

Branches and Twigs

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



Erica's Tidings

Dear AAUW Friends,

This is my last President's letter to my wonderful girl gang! It has been a remarkable year. We managed to get back to meeting live, then back to Zoom and then back to live. Our committees and interest groups are also back to meeting live, and we're all so happy to see one another face to face.

We started a terrific DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion) focus this year, with a Racial Justice discussion group, which helped us to understand racism in our own lives. Many of our speakers this year emphasized DEI issues.

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June Branch Meeting

"Title IX Turns Fifty But Is Still Under Siege"

Title IX was signed into law on June 23, 1972 - fifty years ago. While a cause for celebration, compliance with Title IX is still not settled. Our June Branch Meeting will be dedicated to increasing member awareness of the challenges implementation of Title IX faces. Additionally, it is often the failure to comply with Title IX that underpins the cases AAUW supports through its Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF). Therefore, our meeting will also be a reminder that the LAF needs our monetary support to continue to provide aid to women pursuing legal address to inequitable treatment.

Alicia Hetman

- 1993-2001 California Dept of Education, Gender Equity Consultant/Onsite Compliance Reviews
- AAUW Title IX Champion, charter member
- Fair Play for Girls in Sports Advisory Council, current member
- 2013 Title IX AAUW California/LA Sparks partnership founder



Although she cannot address us in person, I am so happy that we will be hearing from Alicia Hetman, Title IX Champion, via Zoom. Alicia has served in so many capacities for AAUW and AAUW-CA that I am hard pressed to distill her resume to fit within this

newsletter. She taught public school for twenty-one years; served the California Department of Education (CDE) in developing regulations to ensure gender equity compliance; served as the first Gender Equity Compliance Officer for CDE; served as President for AAUW-CA; served as Vice President for AAUW; and served as LAF Committee Liaison.

I would like to encourage each of you to navigate to the AAUW-CA.org website prior to our meeting and view the webinar Alicia hosted titled "Title IX-Breaking Down Barriers". <https://www.aauw-ca.org/title-ix-webinar-breaking-down-barriers/>

Again, please consider a generous donation to the LAF (fund 4449). As the saying goes - "No Money, No Mission." Respectfully submitted, *~Deborah Seibly, LAF Committee Chair*

June Branch Meeting

When Saturday, June 4, 2022

Social 9:00 am
Brunch 9:30 a.m.
Program 10:15 a.m.

IN PERSON

Where: CASA LOMA ROOM

University of Redlands

Menu Scrambled Eggs (vegetarian), Bacon, Potatoes O'Brian (vegan), Blueberry Blintz's (vegetarian), Fruit, Assorted Danishes, Maple Syrup, Honey, Butter, Ketchup, Red Salsa, Orange juice, Coffee, Tea

Cost Members and guests: \$20

Registrations for brunch: Please email rsvpmeeting@aauw-redlands-ca.org or call 909-362-4955 by Saturday, May 28, 2022, to make a brunch reservation. After May 28th brunch reservations will be made on a space-available basis.

After registering by phone or email, you will receive a confirmation

Reminder:

A reservation made is a reservation paid.

Members and guests are invited to attend the speaker portion of the meeting free of charge. Chairs will be available.

VIA WEBINAR

When: June 4, 2022 10:15 AM

Register in advance for this webinar:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/join/98123456789>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Branch Officers: **President:** Erica Wilson, **President-elect:** Patricia Stubbs, **Communications Vice President:** Priya Vedula Engel, **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 **Summer newsletter** is **July 1st**. Send articles and photos to the editors via email to news@aauw-redlands-ca.org

June 2022

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Saturday, May 28 RESERVATION DEADLINE for June 4 brunch			1 1pm Bridge	2	3	4 9am BRANCH MEETING
5 6pm California Cuisine 1	6	7	8 TBD Hiking	9	10	11
12	13 6pm Board Mtg	14	15 <u>9am CHAT</u> Noon I Am, Therefore I Think	16	17	18
19 <u>8am Juneteenth</u> 5:30pm California Cuisine 2	20 1pm Bridge	21	22 1pm Bunco	23 1pm, 4pm & 7pm Reading & the Rainbow	24	25 TBD Hiking
26	27	28 7pm Public Policy	29	30		

Save the date: Redlands Bowl Ushering July 8

AAUW Redlands Board Meeting

6/13 6 pm Zoom

~Erica Wilson

Bridge Groups

6/1 and 6/20 1pm

~Contact coordinator Dorothy Nordquist

Bunco

6/22 1pm

~Patty Ahearn

California Cuisine and Conversation I

6/5 6pm Host & address will be sent by email.

