## Branches and Twigs

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

### **September Membership Meeting**

The September 7<sup>th</sup> branch meeting opens the new program year for 2019-20. Our interest groups are eagerly waiting to launch into a new year of reading, playing bridge and bunko, hosting California Cuisine and conversation, planning two STEM conferences, learning and talking about topical matters, discussing Great Decisions, hosting a diversity of engaging



speakers, hiking the local hills and trails, and enjoying the companionship of the caring, intelligent, socially-engaged women who make up the Redlands AAUW branch.

This is the best time to invite your friends, neighbors, and acquaintances to come explore the mission of AAUW and what this dynamic branch has to offer. Guests to the September 7th meeting get a complimentary brunch and a reduced price on their first year's national membership if they join that day.

Please make a reservation for yourself and your guest through rsvpmeeting@aauw-redlands-ca.org and indicate who will be attending as a guest, so we can prepare to properly greet them as such that morning. If you have questions about membership, feel free to contact Erica Wilson at membership@aauw-redlands-ca.org or 909-938-3011

# Please invite prospective members to our September 7<sup>th</sup> branch meeting!

Inform our membership team now by emailing prospective members' names and contact information to <a href="mailto:membership@aauw-redlands-ca.org">membership@aauw-redlands-ca.org</a>.

## **September Branch Meeting Speaker**

We are honored to welcome AAUW National Board Director Mary L. Zupanc, M.D., as our September speaker. Dr. Zupanc is a professor in the Department of Pediatrics and Neurology at the University of California, Irvine (UCI). She is also the UCI Division Chief of Pediatric Neurology, the Chief Neurology Strategy Officer, and the Co-Medical Director of the CHOC Neuroscience Institute. She has published many articles in peer-reviewed journals and has authored several book chapters, particularly on pediatric epilepsy, infantile spasms, and epilepsy surgery.



She has served on the executive board of the Child Neurology Society and is currently on the board of directors for the Child Neurology Foundation. Dr. Zupanc worked with fellow AAUW National Board members on the Strategic Plan Task Force, authoring "Beyond Aspirations: Advancing Equity for Women & Girls," adopted by our AAUW National Board of Directors in June 2018.

-Kathryn Brown

## **September Branch Meeting Information**

#### When

Saturday, September 7, 2019 *Annual Branch Membership* 

Social 9:00 am Brunch 9:30 a.m. Program 10:00 a.m.

#### Where

University of Redlands CASA LOMA Room

#### Menu

American Breakfast
Scrambled eggs, bacon,
breakfast potatoes,
assorted breakfast muffins
cranberry & orange juice
coffee/tea

#### Cost

Members: \$19 Complimentary for Guests

### Reservations

The reservation deadline for the September 7th meeting is Saturday, August 31, 2019. Please call 909-362-4955 or email rsvpmeeting@aauwredlands-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. Chairs will be available.

## Branch Meetings: 2019-2020

Tuesday, 10/1 dinner Saturday, 11/2 brunch Tuesday, 12/3 dinner Tuesday, 1/7 dinner Saturday, 2/1 brunch Saturday, 3/7 brunch Tuesday, 4/7 dinner Tuesday, 5/5 dinner Saturday, 6/6 brunch

## September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tues		Wed	Thu	Fri		Sat
Saturday August 31 RESERVATION DEADLINE for Sept 7 BRUNCH meeting								eeting
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	9am Branch
	Labor Day	9am						<u>Meeting</u>
		CHAT						2pm Adult Literacy play
8	9	10	11		12	13	14	1
15	16	17	18		19	20	21	
	6:30pm AAUW Board Mtg.			m I Am, fore I Think				
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22	23	24	25		26	27	28	3
			<u>1p</u>	m Bunco	1pm & 7pm Reading &			
				Start Smart hop @ UofR	Rainbow			
29	30	Save the d		Sun. Oct. 27 So CA Fund Luncheon, Seal Beach Thurs. Oct. 17 Footlighters Theater Fundraiser Tues. Nov 5 "Flyer" Fundraiser at Benjarong				
	6pm Adult Literacy Tutor Orientation	1		Tues. Jan. 7, 2020 PASS STEM Conference Wed. Feb. 26, 2020 REDLANDS STEM Conference				

### Adult Literacy Event (see page 7)

9/7 2pm Adult Literacy presents the play *Seedfolks* by Paul Fleischman at the Contemporary Club. Doors open at 1:30pm.

