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AAUW CELEBRATION EVENT & SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION

HOSTED BY: AAUW SAN RAMON

THURSDAY, MAY 13 7:00–8:30 PM ZOOM VIRTUAL EVENT (ZOOM LINK TO FOLLOW) (SEE PAGE 4 FOR DETAILS)

AAUW MISSION AND DIVERSITY STATEMENTS

American Association of University Women advances gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy. In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks an inclusive membership, workforce, leadership team, and board of directors. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of age, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, geographical location, national origin, race, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic status.

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Dear Members,

I would not have believed that, since writing last year's May Co-President's message, we would still be coping with continued social distancing, mask wearing, crowd avoidance, and a steady increase in new COVID cases. But, although the pandemic's challenges are still with us, we have miraculous vaccines that have helped to control the spread and protect vast numbers of the population, especially here in the US. There is reason to hope that we will soon be able to resume what we remember as a sense of some normalcy in our daily lives. Lucy and I sincerely hope that you and your families are healthy and weathering any personal hardships this crisis has caused.

This year the branch made adjustments as needed and, with the help of Zoom, we were able to keep in touch, accomplish branch business, attend programs, and continue to enjoy many of our interest groups. We embraced the new reality with a sense of purpose, learning new technologies and supporting each other through difficult times. A special **thank you** to Lucy Weed for skillfully facilitating the majority of this year's meetings, planning sessions, and programs!

Our new 2021–2022 Branch Board of Directors was unanimously elected at our April program. The installation will take place at the May 10 board meeting at 7:00 PM. All current and new board members are encouraged to attend to thank our outgoing and continuing members for their outstanding contributions. We are truly grateful for all your efforts this year. We also look forward to welcoming new members to the board.

We hope to see all of you at our **Annual Celebration Event and Scholarship Presentation** on **May 13**. Be sure to RSVP by **May 9**. Please refer to the **Evite** you received dated April 13 and page 4 for more details. An e-mail with the zoom link will be sent to positive RSVPs 1-2 days before the event.

As our branch year and our tenure as co-presidents comes to a close, we want to thank our wonderful board members, past and present, for your support and friendship over the last three years. It's been an honor and privilege to share the experience with you.

Chris Burchik & Lucy Weed Co-Presidents



The AAUW CA 2021 Annual Meeting was held via Zoom on April 17. It was well attended and began with the major accomplishments of the year presented in a creative musical "doodly" instead of a series of slides. In a year challenged by COVID, AAUW needed to "Paint a new canvas." There were new priorities including growth and sustainability, visibility, leadership, and expansion of opportunities for women and girls. Also emphasized were better alignment with AAUW National priorities and responsiveness to branch needs.

This year also introduced us to 23 topical webinars attended by 106 branches and 500 members. Communication efforts were strengthened with California Connection, Zoom training, and direct mail campaigns. The Finance update, State Project Grants, and Fund contributions (\$518,421.44) were positive highlights. Most inspiring was the introduction of the three Speech Trek finalists who presented their prerecorded videos on the subject of "Has social media helped or hindered the breaking down of barriers for women and girls?" Their insights were balanced and mature, and presented with passion and optimism.

The Public Policy segment, presented by Kathy Van Osten of the MVM Strategy Group, our legislative advocacy partner, outlined AAUW's support of legislation that particularly benefits women and girls. AAUW Board Chair Julia Brown addressed Embodying Equity. She emphasized the importance of AAUW remaining relevant to the needs of women and society as a whole in our everchanging world and discussed the need for the organization to embrace the removal of the degree requirement. Go to www.aauw-ca.org for all the details and a link to watch the event on YouTube.

Chris Burchik, Co-President

Local Scholarship

Program



Annual Celebration Event and Scholarship Presentation

> Thursday, May 13 7:00–8:30 P.M

Please join us for our annual celebration event and scholarship presentation!

Enjoy an overview of this unique year's highlights and challenges.

Meet our Branch Board of Directors for 2021–2022.

Congratulate our local scholarship recipients.

Share social time with other members in smaller group sessions.

Be sure to RSVP by May 9 to receive a sweet token of appreciation!

