

Branches and Twigs

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What are you doing with your Money?

Our speaker for the October 7th meeting will be Shirl Estes. Shirl started her career as a teller, working her way up to Branch Manager, at a time when there were few female branch managers.

Later Shirl felt she needed more challenges and joined the staff of JP Morgan Stanley to become a licensed Financial Advisor. After a few years more of work and study she was honored to be nominated as a Wealth Advisor and Estate Planner. There are only 800 out of 11,000 employees who hold these titles, making her one of the 12% of female brokers in the United States. Her clientele is made up of 80% women, of all ages.

We look forward to Shirl sharing her financial knowledge with us.

Dorothy Richardson

Program Vice President

Footlighters EF Fundraiser Tickets Available

Tickets are now available for the Educational Foundation's theater night at the Redlands Footlighters on Thursday, November 9th.

The play is "Morning's at Seven" by Paul Osborn. This charming portrait of small town America tells the story of the Gibb sisters. They have lived next door to one another most of their lives and each of the four sisters know intimately the lives of the others. To Ida's house comes Myrtle, who's been about to marry Ida's son Homer for many years. But Homer can't break away from home long enough to pop the question. Myrtle, now at an age where she feels she'll have to take things into her own hands, finally makes him propose by telling him a secret.

Before the play there will be an opportunity to buy raffle tickets for gift baskets donated by various interest groups. Refreshments will be served at intermission.

The \$15.00 tickets can be purchased from any EF committee member as well as from chairs of interest groups.

The profits from the theater night will be applied to an International Fellowship that provides support for scholars from foreign countries doing doctoral research in the United States.

Evelyn O'Prey and Janice Belden

Co-chairs, Educational Foundation

October Branch Meeting Information

When

October 7, 2006

Social time: 9:00 a.m.

Brunch: 9:30 a.m.

Program: 10:30 a.m.

Where

University of Redlands
Casa Loma Room

Menu

A Country Buffet including scrambled eggs, home fried potatoes, sausage, biscuits and gravy, seasonal fresh fruit, rolls with butter and fruit preserves, assorted juices, and brewed coffee, ice tea, and hot tea including herbal.

Cost

\$12.00

Cost covers the meals, gratuity, tax, linen, use of room, audiovisual equipment, setup, speakers and guest meals.

Reservations

The deadline is Tuesday, October 3rd at 9 p.m. Call or email Antoinette Brenion. Please include "AAUW" in the subject line of emailed reservations.

Remember: a reservation made is a reservation paid.

If you have automatic reservations, let us know if you can't make a meeting. If not, you will be billed for the meal. If you do not pay the bill, your automatic reservation will be cancelled.

Branch Officers

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

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Branch Website

www.aauw-redlands-ca.org

AAUW Mission Statement

AAUW promotes equity for all women and girls, lifelong education and positive societal change. In principal and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.

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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2007 Redlands Math-Science Conference News

Thank you, again, to the 80 AAUW members who participated in the 2006 conference and the *dozens* who helped with mailings and packets. The conference is truly a branch project.

Would you like to join the committee? Our jobs come in all sizes: small, medium, and large. We have one to fit your schedule. Call or email Kay Dobbertin for information.

The date for our 2007 conference is Thursday, March 1, 2007.

Judi Jones, Chair and Kay Dobbertin

Pass Area Math-Science Conference Date Set

The Pass Area Interest Group now has final plans for our Annual Math-Science Conference, which will be held at Mt. San Jacinto College on Friday, January 12, 2007. Liz Kennedy is making all the plans with the help of Ann Harding, Bessie Reece, and Mary Belle Clark as well as our entire membership. The schools are delighted and most of the speakers are on board as well as those who will chair the facilitators and guides, facilities, etc. We will be planning for 300 girls max again this year as the Pass Area is growing by leaps and bounds and more girls want to attend. Let us know if you would like help out.

Liz Kennedy, Ann Harding, Bessie Reece and Mary Belle Clark

MGM: Members Get Members!

We cannot get members without everyone's participation. Thank-you for inviting friends and acquaintances to the September Membership Brunch.

Please be thinking ahead for the next opportunity to invite a prospective member. Our first Prospective Member Coffee will be at the home of Gwen Wysocki on Tuesday, November 14th at 7:00 p.m. You can email me, call me, or use the form provided in the September newsletter: "Reach Out to Prospective Members" to send names of those whom you would like to invite.

Wednesday, October 25th at 6:00 p.m. will be the New Member Dinner at University United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. This dinner is hosted by the AAUW Board Members and celebrates all of our new members (invitations will be sent) who have joined since our last membership dinner.

Thank you.

