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OUR REPORT

American Association of University Women

Ontario-Upland-Rancho Branch

JUNE EVENTS

Monday
June 6
GREAT DECISIONS

Tuesday
June 7
BOARD MEETING

Saturday June 11 BRANCH MEETING

> Wednesday June 15 BRIDGE I

Wednesday June 22 BRIDGE II

June 19 FATHERS DAY

Thursday
June 23
BIRTHDAY BASH

SATURDAY June 25 WALKING GROUP

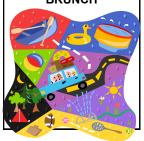
> Monday June 27 DEI MEETING

SAVE THESE DATES

Tuesday July 12 Old/New Board Potluck

Thursday
July 14
BOOKS POTLUCK

Saturday September 16 MEMBERSHIP BRUNCH



INSTALLATION PROGRAM

As We Work to Create Light for Others, We Naturally Light Our Own Way

Our closing Branch Meeting celebration of the year and installation of new officers for 2022-23 and luncheon will be on Saturday, June 11th at 11:00 a.m. at Red Hill Country Club. Luncheon will include Chef's Choice - Protein, Starch and Vegetables, House Salad, Rolls & Butter, Coffee, Tea and Iced Tea, and Assorted Cookies for dessert offered at \$35.00 inclusive.

Joyce Lazalde will be installing our new officers: Kay Alexander, Treasurer and Cynthia Garcia, VP Membership. The office of President-Elect is currently open. The AAUW Fund Branch Named Gift Honorees and the Status of Women will also be awarded at our meeting. We look forward to an in-person meeting with good friends. Please R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, June 1 to reserve your seat. If you need a Vegetarian or Vegan substitute, please let me know as soon as possible.

RSVP: Joyce Lazalde, 909-938-3929 or mrslazalde@hotmail.com June 11th 11:00-1:30 p.m. Red Hill Country Club 8358 Red Hill Country Club Drive, Rancho Cucamonga

Please invite your spouse and friends
COVID protocols will be in place as we request all attendees be
vaccinated or have a negative test

Please remember: A reservation made is a reservation paid

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Lots of things are happening as another year draws to a close. We are sending eight girls to Tech Trek Camp this summer where they will be introduced to many new ideas regarding what the future can be for them.

We are providing scholarships to five women who are enrolled in four year colleges or universities and assisting them in securing financial independence through education. Thank you to everyone who attended the Scholarship Tea, or contributed to the Scholarship Fund. You are making dreams come true.

We have provided fifty more hygiene kits to Chaffey High School for the girls who are in need of them. Thank you to everyone who contributed the necessary items. It takes a village and each of you who contributed is a part of the village.

We are preparing for the **Installation lunch at Red Hill Country Club on June 11**th. We had a tie for the Status of Women Award. Even after voting twice, the tie was not broken and so two women will be receiving that award this year. We will be installing a treasurer and a membership vice-president at this meeting. We are searching for someone to accept the president-elect position. We will also be awarding the Named Gift Honoree awards. Please read the details in this newsletter and make your reservation.

The Board voted unanimously at the May meeting to keep the COVID protocols in place for all in-person gatherings. We are asking that everyone who attends an in-person activity be either vaccinated or have taken a test with a negative result prior to the activity. We will reassess this decision in September.

It is time to renew your membership in AAUW. Your current membership expires on June 30. Now, more than ever, AAUW is relevant in the fight for equality for women. Our ultimate goal is equity for all and I do believe that can be achieved. As an organization, our membership can be diverse and so can the opinions within the organization. We can always agree to disagree. We need to respect the differing opinions and the diversity within AAUW and still maintain the ultimate goal of equity for all. We can get there. If it can be done, AAUW is the organization that can do it.

Lastly, a sincere thank you goes out to every member of the OUR AAUW Board. You are truly awesome and your dedication and hard work are appreciated. Joyce Paul, President of OUR AAUW

JUNE Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 7 6:30 RSVP to 909 463-3804 or 277-8800

Old Board/New Board Potluck July 12, 5:30 p.m.

AAUW California



2022 Annual Event— A Real Adventure! If you weren't able to grab your compass and join the expedition to AAUWLand at the AAUW Annual Event on Saturday, April 30th you can watch the sessions on YouTube. Just go to aauw ca.org

Tech Trek Continues to Redefine The Program for Campers

Tech Trek Camp Directors are working hard to prepare for meaningful and safe experiences for 7th grade girls interested in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). Families, Tech Trek directors, and branch TT coordinators are working through a new process of on-line only registration and data collection. All girls will need to have their COVID and other vaccines current and be tested for COVID upon arrival at camp. Then they will begin to bond, learn, meet women in STEM fields, and experience college campuses.

