

Branches and Twigs

Redlands Branch, AAUW
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“Power and Pursuit: Female Leadership in the 21st Century”

Please join us to hear Amber Jazari-Price speak at our June brunch meeting. Amber has been the keynote speaker for the Math-Science Conference for the last three years and has both charmed and motivated the girls and adults alike with her down to earth talk. As most of the branch members have not had the opportunity to hear Amber's message, Amber will give a mini-version for us in June! There will also be a chance to ask questions about her own life as a documentary film-maker and motivational speaker. You won't want to miss this branch meeting.

Judi Jones

Renew Your Membership and Stay Active with Redlands AAUW!

Wow, it's June already. Membership renewals for 2011-12 for our branch will be turned in July 1. We know you want to continue to be a part of our vital and active branch *AND* be listed in our directory, so please renew your membership NOW. That way we won't have to call and remind you.

Thank you to all who have already renewed your membership. If you haven't yet renewed, mail the renewal form contained in this newsletter and your check payable to AAUW – Redlands Branch to our PO Box 7678, Redlands, CA 92375 OR

Go online to renew:

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 and to create a password.
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.

Regular members are charged \$85 for dues (\$49 National AAUW; \$16 California AAUW; Redlands Branch \$20). Life Members who have already prepaid Lifetime Association dues are charged \$36 to cover state and local dues.

If you have any questions about renewing your membership, contact me.

Asst. Treasurer: Pamela Ong



AAUW

June Branch Meeting Information

When

June 4th, 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

Sumptuous Breakfast Buffet: assorted chilled fruit juices, fluffy scrambled eggs, ham, blueberry blintzes, rosemary new potatoes, fresh seasonal fruit, assorted muffins and breakfast pastries, creamy butter, and fruit preserves, coffee, tea.

Cost

\$16.00
Cost covers the meals, gratuity, tax, linens, use of room, audiovisual equipment, and setup.

Reservations

The reservation deadline for the June 4th meeting is Tuesday, May 31st. 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

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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.

Membership

It is hard to believe that we are coming to the end of 2010/11 membership year and about to begin a new one for 2011/12! What a fun-filled year we have had. We will not meet again until our September new membership meeting. So be thinking of those friends you would like to invite and please give me their name, address and phone number, so that I can personally invite them to join our wonderful organization. See you in September!

Theresa Lantz, Membership

Final Board meeting for 2010-2011

Our last board meeting will be Monday June 6th at 5:00 pm at the Methodist Church (Weeks Hall) on the corner of Olive and Cajon in Redlands. Note, this date is a week earlier in the month to accommodate those leaving for vacation.

The last meeting of this year is to close out business for the year and provide time for the remaining board and the outgoing board to welcome incoming members and share a potluck meal.

The new members to be welcomed at the meeting are: Kathy Toister Pres. Elect; Patty Ahern Program Vice President; Dorothy Richardson Corresponding Secretary, Pat Belk Ass. Treasurer, Judith Fulton Parliamentarian/By-Laws, Diane Bennet Orangewood HS, Ann Leonard and Dottie Bailey Home Tour, Susan Shodahl and Jessie Powell EOF, Leslie Priest Math and Science Chair, Antionette Brenion Financial Review, Kay Dobbertin Mailing List, Rosemary Bratkowski Reservations.

Any questions please call Renaë Reiswig or Susan Willis.

The California State board for 2011-12

Gloria Taylor and Judy Pfeil - Co- Presidents; Sue Miller – Vice President; Laurie Dennen – Secretary; Donna Mertens – Chief Financial Officer; Directors: Kim Debroux, Helene Carr, Carolann Ford, Cathy Foxhoven, Ginny Hatfield, Lynn Janeway, Sherry Ludwig, Bakula Maniar, Shelley Mitchell, Lorelei Self, and Harriet Tower

“One Member, One Vote”

AAUW's election is under way! Cast your ballot online or mail in your paper ballot today. As we gear up for the National Convention to be held in Washington D.C., June 16-19th, we want to remind you to make sure that you check your recently received ballot carefully, and either vote online or by sending in the paper ballot, as for the first time all AAUW members will have a vote for National issues and candidates. Online voting began May 1, and ends June 17, 2011 at 9 p.m. EDT. Paper ballots must be postmarked by 11:59 p.m., May 31, 2011.

AAUW CA has decided to implement “One member, One Vote” beginning in 2012.

