

Branches and Twigs

Redlands Branch, AAUW
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“What’s New in Health Care”

Health Care is changing! Be informed as to how changes will impact our community. On Saturday, April 2nd, learn what’s new at Redlands Community Hospital as it continues striving forward with its commitment to providing the best possible care to patients in the hospital as well as all of us in the community. Deanna Stover is an R.N. who also holds a degree as a Family Nurse Practitioner and is completing her dissertation work for her Ph. D. in Nursing. Deanna is the Executive Director, Community Based Outreach Programs and Services at Redlands Community Hospital.

Deanna will provide an overview of the Redlands Community Hospital Community Based Outreach Programs and Services. Her focus will be on the importance of community collaboration.

Lastly, Deanna will share with us how the new health care reform act will require hospitals, providers, physicians and patients to work collectively to ensure appropriate, high quality, efficient and cost-effective delivery of health care. The focus will be on preventive care and improving public health.

Kathy Toister

The Redlands Math-Science Conference 2011

Another successful Math/Science Conference is behind us. I don't know where to begin to thank the many, many branch members who made this a reality. Our committee members, of course, with their months of planning meetings, phone calling, e-mailing, spreadsheet, and countless other tasks, are to be thanked to the utmost. However, there are so many members who kept a silent task force behind the scenes. Our friends at the University of Redlands endured countless phone calls and e-mails. With the loss of our dear Edna Steinman, many things had to be researched. Her presence was unspeakably missed!

Thanks to the folks at the U of R facilities department, the tech department, and the food service department. Also, we truly appreciated the appearance by Dr. Appleton, President of the University, who gave a nice word of encouragement to the girls in the opening session. Amber Jazairi-Price, our keynote speaker, inspired us yet again with her energy and wisdom.

This conference is without a doubt, one of the most outstanding projects that our branch supports. Thanks to ALL who donated to our conference by adopting one (or more) girls, or made general donations to this wonderful event.

THANK YOU! GRACIAS! MERCI! GRAZIE! DUNCHE SCHERN! I appreciate the tremendous support I felt as I took on this responsibility! Now, as we turn over the "helm" to Leslie Priest, our incoming Chair, I want to express my confidence in her leadership abilities and expertise. I would encourage each of you to consider making a commitment to the success of the 18th Annual Math/Science Conference in 2012.

Lorie DeMarco, 2011 Math/Science Conference Chair



April Branch Meeting Information

When

April 2nd, 2011
Social time: 9:00 a.m.
Brunch: 9:30 a.m.
Program: 10:30 a.m.

Where

University of Redlands
Casa Loma Room

Menu

Country Breakfast Buffet:
scrambled eggs, home-fried potatoes, sausage, biscuits and gravy, fresh seasonal fruit and assorted juices, coffee, tea.

Cost

\$14.00
Cost covers the meals, gratuity, tax, linens, use of room, audiovisual equipment, and setup.

Reservations

The reservation deadline for the April 2nd meeting is Tuesday, March 29th. Please call Kay Dobbertin. If you want a permanent reservation, please let her know.

Reminder: a reservation made is a reservation paid.

Branch Officers

Your Branch officers are available to help members and to answer questions. Please call them.

President

Renae Reiswig

Program Vice President

Ellen Schollenberger

Membership Vice President

Theresa Lantz

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Kate Pretorius

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Branch Website

www.aauw-redlands-ca.org

AAUW Mission Statement

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

AAUW Background

AAUW founded in 1881, is open to all graduates with an associate or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university. AAUW is California's most active and diverse organization offering action for equity, personal and professional growth, community leadership, and friendships.

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Membership Blessings

I just wanted to say how blessed we are to be a growing, healthy, organization. We are 225 members strong and still growing, and it is all thanks to you! Thanks for inviting your friends to join us. Please make welcome our newest member Tatsiana Kryvaruchka. Please continue to bless others by bringing them to AAUW.

Theresa Lantz, Membership

Renew Your Membership Online!

Starting April 1, branch members can renew their AAUW membership for next year, July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012, by going online to www.aauw.org. Online renewal allows you to use your credit card (think of the frequent flyer miles, points or cash back!), receive email confirmation of your renewal, and saves resources.

