

OUR REPORT

American Association of University Women

Ontario-Upland-Rancho Branch

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Luncheon via ZOOM

Please join us for our

AAUW Branch Meeting

Saturday, September 12, 2020

via Zoom from 10:30-12:00

Please "zoom in" for the following important events:

- .Presentation of awards:
 - .Scholarship—recipients will be present to speak
 - .Named Gift Honoree—Barbara Hughbanks
 - .Status of Women— Linda Rice recipient
- .Approval of our budget
- .Installation of officers
- .Introduction of both the elected and appointed boards
- .The opportunity to hear about our various interest groups

Information that will assist you in logging into Zoom will be e-mailed to you a couple of days prior to our meeting.

Please invite a family member or friend to Zoom with us for this meeting.

Do join us for "virtual brunch" with your favorite pastry & beverage of choice

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Welcome back for another exciting year with OUR AAUW. We are ready to start our 2020-2021 year with many returning members of AAUW and a few new ones.

Unfortunately, AAUW is not sanctioning any in-person meetings at this time or in the foreseeable future. It appears that this restriction could remain in effect through January 2021. The decision is based partly on insurance concerns and their guidance is in adherence with California mandates and in the best interests of all of our members. AAUW believes that if we remain safe today we will be able to enjoy gatherings in the future. Therefore, we must Zoom.

At a recent meeting, the Board approved the purchase of the Zoom Pro package which allows for unlimited time for meetings. We have used it for Board meetings, Great Decisions, and the Book Group. We will be using Zoom for our September 12th Membership meeting which would, under normal circumstances, be held at the Red Hill Country Club. This will be an interesting meeting and you can read all about it in this newsletter. We are novices when it comes to Zoom and problems can arise at any time. If you need assistance in using Zoom, someone will try to assist you. We would like **everyone** to attend this meeting.

For the past five months, Board members have been calling all OUR AAUW members to check in and see how each is handling the pandemic. We found our members to be surviving well and finding new ways to thrive. We are now going to institute a Branch Happy Hour via Zoom. This will allow all our members to stay in touch with each other. Beginning in September, we will meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 5:00 PM to simply visit with AAUW friends whom you cannot see in person. The first Happy Hour will be Wednesday, September 9th. That is a few days prior to the Membership meeting and a good time to see how Zoom works for you, if you have not used it previously. So bring your glass of wine or ice tea to the computer or iPad and spend an hour with your friends. Watch for your Zoom invitation.

If you have not yet paid your AAUW dues for 2020-21, please do so. Due to the pandemic, fund raising has been and will be limited for months to come. The mission and goals of AAUW are as important as ever. We need to grow our Branch to achieve those goals. Please invite a friend, neighbor, co-worker, or husband/partner to join in the fight for equality. Invite someone to the September 12th meeting to share AAUW with them. It is a gift to be shared.

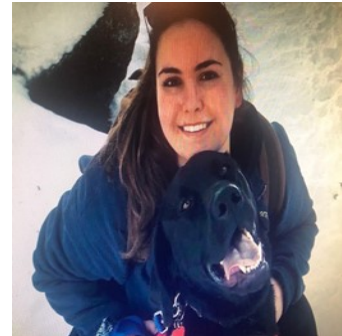
Joyce Paul, OUR President

SEPTEMBER Board Meeting

The next OUR Branch Board Meeting
will be Tuesday, September 1
Via ZOOM

6:30 Board Meeting
Please RSVP to 909 463-3804 or
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MEMBERSHIP



We welcome Jessica Westbrook to AAUW. Jessica has the distinction of being a third generation AAUW member. Because of her family ties to AAUW (mother, Judy Westbrook, grandmother, Kathleen Kinley), Jessica has attended many events over the years, including our annual tea parties and, as a child, several Chaffey College TechTrek events.

Moving to the present, Jessica graduated this year from Cal Poly Pomona majoring in E-business with an emphasis in E-commerce and a minor in organizational communication. Her current goal is to work for a humane organization in which her skills in database analysis and supply chain coordination may be utilized. Jessica's strong computer skills will certainly be an asset in her profession.

When asked about her interest in joining any of our various AAUW groups, Jessica responded "Great Decisions appeals to me because it allows a safe place for discussion on important topics."

When having some free time, Jessica enjoys hiking, traveling, new cuisines, and loves to spoil her Labrador Retriever Kylo.

Jessica added that she is looking forward to meeting everyone and attending some of the events hosted by AAUW, particularly alongside her mother and grandmother.

