## Branches and Twigs

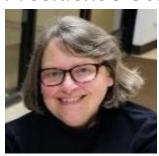
Redlands Branch, AAUW March 2025

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The Redlands Branch of AAUW is dedicated to advancing equity for women and girls through education, empowerment, and advocacy.

#### President's Corner: Heather Abushanab



Two special things will happen at our branch meeting on March 1. We will hear from an AAUW fellowship recipient about her research on birthright citizenship, and we will honor one member of our branch with an AAUW Redlands branch Named Gift Honoree award and another member in April.

Each year, AAUW provides more than \$6 million in funding to about 300 fellows and grantees to pursue academic work and lead innovative community projects to empower women

and girls. Our own Keita Wangari was the recipient of a Career Development Grant earlier in her career, which helped her gain new skills and reinvigorate her career path. Our branch worked over many years to endow the Redlands (CA) Branch American Fellowship, the Redlands (CA) Branch International Fellowship, and the Bernice Black Johndrew Research and Projects Grant. These endowments produce funds every year for AAUW to use for today's award recipients. Applications for AAUW funding happen in the fall with several different programs.

https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/fellowships-grants/

AAUW's Legal Case Support grants fund cases in state or federal court that address sex discrimination in employment or education and have the potential to set or reinforce precedent for future cases. These grants help balance the scales of justice for people working toward gender equity through the legal system.

https://www.aauw.org/resources/legal/laf/legal-case-support-grant/

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# March Branch Meeting: "Giving Birth to Citizens: pregnant immigrants and the fight for inclusion"

Zoe Miller-Vedam, currently a doctoral candidate in Sociology at UC Irvine, has researched and worked for over a decade in the field of immigrant perinatal health rights for several international governmental agencies and human rights organizations. She also

holds two masters degrees: a MA in Demographic and Social Analysis as well as an LLM (Masters in Law) in International Human Rights Law.

Miller-Vedam's doctoral research focuses on the impacts of birthright citizenship in the US and Canada. Recent actions by the current US administration seeking to restrict birthright citizenship have brought this topic into current news cycles.

In her talk, Miller-Vedam will present an historical roadmap showing that narratives describing pregnant immigrants as "threatening" and "illegitimate" are not new to the US and Canada, but instead are part of a foundational debate over who gets to be a part of our society. Using archival data, she explores how these reproductive threat-narratives and rapidly changing laws and policies governing access to maternity care impact pregnant immigrants and our society as a whole.

~Mary Lou Guerrero, coordinator

#### **March Meeting**

When Saturday, March 1, 2025 Social 8:45 a.m. Brunch 9:30 a.m.

10:15 a.m.

## Program Where

University of Redlands CASA LOMA Room

#### Menu

Fresh fruit\*\*, Scrambled eggs\*, Potatoes O'Brien\*\*, Bacon, Danishes\*. (\*Vegetarian, \*\*Vegan) Beverages: Regular and Decaf coffee. Ice Water. Hot water & tea bags on request

Cost Members and guests: \$25

## Registration for brunch

Please call 909-362-4955 or email

#### AAUWrsvp@AAUWRedl

ands.org by Saturday, February 15, 2025, to make a brunch reservation. After February 15 brunch reservations will be made on a space-available basis. After registering, you will receive a confirmation via email.

#### Reminder:

A reservation made is a reservation paid.

**Transportation:** Call Susan Miller 951-233-1287 or Patricia Stubbs 909-289-9183

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

## Branch Meetings 2024-2025

Tuesday, April 1\*
\*RSVP deadline 3/17/2025
Tuesday, May 6
Saturday, June 7

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30	31  *1pm Great Dec #5  **7pm Lobby Days training		Save	April Branch Meeting Tuesday April 1, 2025  Reservation deadline Monday March 17  Lobby Days April 8-9  FilmFest Friday, April 25, 2025  AAUW California Annual Event April 26				
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4th Monday @ 1pm, 1st Wednesday @ 1pm  -Contact Susan Satzger  Fundraising Committee  3/11 & 3/25 (every other Tuesday) 8:45am on Teams								~Donita Remington
3rd Thursday @ 10 am Beginners ~Contact Tricia Stubbs								~Heather Abushanab
Bunco 3/26 1pm ~Patty Ahearn ~Lori Powell				Great Decisions  Mondays @ 1pm				
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3/2 6pm

