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**SAVE THE DATES !!!**

**SUMMER CAMPS and PROGRAMS FAIR  
Dates and Planning**



**Annual Children's Summer Camps and  
Programs Information Fair  
Sunday, March 13, 2011**

**Scottish Rite Center  
1547 Lakeside Dr, Oakland, CA**

This is the Branch's award-winning free community service project which also raises much of the operating funds for our branch activities and events. We have a few easy planning jobs left, **SEE PAGE 7** of this newsletter for the volunteer sign up sheet!

In preparation for the upcoming Fair there will be a **Flyer Bundling Party at Ann Livingston's house -SEE PAGE 2** of this newsletter for details of this **CHAT\*COUNT\*NIBBLE\*BUNDLE**

**PIEDMONT LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS**

Wednesday February 16th  
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
Piedmont Community Center  
711 Highland Ave.

**MAKING RESOURCES COUNT: SCHOOL FUNDING 101**

Speakers: Senator Lori Hancock  
Ray Gadbois, Piedmont Bd. of Educ.  
Tony Smith, Oakland Supt. of Schools [not confirmed]  
Moderator: Jan Zovickian  
**SEE PAGE 5** of this newsletter for details on the program

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*AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. To serve our diverse community, the AAUW Oakland-Piedmont Branch supports quality education and innovative programs. Membership is open to anyone holding an associate or equivalent (RN), baccalaureate or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university. Student Affiliation is open to anyone who does not already hold an undergraduate degree but is enrolled in a two-or four-year regionally accredited educational institution.*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

February 2011

Did you know that as a member of AAUW you are a member of one of the most powerful social networks for women in the United States? AAUW has nearly 100,000 members and a nationwide community that includes 1,000 branches and 500 college and university partners, as well as thousands of members who are not affiliated with a branch. Together we provide networking, advocacy, and action that contribute to a more promising future for women and girls.

This month we prepare for our 29th Annual Children's Summer Programs Fair. I know that you all share my enthusiasm for this great event. Not only does the Fair give us great exposure in the community, it offers a real service to children and families seeking quality summer experiences. This is a great time to see friends old and new while providing a valuable service to the community. Please plan on joining us on Sunday, March 13, 2011 at the Scottish Rite Center in Oakland.

To ensure the future and success of an organization, committed officers are a necessity. Please be thinking about next year and how you can help AAUW O-P continue as an outstanding branch. There are countless opportunities large and small. When a member of the nominating committee calls please say yes so that we can continue our long tradition of service and advocacy for women and girls.

Judy McCord,  
President

P.S. For more opportunities to network with fellow AAUW members look for us on Facebook, Twitter, You Tube, and of course on the all-new AAUW Experience. Visit [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org) and click on Connect for more details. See you in cyberspace!

### CHAT\*COUNT\*NIBBLE\*BUNDLE FLYER BUNDLING PARTY - DESSERT SERVED

Join us on Wednesday, February 9, at 7:00 PM at Ann Livingston's home – 270 Rishell Dr (off Skyline at top of Redwood Rd) as we count and bundle 50,000 flyers for delivery to schools in eight cities.

This is the single most important way families learn about the Summer Programs for Children Information Fair we sponsor. This year's Fair, **our 29<sup>th</sup>**, is scheduled for Sunday, March 13 at the Scottish Rite Center in Oakland.

We need you to help promote the Fair in the weeks before, so fill out the Volunteer form and mail to Seena Clark right now. Be sure to let Seena know in time if you'll be attending the Flyer Bundling Party so we can have enough gooey goodies.

