jeanne Boyd for arranging for Connie Self to speak at the March 27<sup>th</sup> General Meeting. She introduced us to her book *Life Under Hitler's Crosshairs*, the story of the Polish people before and during World War II. Those of you unable to attend missed a great meeting. Check with your friends, if they purchased the book, they may be willing to loan it to you.

The following members were elected for the club year 2017-2018.

Co-Presidents – Joyce Atkinson & Carol Gurrad  
Vice President of Programs – Karen Hansen-Smith  
Vice President of Membership - Marcia Hart  
Vice Presidents of Funds – Susan Coulston & Lola Rohrs  
Treasurer – Carol Wolfe  
Secretary – Joan Chesterman

However, you will notice we do not have a President- Elect, and although we have members willing to help with Membership and Program, a Co-President would be nice. Please think about filling those positions.

Guess what is coming? You guessed it, the famous AAUW Clayton Branch Spaghetti Feed will be held May 3<sup>rd</sup> at Endeavor Hall. We have a number of sign-ups and we are asking if you will do the same job you did last year. You will receive a “Blast” giving the jobs choice, those already signed up just ignore it. If you have not checked off your name, please let Joyce know by a call or email; [deatkinson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:deatkinson@sbcglobal.net) If I don't hear from you – you will hear from me.

Looking forward to seeing you and all your friends at the Spaghetti Feed.

Joyce



Extend the value of your AAUW membership! Visit the [Contra Costa County Interbranch Council website](#) to see upcoming AAUW activities in nearby branches.

## 2017 AAUW National Election — One Member, One Vote

AAUW members will receive their voter information in early April by e-mail and mail with the Spring *AAUW Outlook*! Candidate slate, bylaws proposals, Public Policy Program proposals, and resolutions will be published in the spring issue of *AAUW Outlook*. And don't forget to check for the latest updates on the [AAUW National Election web page](#).

### INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

On Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> we are having our installation luncheon at Alice Ponti's house at 11:30am.

Please call Jeanne Boyd at 672-3672 to let her know if you will bring a small salad or a dessert. Only 2 desserts will be needed.



### DUES RENEWAL

It is that time of year again. It is time for everyone to renew their membership in Clayton Branch. Please send a check in the amount of \$90 (made payable to Clayton Branch AAUW) to: Carol Wolfe, 5650 Lewis Way, Concord, CA 94521.

The breakdown is as follows:

Association Dues	\$49.00
State Dues	20.00
Branch Dues	<u>21.00</u>
Total Dues	\$ 90.00

Dual branch members who pay their Association and State dues to another branch need only submit the Branch dues portion of \$21.00.

Since it is tax time, I want to let you know that \$46 of your Association dues are tax deductible as is \$1 of your Branch dues for a total of \$47.

Thanks,  
Carol Wolfe

March 23, 2017

AAUW Clayton Branch  
c/o Joyce Atkinson  
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Clayton CA 94517

Dear Joyce, Carol and Members:

On behalf of the Clayton Community Library Foundation I want to thank you for the donation of \$50 to purchase books in honor of Women's History Month. The following books have been ordered and will soon be available for check out: All the Single Ladies: Unmarried Women and the Rise of an Independent Nation by Rebecca Traister, Bad Girls Through History: 100 Remarkable Women Who Changed the World by Ann Shen, and The Glass Universe: How the Ladies of the Harvard Observatory Took the Measure of the Stars by Dava Sobel. Each book will have a book plate placed at the front indicating the AAUW Clayton Branch donation in honor of Women's History Month.

We are so lucky to live in a community that helps to sustain their library. The Clayton Community Library Foundation is committed to provide a minimum of \$25,000 annually for books, materials, furniture and volunteer support.

In 2016 CCLF spent over \$44,000 to support the Clayton Community Library because of the backing from our community. This amount included \$5,605 in-kind donations of used books and other materials from our generous patrons. Our book sales, the in-Library Book Store and online sale of books grossed over \$14,601 in 2016. These used book sales plus membership drives and corporate matching gifts combined with individual gifts make it possible to meet our goal. In addition, we are appealing for increased donations from our members, matching gifts from corporations, and donations from community groups such as AAUW.

