

Branches and Twigs

Redlands Branch, AAUW
September 2021

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

September Membership Meeting

September 11th is our kick-off branch meeting for the new program year. Our interest groups are ready to dive into a new year of reading, playing bridge, planning the STEM conferences, discussing Great Decisions, thinking on a host of topics, and enjoying the companionship of the engaged, intelligent, diverse group of women who make up the Redlands AAUW branch. This is the best time to come explore the mission of AAUW and what this dynamic branch has to offer! Prospective members to the September branch 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 (rsvpmeeting@aauw-redlands-ca.org or 909-362-4955) by Friday, September 3rd. If you are bringing a prospective member, please include her name so we can be prepared to greet your guest properly that morning. After September 3rd, reservations will be on a space-available basis. If you have questions about membership or reservations, please call Kay Dobberty at 909-917-8039



September Branch Meeting

When
Saturday, September 11, 2021 8:45 a.m.
Explore Branch Programs, Community Action Projects, Committees, and Interest Groups
9:30 a.m. Brunch
10:15 a.m. Program

Where
University of Redlands
CASA LOMA Room

Menu
Breakfast Buffet: Scrambled eggs, bacon, breakfast potatoes, fruit, muffins

Cost
Members: \$20
Prospective Members:
Complimentary

Reservations
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Members and guests are always welcome at all branch meetings. There is no cost to attend the program. Chairs will be available.

Prospective members are invited to our September 11th branch meeting!

Contact our Membership Team now by emailing prospective members' names and contact information to membership@aauw-redlands-ca.org.

Enhanced Health and Safety Event (EHSE) Guidelines for the University of Redlands Main Campus: As of August 2, per state guidance, the U of R is **requiring everyone to wear masks indoors regardless of vaccination status.** Everyone requesting a brunch reservation will be contacted regarding their vaccination status. **Only those who report that they are vaccinated will sit at dining tables for brunch. Disposable gloves will be provided for attendees to serve themselves from the buffet table, maintaining physical distancing.** If changes are made, branch members and guests will be notified.

September Branch Meeting Speaker



We will again welcome Mary L. Zupanc, MD, a member of the AAUW National Board of Directors, as our September speaker. This year, her topic will be "The Fascinating History of Women in Medicine." 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.

-Kathryn Brown

September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Friday September 3 RESERVATION DEADLINE for Sept 11 BRUNCH meeting						
			1	2	3	4
5	6 <i>Labor Day</i>	7	8	9	10	11 <u>8:45am</u> <u>Branch Meeting</u>
12	13 6:30pm AAUW Board Mtg.	14 6:30pm CHAT	15 12pm I Am, Therefore I Think	16 Time: TBD Adult Literacy Tutor	17	18
19	20	21	22 1pm Bunko	23 1pm & 7pm Reading & the Rainbow	24	25 9am STEM committee meeting
26	27	28	29	30	Virtual meetings for AAUW FUND Awardees Sat. Oct. 23 & Sat. Oct.30 & Sun. Nov. 7 Thurs. Oct. 14 Footlighters' Theater Fundraiser Wed. March 9, 2022 REDLANDS STEM Conference	

Save the dates

AAUW Redlands Board Meeting

9/13 6:30 pm Zoom

~ Erica Wilson

Adult Literacy Tutor Orientation

9/16 time:TBD

~Diane Shimota

909-798-7565, ext. 4138 literacy@akspl.org

Bridge Groups

3rd Monday @ 1pm, 1st Wednesday @ 1pm,

~Contact coordinator Dorothy Nordquist

Bunko

9/22 1pm

~Patty Ahearn

CHAT meeting

9/14 6:30pm Smiley Library Assembly Room.

~Katherine Gifford 798-7565 literacy@akspl.org

I Am, Therefore I Think

9/15 Title: "Discussion on Wide Ranging Events/ Cartoons"
This is a group effort--bring editorial columns or cartoons or news stories that moved you to think about an issue you support or which you disagree. Facilitator: Nelda Stuck Meets 12 pm at Trinity Episcopal Church Lounge (Rooms 6-8) 419 South 4th Street, Redlands.

~Toni Momberger & Barbara Simmons

Reading and the Rainbow

9/23 *Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman

1pm host: Kathryn Brown, 7pm host: Amy Bisek

Reservations are not required.

~Amy Bisek & Kathryn Brown

STEM conference planning meeting (page5)

9/25 9am

~Kathryn Brown

Erica's Tidings

Hello AAUW Friends,

I am very excited about our first Branch meeting of the 2021-22 year, which is scheduled for September 11, for brunch. Social time will start at 8:45 with brunch at 9:30. Unless the U of R or the State of California revises the rules because of the Delta variant, we are planning to have our first meeting live at the Casa Loma Room, everyone masked, and if you're planning to eat with us, you must be vaccinated. I am still planning on offering a hybrid model, which will allow anyone who feels uncomfortable about meeting live or who is out of town, or just likes Zooming, to join us on Zoom. If there is a change, you will be notified by email.

