

## January 2015

Happy New Year! You have received this enewsletter because you agreed to serve your branch or the state organization in a committee or leadership position. Members of the state board send you news and information, deadlines and reminders to help you do your job.

#### **AAUW Funds**

Nominations for **AAUW CA Named Gift Honoree** and **Branch Named Gift Honoree/s** deadline is February 15, 2015. Branches and individuals can nominate a special AAUW member to be selected as AAUW CA Named Gift Honoree for 2015. Nominees for this award have shown dedication to AAUW at the branch and state level. Click (HERE) for the nomination form and guidelines.

Click (<u>HERE</u>) for nomination form and guidelines for Branch Named Gift honoree. These are individuals who contribute at the branch level to the mission of AAUW.

Sharon Westafer, AAUW Funds Committee Chair swestafer@aauw-ca.org

# **Leadership Development**

Registration is open for two exciting opportunities for new skills and enthusiasm for your current and potential branch leaders at the Leadership Development Days on March 21 in Hayward in northern California and April 19 in Manhattan Beach in southern California. *Developing the Leader in You* will host speakers from

National AAUW and present seven workshops by AAUW CA branch leaders. These days will be packed full of ideas and techniques to promote leadership in your branches. Click *here* to register. See you on March 21 or April 19!

**Virginia Beck**, <u>vbeck@aauw-ca.org</u> and **Susan Negrete** <u>snegrete@aauw-ca.org</u>, AAUW CA Leadership Development Co-Chairs

### A Reminder From The Speech Trek Committee

Your first place winner's DVD is due on March 1st. It must be sent to Donna Erickson, 309 Arbol Drive, Watsonville, CA 95076. The top three finalists will be announced on March 10th.

Donna Erickson, Speech Trek, <a href="mailto:speechtrek@aauw-ca.org">speechtrek@aauw-ca.org</a>

### **From the Program Committee**

Don't forget to send your outstanding mission-based program applications in for "Branch Program Recognition" to <a href="mailto:branchrecognition@aauw-ca.org">branchrecognition@aauw-ca.org</a>. The deadline is March 10, 2015. You won't want to miss out on this important recognition of your branch at the Annual Meeting on April 18th in Manhattan Beach.

Cathy Foxhoven, Program Committee Chair, <a href="mailto:cfoxhoven@aauw-ca.org">cfoxhoven@aauw-ca.org</a>

#### From the Title IX Coordinator

Once again, we will partner with LA Sparks to fund attendance at our National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL). Details are in development, but the event will be on September 6, 2015 and plans include a pregame reception with LA Sparks' President Christine Simmons. Contact coaches of high school and college athletic teams in your community about having their teams attend this fun event.

Alicia Hetman, Title IX Coordinator, <a href="mailto:ahetman@aauw-ca.org">ahetman@aauw-ca.org</a>

## Two! Count 'em, Two!

The elections for AAUW (National) will take place April 15-May 26 and our AAUW CA (State) elections will happen April 18-May 8. These are separate elections with separate voting codes. Please make sure your members' contact information is

correct in the National Membership files so they will be able to vote in both elections.

We will send a separate email broadcast with information for you to share with members about the election.

Please note: There have been some changes since the publication of the Winter 2015 issue of California Perspective. This information supersedes that which was published in the newsletter. Currently Donna Mertens is running for President Elect unopposed and Charmen Goehring is running for one of three seats for Director. Additional nominations may be made, with the nominee's permission, until April 4 by following the instructions on the website (HERE).

**Harriet Tower,** Chair, Nominations & Elections Committee, <a href="mailto:nominations@aauw-ca.org">nominations@aauw-ca.org</a>

### **Public Policy**

Equal Pay Day is coming, April 14, 2015, the date that symbolizes how much longer an average woman has to work to earn the same amount paid to a man in a calendar year. We want to see all branches participating in some way to call attention to this inequity in your communities. Check out our website, <a href="https://www.aauw-ca.org/publicpolicy">www.aauw-ca.org/publicpolicy</a> for lots of great ideas! The CA Public Policy Committee is ready to assist your branch!

Sue Miller, Public Policy Chair, smiller@aauw-ca.org

# Membership

Does your branch have a successful New Member retention idea? We'd love to hear about it. The Benecia-Vallejo Branch shared theirs. Sandy Kirkpatrick said "Everyone learned something new about AAUW, and our newer members were VERY appreciative and have a much better understanding of how AAUW works and how/where they can jump in." Click <a href="https://example.com/HERE">HERE</a> to see it. You can customize for your branch. Please send your thoughts to <a href="membership@aauw-ca.org">membership@aauw-ca.org</a>

IMPORTANT REMINDER - Starting March 16th the State Dues will increase from \$16 to \$20. Here's a handy chart.

2015-16	National	State	Branch
New Member, Half Year 1/1/15-3/15/15	24.50	16.00	1/2?
New Member, Half Year, Shape the Future, 1/1/15-3/15/15	12.25	16.00	1/2?
Student Half Year, 1/1/15-3/15/15	8.50	8.00	1/2?
Student Half Year STF, 1/1/15-3/15/15	4.25	8.00	1/2?
Regular - New & Renewal, 3/16/15 - 6/30/16	49.00	20.00	reg
New Member, Shape the Future, 3/16/15 - 6/30/16	24.50	20.00	reg
Student - New & Renewal, 3/16/15 - 6/30/16	17.00	10.00	1/2?
New Student, Shape the Future, 3/16/15 - 6/30/16	8.50	10.00	1/2?
50 year Life Member, <b>3/16/15</b> - <b>6/30/16</b>	0.00	0.00	0?
National, Paid Life Member, 3/16/15 - 6/30/16	0.00	20.00	reg
Branch Dual Member, 3/16/15 - 6/30/16	0.00	0.00	reg
Dual/Out of State Member, 3/16/15 - 6/30/16	0.00	20.00	reg

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