

MAY POTLUCK LUNCHEON  
& INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

May 10, 12:00 – 2:00 PM

Pebble Beach Community Services District  
3101 Forest Lake Road, Pebble Beach

Speaker: Jane Parker

Jane Parker, candidate for District 4 Monterey County Supervisor, will speak on the primary challenges in Monterey County. Her remarks will address problems with budget, health care and development policies. A question session will follow her presentation. Ms. Parker is currently Associate Director of the Monterey County Action Council, organizer of the Monterey County girls, inc, chair of the MPC Foundation Board of Directors and former MPC Board of Trustees member. She is a life-long Monterey County resident, attended Monterey High School and earned her BA in International Economics from M.I.S.

Please bring a dish to share and come to cheer on our new officers!

Questions: Contact Pat Gotch, 375-9865 or [patgotch@yahoo.com](mailto:patgotch@yahoo.com)

Directions to Pebble Beach Community Services District (PBCSD):

In order to avoid paying entrance fee, inform security officer you have an AAUW meeting at the PBCSD.

From Highway One gate: Go left down hill on 17-mile Drive, past the entrance to Pebble Beach Lodge. Take first right and follow Forest Lake Road to Lopez Road. PBCSD is on the right, next to the fire station.

From Country Club Gate: Follow Forest Lodge Road to stop. Go up hill to left on Sloat Road to stop. Turn left on Lopez to Forest Lake Road. PBCSD is on the left, next to the fire station.





*The American Association of University Women promotes equity for all women and girls, lifelong education, and positive societal change.*

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*The AAUW Educational Foundation provides funds to advance education, research, and self-development for women and to foster equity and positive societal change.*

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*The AAUW's Legal Advocacy Fund provides funding and a support system for women seeking judicial redress for sex discrimination.*

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*In principle and practice, 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 or disability.*

## PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

This is my favorite time of year. The hills are green. The wildflowers are blooming. The sky is blue and the days are long enough to enjoy it all.

It's also time to renew your AAUW membership. As you know, our AAUW year starts on July 1. So to ensure another year of friendships, great programs, interest groups, and to support equity for all women and girls, help provide lifelong education through local scholarships and the Educational Foundation and help effect positive social change renew your memberships today.

This is also my last President's Message. Thanks to everyone who supported and encouraged me during the last two years. Thanks to you, we now have active, enthusiastic new members. We have enjoyed a variety of interesting programs and heard some inspiring women speak. We have started a Great Decisions group. We have been involved with financial planning education, and community issues like child care and support of Gateway Center. We have funded Local Scholarships for students from MPC and CSUMB and contributed to the Legal Advocacy Fund and the Educational Foundation.

Come to the May meeting, meet your new Board, enjoy potluck and friendship, and hear our excellent speaker. I am off to the Southwest on a camping trip on May 3rd so I will miss the meeting and all of you. Meanwhile return those membership envelopes because I am trading my hat for membership and hate harassing people for money.

See you all soon.

Susan



## MEMBERSHIP

Membership now stands at 97 paid members. And the branch wants to thank Mary Ann Grant, Phyllis Mosher, and Karen Snow for all the hard work they put in to aid the membership recruitment and retention efforts through their hosting and coordinating the community get-togethers. In the words of one attendee, these brunches were "the warmest and friendliest of AAUW events in a long time."

Many of our members, whom we rarely have the opportunity to interact with, were in attendance. We also garnered many prospective members from these gatherings. A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL! I, for one, hope we can continue this tradition in the future!

Sharyn Siebert

Co-VP for Membership

New Member:

Judy Sloan  
16 Antelope Lane  
Monterey, CA 93940  
648-1012 [jmonterey@comcast.net](mailto:jmonterey@comcast.net)

### Board Meeting

(new board members invited)

May 1

3:00 PM

Monterey Public Library  
Solarium

# INTEREST GROUPS

## Afternoon Book Group

Coordinator: Carolyn Smith  
([stacaro@aol.com](mailto:stacaro@aol.com))

Tuesday, May 13, at 2:00 PM  
*Luncheon of the Boating Party*, by Susan Vreeland  
at Carolyn Smith's  
RSVP: [stacaro@aol.com](mailto:stacaro@aol.com)

Tuesday, June 10, at 2:00 PM  
*Mistress of the Art of Death*, by Ariana Franklin  
at Elie Skinner's  
RSVP: [patnelie@sbcglobal.net](mailto:patnelie@sbcglobal.net)

Tuesday, July 8, at 12 Noon  
*Savage Garden*, by Mark Mills  
at Judy Cunningham's  
RSVP: [jrc2900@msn.com](mailto:jrc2900@msn.com)  
(Note: This is our annual salad potluck. Watch your email for details.)

