

# OUR REPORT

*American Association of University Women*

*Ontario-Upland-Rancho Branch*

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## AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN (AAUW-OUR Branch)

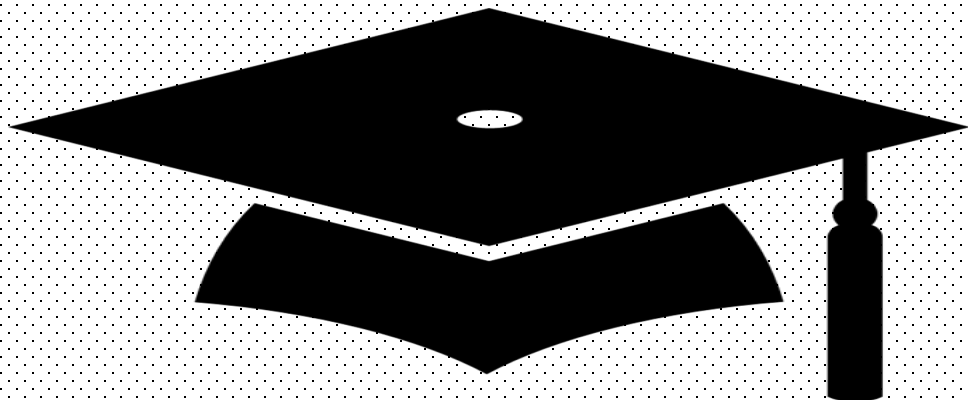
### SCHOLARSHIP TEA & FUNDRAISER

**SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023**

Community Building, 13190 Oatman Drive,  
Rancho Cucamonga, CA. 91739

**2:00 pm to 4:00 pm**

Your Scholarship Committee extends a warm invitation to be its guests, honoring the recipients of the 2023 Barbara Hughbanks-Beverly Brennan Memorial Scholarship for Chaffy College Transfer Students. As our guests this will be a great opportunity for you to meet the scholarship recipients. An invitation has been extended to the 2022 scholarship awardees, too. See you there.



RSVP [joycem.paul@yahoo.com](mailto:joycem.paul@yahoo.com), or by phone at 909-463-3804, as soon as possible.

Directions & gate code will be emailed to all who respond



## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The AAUW CA election is here. We do not need to vote for new board members since that election is uncontested. Approval of the Public Policy Priorities for 2023-2025 is needed. You will receive an email ballot or a paper ballot. The California state election begins on April 22 and ends on May 13<sup>th</sup>. This is your opportunity to give your opinion on Public Policy Priorities for California. If you do not receive an email with your link, first check your spam folder. It will be coming from siteadmin@aauw-ca.org via SurveyMonkey <[member@surveymonkeyuser.com](mailto:member@surveymonkeyuser.com)>. If you still cannot find it, email [webteam@aauw-ca.org](mailto:webteam@aauw-ca.org) for assistance. Be sure to check out the proposed Public Policy Priorities [HERE](#).

Our Wine Tasting Fundraiser was April 15<sup>th</sup> in its new month of April; not November. It was very successful, due to the organizational skills and talents of Gloria Romero. Members who attended heard from the scholarship recipients regarding their hopes and dreams. We also heard from a few past recipients who have moved even closer to their graduation dates and fulfilling their career dreams and aspirations. It was heartwarming to witness the difference that OUR AAUW has made in their lives. Many attendees also left the event with a valuable item they won from the Opportunity drawing. If you could not attend the Wine Tasting, you have another opportunity to meet these women at the upcoming Scholarship Tea on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Details are on the front page of this newsletter. Please plan on attending. We need additional funds for the scholarship recipients of 2024.

The year is coming to a close. At the Scholarship Tea, the membership will be asked to vote on the slate of officers for 2023-2024. The slate includes: Program Vice-President: Tammy Muir; Secretary: Diane Webster; and AAUW Funds Vice-President: Gloria Hailes. They will be installed in June.

Our membership is currently 73. It is my sincere wish that we reach 75 by June 30. Memberships can start on any date and extend for a full year. Please extend the gift of membership to everyone who qualifies. We are not limited to women. Many men join AAUW to support their wives, sisters, mothers and daughters in achieving equality in every aspect of life. OUR AAUW currently has two men who support the goals of AAUW. They are Paul Gomez and Travis Long. We welcome all who support the mission.

