



MAYOR AMY SHUKLIAN

A native Visalian, Amy Shuklian was first elected to the city council in November 2007. During her first term she served two years as vice-mayor. After her re-election in 2011 she became Mayor. Amy was the first council member to hold regular monthly office hours to give citizens the opportunity to meet one on one and share their concerns and help point them in a direction of resolution. She continues this practice as mayor.

September General Meeting

Date: September 14--10:00a.m.
Where: Lamp Litr Conference Ctr.
Speaker: Mayor Amy Shuklian
Menu: Chinese Chicken Salad
or
Chicken Tostada Grande
coffee or iced tea, bread and butter, and
apple crisp for dessert included

Cost: \$20

Please send check to Sally Childers, 205 E La Vida,
93277. Indicate your menu choice on your check.

RESERVATION DUE SEPTEMBER 8TH



Want to know what's happening in Visalia? Well, Mayor Amy Shuklian gave us a good idea of what was happening in our fair city one year ago. She is returning for our September meeting to let us know:

What's Happening in Visalia-- One Year Later.

Hope you can join us to
kick off our new year.

AAUW FUNDS

Last year, AAUW awarded more than \$4.3 million in fellowships and grants. WOW! Visalia-Sequoia Branch contributed some \$3,000 including \$1,000 contributed by members in honor of Zabelle Melkonian.


Dona Meinhardt, AAUW Funds V.P.

From Our President

Carol's Comments

Dear Members,

Your officers have used some of this summer to create a new and interesting 2013-2014 year for you. Sally and Linda have lined up another year of intriguing programs. We have two new sections beginning, the continuation of sections that started just last year, and the full menu of sections that have been around for many years now. Attending our first meeting in September gives you a chance to hear about them and sign up. Remember, though, that our sections welcome additions year round. (See article on next page.)

As you know, our twice yearly book sales keep our branch flush with funds to give away in scholarships. Unfortunately, our book sorters spent a lot of their summer immersed in uncertainty. Our  warehouse had to be vacated in August. This deadline kept many of us in near constant anxiety. Our problem was solved at the beginning of August when Marsha Roberts contacted Mrs. Young of Young's Grocery. She offered the old market space until our book sale in October. So, we've moved! We have our sorting/storage problem solved for a while, and there is hope for more permanent accommodations in our future.

I look forward to seeing you at our September 14th meeting.

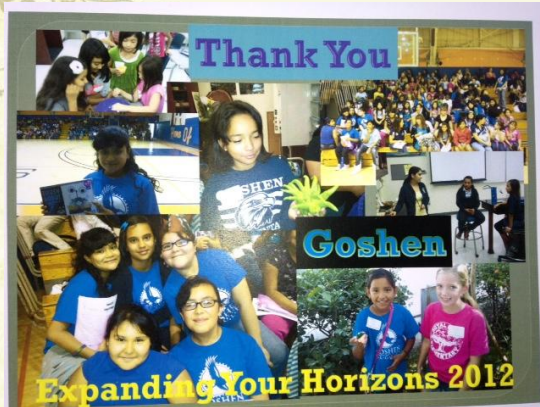
Carol



***Visalia-Sequoia Branch
to Co-Host Candidate Forum***
*Visalia-Sequoia Branch will co-host
with the League of Women Voters
and the Visalia Chamber of
Commerce and others a Candidate
Forum for candidates for election to
the Visalia Unified School District
Board of Trustees and the Visalia
City Council in the November 5th
election. The Forum will be
held October 3 at 210*

More information will follow in our next

SEQUOIA NEWS



Expanding Your Horizons gives sixth grade girls an opportunity to visit a college campus. **Tech Trek** is a week-long camp which encourages girls to consider a career in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). **Speech Trek** is a speech contest for high school students. Visalia-Sequoia Branch sponsors each of these programs. text here. Continue newsletter text here. Continue newsletter text here. Continue newsletter text here. Continue newsletter text here. Continue newsletter text here. Continue newsletter text here.



We extend our condolences to the family of Past Branch President and former Visalia Mayor **Mary Louise Vivier**, who passed away recently. Mary Louise was a strong advocate for women and a role model for many during her years in Visalia. Her many accomplishments both in her profession and as a community volunteer distinguished her life.

SECTIONS

Join One? Start a New One?



Within our Branch, sections (small groups) focus on different activities and interests. Members can choose to be in one or more sections according to their interests and the time they may wish to devote to each activity or interest. It is these sections that provide the opportunity to get to know one another and to form friendships based on common interests.

- Book Group—Monthly First Friday 1:00
Ellie Groom 738-0864
- Walkers—Thursdays 8:30
Dona Meinhardt 732-8421
- Knit Wits—Tuesdays 10:00 Panera
Cathy Lovell 734-3850
- Bridge—Many Groups
Margo Tressler 734-0272
- Couples Gourmet Group—Many Many
Start a new one!
- Single Women Gourmet Group
Donna Denham 734-1659
- Travelling Troopers—As needed
Mary Lou Flattley 625-0493
- Gorgeous Gals Gardening—Last Friday
Carol Finney 733-1198
- Coffee and California Concerns
Donna Denham 734-1659
- Great Decisions—January – April
Maile Melkonian 739-1939
- VOLUNTEER VISALIA

Inspired by a wonderful program last year about community needs featuring CASA and the Battered Women's shelter, a new section has been proposed so AAUW can help women and children in Visalia as well as support the arts. Volunteerism has always been a strong point of our branch so the newly proposed section is called "VOLUNTEER VISALIA." If you're interested in helping our community and have a few hours a month to do so, this is the section for you!

AAUW Value Promise

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

Dates to Remember

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DATE	EVENT	INFORMATION
Every Monday	Book Sorting	8:30 Walnut & Demaree
Every Tuesday	Knitting	10:00 Panera
Sept 6	Bookworms	1:00 Home of Kathy Oldershaw
Sept 14	General Meeting	10:00 Lamp Liter Mayor Amy Shuklian
Sept 16	Coffee & Calif Concerns	10:30 TBA
Sept 19	Walkers	8:30 Mooney Grove

AAUW Mission Statement

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



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Members

BOOK SALE
OCTOBER 17-24
SEQUOIA MALL