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# **CLIMATE REALITY**

A presentation on Al Gore's new initiative:
The Climate Reality Project



Presented by Santa Barbara resident Katie Davis, one of 3000 Climate Reality Project presenters trained by Al Gore. Katie is on the Community Environmental Council Advisory Board and OCTOS Advisory Board for ocean science education and outreach at UCSB.

Sponsored by:

Santa Barbara – Goleta Valley AAUW
April 11, 2013, 7:00 pm
County Public Health Dept Auditorium
300 No. San Antonio Rd.
The public is invited.



#### WHAT IS THE CLIMATE REALITY PROJECT?

The Climate Reality Project aims to bring the facts about the climate crisis into the mainstream and to engage the public in conversation about how to solve it. Its goal is to help citizens around the world discover the truth and take meaningful steps to bring about change.

Founded and chaired by Al Gore, Nobel Laureate and former Vice President of the United States, The Climate Reality Project has more than 5 million members and supporters worldwide. It is guided by one simple truth: The climate crisis is real and we know how to solve it.



# President's Message

Spring brings longer days and many AAUW opportunities for involvement. It is the hope of your Steering Committee that you will make branch activities a priority as we close out the year. A major priority is that we all renew our dues, which remain the same as the last few years. A renewal form is included elsewhere in this newsletter. If you will use that to renew, you will help the branch save money.

#### **Membership Types and Costs:**

Regular: \$80 of which \$49 are National, \$16 are State and \$16 are Branch.

Life members: \$31 Student Members: \$48 Dual Members (SB-GV being the secondary membership) \$15.

I'm sure you are all aware that women earn, on average, \$0.77 to the dollar of what similarly qualified men earn, and even new college graduates one year after graduation show a 7% unexplained gender pay gap. But did you know that April 9 is the day in 2013 when women's earnings will catch up to men's earnings from 2012? To recognize this day, our Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors will read a Proclamation during the public comments portion of their April 9 meeting declaring April 9 Equal Pay Day and acknowledging AAUW's efforts to close the pay gap. Our branch, as well as the Lompoc-Vandenberg and Santa Maria Branches will receive copies of the Resolution and will be recognized by Supervisor Doreen Farr. I

hope that many of you will be in attendance. Please come to the Board Hearing Room on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the County Administration Building at 105 E. Anapamu St.. Resolutions will be read sometime between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m..

Our Branch meeting on April II will feature a presentation by Katie Davis on the topic "Climate Reality", a program developed by Al Gore's Climate Reality Project. Its goal is "to bring the facts about the climate crisis into the mainstream and to engage the public in conversation about how to solve it." Details are on the first page of this issue of Coast Connection. I encourage to invite a friend or colleague to attend with you. Those of you receiving this newsletter by email will also receive a copy of a separate flyer about this event to print out and share. The meeting is in the same location as our opening meeting of the year the SB County Public Health Dept. Audito-

Also in April, on Sunday the 7th, our members are invited to attend the Coalition Against Gun Violence Annual Luncheon. It will be at the Santa Barbara Club again and will focus on laws that can help reduce the incidences of gun violence in our country. Look for the flier on page 5 for more information, but please call me at 755-4923 for a reservation. (too late for snail mail!)

In May we will have lunch at the Elephant Bar on a Saturday, probably the  $18^{\text{th}}$ . This

meeting will feature, us, the branch, and give us an opportunity to visit, to congratulate ourselves on a good year and to brainstorm topics and program possibilities for next year.

In the March edition of the Coast Connection, I mentioned the need for some new members to serve on the Steering Committee. Several of our former members are withdrawing from the committee and those of us who are staying on would appreciate an infusion of new ideas, approaches, areas of expertise. We have one Steering Committee meeting a month, usually on a Thursday, at Jane Honikman's at 6:00 p.m.. Jane even feeds us, but additions to the salad are always welcome. In between meetings, we conduct some business/ communication via email. If you have a little time and an interest in contributing to the success of our Branch, please call Jane Honikman (967-9757) or me (755-4923).

Warm regards and happy spring!

#### Carol Hershey, President

(755-4923 Please correct my phone number in your new Directory)



### **Tech Trek Update**

We have mailed out letters to 25 area girls to tell them that they have been selected to attend Tech Trek under the sponsorship of the Santa Barbara-Goleta Valley AAUW branch. We interviewed over 40 well qualified applicants, so we had some very tough decisions to make!

We are now making plans for a social get-together on June 2 for the chosen campers to meet one another before they start camp. Thank you to all the generous donors who made it possible for us once again to send so many girls.

