

Branches and Twigs

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The President's Corner

We are all saddened by the loss of our friend and member, Nancy Yowell. I greatly appreciate Nelda Stuck for her warm and personal written tribute about Nancy in this newsletter. Nancy contributed so much to AAUW and to our branch. We will take a few moments during our November 6th Branch Meeting to remember Nancy.

As Nancy reached so many of us by her giving

Membership Brunch

Grasp the "GOLD RING" and join in our AAUW organization for another year. The 2012-13 year begins with our September brunch meeting. This a wonderful

spirit, let's take this opportunity to invite prospective members to our Membership Branch Meeting brunch on Saturday, September 8th. Together, we are an important network of educated women as we share in the commitment to speak about vital topics.

So - *Share Your Passion* - invite someone you know or tell someone you may

have just met, about AAUW - *Each One Reach One*.

Thank you to all who have been working on continuing projects during the summer. Hopefully you have all had an opportunity for summertime relaxation and feel ready for a busy year ahead.

If you haven't yet read a good summer book and eaten lots of ice cream, it's not too late.

Kathy Toister

opportunity to give me names and contact Information for prospective new members. There will be new topics with emphasis on women and girls accomplishments,

interests and events around the world.

You may contact me if you need more information. Enjoy summertime!

Gail M. Anderson,
Membership Vice-President

Y Alliance Home Tour Volunteers Needed

Thank you to those that have contacted me to sign up to volunteer for this year's Home Tour. If you would like to join the fun and volunteer on December 2, 2012 to be a hostess in the home that AAUW is assigned for that day, please let us know. We have two shifts available, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm and 12:45- 4:45 pm.

It is a wonderful way to assist the Y Alliance with their big fund raiser, and a gift of time and energy that makes you feel good. There will be a sign-up sheet at the September and October meetings, or you can e-mail Ann your name, phone number, and which shift you would like.

Ann Leonard and Dottie Bailey

September Branch Meeting Information

When

September 8th, 2012
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 Buffet:
Scrambled eggs with cheese; home-fried potatoes; sausage; biscuits and gravy; seasonal fresh fruit; assorted juices; coffee/tea.

Cost

\$15.00

Reservations

The reservation deadline for the September 8th meeting is Tuesday, September 4th. Please call or email **Pat Kruger**. If you want a permanent reservation, please let her know.

Reminder: a reservation made is a reservation paid.

B&T Submission:

The deadline for the October newsletter will be **September 5th**. Send your articles to the editor via email aauwbranchesandtwigs@gmail.com or by mail to Olga Cupp at PO Box 452, Redlands, CA 92373.

Calendar of Events

September		
Wed., Sept 5	1:00 PM	Bridge Evelyn O'Prey
Sat., Sept 8	7:00 PM	Duplicate Bridge Louise Schumann
Sat., Sept 8	9:00 AM	Branch Meeting Membership Brunch Patty Ahearn
Mon., Sept 10	7:00 PM	Bridge Nancy Earney
Mon., Sept 10	9 am-12 pm	Recorder Group Mary Jane Auerbacher
Wed., Sept 12	1:00 PM	Bridge Nancy Earney
Sat., Sept 15	7:00 PM	Bridge Louise Schumann
Mon., Sept 17	1:00 PM	Bridge Sally Vaughn
Mon., Sept 17	9 am-12 pm	Recorder Group Mary Jane Auerbacher
Mon., Sept 24	7:00 PM	Bridge Cindy Perkins
Mon., Sept 24	9 am-12 pm	Recorder Group Mary Jane Auerbacher
Wed., Sept 26	12:00 PM	I Am, Therefore I Think Nelda Stuck will facilitate "Review of Summer Editorials and Cartoons." Ellen Schollenberger
Thurs., Sept 27	1:00 PM	Reading and the Rainbow <i>Mercy</i> by Jodi Picoult Evelyn O'Prey Pat Kruger
	7:00 PM	Judy Gates Kathy Toister
Weekdays	9 am-1 pm	Orangewood HS Library Diane Bennett
On-going		Audio Book Listening Group Nelda Stuck
Mark your calendar:		
Sun., Oct 7	6:00 PM	California Cuisine Kim Roman
Tues., Oct 9	11:30 am-2 pm	International Affairs Argentina, Speaker: Leandro Rodrigues, Ayres Hotel Cathi Jordan
October		Public Policy Sherri Kinsey
Thurs., Nov 8		Educational Foundation Theatre Benefit Susan Willis
Sun., Dec 2		Y Alliance Home Tour Ann Leonard
February		Great Decisions evening Mary Jane Auerbacher
February		Great Decisions afternoon Sue Kovacevich
Thurs., Feb 28		Redlands Math Science Conference Leslie Priest

Branch Officers:

President: Kathy Toister **Program Vice President:** Patty Ahearn **Membership Vice President:** Gail Anderson
Recording Secretary: Amber Costa **Corresponding Secretary:** Dorothy Richardson **Treasurer:** Heather Abushanab
President-elect: Kay Dobbertin

Member News

We mourn the loss of Nancy Yowell but celebrate all she did for the chapter and for each of us, friends and members. Nancy was a Life Member of American Association of University Women, and a 36-year active working member for our Redlands Branch, joining in 1976 shortly after she and her husband, Don, moved to Redlands. She was a branch Century Club Member for more than 20 years. She served as president in 1983-85 and received the Named Gift Honoree award in 1985. In her early years she chaired the Hospitality Committee and served on the Program Development and the EF (Education Foundation) committees, and was topic chairman for "Families Facing Change" and Interest Group chairman for Gourmet Foods before serving as first vice president under Verna Swift. In more recent years she chaired the Local Scholarship Committee making sure that along with all the funds raised for National AAUW post-graduate scholarships, some money went to help women from the Inland Empire return to college.



