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Hi!

Know any good jokes?

Dear <<First Name>>, 

Welcome to the November issue of the California Connection, the monthly e-blast from your state organization that gives every member a quick read of things to know and do in AAUW!

Our office is moving at the end of November.

The new address is:

AAUW California, 915 L Street, Suite C, Box #418, Sacramento, CA 95814
New phone number: 916-389-0220

Things to know

“You’re in AAUW? Never heard of it. Oh wait, aren’t you the people who have that great rummage sale?” If that’s all your community knows about AAUW, take heart. The state has hired a professional marketing firm to help strategically shape and communicate our brand to better promote AAUW. The co-owner is a former AAUW branch president, so they “get us.” Our promise: No fake news!

You may be muted on Zoom, but your legislators are definitely not. See whether they said “Aye” or
“Nay” for AAUW-supported legislation. The AAUW Action Fund even scored them! Who got 100% for supporting AAUW priorities? Who got 7%? Who got ZERO? Find out with the AAUW Action Fund Congressional Voting Record (CVR).

Do people think you’re still wearing your Halloween mask when they see you on Zoom? You might want to get a few tips on lighting, makeup, background, etc. for the many AAUW meetings you attend.

You can look great even though you’re still wearing your kitty-cat flannel pajama bottoms. Here are a couple of sample YouTube videos.

Things to do

Attend a state webinar. No mask required and you can sit closer than six feet to your hound dog. Click the link to register for this month’s important presentations. You can also click on any prior webinars to watch the recording or download the materials.

What’s coming up?

- 11/9/2020 Keeping in Touch with Your Tech Trekkers - and Why You Should. It’s probably your branch’s signature project. Learn why—and how—you can see its lasting impact.
- 11/18/2020 Work Smarter Not Harder. Learn smart ways to collaborate with other community resources for mutual benefit.
- So two webinars are not enough? The Orinda-Moraga-Lafayette Branch is presenting a series for high school girls featuring young professional women in STEM fields. Tell your local high schools; tell your former Tech
Trekkers; tell your daughters and your friends’ daughters. Click HERE for more information.

Admit it. You’ve always dreamed of handing out an award in a slinky sequined gown with earrings the size of hubcaps. It can happen and you can stick your big toe in the waters of state leadership at the same time. Join the state’s new short-term task force established to create procedures for recognizing and awarding stellar branch projects and programs. If you’d like to hash out award criteria and help branches be considered for recognition, contact Sandi Gabe, task force chair, by November 15th at sandi.gabe@hotmail.com.

Hey, wait a minute! How can you be a Tech Trek dorm mom if there are no dorms? No worries. Even with the camps going virtual, there will still be plenty of opportunities to participate. The California Tech Trek Committee is working on the delivery of a fantastic experience based on a proven virtual camp model. They’re breaking new ground. Watch for information on how you can grab a shovel.

Take down the campaign signs from your yard, go find a candied yam recipe, and have a….

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

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