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OUR REPORT

American Association of University Women

Ontario-Upland-Rancho-Branch

NOVEMBER EVENTS

Wednesday November 2 Bridge 1

Saturday November 5 Branch Meeting

Monday November 7 GREAT DECISIONS

Tuesday November 8 BOARD MEETING

Wednesday November 9 Writers Workshop

Thursday November 10 BOOK GROUP

Saturday November 12 Fellows Fund Event

> Tuesday November 15 Bridge 2

Thursday November 17 At the Movies

Saturday November 19 Walking Group

Thursday November 24 HAPPY THANKSGIVING

SAVE THIS DATE

Friday
December 16
HOLIDAY PARTY

Saturday April 15, 2023 WINE TASTING



Program

Guest Speaker: Sharnika Freeman, San Bernardino Sheriff for the Department of Behavioral Health

Date: Saturday, November 5th, 2022

Time: 10:00 am

Location: Your Home Via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82164214128? Pwd=QzRPejg4VkV2aWFONUZ0cTBBeFhoZz09

Meeting ID: 821 6421 4128

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We are pleased to welcome Ms. Sharnika Freeman, a San Bernardino Sheriff for the Department of Behavioral Health to speak to us about Identity Theft and Senior Scams. Ms. Freeman has worked for the County of San Bernardino for 7 years and has been a part of the Probation Department and the Sheriff's Department. She is the mother of three beautiful children and loves her job because she can help others.

Please plan on joining us for this interesting presentation and as always, please invite a spouse, significant other or friend to attend.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

If you missed the webinars for the AAUW Funds events for October, there is still one you can catch on November 12 at 10:00. To register for the last Fund event go to www.aauw-ca.org. You will hear how your AAUW Funds donations are actually benefitting individuals and communities.

AAUW National provided six million dollars to fund women pursuing academic work or leading innovative community projects for 2022-2023. Learn more about the 2023-24 AAUW Fellowships and Grants Program HERE. The application period opens in November.

As always **Gloria Hailes**, Vice President for AAUW Fund, did an outstanding job with the fundraiser at the Outback. She expanded the program to two days and it was a huge success. Thank you, Gloria, for all the effort and hours of hard work that it took to make this event so successful. Thank you to all of you who attended and who bought tickets for your family members, friends, neighbors, or co-workers. Your support means so much to the women who receive the fellowships and grants. You are making a difference in their lives.

Joyce Lazalde has planned a very informative program on identity theft and senior scams for November 5th. This is a very timely topic as the scams and thefts that are occurring daily are becoming increasingly more complex and difficult to detect. The program will be via Zoom.

November 8th is Election Day! As members of AAUW, we certainly know how important this day is to all of us. Be sure to vote and be sure to be an informed voter. Every vote does count. It is a precious right that we cannot take for granted. November 11th is Veteran's Day. We are certainly grateful to all those who have served our country. Let's remember to thank them.

Thanksgiving is November 24th and it is my sincere wish that each of you can spend this day with people whom you love and who love you. We can be so thankful that this year we can meet in person and that our loved ones are with us.

The month nearly closes with November 29th designated as "Giving Tuesday". It is a time when people donate to their favorite charities. When doing that, please consider donations to OUR AAUW Scholarship, Tech Trek, and Community Project programs. We make a difference in our own community. Thank you for all that you do for OUR AAUW.

Joyce Paul, OUR President

NOVEMBER Board Meeting

The next OUR Branch Board Meeting will be Tuesday, November 8

6:30 Board Meeting 7:30 Social Please RSVP to 909 463-3804 or joycem.paul@yahoo.com

Tech Trek Continues to Evolve and Involve

We are awaiting plans for Tech Trek 2023. Members who are interested in being involved in raising funds for campers, selecting girls for virtual or in-person camps, or promoting women in STEM fields please let me know and I will share news when I receive it. Meanwhile Vernon Middle School in Montclair intends to honor our own Tech Trek Alumnae coordinator and student branch member Leticia Fernandez. Leticia attended Vernon when she was selected to attend Tech Trek at UC Santa Barbara and has attended every Tech Trek camps since as a counselor or dorm mother. Alyssa Tronoso who presented her story board at OUR September meeting is a current student at Vernon. Alyssa will be on hand when Leticia is recognized by OUR member Judy Westbrook. The date and time for the recognition is pending. We are also waiting to hear about Chaffey College's plans for celebrating women in STEM fields. Last year they did a Zoom meeting in February of Chaffey College alumnae who have gone on to exemplary careers in STEM. Kathy Kinley, Tech Trek Branch Coordinator



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

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Birthday Bash

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, we will be celebrating November, December & January Birthdays in January.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Patti Lloyd -- 6 Evelyn Cloyd — 7 Diane McVicker -- 7 Allison Burgess -- 24

Let us know if we have missed your birthday.