She helped establish the annual garage sale which, for perhaps the past 10 years, was held on her front lawn and driveway (after each year-long collecting and storing AAUW-member-donations in her garage). The earnings rose from about \$300 the first year to a high of \$4,000 one year, averaging about \$3,000 in recent years. In addition, she sold kitchen knives to bring in extra money for local scholarships. As a member of one of the Cassette Listening Books groups she saw a way to earn extra funds by "renting" out the books at the conclusion of each round-robin, and brought all those boxed tapes and CDs to each meeting for members to peruse. She brought the scholarship applications to area colleges, organized the selection of recipients, took the checks to the appropriate colleges, and organized the AAUW dinner program honoring the recipients -- all with great enthusiasm and determination and joy in seeing women further their education through AAUW help. In the 19 years since the first garage sale in 1993, some 60 scholarships have been awarded, most recently in the amounts of \$750 for community college students and \$1,500 to women in four-year programs. Nancy saw the value of helping women return to college because she herself had married and then returned to college for her bachelor's degree from Cal State Fullerton in 1963 in English, and her master's degree from Azusa Pacific in 1975 in education with a concentration in reading. She supervised student teachers for several years at Cal State San Bernardino.

After Nancy moved to Redlands she continued to commute to Rowland Unified School District from 1963-1980 to teach, before joining the Redlands Unified School District from 1980-1994 including special education at Cope Junior High School and grades 1 and 2 at Lugonia Elementary. Even with all that driving she served on the AAUW Branch board and took time to remember board members with birthday cards.

She was an avid photographer, taking many classes, and was among the artists invited for several "Art for Heaven's Sake" exhibitions. She was president of Delta Kappa Gamma's Alpha Pi Chapter (teachers honorary) from 1994-96 and again 1997-98. She also was president of the Redlands Forum Club, a Sunday evening program group where she presented several slide shows of her photography and travels. She was a member of the Loma Linda Lopers and walked two or three Los Angeles Marathons. She loved continuing her learning through many Elderhostel programs.

Nelda M. Stuck

Great Decisions Topics:

Future of the Euro (February 6th and 7th); ***Egypt*** (February 13th and 14th); ***NATO*** (February 20th and 21st); ***Myanmar and Southeast Asia*** (February 27th and 28th); ***Intervention*** (March 6th and 7th); ***Iran*** (March 13th and 14th); ***China in Africa*** (March 20th and 21st); ***Threat Assessment*** (March 27th and 28th). The cost of the briefing book is \$15.00. Sign up at the September 8th meeting.

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Educational Foundation Theater Benefit

The Educational Foundation Theater Benefit is scheduled for Thursday November 8th. The play is the "Rainmaker" at the Redlands Footlighters 1810 Barton Road. Wine and Cheese at 6:30 pm and a light dessert at intermission. Door prizes are to be awarded which include a wine basket, handmade children's clothes, a handmade crocheted throw, tickets to local events, gift cards and more. Tickets are \$25 and include the play and door prize. More information will be available at the Membership Brunch on September 8th.

Susan Willis and Margie Galligan co-chairs

Save the Date

The October 3 branch meeting of Redlands AAUW will feature Char Burgess, Vice President of the University of Redlands and Dean of Student Life and Lori Rhodes, Superintendent of the Redlands Unified School District. They will give the Redlands response to the national AAUW study "Crossing the Line: Sexual Harassment and Bullying" at School. Millions of students suffer from harassment and bullying which affects their education and their very lives. Learn how Redlands is responding to this national crisis.

Mark Your Calendar

The New member Dinner will be held on Tuesday, October 30, 2012 at 6 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church on 1 East Olive Ave, Redlands.

The Prospective New Member "Get Acquainted" Coffee will be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at 7 p.m.

Audio Book Listening Group

All those who enjoy listening to books on CDs are invited to consider joining one of our three Audio Book Listening Groups. We actually have one of the three groups beginning a new round-robin in September, so now is the time to give your name to the chairmen. Each group numbers 10 or 11 members who meet to discuss the books they have been hearing and then choose their selections for the next go-round. Each member suggests 4 or 5 books any one of which she is willing to purchase to share -- and the group looks at the overall selections and votes their choices for a balanced reading program of novels, biographies, histories, new books, classics etc. Everyone passes every six weeks according to the printed schedule, always giving and receiving to the same two people. The cost is the price of the book, which you then receive back in about 18 months -- either to keep for your family to hear or to donate to AAUW for our cassette rental earning money for local scholarships.

Nelda Stuck and Sally Trost

Yearbook News

The new AAUW Redlands Branch Yearbooks will be printed after the September Branch Meeting.