### **Adult Literacy Tutor Orientation** (see page 7)

9/30 6pm-8pm Smiley Library Assembly Room, 125 W. Vine *~Diane Shimota, literacy@akspl.org* 798-7565 ext. 4138

### **AAUW Redlands Board Meeting**

9/16 6:30 pm Redlands United Church of Christ, 168 Bellevue Avenue, Redlands

~Marie Mitchell 838-1009

### **Bridge Groups (see page 5)**

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays @ 1pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday @ 1pm, 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday Couples Contact coordinators ~Pat Belk 793-7682 patbelk2@aol.com &

Dorothy Nordquist d.nordquist@att.net

#### **Bunco**

9/25 1pm ~Contact Barbara Krause 556-0621

### **CHAT** meeting

9/3 9am Smiley Library Assembly Room. ~Katherine Gifford 798-7565 literacy@akspl.org

### I Am, Therefore I Think

9/18 Title: "Discussion on Wide Ranging Events/ Cartoons" This is a group effort--bring articles/cartoons that you have come across during the summer. Facilitator: Nelda Stuck

Meets 12 pm at Trinity Episcopal Church Lounge (Rooms 6-8) 419 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Redlands.

~Ellen Schollenberger 794-3620 & Viktoria Norberg 389-9826

### Reading and Rainbow

9/26 Where the Crawdads Sing by Deila Owens 1pm host: Kay Dobbertin, 7pm host: Amy Bisek Reservations are not required.

~Amy Bisek 792-0019 & Kathryn Brown 510-220-1876

### **Start Smart Workshop (see page 5)**

9/25 4pm-6pm University of Redlands

~Susan Bangasser 794-4495

### **Branch Officers:**

President: Marie Mitchell (838-1009), President-elect: Sue Wallace (798-4347) Communications Vice President: Rosa Gomez (936-4599), Hospitality Vice President: Sue Ferguson (951-312-4904), Membership Vice President: Erica Wilson (797-7938), Program Vice President: Martha Lehman (936-7819), Secretary: Patricia Stubbs (797-8975 or 289-9183), Treasurer: Hazel Curtis (954-6323)

### **B&T Submission**:

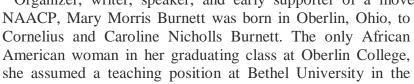
The deadline for the October newsletter will be <u>September</u> 5th. Send your articles to the editor via email to news@aauw-redlands-ca.org or by mail to Paula Ferri-Milligan

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### The President's Corner – Marie Mitchell

I'm so excited to be starting a new year and so happy to share with you the next Woman of Distinction that was a forerunner in our continuing fight for equity, Mary Burnett Talbert.

Organizer, writer, speaker, and early supporter of a movement that would become the



segregated school system in Little Rock, Arkansas, teaching history, mathematics, Latin, science, and geography. She was appointed assistant principal of Bethel University, the only woman ever selected for that position. She married William Herbert Talbert and soon after left her career and moved to Buffalo, New York.

Talbert came to wider attention at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup>century when she challenged the all-white board of the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, calling for the appointment of an African American board member and an exhibit on the lives of African Americans. That year, she hosted Oberlin colleagues Mary Church Terrell, Anna Julia Cooper, and Hallie Q. Brown at her home as part of the National Association of Colored Women biennial conference. Talbbert held several positions in the NACW, including serving as president from 1916 until 1920.



In 1905, W.E.B. Dubois, John Hope, Monroe Trotter, Frederick McGhee, C. E. Bentley, and 27 others met secretly in Talbert's home to adopt the Civil Rights resolutions that led to the founding of the Niagara Movement. Although Talbert was excluded from membership in the Movement, it served as the forerunner of the NAACP, and she became a vice president and board member of that organization from 1919 until her death.