Our Interest Groups are eagerly waiting to renew in-person meetings. We are looking forward to reading, playing bridge and bunko, hosting California Cuisine, planning two STEM conferences, discussing Great Decisions and Racial Justice, learning and talking about interesting topics with the "I Am, Therefore I Think" group, hiking the local hills and mountains, hosting a diversity of engaging

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Branch Meetings: 2021-2022

Tuesday, 10/5 5:30 pm
Saturday, 11/6 9:00 am
Tuesday, 12/7 5:30 pm
Tuesday, 1/11 5:30 pm
Saturday, 2/5 9:00 am
Tuesday, 3/1 5:30 pm
Saturday, 4/2 9:00 am
Tuesday, 5/3 5:30 pm
Saturday, 6/4 9:00 am

Erica's Tidings

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speakers, and enjoying the companionship of the caring, intelligent, socially-engaged women who make up the Redlands AAUW branch. Our September Branch meeting speaker will once again be Mary Zupanc, M.D. She will be speaking on "The Fascinating History of Women in Medicine." I am really looking forward to hearing her.

This is the best time to invite your friends, neighbors, and business associates to come explore the mission of AAUW and what this dynamic branch has to offer. Prospective members attending the September 11th meeting get a complimentary brunch and a reduced price on their first year's national membership if they join on that day. Please make a reservation for yourself and any guests through rsvpmeeting@aauw-redlands-ca.org and indicate who will be attending as your guest. If you have questions about membership or reservations, please contact Kay Dobbertin, at 909-917-8039.

I can't wait to see you all and for the season to begin!

~Erica Wilson

Invitation to Prospective Members Come Get to Know Us September 11th

WELCOME TO THE AAUW COMMUNITY!

Membership in AAUW is open to any graduate holding an associate (or equivalent, such as RN), bachelor's, or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution. AAUW members pay dues at three levels: national \$62, state \$20 and branch \$31. The **Shape the Future Campaign**** offers 50% off National Dues for the first year for a total of \$82. (**Shape the Future discount is for new members only or AAUW members who have a lapse of two or more years.)

Member News - Condolences



In sympathy and friendship, we send our condolences to Susan Shodahl on the loss of her mother and her sister.



Welcome to our newest member, Susan Leonard. In the past 20 years, she has lived in Long Beach. Now, she is living in Redlands fulltime. Susan has a master's degree in art from CSU, Los Angeles. She is interested in pursuing her art and writing interests.

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 2021-22 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: \$62 for national, \$20 for the state, and \$31 for the branch, for a total of \$113.

There are TWO WAYS to renew:

ONLINE: As in previous years, you will receive an email from: "**memberinfo@aauw.org**"

Subject line: "**AAUW Membership Renewal for Fiscal Year 2022**"

Click on the link in the invoice and renew using a credit or debit card

BY CHECK: \$113 made payable to AAUW

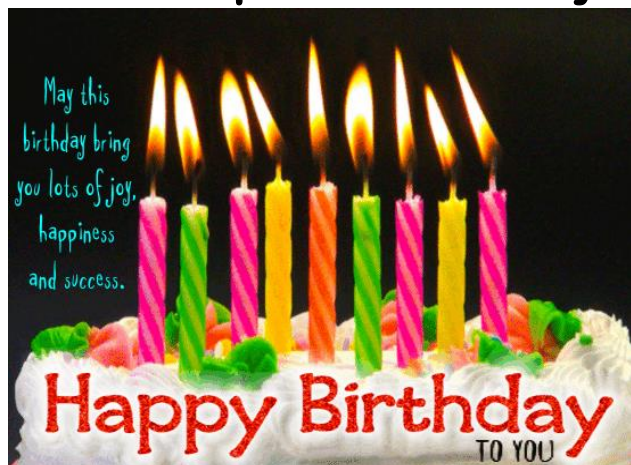
Redlands. Renew at September 11 meeting or mail check to Ellen Cope