Thanks to generous donations from OUR AAUW members and our past corporate sponsors Tilden-Coil Constructors and 3M we will be sending four girls to Tech Trek at Whittier College June 19 to June 25, two girls to UC Santa Barbara July 10 to July 16, and two girls to UC Santa Barbara July 17 to July 23. They are excited about going to college campuses and staying in the dorms while they explore different aspects of STEM. Come to OUR September meeting to hear them tell about their experiences.

Kathy Kinley, Tech Trek Coordinator

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Birthday Bash

Join us to celebrate June, July & August birthdays on Thursday, June 23 at 5 p.m. at Sycamore Inn, Upland.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS Erna Noble — 5 Paul Gomez -- 8 Joyce Lazalde – 15

Sandra Rudder -- 27

JULY BIRTHDAYS
Carol Gedeon — 12
Dollie Church-Israelitt -- 24
Pat Kersbergen -27
Cynthia Freymueller -- 29

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Annie Atiyeh — 5

Joyce Rau --7

Glenda Sherertz --9

Marsha Whittingham -13

Let us know if we have missed your birthday.

For reservations, please call **Carolann, 241-6900** & leave a message by Wednesday to let her know you are coming.

GREAT DECISIONS



We will be meeting Monday, June 6 at 5:30 p.m. at Giuseppe's at the top of Euclid to study Ch. 5, Xi's China takes on the Quad. Pat Kersbergen will be our hostess. RSVP Pat at 909 982-5488.

Will the Quad countries be able to contain China's power reach? As part of the U.S. pivot to Asia, the United States has been in dialogue with Japan, Australia, and India in an effort to contain China. Recently, the Quad countries held joint naval exercises in the South Pacific. How effective will the actions of this alliance be?

ALL MEMBERS & FRIENDS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND AND JOIN IN THE DISCUSSION. Carolann Ford, Great Decisions Chair

Dues Renewal Time

All members should receive a notice of dues renewal from National AAUW by the end of May. They have a new database and it is not as easy as the old one. If you want to renew online and have problems, please contact me at 909 989-5321. Otherwise, send a check payable to AAUW-OUR for \$103 with Dues on the memo line. Send to my home address (preferable), 8478 Hunter Dr., Alta Loma, CA 91701 or to AAUW-OUR, PO Box 1173, Upland, CA 91785.

National \$67 (\$62 is deductible)

State \$20 OUR \$16

Total \$103

Kay Alexander, OUR Treasurer

Writers Workshop

Writers' Workshop is taking a sabbatical. Writing monthly served as a great stress reliever as we were all isolated and confined to home through the pandemic. Thoughts flowed through pens to paper and many memories filled OUR members journals. With mandates dropping (along with masks!), travel and social outings are beckoning to us all; therefore, the workshop has closed. Thanks to all the participants for sharing the many stories that filled our pages and brought inspiration and smiles to the sessions. The big change will be the Fourth Tuesday of each month starting at 9 a.m.! That gives us the option of in-person coffees to spice things up. More details will come in the fall *Cynthia Clark, Writers Workshop Chair*

AAUW FUND

The AAUW Fund Committee announced that the 2022 State Named Gift Honoree is Mary Isaac, aka "Dr. Mimi" to the Tech Trek community. She was nominated for this honor by Randa Blanding from our B2B Communications Committee. Randa introduced Mary at the Annual Meeting by saying, "This year's California Named Gift Honoree has only been an AAUW member for a few years. She saw a need and stepped in with her passion, organizing and directing skills, and created a team that implemented a virtual Tech Trek for the past two years and again this year. She has been the impetus for hundreds of changed young women, who will in turn, because of this experience, have positive repercussions on many others." Congratulations Dr. Mimi on this well-deserved honor.

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BOOK GROUP SUMMER POTLUCK THURSDAY, JULY 14

Our next meeting will be **Thursday July 14, 11 a.m. -2 p.m.** It will be at Carolann Ford's beach house in Belmont Shore, Long Beach. We will start with appetizers, lunch (usually salads and dessert) wine and iced tea. If you wish to bring a hot dish please bring it warm in a crock pot or wrapped up in towels.

This year we will each share the name of a book we have enjoyed and then compile a list for you to check if you're looking for something new to read. Also bring a book to trade if you wish! More specifics will come closer to the meeting. Carolann will be coordinating the food items and Joyce Lazalde will coordinate carpooling.