Talbert believed that race and gender were unifying factors to resolve class issues. As the struggle for the vote neared its climactic final fights, African American women's associations and clubs appeared to put aside differences and focus on the goal–passage and ratification of the 19<sup>th</sup>Amendment. Other noteworthy accomplishments included helping to save the Washington, D.C., home of Frederick Douglass and cofounding the International Council of Women of the Darker Races, dedicated to uniting women of color to fight oppression globally.

She died at age 57 in 1923. She was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame in 1905. Sources: https://suffragistmemorial.org, photo courtesy http://Blackpast.org.ert

## The AAUW of California Fund Committee is proud to honor our 2019-2020 California Fellow and Grant Recipients



Join us at the Old Ranch Country Club, Seal Beach, Sunday, October 27, 2019, noon to 3 p.m., as we celebrate and honor this year's grant and fellowship recipients. RSVP by October 11.

http://www.aauw-ca.org/fall-fund-luncheons/

In 2019-2020, AAUW has awarded <u>\$4 million</u> to 259 women and community projects to improve the lives of women and girls. There are 30 Fellows and Grant recipients studying in California. Six to eight recipients will give a brief overview of their studies or projects and highlight what AAUW's support has meant to them.

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### **Member News - Condolences**



In sympathy and friendship, we send our condolences Johanne Dyerly on the loss of her mother.

## 2019-20 AAUW Shape-the-Future Competition is ON!

The Shape-the-Future campaign allows our branch to earn up to THREE free national memberships for the 2020-21 membership year. The competition will be conducted throughout the year, and free memberships will be awarded in the following way:

- 2 awarded to members who recruit the most new members\*\* from April 2019-March 2020. If there is a tie, we will hold a drawing.
- 1 awarded to the member who invites the most potential new members from April 2019-March 2020, regardless of whether they join. In case of a tie, we will hold a drawing.
- \*\* New members refer to paying members, including Members-At-Large who affiliate with our branch, but not including student e-affiliates.

## AAUW Member Benefit:

Download card for discounts on printing and supplies



http://officediscounts.org/aauw/

### **Hospitality Committee**

As the new VP for Hospitality, I am excited for this opportunity to become better acquainted with the interesting members of our Redlands AAUW branch. Where else can one find so many diverse, talented, intelligent, and fun-loving individuals focusing on empowering women?

Our committee activities include the New Member Mentor Program, Social Events, Membership Appreciation Celebration, Birthday Celebrations, and Thinking of You cards. So many worthwhile and fun ways to participate!

Would love to get to know you, so please stop by the Hospitality table at our September meeting.

~Sue Ferguson, Hospitality Vice President

### **Did You Forget to Renew?**

Thanks to everyone who renewed over the summer, making it much easier for us to prepare the yearbook. If you have not renewed yet for the 2019-20 membership year, please, you need to do so immediately to make sure your information is in our branch yearbook.

Membership renewal includes the following dues: \$59 for national, \$20 for the state, and \$31 for the branch, for a total of \$110. Remember that \$53 of your national membership is tax deductible.

- National has requested that members wishing to renew online <u>use the link in the invoice</u> and <u>do not renew by going to the AAUW website</u>. Renewing via the link in the invoice is secure and does not require a password; simply click the link and enter your means of payment, and you're done.
- Members may also pay by check in the amount of \$110--mailed to: Susan Willis, 3944 Piedmont Drive, Highland 92346
- Any questions, or if you need the emailed invoice to be resent, please contact Susan by email: <a href="mailto:susanb willis@yahoo.com">susanb willis@yahoo.com</a> or phone: 909-862-6036.



Please update any changes/corrections to your contact information for the

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## Get to Know Your Board Member...



## **Sue Wallace**

Sue was born in Ponca Oklahoma, City, and attended public school there until she graduated in 1964. Attending Phillips University Enid. Oklahoma. in she graduated with a B.A., majoring in history and

education in 1968. Having received a fellowship to attend graduate school, she enrolled in the University of Oklahoma in 1968 and graduated with a Master of Arts in History and a Master of Social Studies. She began her teaching career in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma, where she taught social studies at the local high school for 15 years. In 1986 she moved to Redlands and began teaching at Redlands High School as a U.S. History teacher. When Redlands East Valley High School opened in 1997, she transferred to REV and became the Social Studies department chairperson as well as teaching U.S. History and AP U.S. History. In 2007 she retired from teaching.

