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Happy Spring! You have received this eNewsletter because you are serving your branch or the state organization in a leadership role. Thank you for everything you do! This is the fifth edition for this year. Please share all or any part of this newsletter with your members and others especially any new branch leaders.

Membership

Verify is the Membership Committee's watchword for this month. AAUW California elections will take place in April and the National elections take place in May. The national AAUW mailing list is used to deliver the voting information for both elections. "The Power of One" should not be underestimated. Please make sure that your members' contact information, including email address, is shown correctly in AAUW's Member Services Database (MSD) [Click Here](#). The California Perspective which was emailed in January to all members with email addresses had **many** bounce backs. Please contact membership@aauw-ca.com if you need help with updating your branch members' information.

Remember that starting March 16 new members may join AAUW and receive 15 months of membership for the price of 12. National dues \$49, State dues \$20, plus branch dues. National's Shape the Future Campaign is still in effect and great way to encourage new members to join AAUW. [Click Here](#) for more information.

Kathy Andreini and Ginny Hatfield, *Membership Co-Chairs*, membership@aauw-ca.org

AAUW Funds

All branch presidents, treasurers and AAUW Funds chairs received their year-end contribution report in February. Be sure to check the report with your records and let Sharon Westafer know if you have questions.

If you would like to create certificates to honor your donors, the templates are available on the AAUW CA website under AAUW Funds. Click AAUW Funds in the left column, then scroll down

to near the bottom of the page to find various templates. The certificates look nice if you use 32# certificate paper.

The Funds committee invites you to the Funds luncheon at the annual meeting on Saturday, April 18th. Join us to hear Shannon Cholakian, former Tech Trek and NCCWSL attendee and current member of the AAUW National Student Advisory Council. We'll also announce the State Named Gift award recipient and honor the top branches in giving in 2014.

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

Election

Please share this important candidate information with AAUW CA branches and members. Everyone should become familiar with our state candidates. If you haven't checked the page since mid-January, you might not know that there have been some candidate changes.

Click [HERE](#) to go to the Candidates Page on the state website. Some candidates have posted videos!

Be sure your contact information is correct in the national membership records. You can change it in the [Membership Database](#) (MSD) on the national website.

Reminder: there will be two elections going on in the same time period, beginning in April -- AAUW California and National AAUW. As an AAUW CA member, you are entitled to vote in both. Watch for email messages with your personal voting codes. You will not receive these messages if your contact info is not correctly listed in the MSD.

Harriet Tower, Chair, Nominations & Elections Committee, nominations@aauw-ca.org

National Convention Opportunity

Got a great program? Join a Roundtable! Submit your idea for an AAUW program roundtable to showcase your branch or member-run program for the AAUW national convention roundtable sessions. These sessions are an opportunity to share information about your program and what worked for you. Roundtable discussions will be led by branch members. Submit your idea at http://convention.aauw.org/agenda/program-roundtables/#gf_4

Donna Lilly, AAUW Convention Host Chair, donnalilly@roadrunner.com

GET IT!

Patricia Arquette's Oscar speech revealed she "get's it". Charlize Theron negotiated an equal pay contract and she "get's it". What is your branch doing to bring the message of equal pay to your community on April 14th? Hope you've "got it"!

Cathy Foxhoven, Programs, cfoxhoven@aauw-ca.org

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