Meet and Greet

At Branch Meetings

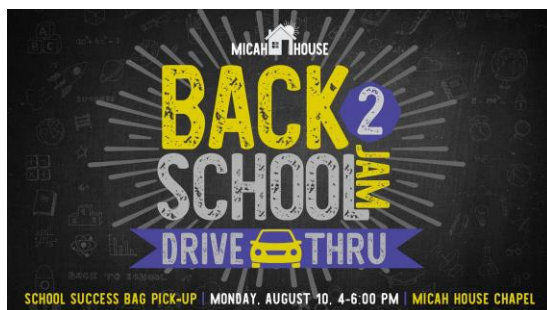
I would like to invite anyone interested in volunteering to join us in welcoming members to our meetings by being a greeter. It only requires 30 minutes at the beginning of the session, 9-9:30 am or 5:30 to 6:00 pm to stand by the door and give all who enter a big friendly "Hello." It's been shown that this simple event has big bonuses as far as members and non-members coming into our meetings. Be a part of the friendly Hello. Contact Patricia Stubbs, President-Elect

HAPPY September Birthdays



Mary Jane Auerbacher
Brandi Bailes
Del Barrett
Linda Browning
Char Burgess
Beverly Cox
Karen Darnell

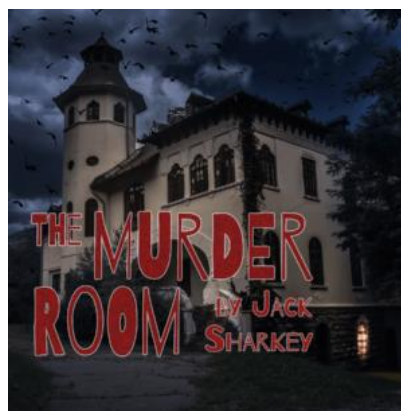
Cheri Dawes
Katherine Gifford
Cassie MacDuff
Cathryn Oltman
Linda Rowland
Sue Wallace
Kathy Warren



Wine, Please



The AAUW Fund Committee could use your help—please consider donating a bottle of wine (or two...☺) to be served at our annual Footlighters event, to be held this year on Thursday evening, October 14 at 6 PM. You may bring your wine donation to the AAUW Fund table at the September 11 meeting or contact Kathryn Brown to make arrangements for it to be picked up. Following the pre-performance wine and snacks reception, we'll be seated in the theater to enjoy the comedic mystery *The Murder Room*. Tickets, at \$35 for the



Reception & Show or \$20 for those who have Footlighters season tickets, are now available from committee members Kay Dobbertin, Kathy Toister, Mary Lou Guerrero, Amy

Bisek, Tricia Stubbs, and Kathryn Brown, as well as at the Sept. 11 branch meeting. All proceeds of the event will be used to support our Redlands AAUW branch Mission Fund as well as our many ongoing programs that improve the lives of women and girls

~Kathryn Brown

Back to School Backpack Project

Thanks to those members who generously donated to our Back-to-School project. Due to CDC recommendations, the usual collection of school supplies by Family Service and Micah House was put on hold, and only monetary donations were accepted. Staff used the donations to purchase supplies for a Safe Sack drive-thru to support the learning that students in RUSD are doing this year. Our contribution provided for 11 bags, and your support is appreciated.

~Dawn Romo, Back-to-School Project Chair

28th Annual STEM Conference Set for March 2, 2022



Plans are moving ahead for our return to an in-person, on campus, March 9, 2022, 28th Annual STEM Conference at the University of Redlands. All those interested in learning more about our plans (and sharing your ideas!), joining the committee, or volunteering on the day of the event can visit the STEM Initiatives table at our September 11 branch meeting, or contact STEM Conference Chair Kathryn Brown. The next committee meeting will be held on Saturday morning, September 25 at 9 AM.

The AAUW of California Fund Committee is proud to honor our California Fellow and Grant Recipients



It is that time of year we all look forward to—meeting our fellows. Hearing from our awardees is such an inspiration and the personification of our mission. This year we are again giving you the opportunity to meet all of our awardees virtually. California has 37 scholars studying here this year. In order to give each of these women an adequate amount of time to speak, we are scheduling three events this year: Saturday, October 23rd, Saturday, October 30th, and Sunday, November 7th, each from 10 a.m. to noon. You are welcome to register and attend all three events. Additional information and Zoom link is forthcoming.

In the 2021-2022 academic year, AAUW has awarded \$5 million to 260 women and community projects to improve the lives of women and girls. There are 37 Fellows and Grant recipients studying in California. Recipients will give a brief overview of their studies or projects and highlight what AAUW's support has meant to them.

Branch Officers:

President: Erica Wilson, **President-elect:** Patricia Stubbs, **Communications Vice President:** Priya Vedula, **Hospitality Vice President:** Eileen Sanborn, **Membership Vice President:** Susan Shodahl, **Program Vice President:** Martha Lehman, **Secretary:** Nerni Miller, **Treasurer:** Ellen Weiss, **At-Large Board Members:** Judy Dods, Mary Lou Guerrero, Barbara Simmons.

B&T Submission:

The deadline for the **October newsletter** is **September 5th**. Send your articles to the editor via email to news@aauw-redlands-ca.org



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