



Santa Cruz County Branch, American Association of University Women

# The Beacon

December 2019

ARE YOU A PARENT, GRANDPARENT, TEACHER, COUNSELOR, TEENAGER,  
OR A CONCERNED COMMUNITY MEMBER? THEN JOIN US TO

## #END HUMAN TRAFFICKING



Presented by  
**Santa Cruz County AAUW**  
and



**Soroptimists International Capitola by-the-Sea**



### A FREE COMMUNITY FORUM

Please join us in our efforts to #End Human Trafficking.

Santa Cruz County AAUW and Soroptimists International Capitola by-the-Sea are presenting a free public forum to educate and inform about the dangers of human trafficking in our local community.

Focusing on the dangers to our youth, this year's forum will include keynote speaker Catie Hart, co-founder of the Safe and Sound program, who "...strive(s) to empower people to stay safe, to be compassionate to those affected by trafficking, and to better understand that we must all heal together if we are to lessen the problem." Deborah Pembroke, Leader Survivor, from the Coalition to End Human Trafficking in Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties, will speak on the history of HT in our community, the problems and solutions. A panel of local agencies, including the district attorney's office, Monarch Services, and the County Office of Education will discuss efforts to identify, educate and protect our youth. **There will also be an art contest with cash prizes for local high school students.**

Light refreshments will be served, as well as an opportunity drawing for prizes donated by local merchants.

**SATURDAY**  
**January 18, 2020**

**11:30am – 3:00pm**

**TWIN LAKES CHURCH**  
2701 Cabrillo College Drive  
Aptos

For more information about this forum, to make tax deductible donations  
or to enter the art contest, contact:

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Board meetings are held at 10 a.m., on the first Monday of each month. If you wish to be on the agenda, please contact the President in advance. All members are welcome to attend!

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**President's Message**

Hope your Thanksgiving was happy, sharing time with family and friends.

I don't know about you, but I am particularly thankful the rains have come and our Fall Fires (at least up here in Northern California) should be done for the year!

I am also thankful for all the strong women in our country from the early suffragettes enabling us to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment; to those currently working to help govern and unafraid to speak out, locally, statewide and nationally. Bravo! We women do have a place at the table.

It was heartening to see many Members at our November 18th Military Letter Writing Campaign. Thanks to our Program VP, Lorraine Margon who organized the gathering, providing lovely note cards, and some yummy goodies as well. It was great to get together for fun and a good cause.

Hope to see you all at the Holiday party/luncheon/ fundraiser for Local Scholarships. Jeanne Jorgensen and her committee have planned another memorable day when we will have a chance to support scholarships for re-entry women at UCSC and Cabrillo.

A drawing for great prizes, a lovely lunch and entertainment by Fiat Musica choristers is not to be missed. Looking forward to seeing everyone there. Let's celebrate the Season, friends and help local women succeed. Circle Saturday, December 14 on your calendar and get your reservations in.

The New Year, 2020, will begin with excellent programs in both January and February.

Mark your calendars for January 18th to End Human Trafficking, Twin Lakes Church, 11:30-3PM. More information on the event is on pages 1 and 3 of this Beacon.

Save February 29, 2020. This year we will highlight and celebrate the Centennial of Women's Suffrage at the Annual Monterey Bay Interbranch Council held this year in Santa Cruz.

The Luncheon at Seascapes Resort, from 11:30 to 1:30 will be open to the public. (Tell your friends.) Our speaker, Angelica Carpenter is the author of the book *Born Criminal: Matilda Joslyn Gage, Radical Feminist*.

She will tell us all about Matilda Joslyn Gage (1826-1898) who was a feminist leader, writer, conference organizer and specialist in civil disobedience. She changed the course of history. For decades she worked with Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, but she was more liberal than they were, fighting for equal rights not dependent on sex, race, class, or creed.

Great way to start 2020!