Online Renewal:

1. Go to www.aauw.org and select Member Center (at the top of the screen). You will be required to enter your Member ID. Your Member ID is the 7 digit number to the right of your name in the current yearbook.
2. Select Member Services Database (MSD) (located on left side of screen). Enter your password. If you don't have one, you will be prompted to register.
3. Under Membership Payment Program (MPP) (located on left side of screen), select Personal Membership MPP.
4. Follow the prompts to enter your credit card information.
5. Regular members are charged \$85 for dues. Life Members who have already prepaid Lifetime Association dues are charged \$36 to cover state and local dues.

Traditional Renewal: Send your check payable to "AAUW Redlands Branch" with the Redlands Branch AAUW Membership Renewal form included in this newsletter to our PO Box 7678, Redlands, CA 92375. If you have any questions, contact me.

Asst. Treasurer: Pamela Ong

Bylaws

Your Bylaws Committee has been hard at work again this business year bringing our Bylaws and Standing Rules up to date with state standards. In addition, we have implemented a new document titled Policy and Procedure to help document our operational process so we have standard guidance. Although there were form documents to base our updates upon, we made great efforts to retain Bylaws that had already been voted upon by the Branch and our Board through the years. If the state Bylaws dictated a change we had to accept it. However there is a lot of our original thought and intent remaining in these documents.

Our new Bylaws have been certified by State AAUW and recommended by our branch Board. At our April meeting we will adopt them unless there is objection from the membership. We are now in the notice period where you as a member need to read, question and/or comment upon the changes implemented. If you would like to request a copy be mailed or emailed to you for review, please contact: **Kay Dobbertin**

Kate Pretorius

Renae Reiswig

The Bylaws Committee is to be commended for their ongoing efforts: Renae Reiswig, Kathy Presnell-Best, Edna Steinman, Leslie Priest, Dorothy Richardson.

Sheron Bealer

Branch Officers to be elected at April Meeting

The officers for the coming year will be elected at the April 2nd branch meeting.

For: president elect (2011-12): Kathy Toister
program vice-president (2011-2013): Patty Ahearn
corresponding secretary (2011-2013): Dorothy Richardson
assistant treasurer (2011-12): Pat Belk

The election will take place at the April 2nd branch meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor at that time, provided the consent of the nominee has been secured in advance.

Interest Groups

Book Cassette and CD Groups

With so many ways to listen to a great variety of books and thus double your "reading" time, take advantage of AAUW's audio book groups. The Book Cassette groups have been going for more than 10 years. Just think of the number of books we've been able to "read." Since a couple weeks of planning are necessary for each person to choose a book, phone the chairman now for immediate information. We are seeking new members. Our groups meet to discuss the books we want to read over the year so that all members get a say. Each member purchases a book-on-tape or CD and receives the book back at the end of the cycle. The member then keeps the book, or loans it to the AAUW CD rental table (with those funds going for scholarships), or donates the book to Smiley Library (for a possible tax write-off). You have six weeks to "read" each book before passing it on to the same person each month on a regular schedule. For details, phone Nelda.

Chairs: Nelda Stuck; Sally Trost

Bridge

The bridge groups are underway! There is still space available in some of the groups, and there has been interest in starting another daytime group. Call the coordinator if you are interested in the groups listed.

Daytime:	1st Wednesday, 1 p.m.	Coordinator: Evelyn O'Prey,
	2 nd Wednesday, 1 p.m.	Coordinator: Nancy Earney,
	3rd Monday, 1 p.m.	Coordinator: Sally Vaughn,
Evening Couples:	1st Saturday, 7 p.m.	Coordinator: Debbie Lewin,
	3rd Saturday, 7 p.m.	Coordinator: Louise Schumann,
Evening:	4th Monday 7 p.m.	Coordinator: Nancy Earney,
Duplicate Pairs:	2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.	Coordinator: Louise Schumann,

The two daytime groups already have fixed tables and are only accepting substitutes.