**Joyce Paul, President**

## Excited Tech Trek Girls Selected

This year OUR branch has selected three girls from Upland JR. High School and three girls from De Anza Middle School in Ontario to participate in Tech Trek at the University of California Santa Barbara from July 16 to 22. Diane Webster, Connie Uhalley, Joyce Lazalde, Kathy Henkins and I interviewed the candidates April 5 with assistance from school counselors Marisol Hernandez and Deana Schultz. They are currently working on the registration process which must be completed to attend Tech Trek.

The girls are bright, articulate, and eager to experience Tech Trek. They showed great interest in STEM careers such as pediatrician, veterinarian, computer engineering, and forensic detective. All the girls were highly recommended by their teachers for positive attitudes and willingness to learn. We thank all the branch members who helped sponsor the girls. We look forward to meeting with them after they return from Santa Barbara.

**Kathy Kinley, OUR Branch Tech Trek Coordinator,**  
[dr.kathy.kinley@verizon.net](mailto:dr.kathy.kinley@verizon.net)

## Dues --

National AAUW has changed the method of renewing dues. Your dues are now renewed one year from your last renewal. We will be sending reminders to let you know when yours are due.

### May Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 8  
at Joyce Paul's home

6:30 meeting, 7:30 social  
Please RSVP to 909 463-3804 or  
[Joycem.paul@yahoo.com](mailto:Joycem.paul@yahoo.com)

## Birthday Bash

Let's try a new place to celebrate May Birthdays. How about **BJ's at 11520 E Fourth St., Rancho Cucamonga on Thursday, May 25** at 6 p.m.? Please call Carolann, 909-241-6900 by Wednesday to let her know you can attend. Join us for a relaxing dinner or just for a glass of wine, whatever you fancy.

### MAY BIRTHDAYS

**Erin Mulcahy — 1**  
**Quincey Grace — 8**  
**Linda Strotz — 9**  
**Linda Wilson — 9**  
**Diane Webster — 16**  
**Agnes Otte — 20**  
**Sarah Long — 20**

Let us know if we have missed your birthday.

Do you know of any restaurants you would like to explore or return to...always we need new ideas!

**Carolann Ford, Birthday Bash Chair**

## GREAT DECISIONS



How will the United States respond to China's growing global presence?

For the past ten years, the United States and China have been locked in a competition for who has the greatest global influence. One major point of contention is the status of Taiwanese sovereignty, which has become even more relevant recently with the possibility that Russia's invasion of Ukraine may prompt China to take similar action regarding Taiwan. How will the United States engage a China which is increasingly seeking to expand its sphere of influence?

We will meet **Monday, May 1, 5 p.m.** in person at **Guiseppe's** to discuss **Ch. 3**. **Pat Kersbergen will be our hostess but please RSVP Carolann, 909 241-6900 carolan4re@aol.com**

**All members & guests are welcome to attend Carolann Ford, Great Decisions Chair**

## Walking Group

Attention all who are interested in walking: We will be meeting on **Saturday, May 13th, 2023, at 9:00 am**. We will be walking up Euclid Ave. in Upland, so please park on the west side of 17<sup>th</sup> St. and Euclid, and we will be walking north on Euclid Ave. We will plan on having breakfast at Sammy's Café after our walk. You can walk as far or as little as you would like as there are benches along the trail. The weather should be beautiful to enjoy the scenery and each other's company. If you have any questions or if you are planning on walking, **please call Joyce Lazalde** at: 909-938-3929 or email [mrslazalde@hotmail.com](mailto:mrslazalde@hotmail.com) so I know that you are coming. Hope to see you on Saturday the 25th!! Attention all who are interested in walking:

## Community Project

Volunteers Welcome! O.U.R. AAUW's dedicated committee members will assemble the final batch of hygiene packets to Chaffey High School on **TUESDAY, May 23**. Join us in Cynthia's garage at 10:30 a.m.

Thanks to all our members' generosity, as of April 2023, we have collected enough items to prepare the last 50 packs for the project. The market value of these donations is over \$1100.00 for this year! Items will continue to be collected at interest groups, special events, or Board meetings through May 9, 2023. Monetary donations accepted as well. Contact Cynthia Clark [clark.cyl@gmail.com](mailto:clark.cyl@gmail.com) or (650) 678-4132 if questions.



**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**



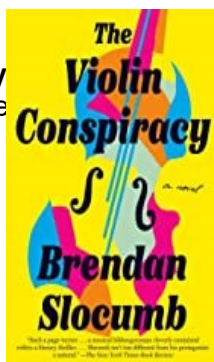
## BOOK GROUP

Our next meeting will be at the home of Connie Uhalley on **Thursday, May 11 at 3:00 p.m.** Please RSVP Connie 909 618-6452 I

Our book is **The Violin Conspiracy** by Brendan Slocumb. Brett Slocumb is a professional violinist. When Covid struck he decided to write a book. His knowledge of violins and classical music is well used in this book. He also has a mystery to solve. He has written another book so I guess this book was a success.