Sue joined AAUW while teaching in Pauls Valley, and when she moved to Redlands, she transferred her membership to the Redlands branch. However, teaching began to consume too much of her time, and a short time later she dropped her membership in AAUW. After retiring she felt she had more time to devote to such an organization and rejoined the Redlands branch of AAUW in 2012. She has served as Secretary for two years and also participated by becoming actively involved in several committees. In 2018 she was elected to the Nominating Committee and was elected President-Elect for the 2019-20 year.

Since retiring she has become involved not only in AAUW, but she serves as co-chair of the Legislative Committee for the Redlands California Retired Teacher Association. She was recruited as a volunteer for the Redlands Community Scholarship Foundation board several years ago and is currently serving as President of the board for this year. She has continued to be involved in the Redlands Unified School District by substituting from time to time. Those activities as well as being actively involved in her church have managed to keep her busy in her retirement.

### **Bridge Anyone?**

Our AAUW branch has four bridge groups, which meet monthly. If you are interested in joining us, send me an email or give me a call, and we will get you on the substitute list(s). As openings arise, they will be filled from those lists. We have groups on the 1st and 3rd Mondays (1:00), the 1st Wednesday (1:00), and a couples' group on the 3rd Saturday. Looking forward to playing with you!

~Pat Belk 793-7682 patbelk2@aol.com

## **Holiday Boutique News**

We've been busy all summer working on some new and fun things for the Holiday Boutique this year. We even have a beautiful contribution coming

from one of the veterans at the Loma Linda VA Hospital, which I'm sure you will love. This is just a reminder to all of our crafters that we only have a couple of months



to go! Can't wait to see what you will bring this year. If you are not a crafter but would like to help by contributing something iust needs that assembly, please let me know. I can really use the help!

~Pat Belk 909-793-7682 patbelk2@aol.com

### Start Smart Workshop Scheduled

One of the issues AAUW addresses is economic security for women. To address equity in pay, AAUW developed both the Start Smart Program, to help women negotiate a fair beginning salary, and the Work Smart Program, to help women negotiate a raise. The College/University Committee has arranged for the first Start Smart workshop at the University of Redlands to be given early in the fall semester, on Wednesday, September 25, 4:00 PM-6:00 PM in Gregory 177. We are collaborating with



the University to promote the event during the first weeks of the semester. If you know any U of R students, please let them about know this free workshop.

~Susan Bangasser and Pamela Ford College/University Partnership Chairs

## **Back to School Backpack Project**

Dear AAUW Members,

The package has been delivered! 33 backpacks and supplies to fill them were dropped off in time for the August 3rd Back-to-School Jam sponsored by Family Service, Micah House, and other community groups. Thank you for your generous donations in June that will give 33 RUSD students a head start for the school year. It is much appreciated!

~Dawn Romo, Chair of Back-to-School Project



## **Celebrating September Birthdays**

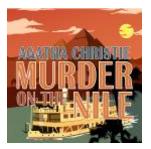
We will be celebrating our members with September birthdays at the September 7 meeting. We sure hope you will join us! Please let me know if you should be on the list but are not there.

Mary Jane Auerbacher Del Barrett Janice Belden Linda Browning Beverly Cox Karen Darnell Cheri Dawes Katherine Gifford Cassie MacDuff Cathryn Oltman Dee Ann Palmer Kim Roman Linda Rowland Sue Wallace Kathy Warren

~Pat Belk 793-7682 patbelk2@aol.com



### Save the Date for Murder!



On Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, join us at the Footlighters Theater event and enjoy the classic Christie thriller, *Murder on the Nile*. Meet newlywed Kate Ridgeway—blessed with beauty, enormous wealth, and a new husband,

she embarks on a honeymoon voyage down the Nile. Fatal circumstances await when the idyllic surroundings are shattered by a shocking and brutal murder. Under scrutiny is a multitude of memorable passengers, all with a reason to kill. The tension and claustrophobia builds as a shocking and audacious conspiracy is laid bare.