Your membership, support, and involvement have enriched our branch and helped to promote AAUW's mission of gender equity for women and girls. Thank you!

We hope to see you there.

Chris Burchik and Lucy Weed, Co-Presidents

For questions, please contact Chris Burchik.





The Local Scholarship Committee received six applications for our scholarship this year from girls planning to attend four-year universities or colleges this fall. Once again, these young women are quite an impressive group. They have demonstrated significant academic skills as well as accomplishments in athletics, science, music, leadership, and volunteer service. Many have also been deeply involved in other community and/or social activities.

Five of these students attend California High School and one attends Dougherty Valley High School. We are currently reviewing the application packets and will determine our recipients soon. Our recipients will be introduced briefly to the membership at our end of the year Zoom Celebration Event on May 13 and join us for the evening. In addition, I will share details regarding each of the chosen recipients in the next newsletter issue.

We thank all of our members who have made direct donations to Local Scholarship and/or have supported our fundraisers throughout the year. Your continued support and generosity have a significant direct and positive impact on the lives of the young women who are our scholarship recipients, both at the local high schools and the CSUEB Renaissance Scholars.

Susan Walker-Christensen Co-Vice President, Local Scholarship with Julie Gin and Loranne Weir

Happy May Birthdays

Fran Bartholomew Mercedes Daggett Kathleen Schaub Chris White Cindy Alpert Phyllis Combs Claire Mailhiot

Public Policy



Why It Matters

One of the key strategic focus areas for AAUW is women in leadership—in particular, the lack of women in key leadership positions. AAUW has conducted a number of research studies on this topic and you can find these on the AAUW website. Below is content from the AAUW website describing the current situation around women in leadership. I also urge you to read more about it in the reports AAUW published.

Leaky Pipelines

Recent federal, state, and local elections brought a surge of women leaders into public office. But while that progress is getting widespread attention, the reality is that women still lag far behind men when it comes to leadership roles. They remain significantly underrepresented at the highest rungs of almost every field: corporate, government, nonprofit, education, law, medicine, finance and banking, and the military. In 2020, there were only 36 women leading America's biggest companies—that's only about 7% of all Fortune 500 CEOs.

The problem is not a lack of qualified potential leaders to fill the roles. Women make up more than half of the US workforce and they receive the majority of university degrees at virtually every level. So, while qualified women are certainly in the pipeline, there are barriers and biases that keep them from attaining the highest—and most highly compensated—leadership roles.

Blatant sex discrimination remains an obstacle, as data from the US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission show. But subtler problems—such as negative stereotypes about women in leadership and hostile and unwelcoming environment in the boardroom or the C-suite—also keep women out of top spots. Unconscious or implicit bias can affect decisions about who moves into leadership roles.

Another factor: Balancing work and family responsibilities also presents challenges for women seeking leadership positions. Although gender roles are starting to shift, women are more likely than men to work irregularly, work part-time, or spend time out of the workforce because of caregiving responsibilities. What's more, because women tend to earn less than men, they are more likely to be the one to cut back on work to stay home with children. Having more women in leadership is essential from the standpoint of basic fairness, but also because doing so is good for business: Diversity in leadership benefits a company's bottom line.

Recruiting women into leadership roles will take a conscious effort on the part of employers to train and mentor promising employees and to set measurable goals to ensure their advancement. Diversity training can help reduce unconscious biases and family-friendly policies can make it easier for employees, regardless of gender, to blend their work and home responsibilities. Federal laws such as the Paycheck Fairness Act and the Family and Medical Insurance Leave Act will also help women advance.

The two studies available on the AAUW website are titled *Barriers & Bias: The Status of Women in Leadership* and *Broken Ladders: Barriers to Women's Representation in Non-Profit Leadership.* These reports provide background information to support the issue and resources and tools to help improve the situations.

In addition, AAUW provides other resources and tools to help women be successful leaders and advance through the ranks. Some of these include the Work Smart salary negotiation tool and the annual student leadership conference called National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL).

I encourage you to read these studies, learn more about the resources available, and share the information with women in leadership roles.

Thank you for your support!

Cindy Alpert Public Policy



Membership



Membership Matters

Membership Renewal Time Is Here!