Barbara Levi SB - GV AAUW Tech Trek Selection Chair



#### **Scholarship Cracker Sale!**

Hear ye, all of you with helping hands! We need yours to put together ingredients as kits for our "cracker" sale to benefit our Scholarship Fund. Jane Honikman is sharing her Danish Daughter's famous cracker recipe. We will package the kits on a day between April 25 and May 18 to have them ready for sale at our May 18 meeting. Plans will be finalized at our next Steering Committee meeting on April 25. If you would like to participate in the assembly party, please contact Bette Perelli at 967-7226 or at etperelli@aol.com

# Let's get cracking on raising money for our local scholarship!



#### Dear SB-GV AAUW members,

Type of Membership:

Transfer from:

Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_ Past Member: \_\_\_\_\_

The time has come for renewal of your AAUW membership. Each Spring we have the opportunity to recommit to the mission of AAUW and to the enduring friendships that we have made over the years. We urge you to get your renewal in now. Those who renew now are easy to process; those who renew after July have to be treated as new members and create a lot of extra work for our Membership Chair and Treasurer and for the State and National Membership teams.

Here follows the dues breakdown for the 2013-2014 year: Dues for regular members: \$80.00 Life Members pay: \$31.00 Dual Members pay \$15.00 (SB-GV dues, if you have already paid State and National at your other branch.) Student membership: \$48.00 Please print this page, fill out the renewal form and mail with your check made out to SB-GV AAUW, and write "Dues" in the Memo line of your check. MEMBER DUES, SANTA BARBARA-GOLETA VALLEY BRANCH, AAUW Name: Email: Phone/ Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ College/University: Year of Graduation: Birthday (Month & Day only) : \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail check to Santa Barbara – Goleta Valley AAUW
SB – GV AAUW P.O. Box 802 Goleta, CA 93116-0802

New Member:

# Join the Lompoc-Vandenberg, Santa Maria, and Santa Barbara/Goleta Valley

branches of the AAUW in support of

# Equal Pay Day April 9, 2013

9:00am-10:00am

Board of Supervisors Hearing Room

105 E. Anapamu, 4th Floor, Santa Barbara

A resolution will be presented

Wear RED on Equal Pay Day to symbolize how far women and minorities are "in the red" with their pay!

http://pay-equity.org/day.html

American Association of University Women is a nonpartisan organization with more than 150,000 members across the U.S. AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

The <u>Fair Pay Campaign</u> is led by the American Association of University Women, the Feminist Majority Foundation, Legal Momentum, the National Organization for Women, the National Partnership for Women and Families, and the National Women's Law Center, with 250 other local, state, and national groups -- including NCPE -- joining them.

http://pay-equity.org/



#### COALITION AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE

A Santa Barbara County Coalition

# ENLIGHTENING OUR COMMUNITY

about the causes, risks, and consequences of gun violence

you are cordially invited to attend

# CAGV's 18th Annual Luncheon Sunday • April 7, 2013

"Regulating Guns in America: How Strong Gun Laws Can Make Our Communities Safer"

with keynote speaker

Santa Barbara Club 1105 Chapala Street Santa Barbara



11:30 Reception
Silent Auction
12:00 Lunch & Program
Bell Ceremony

Legal Director of The Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence
"Providing Legal Expertise to End America's Epidemic of Gun Violence"

#### **Honorary Luncheon Host Committee**

Roger Aceves Marty Blum Tom Bortolazzo Lois Capps Salud Carbajal Congregation B'nai B'rith Margaret Connell Domestic Violence Solutions Fund for Santa Barbara Ghita Ginberg

Jane Gray
Goleta Presbyterian Church
Mark & Sally Hamilton
Hannah-Beth Jackson
Ann Reis Lane

Raquel Lopéz Nancy Miller Cathy Murillo Craig & Marjorie Palonen Susan Rose Helene Schneider Unitarian Society Bendy White Janet Wolf Mary Ellen Wylie

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Please r	reserve tickets at \$1,000 ANGEL \$500 BENEFACTOR	\$200 PATRON \$85 SUPPORTER \$75 MEMBER
	\$90 Luncheon includes CAGV membership	
Lunch	preference: (Luncheon includes wine and dessert)	
Roa	asted Chicken Breast Roulade wrapped in Bacon, Stuffed with Goat	t Cheese and Sundried Tomatoes, Potatoes & Asparagus
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Egg	asted Chicken Breast Roulade wrapped in Bacon, Stuffed with Goat	
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Please mail this response form by April 1st to: CAGV, PO Box 699, Summerland, CA 93067 Tickets will be held at the door. Call 564-6803 for further information.