~Kathy Toister

California Cuisine and Conversation 2

6/19 5:30pm

~Patty Ahearn

CHAT meeting

6/15 9am assembly room, AK Smiley Library

~Katherine Gifford 909-798-7565, ext 4138

literacy@akspl.org

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion--Racial Justice

TBD hosts: Erica Wilson and Donita Remington

~Erica Wilson & Ellen Gruenbaum

Hiking Our Hills & Mountains

2nd Wednesday and 4th Saturday.

Contact Erica and Kathy to be added to distribution list.

~Kathy Toister & Erica Wilson

I Am, Therefore I Think

6/15 annual planning luncheon

~Toni Momberger & Barbara Simmons

Juneteenth (see page 5)

6/19 8am

~Patricia Stubbs

Public Policy

6/28 7pm

~Cassie MacDuff

Reading and the Rainbow

6/23 *Behold the Dreamers* by Imbolo Mbue

Information on facilitator, host and co-host will be emailed.

1:00pm: Live Session, 4pm: Self facilitated Zoom session

7pm: Live Session –

~Amy Bisek & Kathryn Brown

Erica's Tiding *continued from page 1*

. We appointed a new DEI Coordinator, Ellen Gruenbaum. We met with Dean Mario Martinez from the University of Redlands School of Education to discuss ways that we could collaborate, especially on issues of Diversity. And my term is ending with our participation in the Juneteenth Celebration on June 19th in Sylvan Park. This should be an exciting event, which will promote AAUW and our Mission to a diverse audience. A committee to plan our participation will meet on May 19th at 6:30 on Zoom. If you are interested in joining this committee, please email or text me, and I will send you the Zoom link. We need ideas for how to make our table interesting and attractive to present what AAUW does—not only our mission and goals, but also our many interest groups and various activities. Any interest group chair who may have posters and/or pictures of their activities available to adorn our table would be greatly appreciated. These would be a great addition. If you want more information about the Juneteenth Celebration, go to “StrongerTogetherNow” website. It is the organization coordinating this event. All of these DEI and fundraising activities will help us to qualify for being awarded a 5-Star Branch designation, something that our Branch richly deserves.

I intend to continue being active in Racial Justice/DEI activities for the up-coming year. I look forward to a great 2022-23 year full of fun and stimulating activities. Thank you all for helping to make this year so productive. I wish Patricia Stubbs (our next year's President) all my sincerest good wishes. She deserves everyone's energetic and enthusiastic cooperation. Tricia, I've got your back!!

~Erica

Membership Matters

2022-23 Renewal – working...once you reset your password

Annual dues for 2022-23 are \$118, which includes \$67 national, \$20 state, and \$31 branch.

There are THREE WAYS to renew: (1) you renew ONLINE with credit card (directions below)

(2) we will renew your membership if you come to June Branch Meeting, and you pay your dues by CHECK or Credit Card (\$3.50 fee)

or (3) you mail your dues CHECK (\$118 made payable to AAUW Redlands). Mail to Ellen Cope c/o AAUW Redlands, P. O. Box 7678, Redlands, 92375-0678

ONLINE >> The membership section of the national website has been revamped and members need to update their password to access their account. Be sure not to create a new account – you already have one (even if you don't know the password).

First: If you need to reset your password. Click <https://www.aauw.org/> for AAUW National website. To access your account, click the “Log In” at the top right corner of the home page. **The first time you log in, you'll need to reset your password by clicking the “Forgot Password” link** (note: one member's email was not recognized. If you cannot reset your link, let me know).

Second: *Please have your credit card and be prepared to complete the renewal process. It does not appear that there is “in cart” for you to return to at later time.*

1. log in (again) <https://www.aauw.org/>
2. Personal Snapshot >> scroll down >> Click RENEW
3. verify your information >> update, if needed >> click NEXT
4. highest degree >> update if needed, using drop down menus >> click NEXT
5. AAUW Dues and Fees >> select NATIONAL >> degree field use drop down past “AAUW..” >> date conferred format example June 1 >> 5, 2000 click NEXT
6. add Branch or State Membership? >> click YES >> click NEXT
7. select Branch >> scroll down to **CA0089 Redlands** & check >> scroll to bottom & click NEXT
8. select state >> CA already checked >> scroll to bottom & click NEXT
9. donation to Greatest Need Fund >> check Yes or No >> click NEXT

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10. checkout >> term 7/1/2022 – 6/30/2023

National = \$67, Redlands 0089 - \$31, AAUWCA = \$20 (Total Dues = \$118)

>> Fill out credit card information >> click SUBMIT

11. Order Summary >> receipt will be sent to email or PRINT

Any questions or problems, please don't panic...we are here to help.