Pat Kersbergen, Membership VP

Birthday Bash

Join us to celebrate August and September birthdays on **Thursday, September 25 at 6:00 p.m. on ZOOM**

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Annie Atiyeh — 5

Joyce Rau --7

Glenda Sherertz --9

Marsha Whittingham -13

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Patty Dunkin — 16

Sue Smith — 21

Cathy Reaves — 25

Martha Gerety — 29

All are welcome to attend and a ZOOM meeting link will be sent to everyone.

Let us know if we have missed your birthday.

Carolann Ford, Birthday Bash Chair

GREAT DECISIONS



THE PHILIPPINES AND THE U.S.

The Philippines has had a special relationship with the United States since the islands were ceded by Spain to the United States after the Spanish-American War at the end of the 19th century. However, since the election of Rodrigo Duterte, the country has pivoted more toward China, and away from the U.S. Duterte has also launched a largescale war on drugs that many criticize for its brutality. What does the future hold for U.S. relations with the Philippines?

On **Monday, October 5, at 6 p.m.**, we will be meeting via ZOOM to discuss Ch. 7 in the Great Decisions booklet. All are welcome to join. Watch for the Zoom meeting invitation in your email.

Carolann Ford, Great Decisions Chair

Membership



Maria Marvosh is a rejoining member of AAUW after a couple of years away recently. Maria's AAUW membership began in the 1970's when she worked in Palo Alto, CA. Moving to Upland in 1997, Maria joined the OUR AAUW branch to meet new friends and enjoy the activities. These friendships remain strong today.

Maria retired in 2013 and developed her interest in photography, exhibiting and selling her work. She maintains an ongoing exhibit at the Pomona Valley Art Association SOHO Gallery in the Montclair Mall. Maria also adopted a Bichon Freze-Poodle mix, Ollie (pictured with Maria) who is certified in pet therapy. Ollie goes to San Antonio Hospital once a week, San Antonio Gardens skilled nursing facility, local colleges during finals time, and to La Verne Elementary School (Pomona USD) for their pet therapy children's reading program. Due to Covid 19, these activities are temporarily suspended.

Maria continues to enjoy playing bridge weekly; for now, it's bridge on line! She takes Zoom art lessons, goes to Pilates, and reads history and mystery books.

Welcome back, Maria!

Pat Kersbergen, Membership VP

**If you know of someone who is ill,
has had a death in the family, or just
needs a friendly "hello,"**

please call our Correspondence

Secretary

Diane Webster

at

818-515-3946



BOOK GROUP

Our next AAUW book group meeting will be Thursday, September 10th at 3pm via Zoom, and the book that was chosen is: **The Silent Patient** by Alex Michaelides. It is a psychological thriller of a woman's act of violence towards her husband and her therapist's obsession with uncovering her motive. So happy reading, and I hope to see you all (on Zoom) on the 10th of September

Cathy Reaves, Book Group Chair



YAA GYASI

Tuesday, September 1, 2020 | This digital event will start at 5pm PT.

Bestselling author **Yaa Gyasi** joins PEN Out Loud to celebrate the publication of her powerful and multilayered novel, *Transcendent Kingdom*. In this timely narrative, Gyasi demonstrates her range and ambition in a book that is vastly different from her lauded debut, *Homegoing* (which was an AAUW OUR Book Group selection last September). She will be joined in conversation with bestselling author **Roxane Gay** to discuss her new novel, which focuses on the life of a family of Ghanaian immigrants in Huntsville, Alabama wrestling with faith, science, race, and the legacy of unmanageable loss.

Presented in collaboration with Strand Book Store and Scripps

Tickets for this program are available [now!](#)

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BRIDGE I

Still cancelled because of Covid-19.

BRIDGE II

Still cancelled because of Covid-19

MOVIE GROUP

Still cancelled because of Covid-19

WALKING GROUP

Still cancelled because of Covid-19

NEED HELP GETTING ON ZOOM?

If you are not familiar with how to participate in a ZOOM meeting, please ask one of OUR members for assistance prior to the date of the meeting. In general, you just need to download the ZOOM application from zoom.us. When you want to join the meeting, click on the application and follow the prompts to join a meeting. Your computer MUST have a camera. You can also use a Smart Phone or an iPad. If you have neither, it is possible to join by voice only tele-conference. For MAC /iPad questions, contact Paul Gomez, 909-238-6444. For PC help, contact Diane Webster, 909-985-8296 or Joyce Paul, 909-463-3804.