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Seena Clark  
510-568-2336

**INTEREST GROUPS  
AND COMMITTEES**

**EVENING BOOKS**

Sue Yascolt  
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**INTERNATIONAL  
FOODS**

Joanne Sandstrom  
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**LUNCH BUNCH**

**MORNING BOOKS**

Joyce Temby  
510-451-6711

**HIKING**

Judy Cox  
510-531 5423

**SERENDIPITY**

Sue Yascolt  
510-530-2328

**PUZZLES, GAMES, &  
CARDS**

Linda Hoffman  
510-531-9255

**FIBERISTA'S NIGHT**

Patricia Dilks  
510-531-5133

All members-old and new- are welcome to Interest Groups! As a courtesy please call the hostess to RSVP.



**INTEREST GROUPS**

**MORNING BOOKS**



**Third Thursday, February 17, 10 a.m.**

**Book:** "Mirage:  
Napoleon's Scientists and the Unveiling of Egypt "

**Author:** Nina Burleigh

**Reviewer:** Carolyn Boggs

**Hostess:** Mary Reynolds

5 Sereno Circle, Oakland 94619

510-530-4779

**Lunch Bunch**

**2nd Friday—February 11, 12:30pm**

**Italian Colors**

2220 Mountain Blvd  
Oakland (free parking)



RSVP to Ann Johnson  
(510) 482-5596  
[johnsonann129@yahoo.com](mailto:johnsonann129@yahoo.com)

**Evening Books**

**Second Thursday February 10, 2010**



**Book:** "The Ministry of Special Cases"

**Author:** Nathan Englander

**Hostess:** Helen Bersie

4275 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Oakland, CA 94619 (510) 531-4275

Coffee and Dessert 7:30 p.m.

Review - 8:00 p.m.

All are welcome!!!



**International Foods**

**Friday, February 25, 2011**

**Theme:** German

**Hostess:** Barbara Norum, 7610 Hansom Dr., Oakland 510-969-8572

Please call Barbara not later than Feb 22 to advise of your attendance and the dish you are bringing.



**Fiberista's NEW TIME THIS MONTH !!!! Come for a 'long knit'**  
**Sunday, February 13, 11am-6pm**

Knitters, crocheters, all needleworkers welcome. A great day to focus on a project, solve some problems, get advice, browse patterns, chat with friends. Bring a snack to share if desired, come for all or part. New members welcome!

Home of Patricia Dilks 97 Selkirk Oakland, CA 94619 510-531-5133

## Interest Groups & Events



### Puzzles, Games, & Cards

Do you remember how to play Hearts? Well, in honor of Valentine's Day, we just might play a few hands. You're always welcome to bring a favorite game to share, but come ready to relax, have a few laughs, and catch up with friends or make a new one!

**SUNDAY, February 13th, 3-5 p.m.**

Home of Linda Hoffman  
29 Blachford Court (off Ascot)  
Oakland, 94611  
510-531-9255



### Serendipity February 2011

*Theatre First presents:*



Written by John Steinbeck

Adapted by Frank Galati

Directed by Jon Tracy

### February 6 -- Sunday matinee at 2pm

Regular tickets \$30 — Under 30 yrs. old half priced \$15

(Call 510.436.5085 for Under 30 tickets)

**Location: The Marion E. Greene Black Box Theater  
(located in the Fox Theater Building)  
531 19th Street  
Oakland, CA 94604**

Tickets are on sale now at BrownPaperTickets:

<https://www.brownpapertickets.com/addtocart.html>

**If you'd like to meet for a light supper after the performance, contact  
Sue Yascolt at [sueyascolt@yahoo.com](mailto:sueyascolt@yahoo.com) or 510-530-2328.**



## Happy 90th Anniversary/Birthday AAUW-CA! AAUW-CA Convention 2011

**April 8-10, 2011**

**Irvine Marriott Hotel  
Irvine, California**

Get Convention schedule information at the [aauw-ca.org](http://www.aauw-ca.org) site.

Register on line at: <http://www.rsvpbook.com/event.php?466835>

Early Bird Registration ends February 20, 2011

Friday night's business session, **AAUW—Past, Present, Future**, will have Linda Hallman, Executive Director of AAUW as our keynote Speaker as well as State and



## League of Women Voters of Oakland

### February Program Meeting

#### **Hitching a Ride on AC Transit: Where's this Bus Headed?**

Joel Young, Director At-Large for AC Transit, will discuss the state of AC Transit, and what the future holds for public transportation in the Bay Area. There will be time for questions.