Public Policy Notes

"Investment in girls' education may well be the highest return investment available in the developing world." Larry Summers

The developed world is forever changed for the better by investment in its women and girls. Stay in touch with public policies affecting American women at **AAUW Washington Update**.

Legal Advocacy

At the April 2 AAUW meeting, I will be asking for contributions to the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund. Any checks should be made out to AAUW Funds #3999. There will be envelopes on the table and we accept checks or cash. Currently AAUW is involved in 6 cases which all could set important precedents in gender discrimination in either the workplace or on college and university campuses.

LAF offers court filing fees, help in preparing briefs, plaintiff court travel, and specified immediate plaintiff needs. LAF keeps AAUW on the legal map.

Jane Roberts, LAF Chair

Local Scholarship

Did you get your closets, garage and cabinets cleaned out in January? Donate any usable, clean items to the Local Scholarship yard sale that will be held in June. Nancy Yowell is already accepting any donations. The CDs library is always available each month at the branch meeting. The rental is \$5.00 a month and the money goes towards to the Local Scholarship fund.

Ann Harding

Welcome New Member

Tatsiana Kryvaruchka
BS, Minsk University

Yearbook Corrections:

Gail Anderson (correct
street spelling)

Judy Dods (e-mail)

Christine Famega
(membership number)

Nancy Greeley (correct
address and phone)

Deborah Lewin (e-mail
correction)

Mary Marelocke
(membership number)

Cindy Perkins (e-mail
correction)

Agnes Rogers (membership
number)

Interest Groups, Continued

California Cuisine and Conversation

California Cuisine will be meeting at the home of Linda and Bruce Adams on Sunday April 3 at 6:00PM. Current members should watch for email updates.

Please call Kim Roman

Chair: Kim Roman

Great Decisions

Great Decisions has concluded for this year. Thank you to all for attending, leading the discussions or providing refreshments. See you next year!

Chair: Mary Jane Auerbacher

I Am, Therefore I Think (*Sum Ergo Cogito*)

Our April meeting will be on the fourth Wednesday of the month, April 27, 2011. We continue to meet at the Trinity Episcopal Church in Redlands, on the corner of Fourth and Fern, we meet in the lounge which is one of the rooms facing the back parking lot of the church. You may join us at noon with your lunch for some informal discussion, or from noon until 2:00 p.m. for our scheduled topic of discussion.

We all enjoyed being challenged in March by Sharlene Lund and her "Book of Questions", many thanks, Sharlene. This month we anticipate an equally provocative topic, "Immigration", led by Helen Webb, which couldn't be more timely. Looking ahead to May, we will have a chance to share, "What's been on our minds", in a forum which is certain to invite a lively exchange of views, led by Marie Mitchell. Come join the fun!

Questions: Helen Webb

International Affairs

Topic: Lebanon

Date: Tuesday May 10, 2011, Cost: \$14,

University of Redlands, University Club.

Social 11:30 a.m. Lunch 12:00 p.m., followed by speaker.

It is hard to believe this meeting will be the last in the series, and the last as chairperson, for me. Our Linda Rowland has invited her relatives, who journey back and forth to Lebanon, to enlighten us on this part of our world.

Reservations only, by May 6, 2011

Chairs: Dorothy Richardson and Barbara Pike

Play Reading

Please call Marcia for the date, time and place of the next meeting.

Marcia Pifer

Interest Groups, Continued

Reading and the Rainbow

Our book for March is Sarah Dunant's *Sacred Hearts*. Dunant has written a Renaissance trilogy, "bringing voice to the lives of three different women in three different historical contexts. Dunant's tireless research has resulted in vivid reconstructions of women's secret histories in the characters of a Florentine Noblewoman, a Venetian courtesan and with *Sacred Hearts*, the spellbinding and fascinating lives of the Sisters of Santa Caterina." Serafina, a 16 year old girl, is forced into the convent but does not go willingly. She "unleashes a power play – rebellion, ecstasies and hysterias. It's a battle of wits, feminine duplicity and politics...A resonant narrative tension is set up between youth and age, science and superstition, love and chastity...A novel that is as intelligent as it is enjoyable".