Interest Groups

Book Cassette and CD Groups

Two of our three long-standing CD Book groups are set to begin another year-long round-robin of exchanging books which the members have chosen to buy and share. We need to know now who would like to join our groups. We've read an incredible number of books over the dozen years we've been listening. Each member purchases a CD and receives this book back at the end of the cycle. In turn, she gets to listen to 8 to 10 other books, depending on how many people are in each round-robin. We meet to discuss the books at the end of each cycle. You have six weeks to "read" each book before passing it on to the same person on a regular schedule.

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,

2nd 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.

California Cuisine and Conversation

California Cuisine and Conversation will meet for the last time this year on Sunday June 5. Kathy and Bob Toister. Current members should watch for an email about reservation information for this month only.

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

June Thought for the Day:

Will be given by Judy Gates at the June meeting.

Local Scholarship June 11th

We will be presorting on Saturday June 4th following the Brunch at approximately 1:00 at Nancy Yowell's. The following week we will be working Monday thru Thursday beginning around 9:00. Bring a lunch if you are planning on working through the lunch hour. The last day for donations will be Wednesday June 8th at noon. Nancy already has a garage full and items on her patio so every person that can help, even for a short time will be appreciated. Remember how touching it was to hear the women tell their stories and how much they appreciated the scholarship money. Let us make this sale the best ever!

Also, remember that the money from the CD books that are rented for \$5.00 a month goes toward the scholarship fund.

Ann Harding

Public Policy Notes

In 1919 AAUW raised \$156,413 as a grant to enable Marie Curie to purchase one gram of radium for her experiments (Wikipedia). Check our Mission & Action eBulletin (aauw.org/learn/publications/mission/index.cfm) to see what we're up to now!

Easter Baskets

Thanks to all the generous souls who dropped their change in the cans. Your generosity always amazes me. We presented 10 Easter baskets to the Redlands Family Service Association and even got recognition for it in an article in the paper. Margie made the cutest cookies ever. The recipients of our baskets were lucky indeed, but best of all no children were forgotten by the "Bunny". We had such an excess that forty-four additional dollars went to EF.

Kathy Presnell-Best

B&T Submission Guidelines:

The deadline for the July-August newsletter will be **June 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.

Interest Groups, Continued

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

A sincere thanks to Helen Webb for her masterly guidance through the challenging topic, "Immigration". Kudos Helen, well done. The topic for this month's May 25th meeting, led by Marie Mitchell, is, "What's on your mind". Do join us and you might discover that what you've been pondering has also been of some interest to others. We continue to meet at the Trinity Episcopal Church in Redlands on Fourth and Fern. The meeting room is the lounge, one of the classrooms facing the back parking lot of the church. Many of us bring our lunch and enjoy a little informal visiting until the meeting, which begins at 12:30p.m. and concludes at 2:00p.m. Our June meeting, the final meeting of the year, will be our traditional planning luncheon. It will be held on the Fourth Wednesday of the month, June 22, 2011, at noon at the Marie Callender's restaurant in Redlands. We have enjoyed a year filled with provocative topics, discussed in a civil manner by people who obviously respect not only each other, but a difference of opinion. We look forward to devising a schedule that will permit us to carry on in that same tradition for the coming year.

Questions: Helen Webb

International Affairs

Chairs: Dorothy Richardson and Barbara Pike

Pass Area Interest Group

Chairs: Mary Belle Clark and Bessie Reece

Play Reading

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

Marcia Pifer

Reading and the Rainbow

The reading group will not meet in June. The reading list for the next season is in the process of being compiled and we will meet again on July 28th. Please be thinking about how you can help with the "tasks", facilitating the discussion, hosting the group at your residence, or assisting with refreshments. The participation of all is critical to our continuing success. And a big thank you to all of you who have taken on a responsibility in the past season. Call or email Pat or Kathy with your questions.

Chairs: Pat Kruger and Kathy Toister

Recorder Group

Chair: Mary Jane Auerbacher

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>	

Make checks payable to AAUW-Redlands Branch – PLEASE PRINT clearly

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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The President's Corner

It hardly seems possible that we are in the last month of our program year, but June is our final meeting month. One of the high lights of this meeting is the installation of our new officers, who will bring fresh new ideas and energy to our branch. So, rest up over the summer so that you can be ready for when you are asked to become involved, no matter how simple the task or how involved the commitment.

You will not want to miss hearing Amber Jazairi-Price and her message about women and leadership. She has been our key note speaker for the Math-Science conference for the past three years and believe me she can keep 600 eighth grade girls and the rest of us on the edge of their seats!

It has been a very good year with great programs, new members, and the achievement of our international endowment, just to name a few! You all make it happen: by being a member, by participating in branch activities, by inviting someone else to join, you fulfill the mission. Thank-you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your President.

Rena Reiswig