~Kathy Toister

**California Cuisine and Conversation 2** 

3/16 5:30pm

~Patty Ahearn

**CHAT** 

3/12 9am Contemporary Club

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

**Community Day of Service** 

3/15 9am ~Eileen Sanborn

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion / Racial Justice

3/20 6pm DEI / Racial Justice

~Ellen Gruenbaum ~Erica Wilson

~Alison Rodriguez

~Donita Remington

I Am, Therefore I Think

3/19 Anti-Semitism, Its roots, Cultural practices, and how it affects us today. Meets 12 pm at Trinity Episcopal Church Lounge (Rooms 6-8) 419 South 4th Street, Redlands.

~Barbara Simmons ~Margee Fuller

**Lobby Days** 

3/31 7 pm mandatory training

~Cassie MacDuff

**Public Policy** 

3/25 7pm ~Cassie MacDuff

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## President's Corner, Heather Abushanab ~continued page 1

When members of our branch donate to one of AAUW's funds, the branch receives credit for those donations toward the Named Gift Honoree program. As a branch we strive to earn the right to honor three branch members each year with this prestigious award. To do that, we must collectively donate \$750 per award, equal to \$2,250 per year. Currently AAUW asks that the majority of those donations come into their Greatest Needs Fund, which allows them to direct the funds to the programs most in need of support. You can make a donation toward this effort at the March branch meeting by placing a check or cash in the envelope on the table, but you can also contribute the AAUW California website: on https://www.aauw-ca.org/how-to-donate/ The Redlands Branch Named Gift Honoree is awarded to members who have participated in the branch for at least five years and have made extraordinary gifts of time and hard work to the branch and to AAUW. Past awardees are listed in our branch yearbook. Each January, prior awardees gather to consider who will be awarded this honor. It will be a delight to honor our new Named Gift Honoree at our March meeting.

Heather Abushanab, President AAUW Redlands Branch

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#### Reading and the Rainbow

3/27 The Stolen Marriage by Diane Chamberlain No RSVP required. Information on the facilitator and co-host will be emailed.

~Valarie Boone ~Marianne Baldwin

#### <u>AAUW Redlands STEM Initiatives</u> STEM Conference at U of R-March 4, 2025

Redlands STEM Committee Meetings:

3/29 9am committee meeting at Kathryn Brown's home

~Kathryn Brown ~Pam Ford

#### Walk through for Redlands STEM Conference

2/27 3pm, meet in front of Casa Loma room 3/1 after branch meeting in Casa Loma

Tech Trek

~Donita Remington

**Sew What!** 3/10 & 3/24 1pm

~Lisa McCarty

## **Online Directory Update**

I would like to apologize for the directory on our branch website for not being updated in a timely manner. I am completing the updates now, and they should be finished by the time you receive your newsletter. If you would like your photograph to be included in the directory, please send me an email with your picture and name attached.

~Jan Negron VP Membership membership@AAUWRedlands.org



#### **Condolences**

To the families and friends of **Barbara Pike** and **Denise Westcott**, please accept our condolences on the loss of your loved ones.

### In Remembrance of Denise Westcott



Denise Westcott passed away on February 4, 2025, after several months of declining health and a diagnosis of COPD. Denise joined our branch in fall of 2019, but she had been a member of AAUW for many years before that. A portion of that time was spent as a member of the Big Bear Valley branch where she was an honoree of the Big Bear Valley branch Named Gift Honoree Award for exemplary service to the branch and AAUW.

Denise quickly found her AAUW Redlands branch purpose by joining our Tech Trek committee, eventually becoming the chairperson for this

effort. Denise was a dedicated warrior for our Tech Trek gis, helping to navigate the new and confusing online registration process implemented over the last few years and even consulting with AAUW CA to help make the process easier for everyone in the state.

Denise was active in the Redlands Art Association and a gifted watercolor artist. In 2022,

Denise won the national <u>AAUW Annual Art Contest: Empowering Women</u> for her "My Iris Garden" entry and had her work featured in the collection of six notecards AAUW members received that spring. The same work received an Honorable Mention Award in the Fusion Art's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Petals and Leaves exhibition.

Donations to our AAUW Redlands branch Tech Trek program have been requested by the family in lieu of flowers.