**February 22 , 2011**

**6 – 7:30 p.m.**

**Oakland City Hall, Hearing Room 3  
(inside and to the left of the 14th Street entrance)  
One Frank Ogawa Plaza**

Light refreshments will be served.

*The League of Women Voters of Oakland sponsors monthly HOT TOPICS roundtable discussions to inform members and the public, and to seek ways we can come together to address important issues facing our community.*

**\*\*For more information, go to the League website: [www.lwvoakland.org](http://www.lwvoakland.org)**

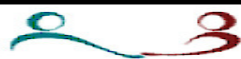
#### **"Making Resources Count: School Funding 101"**

State Senator Loni Hancock will participate in a panel discussion on California public school financing on Wednesday, February 16, 2011, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Piedmont Community Center. The program is sponsored by the Piedmont League of Women Voters and the Piedmont Education Foundation,

Senator Hancock will provide the State perspective on financing public education. Piedmont School Board member Ray Gadbois and a representative from the Oakland Unified School District will offer their viewpoints of school district budgets and how resources are being deployed in their respective districts.

The panel discussion will be moderated by Piedmont League member Jan Zovikian and followed by a question and answer period, in which audience members will have a chance to submit written questions to the panelists.

The program, titled "Making Resources Count: School Funding 101," is intended to inform the audience on budget challenges facing school districts throughout the state and to learn how two different school districts in Senate District #9 are working to allocate human and financial resources to address the needs of all students enrolled in their school systems.



**Membership Matters**

E-MAIL ADDRESS CHANGES: Judy Cox has a new e-mail address:  
[judysattlercox@gmail.com](mailto:judysattlercox@gmail.com)



### **NEW & PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS DESSERT**

Come to an evening dessert for New and Prospective Branch Members. We'll introduce you to Branch leaders, talk in depth about our Interest Groups, Policy focus, and educational Programs. You'll get connected with friends and activities that interest you!

If you are a NEW Branch member, please come. If you are thinking about joining our Branch, please come. If you have a friend you'd like to bring into the Branch, please come and bring your friend.

DATE: WED, FEB 23, 2011, 7 PM  
PLACE: Home of Seena Clark (see Directory)  
RSVP: [clarkscorner@comcast.net](mailto:clarkscorner@comcast.net) or 568-2336  
*Please respond by Feb 20, so we can plan.*

RIDES will be available if you want to carpool, which is strongly encouraged.

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Seena Clark 510-568-2336

### **SPONSORING MORE GIRLS TO TECH TREK**

Tech Trek is our wonderful statewide program for sending 7th grade girls to summer science camp. Our Oakland-Piedmont branch is now in the process of selecting the five girls we are sponsoring for the June 19-25, 2011, camp at Sonoma State University, but

**wouldn't it be marvelous if we could send even more girls in the future?**

We need the help of each AAUW member to find businesses, community groups, service organizations or individuals who would be willing to sponsor girls. It only costs \$800 to send one girl for a week of amazing experiences on a college camp. Some of our low-income girls will never have such an opportunity again - \$2400 could change three lives forever! If you have heard former campers tell of their adventures in learning, you know how it expands their self-confidence and inspires their plans for future education.

