



GLOSSARY OF AAUW INITIALS AND FREQUENTLY USED TERMS

AAUW - American Association of University Women. Name adopted in 1921 through a merger of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae and the Southern Association of Collegiate Women. No periods between initials. AAUW is a 501(c)(3) corporation.

AAUW California - Organizational unit of AAUW conforming to California state boundaries. Members of all California branches belong to California AAUW. Office: 1331 Garden Highway, Suite 100. Sacramento, CA 95833. e-mail office@aauw-ca.org. phone (916) 448-1729. Hereafter referred to as AAUW CA.

AAUW California Website - www.aauw-ca.org.

AAUW Website - www.aauw.org features a member center with free online publications, AAUW history, updates on LAF (which see), AAUW funds, public policy and fellows and litigants, links to state websites and branches and more.

Branch - The local unit of AAUW. Never called chapter or club. There are approximately 1,000 branches nation-wide.

California Perspective - AAUW CA publication sent three times a year to all AAUW CA members. It contains pre-and post-convention, legislative, Tech Trek (which see) and branch news.

College/University Member - College or university that belongs to AAUW as a partner member. Pays dues set by the AAUW board of directors.

College-University Representative - Serves as a liaison between the partner member and the local branch. Rep's AAUW dues are included in the dues paid by the partner member. If Rep joins a branch, must pay state and branch dues.

Connect - Toll free national number (800-326-2289) or email at connect@aauw.org for AAUW's national Washington, D.C. office.

Degrees of Equality: *the American Association of University Women and the Challenges of Twentieth Century Feminism*, by Susan Levine. The history of AAUW from 1930 to 1980.

Diversity Statement: AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin disability or class.

Dual Member - A member of more than one branch. Pays branch dues to each branch. Pays national and state dues to primary branch only.

Educational Opportunities Fund - One of the AAUW programs. A partial list includes American and International fellowships, community action and career development grants.

Eleanor Roosevelt Fund - Inaugurated in 1988, it funds research on sexual harassment in schools, how

girls are responding to the Age of Technology, such as *How Schools Shortchange Girls*.

Elect Her - An AAUW program. Elect Her is the program that encourages and trains college women to run for student government and future political office.

E-Student Affiliate - An undergraduate in a college/university which is as AAUW partner member and who pays no fees. E-affiliates receive all AAUW publications online without charge.

Fellowships: Stipends awarded to women scholars (called fellows) fellows both from the United States and abroad for advanced research at the dissertation and post-dissertation levels. Never called scholarships.

Give A Grad A Gift - National membership promotion that allows members to give a free one-year national membership-at-large to a new college graduate.

Gloria Weston Campus Outreach Fund - This fund provides funding for California campus outreach projects to help a branch host or co-host a program to educate college students about gender discrimination in education and in the workplace.

IBC - Interbranch Council, composed of representatives from all branches in a county or a geographical area. Council members receive training, put on forums and symposiums together and exchange program ideas.

LAF - The Legal Advocacy Fund - A major program of AAUW. It provides funding and a support system for women in higher education and in the work place who are seeking judicial redress for sex discrimination, sexual harassment or denial of tenure. Approximately 20% of all cases accepted by the AAUW board originate in California.

Leader On Loan Program - An AAUW CA program in which current or past state leaders travel to branches to speak, lead workshops and assist in solving problems.

Leadership Programs Fund - A partial list of projects funded by this fund include NCCWSL (which see), Elect Her (which see), Start Smart (which see) and the Gloria Weston Campus Outreach Fund (which see).

Life Member, Honorary - Branch member who has paid national dues for 50 years and is thereafter exempt from national and AAUW CA dues. The membership years need not be consecutive but must add to 50. Many branches also exempt honorary members from branch dues.

Life Member, Paid - a member who has paid 20 times the current national dues and thereafter pays only state and branch dues. National members (see below) may also become paid life members.

Mooneen Lecce Giving Circle - Group of AAUW CA members who pool their contributions to AAUW Funds and choose a project to support financially. The Circle has funded some of the important research done by AAUW. It is open to all members who pledge a beginning amount and then increase that amount, if possible, by ten percent annually.

National Member - a member who belongs only to our national organization.

NCCWSL - National Conference for College Women Student Leaders - Since 2002, an annual conference of college women co-sponsored by AAUW which brings campus women together to learn skills such as civic engagement, advocacy, career planning, and leadership.

Outlook - AAUW publication sent twice a year to every AAUW member. It contains feature articles on women's equity, AAUW news and information on priority issues.

Public Policy Program - Composed of principles for action and biennial action priorities. These provide a basis for members' advocacy actions at branch, state and national levels.

PIAB - Program in a Box - AAUW complete instructions for implementing a particular program. Everything a branch needs: the how, when, and why.

Speech Trek - A speech competition for all high school students, public, private and home-schooled. The five minute speeches highlight AAUW's special interest in bullying, sexual harassment and other AAUW issues. Regional competitions result in three finalists who speak at the CA convention.

\$tart \$mart - Training that equips young women entering the job market with the skills of successful salary negotiation.

Student Affiliate - An undergraduate student enrolled in a qualified educational institution who pays a fee set by national, state and branch boards. A student affiliate receives publications and attends meetings but may not vote or hold office.

Tech Trek- Week long summer science camp sponsored by AAUW CA, it is designed to develop interest in science projects. Begun in 1998, Tech Trek is now held at nine university campuses. Branches raise funds to send girls entering eighth grade. Other AAUW states have adopted this program.

Title IX - Federal law that bans sex discrimination in schools which receive federal funding.