Thank you again for your donation which will provide more books and materials for the Clayton Community Library. It is wonderful to live in a community that values libraries. Our library is truly unique in that we have functioned for twenty two years with a reduced staff and a large number of dedicated volunteers. Clayton remains a very busy branch of the County library system. Everyone comments on our friendly and helpful staff and volunteers. I am convinced that our success is the result of dedicated staff, terrific volunteers and community support such as yours.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Boyd,  
1st. Vice President

*The IRS requires CCLF to provide written acknowledgements to donors who have made gifts of \$250 or more. CCLF did not provide you with goods or services in exchange for your gift. Your gift is tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. CCLF's Federal Tax ID is 68-0190953.*

## Afternoon Book Group Selections

### **The Book Group will meet at 2:30 pm at Priscilla's on:**

Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> - *The Yellow Crocus* by Laila Ibrahim.

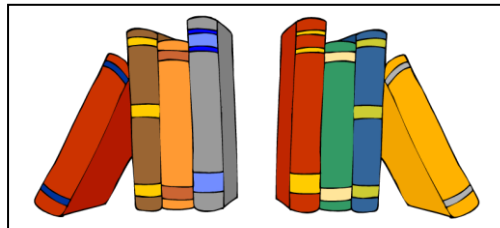
Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> - *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles

Wednesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> - *A Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis* by JD Vance

Wednesday, July 26<sup>th</sup> - *America's First Daughter* by Stephanie Dray and Laura Kamoie

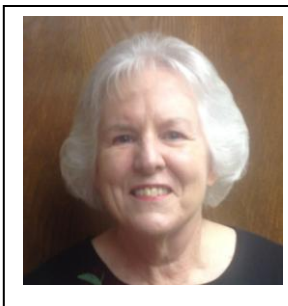
Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> - *The Life we Bury* by Allen Eskens

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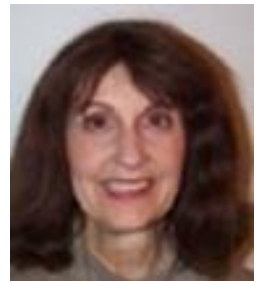
**Ladies Evening Bridge meets at 7:00 pm on the second Wednesday of the month.**

**Contact Mary Ann Hayes at 672-4391 for more details.**



**Saturday Night Bridge meets on the fourth Saturday at 7:00 pm.**

**For more information, contact Carol Wolfe at 672-1303.**



Adela Oldford

PLEASE contact me at  
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NOT THE Comcast Address

Thanks  
Adela

## FIELD TRIPS

Call Marge Hennigar if you are interested in any of the following day trips. She can best explain the cost and reservation policy for these different trips. The policy is, once you get Marge's e mail telling you what the cost is, you need to send your check immediately to make your reservation.

### DAY TRIPS

- April 13 - Elkhorn Slough Lunch OYO, nature hike, boat, bus and State Park. Cost \$85pp. Deadline Feb 16<sup>th</sup>.
- May 31 - SF Theater Outing, Roman Holiday Cost TBA
- June 15 - Captain Moran's Delta Cruise - leave from Discovery Bay: 2 ½ hour narrated cruise to Stockton, lunch at Garlic Brother. Cost \$120 pp (cruise, lunch and transportation or \$90 with own transportation. Deadline April 16, 2017.
- July 8 - Angel Island Tram Tour, Lunch in Tiburon. Cost TBA. Margaret is putting this trip together.
- August 16 - Filoli, Guided tour, Tennis Court catered box lunch. Cost TBA. Margaret is working on this trip.

### EXTENDED TRIPS

Please contact Marge for all the details if you are interested in any of these trips:

- April 2017 Washington DC Focus on Experiencing our Nation's Capital Dates still in the works... Call Marge right away if you think you might be interested in this one.
- October 1-8 Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta/Carlsbad Caverns Talbot Tours
- November 1-16, 2017 Discover Thailand. An OAT TRIP (Overseas Adventure Travel) Call Margaret Bradford, not Marge, on this trip only. (925) 798-8748 for more information.

Tour information: [www.get.com/thi17](http://www.get.com/thi17)

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