# PEP Baby Steps Project Launch Party Was a Success!

Many of our Santa Barbara - Goleta Valley branch members attended the official launch party for the Postpartum Education for Parents, Baby Steps Project on March 14. The Baby Steps Project is a way of reaching out to other communities to help them start similar programs for new parents in their home areas. PEP was started as a project of the Goleta Valley AAUW branch, and that connection to AAUW was honored at this wonderful event. (Photos courtesy of Terry Honikman)



Branch President Carol Hershey and branch member Jane Honikman, one of the founders of PEP, show off the branch banner at the PEP event.

Branch Treasurer Cathy Black and Jane Honikman check out the PEP banner.





Branch members Claire VanBlaricum, Karen Bunker, and Beverly Kowalsky Ching enjoyed the festivities.

Branch member Dorie Kirtman and Carol Hershey paused their conversation long enough for a photo.



# **April 2013 Calendar**



April 7	Sunday 11:30 am	<b>Coalition Against Gun Violence Luncheon.</b> We are a member organization of this coalition, so our branch members get the special member's price!. Call Carol now at 755-4923 to reserve!
April 9	Tuesday 9 - 10 am	<b>Equal Pay Day</b> A proclamation will be read declaring April 9 Equal Pay Day and acknowledging AAUW's efforts to close the pay gap at the meeting of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors sometime between 9:00 and 10:00 am. Come join us at the Board Hearing Room on the 4 <sup>th</sup> floor of the County Administration Building at 105 E. Anapamu St. See and share flyer on page 4.
April 9	Tuesday 12 noon	<b>Lunch Bunch</b> Endless Summer Café, on the Breakwater upstairs (by elevator) from the Maritime Museum. Free valet parking available. Call Claire at 967-7523 by Monday night.
April II	Thursday 7 pm	<b>CLIMATE REALITY:</b> Presented by Katie Davis. In conjunction with the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History and the Community Environmental Council. Please see Page one for details.
April 16	Tuesday 7 pm	<b>Book Ends</b> Rules of Civility by Amor Towles. At Anne Gray's 7834 Day Rd., Goleta. Please park on Winchester Circle, and walk a few houses to Anne's. There is no parking on Day Road. For May our book is <i>The Midwife of Venice</i> by Roberta Rich. Both books are in paperback.
April 23	Tuesday	<b>Movie Night</b> Watch for an email the weekend before for information on the movie choice and location. Call Beverly Kowalsky Ching at 964-5411 for more information.
April 24	Wednesday 2 pm	<b>Book Daze</b> Blame by Michelle Huneven. At Kathy Crevier's home, 4539 Via Maria, SB. The May selection is the novel Sandcastle Girls by Chris Bohjalian. Questions, call Kathy Crevier.at 964-3802.
April 25	Thursday 6 pm	<b>Steering Committee Meeting</b> All members are welcome! At Jane Honikman's home, 927 North Kellogg, SB.

## Voting Begins April 15 — Make Your Voice Heard

Voting in this year's AAUW national elections opens online April 15. All members may vote on proposed changes to the AAUW Public Policy Program and the AAUW Bylaws and for candidates for the national board. Just visit the website after April 15 and bring your member ID and voter PIN, which are listed on the back cover of your Spring/Summer AAUW Outlook magazine. (Digital Outlook subscribers will receive their voting information with their Outlook e-mail.) For more information, visit the One Member, One Vote web page or see the voter guide in your Outlook.

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# AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a chance.

Membership in AAUW is open to people who hold an associate degree or higher. Branch membership offers friendship with like-minded people and an arena for making a positive contribution to your community. Benefits include a subscription to *California PERSPECTIVE*, our print publication. You can join our e-mail lists and attend our annual convention. Membership dues at the branch level include California and National dues.

If you know of someone who you believe would appreciate the opportunity to join our branch, please give their name and contact information to our Membership Chair, Rae Fribley at 563-5307 or Fribley@cox.net.

#### **SAAUW National Convention**

Breaking through Barriers: Leading across Generations • June 9-12, 2013 • Sheraton New Orleans Hotel

Join Melissa Harris Perry, Lilly Ledbetter, and other exciting keynote speakers as they share their struggles, triumphs, and how the members of AAUW helped them become the inspiring leaders they are today. Celebrate 125 years of fellowships and grants and the legacy they provide. Take advantage of more hands-on skill-building and leadership sessions than ever before. Reconnect with friends from across the country, and make many more new ones.

Please visit convention.aauw.org to take advantage of our best-value rates, or call Connect2AAUW at 800.326.2289. You can also register right now for the pre- and post-convention tours and activities at www.aauw.org/convention/tours.cfm