#### In Remembrance of Barbara Pike



Barbara Pike passed away at the end of January. She had been a member of AAUW Redlands branch for 28 years. Barbara, along with Dorothy Richardson Marie Mitchell, chaired International Affairs interest group. They organized monthly luncheons featuring speakers from foreign countries.



Barbara was a 40-year volunteer with Santa Claus, Inc. helping to provide clothing, toys, books, and other essentials to needy children.

## C/U UPDATE **Partnership**

The College/University Partnership Committee will have a brief meeting at one of the back tables right after Branch Meeting on March 1. Look for Susan & Pam and come find out what's up. (A lot, it turns out!)

-Pam Ford and Susan Bangasser



Stephanie Hastings University of Dallas, BA

**Megan Jewett** CSU Long Beach, BFA Lesley University, MA

University of Redlands, BM **Rachel Lee** 

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#### **Hospitality Birthday Club**

Happy Birthday to March all our birthday ladies. Please be sure to join us at the branch meeting, so we can wish you a very happy birthday.



Jane Davis Mackenzie Dawes Cynthia De Los Santos Roya Damsaz Pam Ford Margi Galligan **Betsy Grimes** Ellen Gruenbaum Rebecca Haynes

Carol Kennedy Debbie LeDoux Laura Miles Jan Negron Rita Reading Ellen Schollenberger Linda Serros Laura-Lea Shelton Maria Whitaker-Saucedo

#### **AAUW Fund**

Dear Members,



for supporting Thank you AAUW through your taxdeductible donations the AAUW Fund. Every gift you give makes a difference in the lives of girls and women: empowering them to succeed by

awarding them fellowships and grants and promoting gender equality and equal access to education.

Your dollars go further when you donate to the

➤ Greatest Needs Fund (9110).

Other giving opportunities:

- ➤ Educational and training Fund (4450)
- ➤ Leadership Fund (4452)
- ➤ Economic Security Fund (Legal Advocacy) (4449)
- ➤ Governance & Sustainability Fund (4451)

To make an online contribution go to

https://my.aauw.org/donation-product-detailor, or you may write a check to: AAUW Fund (place the # of the fund in the memo bar), and bring it to our March branch meeting.

Thank you all for supporting the work of AAUW. ~Susan Bentley, Mary Lou Guerrero, Cordially, and Deborah Seibly

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## New members

**Ruthann Mlcoch** Mayville State University, BS CSU San Bernardino, MS

Ruthann has lived in Riverside for 56 years. After teaching elementary school in Minnesota, she taught in San Bernardino and Heilbronn, Germany and 30 years in Riverside. Ruthann enjoys reading, cooking, baking, and spending time with friends. She was active in the Riverside AAUW branch and is looking forward to being active in AAUW Redlands

## **Amanda Tromblay** Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, BS Cal Baptist University, MFT

Amanda has lived in Riverside for 30 years. After teaching head start and elementary school, she was in private practice as a marriage and family counselor. Before retiring, Amanda was a supervisor of masters level social works for San Bernardino county. She now has time to pursue watercolor painting and drawing. She enjoys volunteering for the San Gorgonio Wilderness Association. Amanda is very interested in social justice issues and ecology and wants to be involved in an organization which can foster social change.

#### Annie Warren San Diego State U, BA Claremont Graduate U, EMBA

Annie is an advocate for women in business, and specifically the construction industry. She has worked in the electrical wholesale distribution industry for 30 years, and currently leads major change management initiatives for her employer, OneSource Distributors. Annie has served on her parent company's national employee resource board, Women Advocation Today for Tomorrow, and is a member of the San Diego Chapter of the National Association of Women in Construction. Through the Empowering Women's Mentorship program, she is a mentor for young professionals and recent graduates.

With Annie's passion for helping to advance the professional aspirations of women, it seemed fitting to join her mother, Sarah VanTassel, as a member of the AAUW Redlands branch.

Annie is a resident of San Diego, with her husband, Duane, of 23 years. She is an avid reader and gardener, and a parent of two dogs. Annie's book collection started with Duane's gift of a signed copy of the Color Purple by Alice Walker and has grown with books by and about women, both famous and not.