Your ticket to the play and pre-performance reception featuring wine, delicious sweets and savory snacks, live music & door prizes is just \$35 (\$20 for Footlighters season ticket holders.) The festivities start at 6:30 PM, with curtain time at 8 PM. Tickets will be on sale at the September 7 branch meeting, as well as on Eventbrite. *~Kathy Toister* 



### **Call for Wine**

The reception planned for our wonderful fall social and event fundraiser on October 17<sup>th</sup> will include wine. As this is fundraiser, we rely on our members to donate the wine. Please consider donating a bottle or two of your favorite white or red. Please bring your wine donation to the



September branch meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting and would like to donate wine, please contact me. I will be happy to pick up your bottle, or you may drop it off at my home as long as I am home. All donations are requested three days before the event. Thank you.

~Kathy Toister, 909-794-3217 or 909-225-8704, <u>bktoister@aol.com</u>

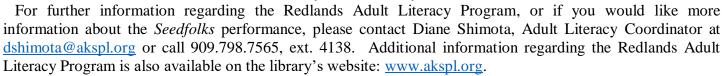
## The Redlands Adult Literacy Program Invites AAUW and the Community to Seedfolks, A Spoken Musical, by Paul Fleischman

The Redlands Adult Literacy Program is hosting a FREE performance of the play *Seedfolks* by Paul Fleischman on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at 2:00 pm at the Contemporary Club, 173 S. Eureka St. Doors will open at 1:30 p.m. You, your family, and friends are invited to attend.

Seedfolks is a story about a neighborhood which transforms a vacant lot into a community garden. In the process, neighbors from many different backgrounds get to know each other and form a community of mutual support. Seedfolks was selected as the adult literacy community read because it mirrors the program's community of adult learners and tutors, who come from many walks of life but learn from each other.

An estimated 23% of the adult population in the United States struggles to read and write. Even in the city of Redlands, the 2010 census showed that over 10% of adults had not earned a high school diploma. Low literacy can impact an individual's employment, health, and participation in the community. Tutors with the Redlands Adult Literacy Program assist adults who want to improve their reading and writing so that they can advance their educations, improve their jobs, help their children with homework, and fully participate in the Redlands community. Literacy is truly life-changing!

You may also know of someone who would like help with their reading and writing. Please spread the word that adult literacy assistance is free and confidential at A. K. Smiley Public Library.





## **Adult Literacy**

## Imagine not being able to read....

Would you like to know more about the Redlands Adult Literacy Program? There are currently over 100 tutor-learner pairs, and we continue to have many requests for tutoring help.

Join us at an Orientation on September 30th at 6:00 p.m. at the A. K. Smiley Public Library Assembly Room. Attendees will learn what is involved in becoming a tutor with the Adult Literacy Program. In the Adult Literacy Program:



- Tutor/learner teams set their own weekly meeting schedule.
- Tutors and learners share a commitment to meeting at Smiley Library weekly for 1½ hours for at least six months.

If you would like to volunteer to help adult learners change their and their family's lives through literacy, please contact Diane Shimota, adult literacy coordinator, at (909) 798-7565 x 4138 or email: <a href="mailto:literacy@akspl.org">literacy@akspl.org</a>

### **Literacy Changes Lives!!!**

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# Yearbook additions and changes through August 5, 2019 Please print and add to your 2018-19 yearbook. The 2019-20 yearbooks will be printed after the September branch meeting.

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## Time for Thai!

On Tuesday, November 5, join your AAUW friends for a meal at **Benjarong**, Redlands premier Thai restaurant. A portion of ALL sales that day will be donated by Benjarong to support our AAUW Redlands branch. Benjarong is located at 1001 Park Avenue (at the corner of New York Street, off Redlands Blvd.) in Redlands. Lunch is served 11 AM-2:30; dinner is served 5 PM- 9. Reservations are recommended (909-792-3235 <a href="www.thebenjarong.com">www.thebenjarong.com</a>) IMPORTANT: You must bring the "Flyer" and show it to your server in

order for the AAUW benefit to apply. Flyers will be available at the September, October and November branch meetings and will be attached to the October and November Newsletters.



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