AAUW branch memberships will expire on June 30, and our branch begins a new membership and fiscal year on July 1. A renewal notice is being sent out to all current members by e-mail, so please check your computer's inbox.

The simplest, fastest, and most efficient way to renew is by using a credit card to renew by e-mail. Look for an email message sent to you from memberinfo@aauw.org with the subject "AAUW Membership Renewal for Fiscal Year 2022" that will contain <u>your unique renewal link</u>. You'll see that you do not need to log in, just click and renew! It is that simple.

If you did not receive this e-mail message, please check your spam/junk folder and, if it is not there, just contact the Membership VPs and we can have it sent to you again. We strongly encourage you to renew using this e-mail link. It is quick and easy for you, and it saves time, resources, and money for the branch.

If you prefer to pay by check, please print the e-mail that you receive. Note any changes to your contact information on the form. Mail the form with your dues check payable to AAUW San Ramon to our VP of Finance: Claire Mailhiot, 70 Mesquite Lane, San Ramon, CA 94583.

As a reminder, AAUW Membership dues are now **\$102**. National dues are \$62, of which \$59 is tax deductible as a charitable contribution, and \$3 is not (because it supports the AAUW Action Fund's Section 501(c)(4) Lobby Corps and get-out-the-vote activities). California dues are \$20 and branch dues are \$20. Life members pay only state and branch dues and dual in-state members pay only branch dues.

Please consider including a donation to the **AAUW Fund** with your dues. If you renew via e-mailed link, you will be given the option to include a donation at that time. If you pay your dues by check, the donation can be paid with the

same check. For example, if your dues are \$102 and you wish to donate \$10, write a check for \$112.

Many thanks in advance to all members who renew before the end of June. It really makes a difference in helping the branch to run smoothly and frees up more of our time and energy to focus on accomplishing branch goals and fulfilling AAUW's mission.

Member Participation

We were so pleased to see 43 participants at our April 8 Zoom program presented by author, journalist and beekeeper Meredith May. We look forward to seeing you by Zoom at our End-of-the-Year Celebration on May 13. Thank you for your continued AAUW support and participation!

Member Spotlight

Rebecca Said

Birthplace and other places I've lived: I was born in Pasadena, California but grew up in Whittier California. When I was 10, my family moved to San Rafael, California. I have lived my entire life in California, splitting time between Northern and Southern California. So, I have lived in Berkeley, Northridge, Martinez, Novato, and San Luis Obispo. I currently live in El Cerrito with my 13-year-old toy poodle, Max.

Education: I graduated from Terra Linda High School in San Rafael before transferring to the UC System. I completed my freshman year at UC Davis and graduated with a BA from UC Berkeley. I have a MA from the California School of Professional Psychology. I also have an adult education credential.

Spouse: Have never been married and have no children.

<u>Current and Previous Employment</u>: I am a retired Probation Officer and worked for 21 years at the Marin County Probation Department, where I was an Assistant Supervisor for Felony Investigations. I wrote reports for the Superior Court recommending sentences for criminal offenders. I also worked in Juvenile Investigations and Adult Supervision. The most enjoyable part of this job was my experience working in the Superior Court system. I often describe this job as Social Worker/Lawyer and it was perfectly aligned with my talents and interests.

Membership continued on the next page

Membership, continued

After graduation from UC Berkeley, I moved to Southern California and eventually obtained employment as a computer systems analyst/programmer for Kaiser Permanente in Southern California. (How that happened was quite odd, as I had no formal experience with computers. I was enrolled in a graduate Public Health program and obtained an internship which led to the job.) I also worked as a programmer/analyst for an ARATEX corporation before returning to the Bay Area to pursue an advanced degree in Clinical Psychology. Had I known then about the advantages of a career in the tech sector, I might have chosen differently.

As part of my psychology program, I obtained internships with Bay Area Community Resources, and the Contra Costa County and Sonoma County Health Systems. These internships led to a position with Contra Costa County Health Services doing counseling, assessments and crisis intervention at the county jail. After being laid off, I received my offer from Marin County Probation, where I worked until retirement.