SCHOLARSHIP WINE TASTING EVENT

The Scholarship Wine Tasting Event for this year has been rescheduled from its usual November date to April. As soon as I firm up the date with the Museum, I will let you know. We look forward to seeing you there
Gloria Romero, Wine Tasting Event Chair



AAUW says reflect on the progress we've made and stand strong in the fight for a fairer future

In this year, the centennial of the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment, AAUW has not stopped working for women's protection and equal rights. While there is much reason for celebration of progress, AAUW knows there is much more to be accomplished.

The Aileen Rizo case, has been closed. Rizo moved from Arizona to Fresno to work as a math consultant for the school district. During her first year, she overheard another new hire say that he was placed at Step 9 on the salary scale – she had been placed on Step 1. She had two master's degrees, while he had none, and she had more teaching experience.

She was told that her salary was based on her prior Arizona salary plus 5%. This was in 2009; it took years to move through appeals to the Ninth Circuit court, which originally found in favor of the school district. AAUW joined an amicus brief in support of Rizo's petition for rehearing en banc — in front of all the judges of a court rather than only a selected panel — and urged the Ninth Circuit to reconsider.

Which it did, ruling that basing compensation on prior salary alone was carrying past inequities forward and perpetuating that cycle, contrary to the Equal Pay Act. Her employer appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court and on July 2nd they voted to let the 9th Circuit opinion stand. Rizo is currently an adjunct professor at Fresno State and is running for a seat in the State Assembly in November.

Still, in 2020, women working full time in the U.S. are paid 82 cents to every dollar earned by men. Latinas are paid 52 cents to every dollar earned by non-Hispanic white men, and Black women are paid 62 cents in comparison. Older women are also at a disadvantage. AAUW research shows that women stand to lose \$406,760 over a 40-year career compared to male counterparts (see <https://www.aauw.org/resources/article/older-women-pay-gap/>).

And still, the AAUW fights for the passage and ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment. Many of us have watched the Hulu series “Mrs. America,” revolving around Phyllis Schlafly, Shirley Chisholm, Bella Abzug, and Gloria Steinem, among others. An interesting addition to the historical conflict of the 1970s is an AAUW webinar with Marjorie Spruill called “Mrs. America: Women's Rights, Family Values and Politics.” The 1970s split between women has grown until today, she says: “these tensions that divided women continue to divide and polarize the whole country.” On a more positive note, she maintains that “women are going to decide the 2020 election.” (<https://www.aauw.org/resources/member/initiatives/2020-convening/>)

Kathy Henkins, Public Policy Chair

LWV/Propositions/LACIC ZOOM MEETING

CUR Branch has been invited to participate in this League of Women Voters presentation at a LA County Interbranch Council meeting on **Sunday, September 13 at 2 p.m. on Zoom.**

There are twelve ballot measures that have qualified via the CA Secretary of State's office for the November 3rd ballot. The subject matter ranges from continued funding for stem cell research, another attempt to decouple the original Prop 13, reinstating affirmative action in higher education, lowering the voting age in primary elections, property tax relief for senior citizens and severely disabled, expanding local governments' ability to enact rent control, and the Uber/Lyft independent contractor measure among others.

To make sense of all these propositions and more, we will have Nancy Mahr, a League of Women Voters member as well as an active AAUW member from the Palos Verdes Peninsula branch. Nancy is past chair of AAUW CA's Public Policy Committee on which she currently serves and a veteran of many LWV ballot presentations. In keeping with current AAUW policy, the meeting will be on ZOOM. We will start at 2PM on Sunday, 9-13-20 and plan to end by 4PM. ZOOM ID is 894 8312 2800 and the passcode is 623533.

Alternately, the link to the meeting is [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89483122800?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89483122800?pwd=cHRHNjIhR01XSDBhY3QvY0I2b2p0UT09)

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If you wish to attend, please contact Deanna Arthur at deannaaaauw@gmail.com or 626-818-6536 (c)