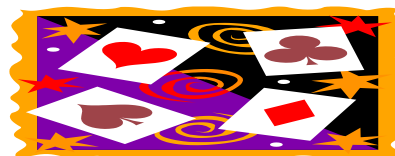
I have a copy if you would like to borrow it. Hope to see you there.

**Cathy Reaves, Book Group Chair**



## BRIDGE I

The Bridge I group will meet at **Carolann Ford's** home on **Wednesday May 3 at 1:00 p.m.** Please contact Carolann, at 909-241-6900 to let her know you can play.



## BRIDGE II

We will be playing **Wednesday, May 17, 1 p.m. at Cathy Reaves' home.** Please call her at **909-987-6197** to let her know you can play.

## BRANCH NOMINATIONS AND VOTING

All branch members in attendance will be voting on the new slate of officers at the Scholarship Tea on **May 20**. The candidates are: **Secretary, Diane Webster; VP Program, Tammy Muir; VP AAUW Fund, Gloria Hailes.**

## Writers' Circle



**Weird Mugs: What's in your kitchen cabinet on the cup/mug shelf? Gift? Special meaning just to you? Reminds you of. . .? Write a few lines to prepare for our next Writers' Circle!**

This no-stress, no-fuss interest group meets virtually on the third Wednesday of each month. Cynthia will read a short passage from good literature, to give a jumping off place, and off we go with our writing--something new and magical. You might discover something that opens a door that has been lodged shut for a long time. You might find love or appreciation or frustration or commitment in your writing. There will be something surprising and powerful there, something fresh and authentic, something you didn't know you had to say. Each session is a surprise.

All are welcome. Cynthia Clark will send out the Zoom link a few days prior to **May 17**. Contact her at [clark.cyl@gmail.com](mailto:clark.cyl@gmail.com) if you'd like to join in.

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#### OUR OFFICERS

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Please have all material to the editor by the 15th of each month.

**Carolann Ford**  
E-mail : [carolan4re@aol.com](mailto:carolan4re@aol.com)



## Lobby Days and Voting for 2023-2025 Public Policies Priorities

Lobby Days: Over two jam-packed days, 120 AAUW CA members from 50 branches met with 46 Assembly offices and 23 Senate offices. Most of the meetings took place via Zoom and the majority took place without a hitch. . . . The reception of our “Top 3” bills - AB 1394, SB 287 and AB 549 – was generally favorable, especially the two social media bills. Reminder: it's time to vote on the updates to the Public Policy Priorities for 2023-25. In response to input from 466 members, the state Public Policy Committee has recommended and the Board has approved 11 changes, which can be viewed here: <https://www.aauw-ca.org/2023-proposed-public-policy-priorities/>. If you haven't voted yet, a reminder that voting closes May 13th, make sure you make your voice heard!

By Ginny Hatfield, Amy Hom and Kathi Harper, AAUW CA Public Policy Committee Edited by Kathy Henkins

From Kathy Henkins, OUR Public Policy Chair: I have delved into the proposed priorities and extracted the changed and added sections, since they were not shown this way, I am 95% sure I got all of them.

**Under “Economic Security for All Women, including:”**  
**No changes**

**Under "Equal Access to Quality Public Education for All Students, including:"**

**FROM.** Vigorous enforcement of federal Title IX (Education Amendments of 1972) and all other federal and California civil rights laws pertaining to education>>>>>

**TO. Vigorous enforcement of Title IX**

**FROM.** Adequate and equitable funding for high quality public education for all students, including preschoolers >>>>>

And

Support for adequate funding that gives women and other disadvantaged populations access to higher education, including two-year degree programs and vocational training >>>>>

**TO. Adequate and equitable funding at all educational levels, including pre-school and post-secondary**

**FROM.** Opposition to the use of public funds for

nonpublic elementary and secondary education, and for charter schools that do not adhere to the same civil rights and accountability standards as required of other public schools >>>>>

And

Opposition to the use of public funds for schools that do not meet public school civil rights and accountability standards >>>>>

**TO. Opposition to the use of public funds for nonpublic and charter schools that do not meet public school civil rights and accountability standards**

**FROM.** Increased support for programs that break through barriers for women and girls in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields >>>>>