After retirement, I moved to San Luis Obispo, where I had obtained a fellowship with the California Superior Court system. Unfortunately, due to the recession, this move did not result in the career change that I had expected, so I returned to the Bay Area.

I worked as a substitute teacher for Contra Costa County Schools and became an Adult Education instructor in Parenting/Substance Abuse at the West County Detention Facility for several years. I must admit that two years ago, I decided that I had had enough of working with criminal offenders and resigned to become a periodic substitute teacher with the West Contra Costa Unified School District.

<u>Current Interests and Pastimes</u>: I love to read and have been reading more since quarantine. I have had a lifelong passion for mystery and detective fiction. However, involvement in the book discussion groups with AAUW has encouraged me to read outside this genre, and I have relished the opportunity to read more nonfiction and mainstream novelists.

At the encouragement of my sister-in-law, Margo James, I have also been learning and playing Bridge since the quarantine. I also have been doing much more knitting since the lockdowns. I enjoy making infant/toddler clothes and, since our family is starting to grow, I have an incentive to make more articles of clothing.

Before the quarantine, I was a long-term volunteer with Contra Costa Animal Services and worked at the Pinole location in Lost and Found and adoptions. I also worked with an organization called Writer Coach Connection, helping high school English students with their writing.

<u>Memorable Experiences/Adventures/Accomplishments</u>: I was marginally involved with AAUW San Ramon for several years helping raise scholarship money at the Art and Wind Festival. I worked with Margo and really enjoyed this experience—which became our Memorial Day Tradition.

Alice Miller Co-Vice President, Membership with Betsy Hoffmann and Margo James







Fund

Fund Luncheon Fellows Highlight

Following is our continuing series of articles to highlight the inspiring work of our AAUW American Fellows as presented during the October 2020 Webinar (https://www.aauw-ca.org/aauw-fund-luncheons/). By sharing the stories of these dedicated women, we hope this will allow us to inspire you to donate generously to AAUW FUND which enables these women to continue their important work.

How Can YOU help?

Our San Ramon Branch is trying to raise an additional **\$2,500 by June of 2021.**

How to Donate

Simply click the following link: <u>https://sanramon-ca.aauw.net/give-now/</u>. Select "Use My Gift Where It Is Needed Most (Greatest Needs Fund)" and don't forget to use your AAUW Member ID so our branch receives the credit!

You can also add additional monies to your membership renewal and let it be known that you wish for it to go to AAUW FUND.

American Fellowships

Name: Constance Iloh Award Year: 2020–21 Award: American Fellowship Institution: University of California, Irvine Location: Irvine, California Discipline: Education Degree and Specialization: Postdoctoral, Anthropology Project Name: Exploring the College-Going Decisions and Trajectories of Low-Income Single Mothers of Color

Constance Iloh is an anthropologist of education known for her cutting-edge research and conceptual frameworks that advance understanding of educational inequities, institutional culture, and social contexts. One of her recent contributions includes "The Iloh Model of College-Going Decisions and Trajectories." She has shared her expertise with NBC Universal, Telemundo, and Michelle Obama's Reach Higher Campaign to name a few. Iloh is one of the few academics ever named to the Forbes "30 Under 30" list.

She has found that 90% of single mothers of color are classified as low income and that 94% of single mothers of color have no college education which leaves them disadvantaged when trying to earn a livable wage. Colleges and universities also inadequately serve these women and lack supportive programs to help them in their quest to obtain an education while raising children. She does not see this changing in the foreseeable future.

Some quotes from single mothers in Constance's research are below.

It hit me and this really resonates because I am a single mother. Each college f've been to is its own kind <u>dead-beat father</u>. Society has an idea about what fathers should be. The world has an idea about what college should be. But at so many points, that protection, that opportunity, that guidance, it failed me. I am honestly nervous to give any other place a try.

When I was at my first community college it was just rough. There was really no kind of compassion or organization. I am older and working and providing for a kid. Then I have to go to a school where you have to talk to eight people to get one answer.

SWARON, PARTICIPANT

To listen to Constance's actual presentation, simply click on the following link: <u>https://www.aauw-ca.org/aauwfund-luncheons/</u>. She presented on October 24, 2020; her presentation begins 37 minutes into the webinar.