#### **Nominees for Elected Office**

The Nomination Committee submits the following list of nominations for the AAUW Redlands branch board to begin serving on July 1, 2025.



Amy Bisek Co-President 2025-2026 Kathryn Brown Co-President 2025-2026 Susan Bangasser President-Elect 2025-2026 Ginny Evans-Perry Treasurer 2025-2027 Marianne Baldwin Communications vp 2025-2027 Ellen Gruenbaum Program vp 2025-2027 Susan Miller Hospitality vp 2025-2027 Member At Large 2025-2026 Kim Cousins Member At Large 2025-2026 Thelma Muro Member At Large 2025-2026 Margaret Wilcox

They will be joining continuing officers
Nan Neighbours
Jan Negron
Secretary 2025-2026
Membership vp 2025-2026

Nominations for the Nominating Committee serving a two-year term for 2025-2027 are:

Sue Ferguson Lisa McCarty Eileen Sanborn

We will vote on this slate of officers, the nominating committee, and our budget at the April 1 branch meeting. Additional nominations from the floor can be submitted at that time.

I wish to publicly thank the nominating committee consisting of Margee Fuller, Barbara Simmons, Sally Trost, Ginny Evans-Perry and Dorothy Nordquist for their time and suggestions to arrive at the following slate of Officers. Your help



was invaluable. ~Marilyn Shankar, Nominating Chair

STEM Conference: March 4



<u>There is still time to volunteer</u> to be a <u>GUIDE</u> or a <u>HOST.</u>

Contact: Linda Browning



## An Evening of Short Films By Women - For Everyone

Back by popular demand! FilmFest will happen on Friday April 25<sup>th</sup>! Don't miss this wonderful evening of film, fun and friendship! The evening begins at 5:45 with a reception featuring hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer and dessert in the lovely Esri Café. At 7 pm we move to the beautiful Esri Auditorium to view a series of short films chosen especially for your viewing pleasure. Cost for the event is \$50. Tickets can be purchased at our March or April branch meeting, from a committee member, or through Eventbrite for an extra fee. The event features short films made by women for the enjoyment of all. This event is recommended for ages 13+. We expect to sell out this year and ticket sales are already robust, so don't delay!

## **AAUW Community Engagement**

## 2025 Community Day of Service



Saturday, March 15, 2025

Join other branch members who volunteer to participate in the 16th Annual Community Day of Service on Saturday, March 15, 2025, beginning at 9:00 a.m. While this event normally runs for 2.5 hours, any amount of time you can volunteer will make a difference. We will be working at Sylvan Park ONLY this year and the tasks involved will not be as strenuous as in previous years. There will be five or six different projects to choose from including helping to create a baseball diamond, cleaning up the rose garden by removing weeds and replenishing the dirt, rehab of walking pathways and doing some bench painting in a few designated areas. After working at one of the Service Projects, come and enjoy a lunch served by the Kiwanis Club of Redlands.

A sign-up sheet to participate will be available at the March branch meeting or you may contact Eileen Sanborn for more information or to add your name to the volunteer list. Thank you for considering giving your time to this community event.

~Warmly, Eileen Sanborn, AAUW Redlands Branch Community Day of Service Coordinator

## Do you have Items you LOVE, but just don't need?

## Donate them to our FilmFest Opportunity Baskets!



For this year's FilmFest, we're again pulling together interesting and exciting opportunity baskets. All funds raised will go toward our Mission activities. Please donate your gently used items, gift certificates, or even empty baskets into which we can assemble our gift selections.

So far, we are looking for items that complement these themes. Or, your donations may become their own theme cornerstone, so don't hesitate to give us a call and let us know what you have.

- A Romance basket that includes a \$200 Ozel's certificate and a local restaurant certificate for a romantic night out on the town.
- A Puppy Love basket that includes a pet DNA kit, a fun paw imprint kit, and a snuggly blankie made by our own Sew What!
- Or possibly a Love to Cook basket, a pottery basket, sports basket, a wine basket, or a lovely floral basket.

The final theme options are currently being created! Call Amy Bisek or drop her an email. to arrange for delivery or we're happy to pick items up from your home. Let user know how you can help with our fundraising efforts. Our Mission Fund will be very thankful!

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### **TECH TREK 2025 Update**

Our Tech Trek team began the year under the dedication and leadership of Denise Westcott. The team is continuing this important work to honor her memory.

