

Branches and Twigs

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The President's Corner – Patty Ahearn



The holiday season always brings family and friends together. We were in Des Moines having a wonderful family Christmas in spite of minus 37-degree wind chill temperatures. I sincerely hope that you had an enjoyable time over this festive season.

This month AAUW is full of events and activities that I hope many of you will participate in. There is one more branch meeting on a Tuesday night this year. It is in April. If you do not drive at night, but would like to attend, please call or email me. I will try to have a member drive you to the meeting. The meetings are an important part of our branch. It gives you the opportunity to see AAUW members again and meet new members.

The Pass STEM Conference was held on January 11th at Mt. San Jacinto College. I am sure that with chairs Marilyn Shankar and Sheron Bealer, along with their fabulous committee, the conference was a great success. Our branch is so fortunate to support two STEM conferences. By the time you receive this newsletter, the Redlands STEM Conference will only be a month away. I hope that you are one of the almost 100 members that are participating in making this successful as well. Heather Abushanab and her energetic committee have been working for months to make this conference a worthwhile and spectacular event.

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February Branch Meeting

Named Gift Honorees

We proudly honor three branch members as Named Gift Honorees. These three women have made outstanding contributions to our branch. For every \$750 our branch donates to AAUW Fund, we may designate a named gift honoree. We are pleased to give them special recognition.

AAUW Fund Fellowship/Grant Speaker

We are excited to welcome Camila Araujo de Resende, a graduate student at USC, to our branch meeting. Camila is the recipient of an International Fellowship/Grant, which is partially funded by Redlands branch endowment. Camila is from Brazil and is studying at USC for her M.P.L. degree in Urban Planning. Camila will be speaking on Saturday, February 3, at our annual AAUW Fund Program meeting.

Camila will share with us a few differences in her living experiences between her hometown, Brasilia, and Los Angeles, and how this exchange of cultures helped her understand or question some of the behaviors. She is also interested in the importance of female representation in the planning world and how it can change the decisions made for each community.

~Kathy Toister, AAUW Fund Program Chair



February Branch Meeting

When Saturday,
February 3, 2018
Social 9:00 a.m.
Brunch 9:30 a.m.
Program 10:15 a.m.

Where
University of Redlands
CASA LOMA Room

Menu
Sumptuous Breakfast Buffet: Scrambled eggs, blueberry blintzes, potatoes, bacon, seasonal fruit, assorted muffins and breakfast pastries, creamy butter, fruit preserves, coffee/tea

Cost: Members and guests: \$19

Reservations
The reservation deadline for the February 3rd meeting is Sunday, January 28, 2018. Please call 909-362-4955 or email rsvpmeeting@aauw-redlands-ca.org.

Reminder:
A reservation made is a reservation paid.

Members and guests are always welcome at all branch meetings. There is no cost to attend the program at 10:15 a.m. Chairs will be available.

Branch Meetings 2017-2018

Saturday, 3/3/18 brunch
Tuesday, 4/3/18 dinner
Saturday, 5/5/18 brunch
Saturday, 6/2/18 brunch

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sunday Reservation for FEB. 3	Jan. 28 Deadline Brunch			1	2 6pm Speech Trek Contest	3 9am Branch Mtg.
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 6pm California Cuisine ONE	12 6:30pm Board Mtg.	13	14	15 10am-2:30pm Bridge Scramble	16	17 9am STEM Mtg.
18 5:30pm California Cuisine TWO	19	20 6pm CHAT	21 Noon I Am, Therefore I <u>Think</u> 1pm Bunko	22 1pm & 7pm <u>Reading & Rainbow</u> 3:30pm STEM walk through @ U of R	23	24 9:00am STEM walk through <u>@ U of R</u> 9am STEM packet
25	26	27 11am Internat- ional Affairs	28 STEM Conf. Redlands	Save the date Great Decisions: First Week of March, Mon. & Wed. LUNAFEST Friday, April 13 AAUW CA State Convention April 27-29, Irvine		
AAUW Redlands Board Meeting 2/12 6:30pm Cutler Building, 201 Cajon St., Redlands ~Patty Ahearn Bridge: Contact coordinator for new bridge groups. ~Judy Adams Bunco 2/21 1pm @ Patty Ahearn's home California Cuisine and Conversation-ONE 2/11 Host & address will be sent by email ~Pamela Ong California Cuisine and Conversation TWO (article in January Newsletter page 7) 2/18 5:30pm @ Patty Ahearn's home CHAT meeting 2/20 6pm Contemporary Club ~Katherine Gifford literacy@akspl.org 798-7565 I Am, Therefore I Think 2/21 "How's Your EQ" Facilitator: Margee Fuller 12-2 pm (12-12:30 informal brown bag lunch). Trinity Episcopal Church Lounge, 419 South 4th Redlands ~ Ellen Schollenberger & Sharlene Lund				International Affairs 2/27 11am University Club Lunch served 11:30am \$17.75 includes tax and gratuity. Reservation by noon 2/24 to Marie Mitchell Reading and Rainbow 2/22 <u>Idaho</u> by Emily Ruskovich 1pm host Erica Wilson, 7pm host Kathryn Brown Reservations are not required. ~ Lynne Reasoner & Jeanne Shevlin Redlands STEM Conference (page 5) Conference: Wednesday, February 28, 2018 Committee Meeting 2/17 Committee meeting Heather's home. Walk Through: 2/22 3:30-4:30 pm & 2/24 9 am Packet Assembly: 2/24 @ 9 am University Methodist Church (940 East Colton Ave) ~Heather Abushanab Speech Trek Contest 2/2 6pm Citrus Valley High School Theatre ~Ginny Evans-Perry		