Both sessions will be at the home of Pat Kruger in Redlands on Thursday, 4-28. The afternoon group will meet at 1 PM and will be facilitated by Judy Gates who will also facilitate the evening discussion, at 7 PM. The afternoon co-host is Maybelle Nazikoglu and the evening co-host, Sharlene Lund. Please note that there are several changes here from the original schedule so mark your calendars accordingly.

Just a reminder that May is just around the corner and we will then be picking our books for the next series so bear that in mind as you read! Please call or email Kathy Toister or Pat Kruger if you have questions.

Chairs: Pat Kruger and Kathy Toister

Recorder Group

The Recorder Group meets every Monday morning from 9:00 to 12:00.

We welcome new players.

Chair: Mary Jane Auerbacher

AAUW Signs Amicus Brief in Support of the Plaintiffs in Gender Discrimination Suit against Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

WASHINGTON — The American Association of University Women (AAUW) has signed an amicus "friend of the court" brief in support of the plaintiffs in *Dukes v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.* On March 29, 2011, the U.S. Supreme Court will hear oral argument to determine whether the case can move forward as a class action.

AAUW — one of 34 women's and civil rights groups to sign the brief — will also provide financial support through its Legal Advocacy Fund to defray the expenses of six of the lead plaintiffs.

Lead plaintiff Betty Dukes, a Wal-Mart employee, has alleged gender discrimination in pay and promotion policies and practices in Wal-Mart retail stores. If she and the other plaintiffs prevail at the Supreme Court, their case will become the largest class-action civil rights suit in the nation's history, comprising approximately 1.6 million female Wal-Mart and Sam's Club employees.

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Yearbook Deletions

Jean Bartley

Arlene Leonard - National AAUW Life Member, but did not renew branch membership.

Edna Steinman

April Thought for the Day:

Will be provided by Marilyn Sanden

AAUW 2011 National Convention: Breaking through Barriers- Advocating for Change

Registration is now open for the 2011 national convention in Washington DC on June 16-19th.

Register at www.aauw.org before January 21st for the best price.

Are you a published author? Apply to showcase your book at the convention.

B&T Submission Guidelines:

The deadline for the May newsletter will be **April 5th**. Send your articles for that issue to the co-editors via email. If you do not have email, you can submit a typed or printed article by mail to Jennifer Hill

We continue to welcome your feedback and suggestions for our electronic version.

Redlands Branch AAUW Membership Renewal

Dues are payable from April 1, 2011 and become delinquent July 1, 2011.

Enclosed are my dues for the coming year in AAUW (July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012) of \$ _____

Regular Members	\$85	Dual Members	\$20
Student Affiliates	\$30	Association Life Membership	\$980
<i>(Must be attending as an undergraduate)</i>		Association Life Member	\$36
		<i>(State and Branch portion only)</i>	

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Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email _____

Please note any corrections for the Branch yearbook: new degrees, changes in name, address, phone, spouse, or e-mail address. Please check the 2010 – 2011 yearbook as a reference.

I am interested in joining the following committees: (please check)

Educational Foundation Committee. The AAUW Education Foundation provides fellowships and grants to women for education, research, and community programs. The Redlands branch raises funds through donations, the annual theater party, and cutlery sales.

Legal Advocacy Committee. The Legal Advocacy Fund promotes equality for women in higher education and fosters institutional change through support of appropriate sex discrimination lawsuits. Funds are raised through donations and an annual fund raising project.

Local Scholarship Committee. The Redlands Branch of AAUW provides local scholarships to women who have some previous college experience but whose schooling has been interrupted and now wish to continue with their academic pursuits. Funds for the scholarships are raised at the annual yard sale.

Math-Science Committees

Redlands Area **San Geronio Pass Area**

The Math-Science Committees present one day conferences for 8th grade girls in January. The speakers relate the need for math and/or science in their particular field and encourage the girls to continue their math and/or science studies in high school.

Membership Committee. The committee organizes and hosts September membership brunch and prospective membership coffees during the year. The committee plans and carries out a mentoring program for new members.

Program Development Committee. The committee develops programs for the coming year by contacting speakers, writing newsletter articles describing the program, and introducing the speakers at the meetings.