Renaë Reiswig

Membership Vice President

Interest Groups

Audio Book Lending Library

Need a good book on tape? Visit the table at each general meeting. Your support and \$5 donation benefit the local scholarships given each year to a deserving woman returning to college. A list of all titles available for circulation is now available---stop by and pick one up!

Librarian: Louise Schumann

Interest Groups, Continued

Book Cassette Group

The Book Cassette Group currently has one CD and two tape-cassette round robins going involving 30 members and spouses. We rotate chosen books every six weeks. At the end of the schedule (which runs 10 to 14 months depending on the number of people in each group), members meet to discuss the books and to choose the new cycle. Each member purchases a book-on-tape or CD and receives that book back at the end of the cycle. The CD group will be starting a new cycle in late November and the next cassette group begins again in March. Now is the time to phone for interest and information about joining.

Chair: Nelda Stuck

Bridge

The Redlands Branch of AAUW has many types of groups in place for those interested in playing bridge. Call the coordinator if you are interested in playing or in being placed on the substitute list.

Daytime:	1st Wednesday, 1 p.m.	Coordinator is Evelyn O'Prey
	3rd Monday, 1 p.m.	Coordinator is Sally Vaughn
Evening Couples:	1st Saturday A, 7 p.m.	Coordinator position is open
	1st Saturday B, 7 p.m.	Coordinator is Deborah Lewin
	3rd Saturday, 7 p.m.	Coordinator is Janice Belden
Duplicate Pairs:	2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.	Coordinator is Louise Schumann

The Duplicate group will be meeting the 2ND Saturday of the month, rather than the 4th, to avoid conflicts with holidays. There is still room for new couples to join. The round robin group will be starting another year. If you are interested in joining this group, or in getting more information, contact Louise Schumann prior to September 20th.

California Cuisine and Conversation

California Cuisine will meet October 1st at the home of MaryAnn Capestany's son. Our gathering will begin at 6:00 p.m. Email Kim or call her to make a reservation. Please remember to bring copies of your recipe to share. Directions will be sent out prior to our gathering.

Chair: Kim Roman

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

On October 25th Jane Dill will share how to make a book about Preserving Your Family History. "I Am" meets in the large room off the parking lot at Trinity Episcopal Church on Fern. Bring your lunch between noon and 12:30 p.m. and/or join us for good talk from 12:30 to 2 p.m.

Chair: Jane Dill

Yearbook Additions and Updates

See the print version of the newsletter for new or updated information on the following members:

Additions:

Adair, Michelle

Bartch, Gloria J.

Orrick, Rosalie

Vickers, Jan

Email Updates:

Breed, Vicky

Clark, Mary Belle

Harding, Ann

Corrections:

Nominating Committee for 2006-2008:

Judith Fulton (not Bolton)

Nelda Stuck is an Association paid life member

November Topics for Interest Groups

I Am, Therefore I Think:

On November 15th, the group enjoys one of its favorite activities when Nelda Stuck monitors our viewpoints from editorials and cartoons.

International Relations:

On November 14th our own Ellen Schollenberger will speak on the country of Portugal.

Reading and the Rainbow

An additional event for all AAUW book lovers is "Redlands Reads," which is a "one city, one Book" initiative. It's like a giant, city-wide book club. The U of R is partnering with the Smiley Library to promote the city-wide reading of a single book. The novel is Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*. There will be a free showing of the film, "Frankenstein" on Halloween, October 31st, at 7:30 p.m. at U of R's Orton Center. On November 2nd, at 7:30 p.m. there will be a city-wide book discussion at the Contemporary Club (173 S. Eureka St). No charge for either event or reservations required.

The topic for the regular meeting on November 16th will be the October and November Redlands Art Association Films.

Interest Groups, Continued

Great Decisions

Great Decisions is a discussion group of the Foreign Policy Association. Each year the Foreign Policy Association puts out a new study book containing eight different topics of various different countries or subjects that we usually see in the newspaper or magazines. These articles are written by people who are correspondents in the countries we study or people in government agencies. They are accessible and interesting.

Each week for eight weeks after the books come out at the end of January, we meet for fascinating discussions. Many of the AAUW members who take part have lived or traveled in these countries and have an interesting slant on the subject. This year the topics will be: The Middle East, Global Warming, Climate Change, Mexico, International Migration, South Africa, Central Asia, and Children's Rights.

Do come and join us. We would love to have your input. The groups meet on Thursday afternoon at 2 p.m. or at 7 p.m. in the evening. We will begin the first week in February. The cost of the study book and a share in the video is \$15.00.

Chair: Mary Jane Auerbacher

International Relations

The International Relations Interest Group will meet at 11:30 a.m. on October 10th in the University Club at the University of Redlands. Maybelle Nazikoglu will speak about the Netherlands Antilles (St. Maarten). The cost is \$13.00 (all inclusive). Reservations are due by October 5th.

