

AAUW Fremont Branch Invites You to Some Sparkle and Dazzle!

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Put on your most sparkling and dazzling holiday outfit and dance, mingle, and taste to your heart's content at AAUW American Association of University Women Fremont Branch's holiday celebration on December 10!

Kathy Garfinkle, Program Chair and Acting VP of the Fremont Branch, invites members and the community to enjoy an afternoon of music, food, and dancing at the chapter's annual holiday get-together. "We all our party 'Sparkle and Dazzle,'" says Garfinkle, "and we hope folks will come in their fining holiday outfits adding a little sparkle here and there."

The room at the Artist Walk will be transformed into an elegant ballroom with poinsettias and decorations in silver and white. There will be live music provided by the Daily Beats Band led by singer and conductor Gene Wang. Food will include savory treats and delicious desserts, all provided by AAUW members. The Fremont AAUW

yoga group will be presenting a rendition of "Twas the Night Before Christmas" with an appearance of Rudolph and all his fellow reindeer.

AAUW is sponsoring the event, but the organization encourages the community to join in the fun and add some sparkle to the holiday spirit. The event is free to attend!

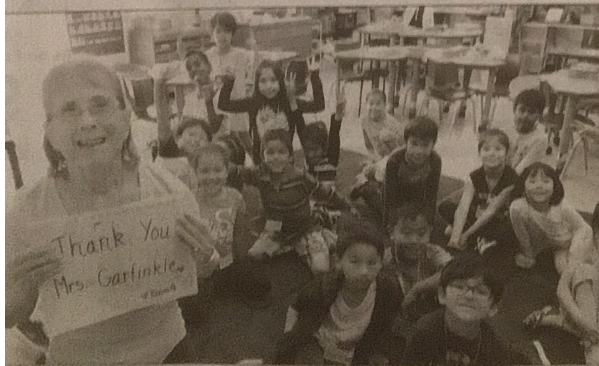
Garfinkle is a hugely avid AAUW member. She's been in the organization for 48 years and has held numerous leadership positions including president, vice president and program chair. A teacher for 35 years in the Union City School District and volunteer with Music for Minors II, Garfinkle heard about the local AAUW from friends. She attended the non-profit's annual Fall Brunch and was impressed with the tables laden with information about AAUW's many opportunities to serve others and expand one's horizons.

As Program Chair, Garfinkle organized dance performances and a puppet show, and helped plan a year of laughter for members, exploring humor in its many forms, including books, movies, TV, stand-up comics,

and newspaper columns. Garfinkle feels that AAUW has made a positive difference in her life and continues to make a difference in the lives of women and girls throughout the country. "I love working with strong minded and caring women," says Garfinkle, "and I am forever grateful for the wonderful friendships I've made in the 48 years I've been in AAUW."

Garfinkle is also proud of the many programs that AAUW Fremont Branch offers that include the community and encourages the public to attend Sparkle and Dazzle to get in the holiday mood. "It's free, it will be festive, and everyone is welcome," says Garfinkle. "We could all use some sparkle and dazzle in our lives."

**Sparkle and Dazzle, An AAUW
Fremont Branch Event
Sunday, December 10
3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Artist Walk
3888 Artist Walk Common,
Fremont
<https://fremont-ca.aauw.net/>
Free! Donations Gratefully
Accepted**



Kathy Garfinkle, Program Chair and Acting VP of AAUW Fremont Branch, with some of her students