**Tech Trek (AAUW CA SPF) is a tax-exempt non-profit foundation.**

***Does your employer have a matching funds program?***

***Do you know of a business, individual, or organization that is interested in helping young people?***

Please contact Ann Johnson (510) 482-5596, [johnsonann129@yahoo.com](mailto:johnsonann129@yahoo.com), if you would like more information. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

**PLEASE NOTE: WHEN MAKING DONATIONS TO Special Projects Fund (such as Tech Trek ) MAKE SURE YOUR CHECK IS MADE OUT TO "AAUW CA SPF", not to our local branch !!!!!!!**

**AAUW OAKLAND-PIEDMONT BRANCH**  
**29<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Camps and Programs Fair**  
**Sunday, March 13, 2011 – Scottish Rite Center, Oakland**

We need **YOUR** participation for our 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of this worthwhile community service project! Complete form by checking what you would like to do and return to SEENA CLARK by Feb. 15th so we won't have to call you!

**CHECKMARK YOUR ACTIVITIES BELOW.**

**By mail:** Seena Clark, 4340 Turner Ave., Oakland, CA 94605

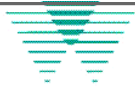
**By phone:** (510) 568-2336 or **email:** clarkscorner@comcast.net

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

1. Bundle/count 50,000 flyers Wednesday, February 9, 7:00 pm, Ann Livingston's house \_\_\_\_\_  
(270 Rishell Dr, off Skyline at top of Redwood Rd., 531-8632)
2. Deliver flyers to –  
Berkeley Schools (12 elementary schools) \_\_\_\_\_  
Private Schools (Oakland, Berkeley, Alameda) \_\_\_\_\_  
Community/Rec. Centers \_\_\_\_\_  
Churches \_\_\_\_\_  
Businesses for window posting (Montclair, downtown Oakland, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
Gyms, Stores (Claremont, Rockridge, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Bake or buy delicious goodies (individually wrapped) to sell at the Fair \_\_\_\_\_  
~Drop off at Margaret McAlone's, 1720 Trestle Glen Rd., by March 12 or at Scottish Rite Center morning of March 13~
4. Donate small amount of money to buy food to sell at the Fair \_\_\_\_\_  
Make check to "AAUW Oakland-Piedmont" and mail to Seena Clark (address above).  
**All food profits go to the Legal Advocacy Fund on behalf of our Branch.**
5. Make phone calls to schools for flyers or parent assn emails during Feb \_\_\_\_\_
6. Volunteer to work at the Fair – Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>  
Vendor Assistant 11:00 – 1:00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Vendor Floor Assistant 1:00 – 3:00 \_\_\_\_\_ 3:00 – 4:45 \_\_\_\_\_  
Prepare/set up food for the Fair 11:00 – 1:00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Sell food at the Fair 12:45 – 2:45 \_\_\_\_\_  
Sell food (and clean up tables) at the Fair 2:45 – 4:45 \_\_\_\_\_  
Info Table-front lobby 12:45 – 2:45 \_\_\_\_\_ OR 2:45 – 4:45 (includes cleanup) \_\_\_\_\_

**Thanks for your support!**  
**Seena Clark, Volunteer Coordinator,**  
**Summer Camps and Programs Fair '10**



*The American Association of University Women advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.*

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ASSOCIATION OF  
UNIVERSITY  
WOMEN

**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	PG
Feb 6	Serendipity	Fox Theater, Oakland	4
Feb 9	Flyer Bundling Party	Home of Ann Livingston	1,2
Feb 10	Evening Books	Home of Helen Bersie	3
Feb 11	Lunch Bunch	Italian Colors Restaurant	3
Feb 13	Fiberista's Long Knit	Home of Patty Dilks	3
Feb 13	Puzzles, Games	Home of Linda Hoffman	4
Feb 16	Making Resources Count	Piedmont Comm Center	5
Feb 17	Morning Books	Home of Mary Reynolds	3
Feb 22	LWV Feb Program	Oakland City Hall	5
Feb 23	New/Prospective Mem- bers Dessert	Home of Seena Clark	5
Feb 25	International Foods	<b>Home of Barbara Norum</b>	3
Mar 13	Children's Summer Fair	Scottish Rite Center, Oakland	1,2
Apr 8-10	State Convention	Irvine, CA	4
June 16-19	National Convention	Washington, D.C.	—

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