Happy Holidays, Kris

## Saturday, January 18, 2020: Human Trafficking Symposium

Have you marked your calendar? January 18th , End Human Trafficking, Twin Lakes Church, 11:30-3PM. A comprehensive program detailing problems and solutions for this continuing disgrace in our modern world. Light refreshments and an opportunity drawing will take place. Carol De Lauder, representing Soroptimist, was able to distribute over 50 of our "stickers" to the northern California conference. She reports that a judge took 25 to post in the San Francisco courthouse as well as all attending delegates receiving flyers and stickers.

A challenge grant enabled a nationwide report on human trafficking from Shared Hope International., our last year's event presenter. It is well worth reading to discover pertinent information about this issue. Download [Savelives@Shared Hope.org](mailto:Savelives@SharedHope.org)

Our national political news makes it easy to forget the continuing acts of slavery throughout the world. Recently a report in the Sentinel details trafficking of 300 Africans in the town of Ras Al-Ara. The abuses recalled by one woman are very graphic showing the methods used by traffickers. Each week one can find reports of similar acts. How can you help? Come to our event. See pg. 1 for details.



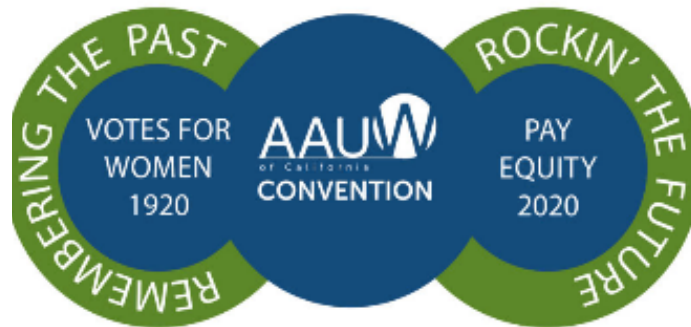
Working hard to present an amazing community forum on Jan.18, 2020, the AAUW SCC #End Human Trafficking Committee takes time out to celebrate 90th birthday of Fearless Leader Martha Mangan.



**Our heartfelt condolences to Kitty William's family.** Kitty passed away about a week ago. She served as secretary on our board ten years ago and she was a long time member of the Monday bridge group. We are not aware of any services being held. Her daughter is Sally Murray resides in Kitty's house at 201 Cayuga St., Santa Cruz, CA 95062 if you'd like to send a card. Kitty will be missed by all who knew her.

## Judy Cavin Brown joins State Board

Congratulations to our own Judy Cavin Brown on her appointment to the AAUW-CA board of Directors as Co-Program Chair. She will be working very hard to put on a fantastic Convention in April, so be sure to put the dates on your 2020 calendar now – April 17-19. There will be many opportunities to help Judy, support this great organization, and develop your own leadership skills through AAUW.