And

Instruction in STEM fields >>>>>

**TO. Removal of barriers for girls to access instruction in STEM fields**

**ADD. Civics instruction in all CA high schools  
Access to diverse staff and curriculum that represents historically accurate information  
Funding adequate to support a strong infrastructure, and equitable access to resources, including technology**

**Under “Social and Racial Justice for All People, including:”**

**FROM.** Freedom from violence in all its forms and wherever it occurs, including racially-motivated violence >>>>>

**TO. Freedom from violence in all its forms and wherever it occurs, including violence against historically marginalized groups, and support for policies that reduce or prevent gun violence**

**FROM.** Guarantee of civil and constitutional rights for all, including all forms of identity and expression, and all family structures >>>>>

**TO. Guarantee of civil and constitutional rights for all, including all forms of gender identity and expression, and all family structures**

**NEW PILLAR. “Increased Representation of Women in Leadership Roles, including:”**

**Proportional appointment to publicly-held corporate boards  
Access to leadership skills training  
Access to programs that promote participation in public service careers**

## Scholarship Class of 2023

The 12th Annual Scholarship Wine Tasting Fundraiser is over. It was a successful event by many measures, funds raised, number of attendees, and especially attendance by Special Guests, the 2023 awardees of the \$1,000 Barbara Hughbanks-Beverly Brennan Memorial Scholarship.

Three of the five awardees were presented to the membership and other supporters on the evening of Saturday, April 15, 2023. The other two awardees were away attending orientation at their chosen colleges, but for an unavoidable circumstance will be in attendance at the Scholarship Tea on **Saturday, May 20**.

Of special significance was that a representative from the last four scholarship classes, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 came together at the same place, the Chaffey Community Museum of Art, Ontario, CA for the fundraiser. The presentations by the past and current women awardees were warmly welcomed. It is difficult not to recognize their stories filled with challenges but with lots of hope. They conveyed their determination and stamina to achieve education and occupation goals. All five awardees have achieved a cumulative GPA 3.5 or greater at Chaffey College.

The transfer students have been accepted at four-year colleges for Fall 2023 in the California State University system. They will be attending Cal Poly Pomona, San Jose State, Fullerton, and San Diego State. Majors include architecture, psychology, speech and hearing sciences. Their occupational goals include audiologist, school psychologist, landscape architect, clinical psychologist, and architect, public or private. More will be shared about the Class of 2023 in upcoming Newsletters.

Additionally, a second opportunity will be available to meet and hear from the scholarship recipients at the annual Scholarship Tea scheduled for Saturday, **May 20, 2023, from 2 pm to 4 pm** at the **Community Building, 13190 Oatman Drive, Rancho Cucamonga, CA. 91739**. This venue was secured by President Joyce Paul, and a member of the Scholarship Committee, in whose residential community the Tea will be held

For planning purposes Joyce has requested that members make their Tea reservations, plus any guests, to her by email at [joycem.paul@yahoo.com](mailto:joycem.paul@yahoo.com), or by phone at 909-463-3804, as soon as possible.

The Scholarship Committee extends a heartfelt “*thank you*” to all who made the Scholarship Wine Tasting Fundraiser a success.

Paul Gomez  
Chair, Scholarship Committee

## CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE CONTRIBUTIONS - 2022

The California member donations to AAUW Fund totaled a little over \$506,000, slightly lower than previously reported due to a posting error which has been corrected. Remember, that [contributions to AAUW Fund](#) are accepted all year.

Speaking of legacy giving, you don’t need to be well off to become a **Legacy Circle** member. There is no minimum requirement. It’s a planned donation from your estate payable to AAUW. An example might be a full or partial beneficiary from a life insurance policy or annuity.

The joy of knowing your gift will sustain AAUW programs is your legacy. For more information, contact: Judy Horan at [queenjah@pacbell.net](mailto:queenjah@pacbell.net) or Charlene Goehring at [charminme@yahoo.com](mailto:charminme@yahoo.com).

## FUND FLASH NEWS!

At the AAUW California Academy AAUWards on April 22 it was announced that **OUR branch was 10th** in overall donations to AAUW Funds for the state! This is the first time OUR branch has achieved this distinction! YEH for OUR!

## SAVE THE DATE: 2023 Outback Annual Fundraiser.

Please mark your calendars. Our annual Outback fundraising event is scheduled for **Monday, October 9, 2023**. Tickets will be available in the coming months! Additional information will be provided about the menu selections in upcoming newsletters.

Thank you all for your continued support of AAUW!

**Gloria Hailes, AAUW Fund VP**



# WINE TASTING APRIL 15







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**MAY 2023**

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### **American Association of University Women**

#### **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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