Tuesday, August 12 at 2:00 PM  
*The Street of a Thousand Blossoms*, by Gail Tsukiyama  
at Kathleen Stacey's  
RSVP: [yecats123@aol.com](mailto:yecats123@aol.com)

## Romancing the Coast

Coordinator: Jan Smyth  
([janzeek@hotmail.com](mailto:janzeek@hotmail.com))

Friday, May 23, 10 AM  
Big Sur Land Trust and Glen Deven  
RSVP Phyllis 372-7073 (by May 20)

Friday, June 13  
Monterey Quilt Show Preview  
12 o'clock lunch at Pt. Joe's in Monterey  
RSVP: 373-0882 or [janzeek@hotmail.com](mailto:janzeek@hotmail.com)

(See article page 5 for more about both of these events.)

## Evening Book Group

Coordinator: Kathleen Wall  
([wallplus@aol.com](mailto:wallplus@aol.com))

May 15, 2008, 7:00 PM  
*The Mistress' Daughter*  
Leader: Mez Benton  
Hostess: Christa Rutsche, 372-7688

June 19, 2008  
Pot Luck & planning meeting  
Hostess: Sharyn Siebert, 622-0425  
Book, extra, for fun only if you want to read something in June for an informal discussion:  
*Digging to America*, by Ann Tyler

## Couples Gourmet

Couples Gourmet members and those interested in joining this fun group are asked to please save the date, Friday, **June 13, 6 PM**, for our annual planning party at the home of Wayne and Karen Snow, 1141 Mestres Dr., Pebble Beach, 375-5220. New members are especially urged to come and join us as we decide on next year's dinners (4) and share interesting tidbits regarding things gone well, not so well, or otherwise. Call Karen if you need directions. Pebble Beach gates will be notified of our guests coming though on that evening. Please bring hearty appetizers and a beverage to share.

Karen Snow

Chair, Couples Gourmet





## ROMANCING THE COAST, MAY-JUNE

### A FIRST: Chance to Visit Big Sur Land Trust and Glen Deven

On Friday, May 23rd Romancing the Coast will visit the Big Sur Land Trust and Glen Deven (not open to general public). Program will include a speaker provided by the trust to tell us about the property. We'll bring own brown bag lunch, and have a chance to walk the grounds a bit. Meet promptly at 10:00 a.m. at the Cross-roads: outer edge of Safeway parking lot. Be sure to RSVP Phyllis, 372-7073, no later than May 20th, as space is limited.

### Rare Opportunity for Monterey Quilt Show Preview June 13

The Monterey Peninsula Quilt Show will be held June 14 and 15 at Seaside High School. They will be hanging the quilts Friday June 13. Jeanne Krenner can bring a group AAUW visitors through around 1:30 to have a look at the exhibit in the making. All of the quilts will be up but not 'leveled' and 'installed.' In return, each visitor will buy at least \$5 in quilt raffle tickets. (\$5 for 8 tickets). They also hope that each AAUW visitor will encourage other friends to tour the show that weekend when there will be fabric vendors and food.

We'll meet at **Pt. Joe's for lunch at 12:00**. After lunch we'll proceed to the quilt show preview. To attend, e-mail or phone [janzeek@hotmail.com](mailto:janzeek@hotmail.com), 373-0882 by June 10th.

Seaside High School gymnasium  
2200 Noche Buena  
Seaside, CA 93955

## OLD/NEW BOARD POTLUCK

(and chairs)

**Date:** Thursday, June 5

**Time:** 5:30 PM

**Place:** New President Sharyn Siebert's home in Carmel

All old and new board members and chairs, including interest groups are invited. We will have a quick meeting and I ask that everyone bring their description of how their job is carried out to give to the next one taking over the position. It is the "nitty-gritty" that we need to impart, so that the transition goes smoothly.