### **SAVE THE DATE!!!**

AAUW California Convention

April 17-19, 2020

### ***Remembering the Past, Rockin' the Future***

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## **Nominating Committee**

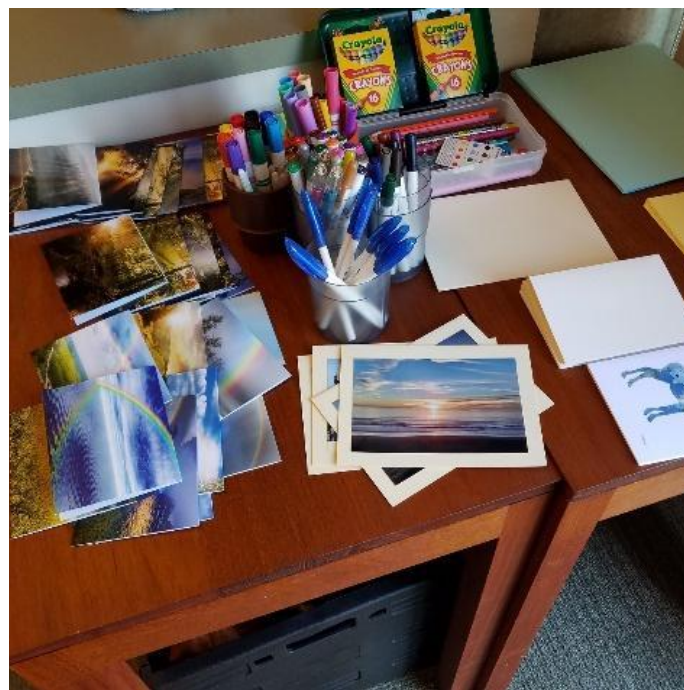
The Bylaws of AAUW SCC state “There shall be a Nominating Committee consisting of ...members who shall be representatives of ... interest groups.” It is now time for each of the interest groups to select a member to serve on the Nominating Committee. This is not an arduous task, but one that is vital to the branch. Please consider giving your name to your interest group chair (or even contact Parliamentarian Lois Holcomb directly (locomb@cruzio.com or 831-688-0541) to say that you will accept this responsibility. The committee needs to be formed in December. The first (and probably only) meeting in January will be arranged at the mutual convenience of those serving.

## Branch Programs

-by Lorraine Margon, Program VP

### November 18 Recap

Our November 18 "Hugs for Soldiers" letter-writing event was a wonderful social event while we wrote letters to female soldiers. We had twelve attendees, and I'm grateful to those who were able to attend. We even had one person send her letter electronically because she had to work that day. We enjoyed chit-chatting and light refreshments. Our session yielded forty cards/letters for female soldiers. They were mailed to *Hugs for Soldiers* (Deluth, GA) and will be included in care packages that organization is sending to soldiers.



### December 14 Holiday Luncheon

Next up, of course, is our wonderful Holiday Luncheon on the 14th. Jeanne Jorgensen has that event well under control. I hope to see many of you there for music, food and a festive event. There will be a performance by Fiat Musica, an opportunity drawing for great prizes from local merchants and a silent auction. [If you missed the RSVP deadline of Dec. 7th, give Jeanne a call at 831-477-7025 to see if she can fit you in!](tel:831-477-7025)

### January 18 #End Human Trafficking Program

Martha Mangan and her committee have been working on organizing this event, which will be held from 11:30 am – 3 pm on January 18 at Twin Lakes Church. An engaging speaker will give the keynote talk, and you'll want to hear what she has to say. This event is open to the public, so help us get the word out and plan to bring a friend or two! See pg. 1 for details.



**Celebrating the Centennial of Women's Suffrage  
at the Annual Monterey Bay Interbranch Council Luncheon**

**Saturday, February 29**

**11:30 – 1:30 pm**

**Seascape Beach Resort**

**Guest speaker: Angelica Shirley Carpenter**

Angelica Carpenter is the author of the book *Born Criminal: Matilda Joslyn Gage, Radical Feminist*. She will tell us all about Matilda Joslyn Gage (1826-1898) who was a feminist leader, writer, conference organizer and specialist in civil disobedience. She changed the course of history. For decades she worked with Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, but she was more liberal than they were, fighting for equal rights not dependent on sex, race, class, or creed. Gage also served as a writing mentor to her son-in-law, L. Frank Baum, who later wrote *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*, about a strong American heroine. Carpenter explores Gage's life, including her rise and fall within the women's movement she helped build.

- Wear white to this event if you can—either modern day attire or period attire.
- Plan to bring a friend to celebrate this important historical event!
- Ms. Carpenter will have copies of her book, *Born Criminal: Matilda Joslyn Gage, Radical Feminist* (Sept. 2018; hardcover 272 pages); \$20; cash/check. Books will be signed by speaker/author Angelica Shirley Carpenter following the event.
- A limited number of Centennial pins will be on hand for sale - \$5 suggested donation for each; cash/check.