Branch Officers:

President: Patty Ahearn, **President-elect:** Toni Momberger, **Communications Vice President:** Vacant, **Hospitality Vice President:** Kathy Toister, **Membership Vice President:** Viktoria Norberg, **Program Vice President:** Kathryn Brown, **Secretary:** Diane Bennett, **Treasurer:** Kate Pretorius

B&T Submission:

The deadline for the **March newsletter** will be **February 5th**. Send your articles to the editor via email to news@aauw-redlands-ca.org or by mail to Kay Dobberty

continued from page 1 **The President's Corner – Patty Ahearn**

The 2nd Annual Speech Trek Contest is taking place on January 31st at 6:00pm. This special event will be held at Citrus Valley High School. The students participating will be presenting a 5-6 minute speech on, "How can we stand up to sexism?" The event is free to the public. Please attend and support our local high school students. This is one of AAUW's National Projects.

Many of our Interest Groups are back on schedule after recessing in the month of December. Please continue to refer to the calendar of events in the newsletter as well as the upcoming events on the back of the branch meeting program. It takes all of us to make our branch a success in our community. Your participation in AAUW as a member is a win-win for all of us. Take time to explore all of the opportunities the Redlands AAUW Branch has to offer.

I look forward to seeing you at the branch meetings as well as all of the other activities available to you in this month. Let's make 2018 full of accomplishments and events that will make our local organization even more recognized in our communities.

Nancy Howell Memorial Scholarship Update—Bridge Scramble Fundraiser

The final count for the money earned by the Holiday Boutique was \$1917. Thanks, again, to all of you who contributed items for sale and to everyone who did some shopping. You're the best!



Our second fundraiser is coming up in February. The Bridge Scramble will be **February 15**. Flyers were mailed to the players from years past, but we're hoping to see lots of new faces this year. If you play bridge, please join us for a fun day and bring a friend. Proceeds from this fundraiser also go to help women returning to school after a break in their education. We promise you will have fun, and you might even go home with a door prize! For more information and a flyer to sign up, please call or send an email to Pat Belk

Condolences

In sympathy and friendship, we send our condolences to Jane Henry on the death of her husband, Mike.

**Hospitality Birthday Club**

It's hard to believe, but the list for this month's celebrations is another GIANT one. Hope you all will be joining us for the branch meeting and many happy returns!!!

Please let us know if we missed anyone!

~Pat Belk & Barbara Krause

February Birthdays:

Rosemary Conway
Kay Dobberty
Virginia Evans-Perry
Janice Jacobson
Cheryl Jordan
Diane Mapes
Krista Moreno
Kathleen Presnell-Best
Renae Reiswig
Nelda Stuck

August Birthdays:

Heather Abushanab
Gail Anderson
Cathy Curtis
Roslyn Dunn
Joyce Heitmeier
Anna Keegan
Martha Lehman
Phyllis Limbourne
Ann Marshall
Betty Meltzer
Toni Momberger
Jane Roberts
Anne Sandel
Susan Shodahl
Melissa Walker
Susan Willis

Please let us know if we missed anyone!

~Barbara Krause and Pat Belk



AAUW Fund Program

Saturday, February 3rd is our annual AAUW Fund program. The program includes a Fellowship or Grant Speaker, a request for contributions to the AAUW Fund, and the announcement of the 2017 Named Gift Honorees.



AAUW Fund donations are used where they are most needed. By donating to AAUW Fund, you are helping incubate and grow our highly successful, community-based, mission-driven programs. Please look on page 9 of the newsletter for a contribution form to AAUW Fund. Please bring your contribution and the form to the February 3rd branch meeting, or mail your contribution. Any amount is greatly appreciated! Your donation is tax deductible.