**RSVP:** Sharyn at 622-0425 or [sharynsiebert@comcast.net](mailto:sharynsiebert@comcast.net)

## GREAT DECISIONS

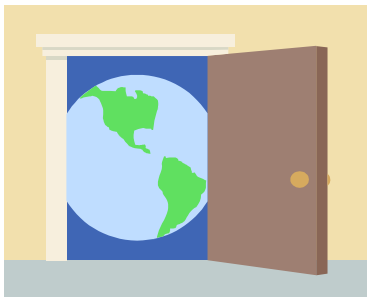
Our Great Decisions group has completed our course for this year, leaving many of us anxious to keep up with World Affairs — and missing our Thursday discussions!

As stated by the Foreign Policy Association "For over 50 years, Great Decisions has given an inspiring example of the role citizens can play in discovering, discussing and deciding how some of the world's greatest challenges can be met." We, in our AAUW group have had 8 stimulating Thursday afternoons. Our topics included: Iraq; the EU; Engaging the Enemy; Russia; Defense and Security; Latin America; China; and Philanthropy.

We now look forward to the 2009 Great Decisions group, with new topics to help AAUW members understand some of the challenges affecting our lives.

I will be setting up our 2009 group in November. Participation numbers will be limited - due to space. (We had a waiting list this year)

For more information, contact Kathleen Stacey, [yecats123@aol.com](mailto:yecats123@aol.com)



Open your door to the world.

## EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION [EF] SCHOLARSHIPS

For the 2007-2008 academic year the Monterey Peninsula Branch of AAUW contributed \$1,500 to Educational Foundation [EF] Scholarships. Nancy Iversen was named a Gift Honoree with a \$750 donation. The Eleanor Roosevelt Scholarship Fund received a \$750 donation. These national scholarships were funded by members of the branch, the fall rummage sale, and interest from branch CDs.

During this academic year the AAUW Educational Foundation provided a total of 4.1 million to 253 recipients of fellowships, grants and special awards. There were 88 American fellowships from 1,036 applicants. Forty one Fellows/Recipients are studying in California this year.

AAUW is the largest source of funding exclusively for graduate women.

Judy Ritchie

Mary Ann Grant

EF VP

## TGIF

Mark your calendars now and plan on enjoying a TGIF on **Friday, July 11 at 6 p.m.** It will be at 3278 Camino del Monte, in Carmel Woods. The house was built in the mid fifties by Hank Ketcham. Dennis the Menace lived here for a couple of years. It will be a fund raiser for the Legal Advocacy Fund so bring five dollars, a hearty appetizer and a beverage to share. Friends and spouses are welcome.

RSVP Susan Murphy, 622-9289 or [murphfam@redshift.com](mailto:murphfam@redshift.com).

## IMPORTANT DUES INFORMATION .....

WE HAVE INCLUDED YOUR DUES ENVELOPE FOR NEXT YEAR IN THIS NEWSLETTER. YOUR MEMBERSHIP NUMBER IS ON THE LABEL. PLEASE SAVE THAT, SO THAT YOU CAN ACCESS THE MEMBERSHIP AREA OF THE NATIONAL WEBSITE at [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org). Dues will be for July 1, 2008 thru June 30, 2009 and are due June 15th.

In addition, if any information that we have has been changed please submit those updates to us when you return your dues. They will appear in the coming year's directory. For those of you with e-mail, many of our reminder notices come out in that form so please make sure we have your correct e-mail address.

Thanks,

Sharyn and Karen

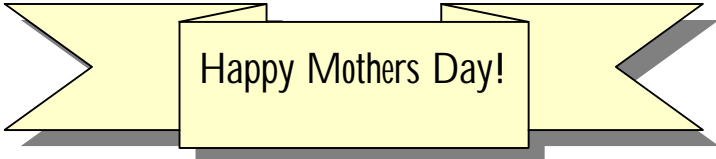
Co-VP Membership

<h3>August Picnic</h3>	
Date: August 24	
Time: 12:00 – 2:30 PM	
Place: Whispering Pines Park on Pacific Street in Monterey	
Bring a dish to share and books to donate to the book sale if you so desire. You may sign up for interest groups at the picnic, as well as buy books. Friends and family welcome!	
Contact person: Pat Gotch 375-9865 or <a href="mailto:patgotch@yahoo.com">patgotch@yahoo.com</a>	
	

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