Carolann Ford, Birthday Bash Chair

GREAT DECISIONS NO END IN SIGHT: A CENTURY OF DRUG WARS



Have harsh drug control policies caused more harm than good?

The issue of migration to the United States from Latin America has overshadowed the war on drugs, which has been underway for decades with little signs of progress. What are the roots and the bureaucratic logic behind today's dominant drug policies in Latin America? Is it time to reconsider punitive drug policies that disrupt supply chains and punish drug possession?

On **Monday, November 7, at 5:30** we will meet at Giuseppe's at 2433 N. Euclid Ave. Upland (above Oakmont Senior Living) to discuss **Ch. 6**. Please text or email your rsvp to **Mary Peat** @ 909-244-8246 or marycpeat@gmail.com

Here are the Great Decisions topics for 2023.
Energy Geopolitics, War Crimes, China and the U.S., Economic Warfare, Politics in Latin America, Global Famine, Iran at a Crossroads, Climate Migration

Please let me know if your would like to join our interest group and purchase a booklet. For more information about Foreign Policy Association and to access some extra topics, go to fpa.org

Carolann Ford, Great Decisions Chair carolan4re@aol.com

Involvement Opportunity: Community Service Update

Thanks to all who have donated this past month. With your support, OUR AAUW Local Branch's 2022 Community Service project is well on its way to meeting its goal to provide the first delivery of toiletry packets to help homeless female students at Chaffey High School. We plan to deliver 50 packets before students break for Thanksgiving. Wednesday, November 16 is the target! We will succeed with your participation and generous support, so please continue to donate needed items—toothpaste and deodorant especially.

How can you help? Here's what all members can do to participate. Simply add any number of the needed items to your cart as you shop—Dollar Tree and 99 Cent Store, even Target have \$1.00 tubes of toothpaste in the *Travel Items* section! Then when you attend any Branch sponsored activity or interest group, bring the items along and drop them in the collection bags that your host will provide—Board Meetings, Book Club, Bridge I & II, Great Decisions, Out & About, and monthly Branch Program events. If you prefer, monetary donations are welcome also—just note "Community Service Project" on your check or note included with the donation.

Here are the latest items and number still needed:

Toothpaste: Aim; Colgate; Crest can be found at both Dollar Tree and 99 CENT STORE or Target: **43 tubes still needed**

Deodorant: Any brand for females: 37 still needed

Shampoo & Conditioner sold in one package at Dollar Store OR a 2-in-1 Shampoo Conditioner like Pert: 5 only are needed

For more information about donations, call/text/ email Community Service Committee Chair Cynthia Clark at 650-678-4132

<u>clark.cyl@gmail.com</u> or President Joyce Paul, as well: 909.277.8800 joycem.paul@yahoo.com



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BOOK GROUP

Our next meeting will be at the home of **Linda Strotz** on **November 10 at 3 pm**. The book for this month is **The Widow of the South** by Robert Hicks. It is the story of the long and bloody battle of Franklin. Almost 1,500 graves are on the plantation of Carrie McGavock who has devoted her life to caring for the graves. She is a real person and her plantation can be visited. It is very well written but the subject is difficult. Since Carrie McGavock is a real person we can discuss her. If anyone needs a copy of the book I have one you can borrow.

We have another book to discuss which many people enjoyed called **The Color of Water**. We will also discuss it so refresh your mind and be ready for conversation.

Please call Linda 909 982-8165 to RSVP.

This last book was unhappy so I think our next book might be lighter. Barbara Bocan, who is a great reader, gave me the name of some books that we might enjoy. I think we can deviate from our list if we can't find a lifter upper in our list. Hope to see you in November

Cathy Reaves, Book Group Chair

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BRIDGE I

We will be playing **Wednesday, November 2**, 1 p.m. at Kay Alexander's home. Call 909 989-5321 to play.

BRIDGE II

We will be playing **Tuesday**, **November 15**, 1 p.m. (note one-time change of day) at Cathy Reaves' home. Call Cathy, 909 987-6197 to play.