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*~Kathy Toister, Chair
AAUW Fund Program*

Welcome New Members

New member, **Sarah Van Tassel**, has lived in Redlands since 1995. She worked at Loma Linda University Medical Center and UCR as Disability Management Coordinator. Now retired as a Special Education teacher from the Rialto USD, Sarah still tutors special ed students. Her interests include bridge, gardening, and her church choir. A guest of Bev Woolverton at our February meeting, Sarah joined because she wants to assist women returning to school, along with meeting new people.

And..New "Give a Grad a Gift" Member

Carlisle Dianne Momberger, 23, is a singer and a pianist with a degree in chemistry from Case Western Reserve University. She recently moved back to Redlands, where her immediate plans are to work as a henna artist and a science tutor. She enjoys choral direction and composing choral arrangements. Her primary issue for activism is climate change.

~Viktoria Norberg, VP Membership



Great Decisions

Great Decisions will begin in March. The books this year are \$30. Everyone who paid \$25 needs to bring \$5 to the first meeting.

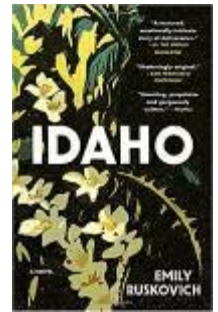


The afternoon group will begin on Monday, March 5, at 1:00 pm at the home of Shelley Bodner--1633 Sheffield Lane, 792-7181.

The evening group will meet at the home of Mary Jane Auerbacher--121 Sierra Vista Dr. The first meeting will be on Wednesday, March 7, at 7:00 pm. Questions may be directed to Adriane Gram.

Reading and the Rainbow

Book: Idaho, by
Emily Ruskovich



Thursday, February 22
1 PM host: Erica Wilson
7 PM host: Kathryn Brown
Reservations are not required

Idaho is a novel about love and forgiveness, about the violence of memory and the equal violence of its loss. "With her husband Wade's memory fading, Ann attempts to piece together the truth of what happened to Wade's first wife, Jenny, and to their daughters. Through multiple perspectives, we gradually learn of the mysterious and shocking act that fractured Wade and Jenny's lives."

~ Jeanne Shevlin and Lynne Reasoner, Co-Chair

Carlisle Dianne Momberger

Sarah VanTassel

**new email address:
Margi Galligan**

**PLEASE
UPDATE
YOUR
YEARBOOK:**



Redlands STEM Conference Wednesday, February 28th

There is still time to get involved!

- **Guides and Hosts** are still needed.
Sign up with Ellen Schollenberger to be a **host** or
with Linda Browning to be a **guide** (
- **Host Walk Throughs:** Thursday, February 22,
3:30 pm & Saturday, February 24, 9 am. Meet in
the Casa Loma Room at University of Redlands.
- **Packets Assembly:** Saturday, February 24, 9 am
@ University Methodist Church (940 East
Colton Ave)
- **Luncheon Reservations:** Contact Diane Bennett
to make a reservation. Luncheon price \$22.
Please see article below for information.
Reservation deadline is February 17. **You must
have a paid reservation in order to join us for
lunch the day of the conference.**
- We are still accepting donations for the
conference. Adopt-a-girl with a \$20 donation!
~ Heather Abushanab, Chair

Lunch @ Redlands STEM Conference

If you would like to join us for lunch on the
conference day, February 28, please RSVP to Diane
Bennett no later than FEBRUARY 17. The cost of
lunch is \$22.00.

You may RSVP to Diane by phone or by email. You
may pay Diane at the February branch meeting or send
to: Diane Bennett Please make checks payable to
AAUW. Thank you!

~Diane Bennett, STEM Lunch Chair
pdmtc5@aim.com, 213-5185

Preview Photos of AAUW Pass STEM January 11th Conference



Pass STEM chairs Marilyn Shankar and Sheron
Bealer with Keynote Speaker, Amber Price.

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Host Kathryn Brown, San Geronio counselor  
Elda Strawter and students



## December Hike



Diane Mapes,  
Kathryn Brown,  
Erica Wilson  
and husband,  
Jim





## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Lunafest

Friday April 13, 2018, is our 6<sup>th</sup> annual Lunafest. Tickets are available on-line at the Lunafest website ([www.lunafest.org/screenings/redlands-ca-041318](http://www.lunafest.org/screenings/redlands-ca-041318)) or at the branch meeting. This joint activity with Zonta Club of Redlands and our branch benefits the missions of both of our clubs.