Chairs: Barbara Pike and Dorothy Richardson

Play Reading

Play reading will begin on October 16th at 7 p.m. at my home. The play has not yet been chosen. Come join us for a relaxing evening.

Chair: Marcia Pifer

Reading and the Rainbow

Reading and the Rainbow book and film discussion group will hold their first meeting of the year on Thursday, September 28th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Elise Smiley. The book is *The Other Boleyn Girl* by Philippa Gregory. For directions, phone Elise.

Mark your calendar for 7:00 p.m. on October 26th, to discuss *The Shadow of the Wind* at the home of Anne Derfer. For directions to Anne Derfer's home, call her. New members are welcome. Set in Barcelona in 1945, the *Orlando Sentinel* wrote of *The Shadow of the Wind*: "The plot is a labyrinthine, the characters and coincidences Dickensian, the whole echoing with literary flourishes and references. It's a bit like A.S. Byatt's *Possession*, and Arturo Perez-Reverte's *The Club of Dumas*, with touches of Jose Luis Borges, Umberto Eco, Ross King, Charles Palliser and Gabriel Garcia Marquez. Bibliophiles will feast on its riches."

Co-chairs: Amber Costa, Anne Derfer, and Marci LaViollette

Interest Groups, Continued

Recorder Group

The recorder group is an ensemble of recorder players who get together every Tuesday for practice from 2 to 5 p.m. at my home. We play all sizes of recorders and we frequently give programs in all kinds of venues, such as rest homes, retirement homes, club meetings, church groups, concert series, art shows and others. We also have a group that meets on Saturday from 4 to 5 p.m. for those who work during the week. We really need more players and would be happy to welcome you to join one of our groups. If you would like to have lessons, or to be in a group please call me.

Chair: Mary Jane Auerbacher

San Geronio Pass Interest Group

We are going to start the year on Thursday, October 12th with a social and get-acquainted Wine and Cheese Party at Joanne Mercier's home. The festivities start at 6:00 p.m. Husbands and guests are invited and a great time is always had by all. At a summer planning meeting, we decided to change our meeting date to the second Thursday of the month for this year. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

Co-chairs: Mary Belle Clark and Joanne Mercier.

2007 Redlands Math-Science Conference

Would you like to "ADOPT A GIRL"...or two...or more to support this Redlands Branch project? If so, donations will be gratefully accepted at branch meetings or by mail. Make checks payable to *AAUW Math-Science Conference*. Six hundred eighth grade girls from Redlands and Yucaipa
THANK YOU.

Mail to: Ellie O'Brien
Funding Chair, Redlands Math-Science Conference

_____ \$15 donation to "ADOPT A GIRL"

_____ \$30 donation to "ADOPT TWO GIRLS"

_____ \$45 donation to "ADOPT THREE GIRLS"

\$_____ donation to "ADOPT MANY GIRLS"

Contributors of \$100 or more will be thanked by name in the Math-Science Conference program.

Getting the Word Out

Newsletter Submission Guidelines

The deadline for the November newsletter is October 5th. Send your articles for that issue to the editor, Jennifer Hill, via email or mail.

Website Submissions

If you have any submissions for the branch website, send them via email to webmistress@aauw-redlands-ca.org.

The President's Corner

Have you noticed a new theme for AAUW? This past year there has been more of a focus on Education as the Gateway to Women's Economic Security. What might this mean to you? Whether you are mature and financially secure or just establishing stability with the position of your dreams, this topic has appeal for all of us. So many of you have empathy for those who may have made poor choices along the road of life and perhaps are not doing well financially. Our Program for October focuses on money and how to handle it. Invite others in the community to hear an expert provide focus and hopefully an approach that women should educate themselves and implement for the years ahead.

At convention last year in San Jose, there were several workshops on Economic Security. Education never ends and life is not stagnant. There is more to study and think about so we can plan our most rewarding future.

Volunteerism is the cornerstone of our organization. At the State level over 70 women and yes, even men members, donate their time to AAUW. In addition, there are 160 branches in California; all supported by the local Board of Directors and Program. Locally, we have over 40 members involved in the Board and Program. That is awesome. And yes, this is an appeal for you to participate at any level. We want to get to know you, so please come to Branch meetings or Interest Groups. Contact someone you know and invite her or him to attend a meeting of interest to you both. We have a lot to offer you and we will be enriched by your presence. Your support means a lot to us.

You may recall our Branch celebrates an anniversary this year. So does the Association. In California the Celebration will occur during our annual Convention held locally in Ontario. This is so close I hope many of you will be interested in attending. The Convention is April 28-29 with the Celebration on the 28th. I hope to see you there. It will be a weekend for networking, learning and mentoring.

Warm regards,
Sheron Bealer

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