The Redlands Branch Tech Trek team has been busy! The CA Tech Trek application period started mid-January. We have worked with our four Title I schools and received 25 total nominations from the counselors and science and math teachers. Our Branch has been approved to select 12 girls to send to camp this year. We hope to send four girls to Whittier College, four girls to the University of San Diego and four girls to Virtual camp.



The parents of the girls nominated received our email letters congratulating the family on the nomination and inviting them to register and start the online application process using CampDoc. This process is now underway.

February will be busy with the girls working on their essays and completing their applications. Our branch Tech Trek team will be tracking progress and providing assistance as needed so that the applications can be completed by the March 1 deadline. In March our Tech Trek team will review and score the essays, interview each of the girls, and then our team will come together to make the final, difficult decision of selecting the scholarship winners and the alternates.

AAUW California has launched a new web page for Tech Trek. This page is an excellent source of information for AAUW members who want to learn about the program, for parents and for school personnel. Visit <a href="https://www.aauw-ca.org/tech-trek/">https://www.aauw-ca.org/tech-trek/</a> to learn more!

Denise's family has requested that donations be made to Redlands Branch Tech Trek program in lieu of flowers. Join our Tech Trek team in honoring Denise's legacy by supporting Tech Trek's vital mission.

~Donita Remington, AAUW Redlands, Tech Trek Coordinator

### **Hiking Our Hills and Mountains**





-Donita Remington & Alison Rodriguez



#### **WANTED: PHOTOGRAPHER**



Are you interested in photography? Do you pull out your cell phone and take a picture whenever you see something fun or interesting? Have you even thought of sharing what you capture with others?

Our branch needs a photography team who can take pictures, both candid and staged of our members doing things at various branch activities. Deb Seibly has been our "official" photographer for many years, but Deb can't be at every AAUW event and she could use some help. We are hoping to create a team of 4-5 people who like taking pictures. They would be trained by our archives team on how to upload their pictures to a useful spot for the branch and how to properly label the photos, so we know what's in them in the future.

If you are interested in helping the branch in this way, please let Heather Abushanab know.

HeatherAbu@AAUWRedlands.org



To download full February issue of Public Policy News, please click HERE

~Cassie MacDuff AAUW Redlands Public Policy Chair

### Project 2025 is Becoming Reality

Take Action to Fight Back!



As Co-Directors Amy Hom and Missy Maceyko outlined in a <u>webinar</u> in October 2024, the objectives of Project 2025 directly counter the Public Policy Priorities of AAUW California. **With federal policy pronouncements and changes taking place at a head spinning pace** since January 20, 2025, it is clear that there is a concerted effort by a number of coalitions in the federal government to make Project 2025 become reality. For example:

- The Executive Order declaring that there are "only two genders, male and female".
- The Executive Order eliminating federal funds for schools that recognize transgender identities or teach about structural racism, white privilege, and unconscious bias.
- The Executive Order directing federal agencies to look for ways to expand access to private school vouchers.
- The Executive Order rescinding a dozen Biden-era executive actions supporting racial equity and combating discrimination against gay and transgender people.
- The Office of Management and Budget order freezing all federal financial assistance (since rescinded but with a standing order for agencies to restrict DEI programming and "woke gender ideology").
- The Executive Order withdrawing the Unitied States from the 2015 Paris agreement which seeks to avoid the worst impacts of the climate crisis.



While this may seem overwhelming, note that there are already individuals and coalitions who are pushing back in a number of ways, from <u>direct refusal</u> to comply, to <u>spamming federal surveillance accounts</u>, to direct <u>legal challenges</u>.

AAUW California is building out our own action-items database, which will go live for you this spring. In the interim, we will provide a short list and ask you to take action by choosing one self-focused, one other-focused, and one political-focused item from the list below.



#### Self-Focused: Education

- rewatch the AAUW Project 2025 <u>webinar</u> from the fall, as needed, to get a sense of what Project 2025 is/does and/or read the document itself.
- read the articles linked above to better understand how some individuals and organizations are working to fight back.



#### Other-Focused: Education & Connection

whatever you take away from your homework in self-education--be sure to tell
one friend about what you learned. You can do this over lunch.