The evening begins at 5:45 PM with hors d'oeuvres and drinks in the beautiful Esri Atrium. The films start at 7 PM in the Esri Auditorium. It will be a lovely evening for a worthy cause. We look forward to seeing you there!

The committee is still looking for businesses to help sponsor the event. Please consider asking the businesses you frequent to be a sponsor. It is a great advertising opportunity for a local business, and most owners are glad to support such a wonderful local activity. Our sponsorship packet is located on the branch website where you can also find additional information about the 2018 event. Contact Heather Abushanab for questions or email the committee at [lunafest@aauw-redlands-ca.org](mailto:lunafest@aauw-redlands-ca.org).



Prefer to get your tickets by mail? Use the order form below.

### **LUNAFEST** Friday April 13, 2018 Tickets by Mail

**Seating is limited. Please Purchase tickets by April 7, 2018.**

Please make \_\_\_\_\_ reservations for me at \$35.00 per person.

Please make \_\_\_\_\_ reservations for me at \$20.00 per student.

Enclosed is my check for \_\_\_\_\_, made payable to **AAUW Redlands**.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to **Redlands Branch AAUW - Lunafest, P.O. Box 7678, Redlands, CA 92375**

## **THE LUNAFEST STORY** The Future of Film is Diversity

LUNA, the makers of the Whole Nutrition Bar for Women, has always believed in the power of women. From the beginning, we knew women had a role to play in shaping the future of the film industry, so in 2000, LUNAFEST was born. LUNAFEST was the first all-women travelling film festival to hit the screens and amplify the voices of strong women everywhere. Today, screenings in more than 175 cities across the nation showcase the work of talented women filmmakers. This year, LUNAFEST partners with Chicken & Egg Pictures, a nonprofit organization that provides mentorship and critical financial support to female nonfiction filmmakers. Together LUNAFEST and Chicken & Egg Pictures celebrate and champion women storytellers while creating a strong community for women in the film industry.



To find more information, submit artwork, or [see last year's winning entries](#), please visit the [AAUW Art Contest web page](#).

The [annual AAUW Art Contest](#) is under way and it's a terrific opportunity to share your artistic talent! It's our 10th contest year, and you have two ways to join in the fun.

**JANUARY 4-FEBRUARY 4**

Submit your art online. Any medium works; simply send in an image of your artwork.

**FEBRUARY 6-MARCH 4**

Vote for your favorite pieces on the AAUW website.



**ENTER NOW AT  
[WWW.AAUW.ORG/CONTESTS](http://WWW.AAUW.ORG/CONTESTS)**





January Speaker Paula Salcido with program coordinators Ann Leonard and Linda Browning



City Council Member Toni Momberger given an award at the January meeting by Patty Ahearn

## January & July Birthdays

July Birthday ladies: Ann Leonard, Barbara Simmons, Viktoria Norberg and Hazel Curtis



January birthday ladies: Sheron Bealer, Bev Woolverton (above) and Kim Fisher (right) with Birthday chairs, Pat Belk and Barbara Krause



## Redlands Branch STEM Conferences & Tech Trek Adopt-a-Girl

The Pass Area STEM Conference is over for this year, the Redlands Conference is just around the corner, and Tech Trek selections will need to be made soon! It is not too late to help us pay for the conferences and our Tech Trek reservations through Adopt-a-Girl by covering the cost, \$20, for a girl to attend a conference. Adopt one or adopt many! Designate your gift to be used as needed or choose to support a specific STEM initiative. Use the coupon below to make your pledge. We value and appreciate your donation so very much. Thank you!



### STEM Conference Pledge/Donation Coupon



#### Conference Dates:

**January 11, 2018, at Mt. San Jacinto College**

**February 28, 2018, at University of Redlands**

Benefactors \$500 - \$999 Patrons \$300 - \$499 Friends \$100 - \$299 Adopt-a-Girl (cost per girl) - \$20

I/We: Pledge ☐ Donate \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the AAUW 2017-18 STEM Programs.

Please use my gift for:

- ☐ Where it is most needed.
- ☐ Redlands STEM Conference
- ☐ Pass Area STEM Conference
- ☐ Tech Trek Scholarships

*Donations of \$100 or more will appear in the Conference Programs unless otherwise requested.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Send pledge/donation to: AAUW STEM Conference  
P.O. Box 7678  
Redlands, CA 92375-0678**

AAUW Redlands Branch is a 501 (c)3 and contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.



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## AAUW Fund Contribution

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Contributions are tax deductible

Please make check payable to: **AAUW Fund** and bring to February branch meeting

Or Mail to: AAUW Redlands PO Box 7678, Redlands, CA 92375-0678