~Ellen Cope & Kay Dobbertin

Please update any changes/corrections to your contact information for the 2022-2023 yearbook by emailing corrected information to membership@aauw-redlands-ca.org . 2021-2022 yearbook additions and changes are listed on page 9.

Membership News

Thank you for helping us grow!



We will honor members who joined the Redlands branch from March 2020 through May 2022 at

the Saturday, June 4th branch meeting. Our branch is very happy to have so many members join in the last two years. We hope you can join at the June 4th brunch for our "welcome and thank you."

Luann Bangsund
Twillia Evans-Carthen
Ellen Guenbaum
Keller Iuppenlatz
Sally Leialoha
Charlotte Lucey
Jan Negrón
Donita Remington
Alison Rodriguez
Barbara Switzer
Keita Wangari

Peggi Cook
Marion Golson
Jenna Guzman-Lowery
Joyce Katkov
Hongwei Lu
Lisa McCarty
Billie Randolph
Sally Robertson
Laura Ruml
Ellie Tooke
Karen Watkins

~Eileen Sanborn, Hospitality VP

Hospitality Birthday Club

Our best wishes to our June birthday ladies:

Patty Ahearn
Carol Buchanan
Paula Ferri-Milligan
Susan Kean
Ellie Tooke
Keita Wangari
Elaine Brubacher
Patricia Estrada
Mary Lou Guerrero
Billie Randolph
Sally Trost
Aleta West

Welcome

New Members

Charlotte Lucey has been married 57 years and has 3 daughters, 6 grandchildren and 2 great grands. They lived in Redlands from 1978-2001 and raised their family here. They moved to Riverside and just this year moved back to Redlands. Charlotte worked as the Registrar at the U of R for 20 years retiring in 2008. She was a member of the Riverside AAUW for 10 years.

Samatha McVeigh is a 2022 NYMS recipient who is attending Crafton Hills College. She lives in San Bernardino and is from Redondo Beach. She is interested in cuisine, animals, science, and being active in her community. Samantha is interested in joining AAUW because the advancement of women in the workplace and educational fields is a highly valued cause to her.

Note: Sam spoke at May branch meeting and her photo is on page 6.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR YEARBOOK:

Charlotte Lucey

Samantha McVeigh

Family Service/Micah House Back-to-School Jam



Just a reminder...we will once again be collecting donations for our Family Service/Micah House Back-to-School Jam project at our June meeting. Your donations go toward the purchase of school supplies for RUSD students in need for the 2022-23 school year, so bring your cash, checkbook (checks made out to Redlands AAUW Branch, FSA Project in memo line), or credit card with you - any amount will be accepted and appreciated!

Thank you all for your continued support!

~Dawn Romo, Back-to-School Project Chair

Redlands Bowl Ushering July 8th



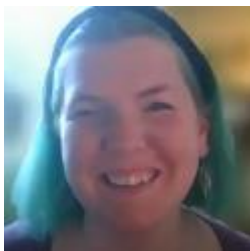
The Redlands Bowl will be resuming regular programs this summer with an intermission. As in the past, AAUW has been requested to usher at a performance. We have been assigned Friday, July 8, 2022, featuring Mariachi Garibaldi with Ballet Folklorico de Los Angeles. We are in need of 20 to 22 people to sign up to help usher that evening. AAUW volunteers will meet @ 7:15 pm at the Bowl patio on Grant Street for instructions and photo.

Please consider signing-up to help usher and meet with your AAUW friends on July 8th.

~Barbara Simmons

Watch the April 24 Southeast Interbranch Counsel Meeting on YOUTUBE to hear Robin Lucas, AAUW Grassroots Advocacy Manager.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9p870ygNiOw>



Robin's presentation starts at minute 49 of the recording.

Watch our May Branch Meeting on the AAUW Redlands Website

under "Recorded Zoom Meetings"

<https://redlands-ca.aauw.net/meetings/>

or click on the YOUTUBE link

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FO7_sRDikSE

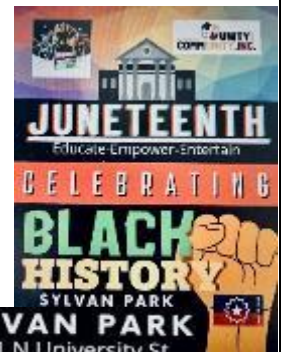
Juneteenth

In honor of Juneteenth, the City of Redlands is joining forces with local community groups in a collaborative effort to recognize and celebrate the Juneteenth Holiday.

AAUW Redlands will have a booth with information about our branch and our community activities.

The Day of Celebration will feature great music, food, clothing, vendors, activities for the kids, the cultural history of the Juneteenth Celebration, and much more.