Respectfully, Elaine Graves and Pamela Bugbee Co-Vice Presidents, FUND

Tech Trek



The branch is sponsoring five 7th grade San Ramon girls for the 2021 virtual Tech Trek camps that begin next month. Three of the girls are from Gale Ranch Middle School and two are from Windemere Ranch Middle School. Four of the girls elected to attend the first week, June 21–25, and one elected the last week, July 26–30. They are all very excited, anticipating a stimulating and fun summer adventure into the STEM world. Camp materials for the robotics project and afternoon workshops along with Tech Trek tee shirts and other "goodies" will be delivered to each camper by branch volunteers two weeks prior to camp.

This 2021 virtual camp can still use additional adult help. Branch members can volunteer for a variety of roles, including instructor or coach in a break-out room. This year, it's possible to volunteer without leaving home. Please contact Cordelia or Marielle if you are interested.

For the past two years Tech Trek has been changing, mainly in reaction to the pandemic. The creation of the virtual Tech Trek camp is an exciting, innovative response to the pandemic challenges. Looking toward the future, the AAUW California Board of Directors has formed the Tech Trek of the Future Task Force to chart a course to make Tech Trek the premier STEM camp in California. The Task Force asked camp directors, state leaders, branch coordinators, and treasurers, "What would your dream Tech Trek program look like in the future?" The Task Force is reviewing the responses and will develop a preliminary strategic plan for the future Tech Trek.

Our 2021 Tech Trek campers will be invited to the branch September membership event. This will provide branch members an opportunity to meet the young women and hear about their camp experiences, what they liked, what they learned, and how it changed their lives. Please plan to attend.

Thank you to all the members who have and continue to support Tech Trek.

Cordelia Hwang Co-Coordinator with Marielle Boortz

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One of the silver linings of this pandemic is our technology growth, both personally and as an organization.

I would like to thank those of you that have actively participated in our social media: Facebook and Instagram. Not just hitting the "like" button but also hitting the "share" button. When you "share" your friends see our news, and if they "like" it their friends will see it. This helps our news spread, and we hope entices others to join us.

Those of you that are on Facebook or Instagram, may hit the "like" page button (Facebook) or "follow" button (Instagram).

You don't have to be a member to follow our group. Anyone can follow/like our pages. It helps our pages get visibility.

Let's keep learning together!

Isabel Lau Communication



Communication

Interest Groups

GAME NIGHT

First Saturday Saturday, May 1; 7:30 PM Via Zoom Information about the Zoom call will be sent prior to the date. Questions? Contact Lucy Weed

LUNCH BUNCH First Tuesday Tuesday, May 4; 12:30 PM Via Zoom

This will be another virtual Lunch Bunch meeting as we continue to battle COVID. Your Zoom link will be sent to you via e-mail. To join the e-mail reminder list, contact: Marsha Froines

DAYTIME READERS Second Monday Monday, May 10; 1:00–3:00 PM Via Zoom

Rebecca Said will review *The Snowman* by Jo Nesbo. For questions, or to be put on the e-mail distribution list to receive a Zoom invitation, please contact Margo James

THE NIGHT BOOK GROUP Third Monday

Monday, May 17; 7:00 PM Via Zoom Kathleen Schaub will review *When Breath Becomes Air*, by Paul Kalanithi Questions? Contact Cheri Ng



Interest Groups

BRIDGE Third Tuesday Tuesday, May 18; 7:00–10:00 PM Via Zoom and BridgeBase

Hostess: Chris White

Our AAUW bridge will be via Zoom and BridgeBase. If you would like to be included in this group, please RSVP: **Contact Chris White** <u>as soon as possible</u> to let me know if you are playing <u>or not</u>.

Questions? Contact Chris White

FOURTH FRIDAY FLICKS (FFF) Friday, May 28; 7:30 PM We desperately need people to sign up to be an Organizer for May 28, June 25, July 23, and August 27.

We have had some great discussions on the movies that have been recommended. Thank you Diane Griffiths and Mary Venkat for the last two months' discussions. The duties of the Organizer are

- 1. Pick a movie for the group to watch prior to our discussion date, and then
- 2. Lead a discussion relating to the movie.