We welcome new players to both groups

Movie Group

At the Movies will meet **November 17**, at the Laemmle to view **Ticket to Paradise** starring George Clooney and Julia Roberts. The movie starts at 1:40. Lunch will follow at The Back Abbey just around the corner from the theater. We'll meet at the box office at 1:30.

Walking Group

We will be walking on **Saturday, November 19th** at 9:00 am. We will be meeting at Memorial Park in Claremont and walking through the Claremont College campuses and then enjoying breakfast in The Village. Please park on Tenth Street just off of Indian Hill Blvd. at Memorial Park. Please contact Joyce Lazalde at: mrslazalde@hotmail.com or 909-938-3929 if you are planning on joining us.

Writers' Circle: Relax, Reminisce & (W)Rite

We continue to adapt and evolve to meet the needs of the talented OUR writers! To provide an even MORE comfortable setting to expand our writing skills and have fun doing so, group members will meet VIRTUALLY with Zoom at our next meeting: Wednesday, November 9 a little earlier from 5-6 p.m.

This interest group requires no-experience, just a friendly way to explore the talents we all have—learning to put our thoughts, dreams, experiences into the written word—poems, memories, letters, posts, blogs and more. For November, please bring a favorite poem to share with us. A few modern poets you might find inspiring are Louise Glűck, Amanda Gordan, Maya Angelou, Billy Collins, or Mary Oliver.

Simply find a cozy spot in your own home and open your notebook or laptop/tablet to *Zoom* in for one hour of relaxing conversation and writing. Expand your writing talents and enjoy a glass of wine or another favorite beverage [it is the happy hour!] with group leader, Cynthia Clark. If you would like the link or for more information call or email at (650) 678-4132 or clark.cyl@gmail.com

PUBLIC POLICY

2021-22 Legislative Session = Big Wins for AAUW California

offices or propositions. Here's hoping everyone had Kathi Harper, state public policy committee chair. --Kathy Henkins, Public Policy Chair

Policy committee achieved a 70% success rate for our Bill Tracker, here: the bills on our legislative agenda. 25 of our 36 bills https://www.aauw-ca.org/documents/2022/10/ are now law, including 7 of our 8 top priority bills. The following is a brief synopsis with its associated pillar of our Public Policy Priorities:

Economic Security for All Women 8 of our bills were signed by the Governor, 1 was vetoed, and 1 died in the legislature. The most significant AAUW-cosponsored bill was Assembly Bill (AB) 92. Introduced in 2020, it became a 2-year bill, seeking a 1-year waiver of supplemental child-care fees for lowincome families, with a subsequent sliding scale. In his 2021 budget, Governor Newsom included \$120 million for 2- years' worth of waivers. So the bill was then amended to request an additional year of waivers through October 2024, with a subsequent sliding scale. Unfortunately, the amended bill was vetoed; however, we are proud of the work we did to get those 2 years of waivers in the budget, so we still consider it a win!

Equal Access to Quality Public Education for All Students 6 of these bills were signed by the Governor, 1 was vetoed, 1 was approved by the legislature (no signature required) and 2 died in the legislature. Of particular note are 3 of our top priority bills: AB 1968, requiring campuses to develop and post uniform guidelines for reporting sexual assault; AB 2881 providing additional support for college students with dependent children; and AJR 23 (Assembly Joint Resolution), a Title IX 50th Anniversary Proclamation.

Social and Racial Justice for All Members of Society 8 of these bills were signed by the Governor, 1 was vetoed, 1 was incorporated by the Governor into an Executive Order, 1 was approved by and 2 died in

the legislature. We saw success on all 4 of our top priority bills in this area: AB 1666, providing protection for those from other states seeking abortions in California, as well as for those providing services here, from the enforcement of a related civil judgment from their home state; Senate Bill (SB) 523. The November election is almost over; we requiring insurance coverage for over-the-counter may still be waiting for the outcome for certain state contraceptive products; SB 1375, allowing certified nurse-practitioners to perform some early-term an opportunity to vote easily, especially since abortions; and Senate Constitutional Amendment everyone was sent a mail-in ballot. AAUW's (SCA)10, introduced to place a constitutional comments will be in this column soon. Meanwhile, amendment on the November ballot to enshrine in here's a retrospective of the outcome of policy the California constitution the right to an abortion and negotiations in the 2021-22 legislature, courtesy of to contraception. When this measure passed in the Senate, it became Proposition 1. To see the results of all the bills on the AAUW 2021-22 legislative agenda, check out our webpage for a full summary, The Governor's deadline for signing or vetoing bills here: https://www.aauw-ca.org/documents/2022/10/ in 2022 has passed. The AAUW California Public results-of-2021-22-legislativesession.pdf/, or to view

billtracking.pdf/.