~Patricia Stubbs



SYLVAN PARK
601 N University St,
Redlands, CA 92374



June 4 @ Branch Meeting

I will need a volunteer to ask members to sign up for Redlands Bowl Ushering on July 8.

~Barbara Simmons.

Please contact Patricia Stubbs

June 19 @ Sylvan Park

Contact me to participate in Juneteenth Celebration at the AAUW Redlands booth.

~Patricia Stubbs



This year's National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) will be held May 24-26 using a virtual platform. The keynote speaker for this exciting event is Pulitzer Prize-winning Nikole Hannah-Jones, creator of The 1619 Project.

Our branch is sponsoring two students from Crafton Hills College. They are Julia Avila, a math major, and Carina Gutierrez, a sociology major.

We are also able to provide scholarships to students from the University of Redlands. They are Perla Barajas, Jordan Belew, Stephanie Castaneda-Cortez, Abigail Gordon, Gariela Herrera and Angelina Torres.

Thanks to all of our branch members for supporting this opportunity for young women to develop their talents and leadership skills for a rapidly-changing world.
~Pam Ford and Susan Bangasser

2022 Branch Meetings

- Tuesday, 9/6 5:30 pm **Branch 75th anniversary**
- Saturday, 10/8 9:00 am **Membership Brunch**
- Tuesday, 11/1 5:30 pm
- Tuesday, 12/6 5:30 pm

2023 Branch Meetings

- Saturday, 1/14/23 9:00 am
- Saturday, 2/4/23 9:00 am
- Tuesday, 3/7 5:30 pm
- Tuesday, 4/4 5:30 pm
- Saturday, 5/6/23 9:00 am
- Saturday, 6/3/23 9:00 am



May Branch Meeting Scholarship Recipients



Laura



Samantha

Cynthia

May Branch Meeting Steve Stockton (left) spoke on history and progress of the Museum of Redlands



Educators from Serbia visit Redlands

On May 4, at the invitation of Commander Rachel Tolber (Redlands PD), Kathryn Brown, Nerni Mink Miller, and Pam Ford participated in a lively luncheon and exchange of ideas with five educators from Serbia, their embassy exchange studies co-ordinator, and Janey Cole who is one of their Redlands Sunrise Rotary hosts.

The Serbian group spent two-and-a-half days in Washington, DC before arriving in Redlands. They met Congressional Representative Pete Aguilar (and his dog) in DC and enjoyed visits to many of our favorite capitol sites. Here in Redlands, their focus has been on education, with visits to many areas at the University of Redlands and visits to local high schools. They are hosted by local Rotarians.

Why AAUW? Because in October 2021, Commander Tolber attended our “Honor Our Own” program and was impressed by the variety of activities and missions AAUW carries out in support of women and girls. Much of our work involves support for women in ways that are educational (CHAT, Adult Literacy, and our DEI group). Other aspects of our work are designed to support women and girls who want to advance in life (scholarships for graduating high school seniors, for Orangewood students, and for adult women returning to school after a hiatus). We also focus in particular on STEM education for girls (Tech Trek and the STEM Conferences) and support college women with Start Smart and the NCCWSL scholarships, which provide boosts in their earning power and their leadership potential. We shared a slide show highlighting the aforementioned programs, as well as participated in discussions about how teachers are trained in Serbia and in California. Here is a glimpse of the people we met:



Dragana Obradovic is the co-ordinator of this group, which exists because in 1999 Congress was able to create a learning exchange program between professionals of eastern European countries and those in the US.

Ljiljana Markovich (think “Lilliana”) teaches educators at the University of Nis (“neesh”).

Daliboka (Dali) Puric is a professor and administrator at the University of Kragujevac as is Nenad Vulovic.

Maria Cvijetic Vukcevic is a professor of education with a focus on special ed and rehabilitation at the University of Novi Sad.

Ivana Markovic is on the education faculty at the University of Belgrade.

Members of the group had not known each other before this trip and have found themselves to be fast friends who appreciate each other’s perspectives. Kathryn, Nerni and I felt fortunate to get to know them briefly and be introduced to another part of the world. I hope you can share in that feeling of connectedness.

~Pam Ford

Lobby Week Meeting with Senator Ochoa-Bogh and offices of Assemblyman Ramos and Mayes

Cassie MacDuff, AAUW Redlands Public Policy Chair, Kathryn Brown, Patty Ahearn, and Patricia Stubbs represented our branch during AAUW CA Lobby Week.



Congratulations to the following members who received certificates at May branch meeting for years of continuous membership in AAUW



Congratulations to Ellen Schollenberger on her 50 year AAUW membership





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