Ontario-Upland-Rancho Cucamonga (OUR) Branch of AAUW 2020-2021 General Budget

		2019-20	2019-20	2020-21
INCOME		Budget	Actuals	Budget
Retained Earnings-Balance Forward		\$ 4,874.18	\$ 4,874.18	\$ 4,381.87
National & State Dues		2,500.00	2,138.50	2,500.00
Branch Dues		1,000.00	507.00	550.00
Program - Meals		3,000.00	2,550.00	2,550.00
General Fund			150.00	
Name Tags			60.00	
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 11,374.18	\$ 10,279.68	\$ 9,981.87
EXPENSES		Budget	YTD	Budget
National & State Dues		2,500.00	2,073.81	2,500.00
Branch Dues		-	-	-
Postage and P.O. Box		150.00	92.00	100.00
Program - Meals		3,000.00	2,895.86	2,500.00
Directories		100.00	258.18	100.00
Admin. Expense		600.00	349.43	500.00
Convention		500.00	-	500.00
Status of Women		75.00	40.95	75.00
Name Tags			60.00	
Website			-	-
Misc.			127.58	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 6,925.00	\$ 5,897.81	\$ 6,275.00
RETAINED EARNINGS		\$ 4,449.18		\$ 3,706.87
Balance June 30, 2021		\$ 11,374.18	\$ 4,381.87	\$ 9,981.87
Budget amounts for 2019-20 & 2020-21				
Actuals for 2019-20 including Retained Earnings				
Budgeted Retained Earnings for 2019-20 & 2020-21				
Actual Retained Earnings for 2019-20 which are carried over to 2020-21 Budget				

The AAUW-OUR budget must be voted on by the general membership. The board has recommended approval of the 2020-21 budget. The vote will take place at the Membership Brunch on September 12th.

THIS AND THAT

July 28, 2020

Fox Business News:

Google announces new underwater internet cable network to connect US, UK, Spain. The cable, called the **Grace Hopper**, named after American Computer scientist Grace Brewster Murray Hopper, will become one of Google's four privately funded subsea cables

OUR New 2020 Beverly Brennan Chaffey College Scholarship Winners

My name is Kennedy Dizon and I am a twenty-year old working college student, striving to get my bachelor's and master's degree in communicative disorders. I recently transferred from Chaffey Community College to California State University Fullerton for this upcoming Fall semester. When I graduated high school, I did not know what career choice I had a passion for or any particular major I wanted to pursue. I always knew I wanted to work with children and chose a profession where I could meet their needs. While I was attending Chaffey College, I was able to decide on a major that would allow me to work with a population of kids that have special needs in the area of communication. This really interested me because I can work with small groups of children that really need support and encouragement.

After my first year, I chose to declare my major in communicative disorders, with the hope to eventually become a speech pathologist. This would allow me to assist children who have speech impairments. Once I completed two years at Chaffey College, I received my Associates Degree in Communications and finished all of my general education in order to transfer to a university. I then applied and received offers to attend Cal State Fullerton and California Baptist University. Fullerton has always been my first choice since high school, but unfortunately, during that time, I was waitlisted. Although the opportunity was not there for me two years ago, I tried again and worked even harder to maintain a high GPA. I have always drawn strength from the strong women that have surrounded me growing up. They have supported and inspired me to be the best that I can. Therefore, the determination to do even better than before, and not get defeated after the first try, allowed me to get into my dream school for the major that I am so passionate about.

I would like to thank The American Association of University Women for assisting me in achieving my dream as well as supporting other women in their life goal.



Kennedy Dizon



Serina Donaldson

My name is Serina Donaldson and I am a graduate student from Chaffey College and will be transferring to San Diego State University this fall majoring in Speech-Language and Hearing Sciences. Reflecting on my time at Chaffey College I am proud to say that I gained an enriched and personal education. Chaffey College offers students the ability to not only save money on tuition but to build relationships amongst their peers and the staff. If given the chance to start my education over I will always choose to attend Chaffey College and recommend others to look into community college. I am an aspiring Speech-Language Pathologist with the plan to work alongside children in a hospital setting. By becoming a Speech-Language Pathologist I am able to execute my passion for helping others while being a constant motivating factor throughout their journey. When I envision my future career as a Speech-Language Pathologist I am filled with excitement knowing I have the ability to have a lasting impact on individuals' lives. I am also grateful to express that I am a recipient of the AAUW-OUR Chaffey College Student Transfer Scholarship. By being awarded this scholarship I have been given the opportunity to continue through my educational journey and reach my goals of success. When I received the news of being a recipient I was filled with the utmost appreciation and gratitude for this opportunity. When I think of my upcoming years of college I am no longer full of uneasy anticipation of how I will be able to continue my education through grad school but instead, I am brought to the mindset that it is possible.



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Mission Statement:

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

California AAUW Image Statement:

AAUW is California's most active and diverse organization for women offering action for equity, personal and professional growth, community leadership and friendship.

Diversity Statement:

In principle 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, or disability.

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