--Kathi Harper, Chair AAUW California Public Policy Committee

Travel Buddies

The first outing with the Travel Buddies, chaired by Sandy Rudder, was to Santa Barbara. The buddies left the local area early on the morning of September 6th by Metrolink. Arriving at Union Station they transferred to Amtrak and off they went. The group stayed at the charming La Playa hotel. Although the time there was short, it was packed with adventures. There was a tour of the historic court house and a relaxing harbor cruise. Attempts were made, without success, to rent the electric tricycles to ride along the coast. The group toured the wharf and the pier eating way too much food including amazing ice cream.

On the final day, the buddies visited the enormous, infamous fig tree and the Ronald Reagan Western museum which was very interesting. There was lots and lots of walking, talking, eating, laughing and a good time was had by all who made this initial Travel Buddies trip. There will be many more to come.



2022 Annual Outback Fundraiser:

BRAVO for your support of this worthy fundraiser. This year we extended our fund raiser over two days to allow members, family and friends the opportunity and flexibility to participate on either or both days. The feedback we received was positive and will consider having this fund raiser over a 2-day period in the future.

We exceeded our ticket sales over the prior year by 6%, while our actual event attendance was slightly below our target goal at 76%. The funds raised will be used to support OUR Branch reserves, AAUW National, and OUR Trek Tech program for the upcoming year.

All in all, this was still an extremely successful fund raiser and this could not have been achieved without all of your support.

AAUW 2021 Fund Projects

The AAUW Fund Events are where branch members can see the benefits of supporting the AAUW mission. It's the time to see and hear our California fellows and grantees synopsize their projects. The AAUW Fund Events will be on Saturday November 12th from 10-noon and Sunday, October 23rd, from 1-3 pm. Click <u>HERE</u> to view and read the presenters' bios and register for one or more of the AAUW Fund Events. You can request to schedule a scholar or grantee for a longer program for your branch by clicking <u>HERE</u>. You can donate to AAUW Fund as a branch or as a member. Consider designating your donation in honor of the AAUW Fund Events. Click <u>HERE</u> for details.

<u>Legacy Circle</u> You plan your day, your week, your vacation. Consider planning your AAUW legacy with an estate gift. There is no minimum requirement. Help ensure the AAUW mission and its impact on the future.

2022 Annual Appeal Campaign: SAVE-THE-DATE

Please mark your calendars. Our annual Appeal Campaign is scheduled to begin on **Monday, November 14, 2022**. Additional information will be provided about this campaign in an upcoming newsletter.

Thank you all for your continued support of AAUW!

Gloria Hailes, AAUW Fund VP

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Sad news to report...

Previous member **Delia Segovia** passed away October 17 at the age of 94 in Washington state where she was living with her daughter Olga after the death of her husband of 62 years, Delfino Segovia. Delia grew up in Santa Monica as the third of 11 brothers and sisters.

After working part-time as a secretary at Kaiser Steel in Fontana, she earned a certificate in social welfare from Pasadena City College then a teaching certificate at the University of Redlands. Delia worked for about 6 years as a Spanish teacher in a local middle school and then accepted a position as a counselor at Chaffey College in Rancho Cucamonga. She served as a Board Member for several years with a local drug rehabilitation center and worked as an outreach counselor there. She loved art, music, and books of all genres.

A lifelong learner and teacher, Delia continued to take college courses up to her final years. She was very active in the community, volunteering to teach English as a Second Language to workers in local industries. Delia taught citizenship classes to help prepare immigrants for U.S. citizenship. She also retained private clients who were English Language Learners. Introduced to AAUW through members Sally Rivera and Julia Arias, she volunteered to assist with OUR Tech Trek Program. During her years in AAUW she received OUR Status of Women Award in 1982 and was a branch Named Gift Honoree in 2003.

In addition, Delia belonged to many community organizations such as OPARC and Las Damas Latinas which sponsored one of OUR TT girls. As an activist for social reform, she was always a gracious hostess who loved to welcome friends into her beautiful home for lively political conversations and an excellent meal.

MEMBER Maria Marvosh will be selling her masterful photography at the **Winter Art Sale** on December 9-10 at <u>Claremont United Church of Christ!</u> #shopsmall #shoplocal #shopartisan



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To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education and advocacy

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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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