Public Policy Committee. The committee disseminates information from AAUW on Federal and State public policy initiatives and promotes voter education.

I am interested in volunteering time to the following AAUW Projects: (please check)

Librarian at Orangewood High School for 2 ½ hours weekly, every other week or as a substitute.

Math-Science Conference for preparation and/or conference day

Redlands

San Geronio Pass

Local Scholarship yard sale for preparation and/or yard sale day

Hosting for the YWCA Home Tour for 2 hours one Sunday

Ushering at the Redlands Bowl once or twice in summer

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American Association of University Women - Redlands Branch
Proposed Budget
July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012

RECEIPTS

Category	Members (208)	Dues \$	Budget for 10-11 \$	Members (225)	Dues \$	Prop Budget 11-12 \$
Dues – Regular	198	85	16,830	208	85	17,680
Dues – 50-Year	5	0	0	5	0	0
Dues – Life (lump dues \$980)	10	36	360	10	36	360
Dues – Dual	1	0	0	1	0	0
Dues - Student	1	30	30	1	30	30
Interest – Capital Source			228			228
Brunch Meals			10,000			10,000
Name Tags			125			125
Miscellaneous			150			150
Transfer - Reserve Account			0			0
			<u>27,723</u>			<u>28,573</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Association Dues* (regular members only)	198	49	9,719	208***	49***	10,209
State Dues** (includes Life members)	208	16	3328	218	16	3,488
EF (include student members)	215	2	430	225	2	450
LAF (include student members)	215	1	215	225	1	225
			<u>13,692</u>			<u>14,372</u>

AVAILABLE for BUDGET

(Receipts minus Disbursements)

14,031

14,201

OPERATING BUDGET

Membership	350					350
Program (honorariums/meals)			825			825
Officers' Expenses			100			100
President's Expenses			50			50
Newsletter			1,155			1,155
Yearbook			900			900
Bulk Rate Postage + Permit			600			600
P.O. Box Rental			100			100
Printing/Copying			100			175
Postage Regular			50			100
Memorials			60			60
Insurance			600			600
Convention (State) Northern California			800			800
Convention (National) None in 2010, will be in 2011			400			400
Name Tags			125			125
Brunch Meals			10,000			10,000
Board Meet. Rm. Donation			75			75
Miscellaneous			150			150
			<u>16,440</u>			<u>16,565</u>
Estimated Receipts Less Disbursements/Expenses			(2,409)			(2,364)

* = No Association dues paid for 50-year, life, or dual members.

** = No State dues paid for 50-year or dual members, if they are already CA AAUW members.

***= 208 x 49 = 10,192 plus 1 student x 17 = 17 = total 10,209

March 14, 2011 approved by the Board to submit to membership.

Respectfully submitted by: Joan Prost, AAUW Redlands Branch Treasurer, and the Branch Finance Committee.

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The President's Corner

If you have not already heard, we had a very successful Math-Science Conference for 8th grade girls from Redlands and Yucaipa schools on Monday, February 28th. Thank-you to all who participated and to Lori DeMarco for taking the lead. The Redlands Daily Facts did an article ahead of the conference on Saturday, February 26th. The Riverside Press Enterprise did an article the day after, March 1st.

The nominations are in for our officers for 2011-2012. Thank-you to the Nominating Committee and to our members who are willing to fill the various roles. At our April meeting we will officially elect the nominees. Before the April meeting, additional nominations may be made from the floor provided the consent of the nominee has been previously obtained in writing.

It is a good time to start thinking about membership renewal for next year and it has never been easier...on-line! For those who do not have email or computer access, simply renew the way that we always have, by mail.

Our Bylaws are ready to be reviewed and are being emailed out. Please review them so that we can be ready to officially vote them in at the April meeting.

Your president-elect (Susan Willis) and I will be attending the AAUW state convention. Remember we are now voting by 'One Member, One Vote'. There is a very good article in the Fall issue of AAUW Outlook that explains this new system voted in at the last National Convention in June 2009.

Looking forward to spring and to seeing you at the April meeting where we can all be updated on something that impacts all of us: our healthcare.

Rena Reiswig