That's it!

Chris White will e-mail the group and organize the Zoom link!

Please sign up to help!

If you have questions or wish to volunteer to be an Organizer during 2021, please contact Chris White

TRAVEL GROUP

Travel Group is on hiatus until the fall, when we hope to resume our normal in-person group gatherings. By that time, hopefully everyone will have received their vaccinations and be comfortable meeting in person. Let's keep our fingers crossed! Anne Hayden Renae Buckser

Support Our Donors

More than just restaurants!

The following is an updated list of Tri-Valley businesses who generously donated gift certificates and cards as well as items or services to our last Gala Fundraiser in 2019. In the spirit of mutual support, we encourage our members to patronize the following businesses AND let them know you are from the San Ramon Branch of AAUW. These businesses need our support now more than ever!

Alamo Ace Hardware-Blackhawk, Amici's East Coast Pizzeria and Pasta, Bankhead Theater, Basque Boulangerie Bakery, Beau & Bella A Modern Day Spa, Bent Creek Winery in Livermore, Big Five, Black Angus, Blackhawk Auto Museum, BR Nails, Brass Door Restaurant, Bridges Golf Course, Bridges Restaurant, Buckhorn Grill, Burma Experience Restaurant-Pleasanton, Café Attila, Cambiati Wellness, Canyon Lakes Golf and Brewery, Chamois Carwash-Blackhawk, Cheesecake Factory, Chili's, Christine's Beauty Salon, Cinemark-Blackhawk, Club Sport, Concannon Winerv, Costco, Crow Canyon Country Club, Dairy Queen, Dana's Restaurant, Danville Chocolates, Danville Bowl, Danville Olde Town Bakery, Dublin Iceland, Dublin Ranch Golf Course, Earl Anthony's Dublin Bowl (temporarily closed), Edible Arrangements-Blackhawk, El Charro Restaurant, Elements Massage, Esin Restaurant, Frankie, Johnny & Luigi Too, Gianni's, Golden Sand Harbor Restaurant, Habit Burger Grill, Heller Jewelers, Home Depot, Hop Yard American Alehouse & Grill, Joy Perkins (Omnibus Organizing), Katy's Korner, Law Offices of Patricia Leong, Linda Hamilton (LuLaRoe Clothing), Lindsay Wildlife Experience, Locanda Ravello, Luna Loca, Lunardi's Market, Ma Jolie Salon, Main Street Kitchen-Walnut Creek, Marine Mammal Center, Mark Stephenson-Photographer, Martial Arts America, McDonald's, Mod Pizza, Mountain Mike's Pizza, New Moon Restaurant, Nob Hill Foods, Noland's Cake Shop, Nothing Bundt Cakes-Dublin, Oakland Zoo, Oksana Elegant Grooming, Pacific Catch, Panda Express, Patxi's Pizza, Peet's Coffee & Tea, Pete's Brass Rail & Car Wash, Quarry Hill Botanical-Glen Ellen, Rakestraw Books, Rigatoni's, Rolls Deli (temporarily closed), San Ramon Marriott, Shabu Shabu, Shampooches, Sky Terrace Vineyard, Sports Basement-San Ramon, Sprouts, Starbucks (any), Strizzi's, Subway, Target-San Ramon, Terra Cotta Outdoor Living, The Lot, Three Brothers from China, Trader Joe's, True Food Kitchen-WC, UPS Store-Marketplace, Walmart, Worth Group (Peasant and Pear), Yersen's Gelato Cakes, Zachary's Pizza-San Ramon







May 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Fríday	Saturday
						1 7:30 PM Game Night Lucy Weed
2	3	4 12:30 PM Lunch Bunch Marsha Froines	5	6	7	8
9	10 1:00 PM Daytime Readers Margo James 7:00 PM Board Meeting Lucy Weed	11	12	13 7:00 PM End-of-Year Celebration Chris Burchik	14	15 Newsletter deadline
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Snippets

We NEED Snippets to help keep our lives interesting during COVID!

If you have a Snippet item (family events, career changes, etc.) that you would like to share with branch members, please contact Marsha Froines. **This column depends on member contributions**.