#### Politically-Focused: Outreach to Senators

- sign the <u>petition</u> opposing the confirmation of Linda McMahon. Text "SIGN PTGHEX" to 50409.
- reach out to potential swing Senators from outside of CA to voice your opposition to confirmation/s:



Lisa Murkowski, Alaska. 202-224-6665. Contact form Susan Collins, Maine. 202-224-2523. Contact form Thom Tillis, North Carolina. 202-224-6342. Contact form Rand Paul, Kentucky. 202-224-4343. Contact form Mitch McConnell, Kentucky. 202-224-2541. Contact form John Curtis, Utah. 202-224-5251. Contact form Bill Cassidy, Louisiana. 202-224-5824. Contact form Joni Ernst, Iowa. 202-224-3254. Contact form Chuck Grassley, Iowa 202-224-3744. Contact form

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Redlands
STEM
Conference
Committee
thanks our
wonderful
Saturday,
February1st,
volunteers.









Thank you to AAUW Redlands members and friends who will volunteer on March 4



Thank you to the volunteers who assembled 575 student conference packets on Saturday, February 15th













Our February birthdays: Karen Watkins, Judy Elder, Marianne Baldwin, Nelda Stuck, Andrea Fuqua, Nan Neighbours, Lisa McCarty, Korine Bronson, Kay Dobbertin, Krista Moreno, Chris Smith and Krista Moreno.

We also sang "Happy Birthday" to our August birthdays: Heather Abushanab, Marion Golson, Joyce Heitmeier, Martha

## **February** Branch Meeting

Lehman, Valerie Lichtman, Susan Shodahl, Sherry Walsh, Susan Willis, and Debbie Wilson.













- 16 AAUW Named Gift Honorees
- · Six of our AAUW past Presidents











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## **February Branch Meeting**







Introduction

Eileen Sanborn, Program VP peaker

> Ellen <u>Gruenbaum</u>, Professor Emerita of Anthropology, Purdue University











February 1, 2025, Branch Meeting Recap

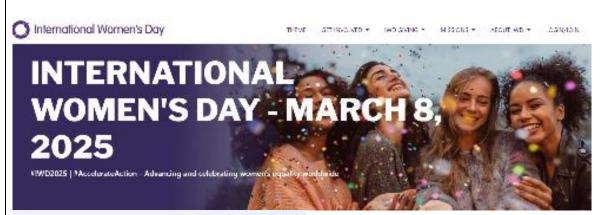
The archives committee shared information about three branch members who were chosen in the past as Redlands' Women of the Year (see attached branch meeting minutes for details). AAUW Redlands' member, Ellen Gruenbaum, was the guest speaker. As a cultural anthropologist, se spent five years in Sudan in the 1070's and shared with the membership the struggle for both girl's and women's education and also their struggle for democracy.

Branch meeting slides are posted on Teams. Directions on bottom of page 12

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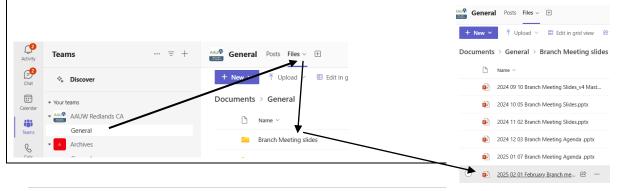
### #IWD2025 #AccelerateAction

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Imagine a gender equal world. A world free of bias, stereotypes, and discrimination. A world that's diverse, equitable, and inclusive. A world where difference is valued and celebrated. Together we can forge women's equality. Collectively for #IWD2025 we can all #AccelerateAction.

International Women's Day (IWD) has been around for over a hundred years, as have many of the issues still impacting women's advancement. Since 1911, IWD belongs to all who care about women's equality. Celebrate women's achievement. Raise awareness about discrimination. Take action to forge gender parity. All IWD activity is valid, that's what makes IWD so inclusive.

Branch meeting slides are posted on teams. If you have a <u>yourname@AAUWRedlands.org</u> email address you can find the slides under <u>AAUW Redlands</u> > <u>General</u> > <u>Files</u> > <u>Branch Meeting slides</u> > <u>2025 02 01 February Branch Meeting.pptx</u> > slides #15 on. If you don't have a <u>yourname@AAUWRedlands.org</u> email address, you can email <u>news@AAUWRedlands.org</u> for help.



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