Hope to see you there **Cathy Reaves**, **Book Group Chair**

2022 Outback Annual Fundraiser

Please mark your calendars. Our annual Outback fundraising event is scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, October 10TH AND 11th, 2022. 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, Fund VP*

TRAVEL GROUP

The Travel Committee is finalizing plans for the Amtrak train trip and two night stay in Santa Barbara. When all the information is available, it will be sent to the members who have contacted Sandy Rudder to indicate their interest in travel. If you have interest, it is not too late to put your name on Sandy's list. Contact her at lsrudder@aol.com or 909-985-8237.

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

BRIDGE I

Will meet **Wednesday**, **June 15 at 1 p.m**.at Kay Alexander's home. Call Kay 909 989-5321 to let her know you can play.

BRIDGE II

Will meet **Wednesday**, **June 22**, **1** p.m. at Carolann Ford;s home. Please call Carolann at 909 241-6900 if you would like to play.

Both Bridge Groups are seeking players

Movie Group

Please note that At The Movies will not meet for June. This is due to a lack of movies playing that would be of interest to us. Please watch you email for further updates. Hopefully the studios will release some quality movies soon.

Mary Peat, Chair At the Movies

WALKING GROUP

Attention all who are interested in walking: We will be meeting on **Saturday**, **June 25**, **2022**, at **9:00 am** at the George M. Gibson Senior Center, 250 N. 3rd Ave., Upland, Ca. We will be walking east on the trail and returning to downtown Upland for breakfast. You can walk as far or as little as you would like. There are benches along the path to rest if needed. 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 so I know that you are coming. Hope to see you on Saturday the 25th!!

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Women's Reproductive Rights

We all have heard about the leaked draft opinion in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization which indicates that anti-abortion proponents on the US Supreme Court are ready to overturn Roe v. Wade explicitly. The draft opinion is not yet final and abortion remains legal in all 50 states, at least for now.

However, if the Court issues a similar decision to this draft version, legal experts predict that 26 states are certain or likely to quickly ban abortion. Already, 37 abortion restrictions have been enacted this year, part of a long history of regulations controlling women in the U.S., including laws governing property, marriage, and reproductive rights.

At the same time states like California protect a woman's reproductive rights. "If the Supreme Court were to limit or overturn Roe, abortion would remain legal in 21 states and could immediately be prohibited in 24 states and three territories. Millions of people would be forced to travel (more than half of reproductive-aged women live in states poised to ban abortion) to receive legal abortion care, something that would be impossible for many due to a range of financial and logistical reasons," said Harvard professor of the practice of public health Ana Langer. This fact highlights the unfair economic gap in access to safe abortions.

Because staying pregnant is more dangerous than having an abortion, a recent study at Duke University estimated that banning abortion would lead to a 21% increase in the number of pregnancy-related deaths overall and a 33% increase among Black women. That statistic does not include increased deaths due to unsafe abortions.

"Every person should have the ability to make their own informed decisions regarding their reproductive life. The protection of reproductive rights, including access to contraceptive care, abortion, sexual health education and family planning services, has been an unwavering AAUW principle since 1977". AAUW.com

Introduced days after the Supreme Court draft leak, **Senate bill S4132**, the Women's Health Protection Act, which would have federally codified a patient's right to receive abortion services "without burdensome restrictions or requirements." It was passed by the House, but stalled in the Senate.

Another bill S3713, the Reproductive Choice Act, introduced in February by Senators Collins and Murkowski, is a pared-down version of S4132 and was created to preserve Roe vs. Wade while including protections to religious objections. Its

purpose is to "prevent women's reproductive choices from being weakened or eliminated. Our bill would reassure women that the rights they have relied on for almost 50 years will continue to be the law of the land," according to Collins.

Stay tuned.

Kathy Henkins, Public Policy Chair

Community Service Project Update:

O.U.R. second delivery of the community service project occurred Tuesday, May 17, with another 50 hygiene packs presented to Counselor Ms. Leslie Jenson at Chaffey High School. Dr. Kathy Kinley and project chair, Cynthia Clark spoke with Ms. Jenson who again expressed her thanks and that of the teen-age students who have benefited by OUR donations. A huge shout-out to all those who contributed the toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoos and other items.

This spring has seen 100 of these hygiene packs taken to the high school. As explained in the February and March newsletters, this has been a trial effort for a new community service project. The committee will be discussing the challenges and successes of this project when the Board meets again in the fall. Some of the challenges have been finding economical sizes of the items for these packs and the rising costs of the items.

Member support of this community service project is vital as are your suggestions and recommendations on funding sources. Do you know of any corporate or business sponsors that would help OUR Branch with financial support? Community Service Committee Chair Cynthia Clark would love to hear your ideas. Please contact her at 650-678-4132 or clark.cyl@gmail.com or Joyce Paul, as well: 909-277-8800 joycem.paul@yahoo.com



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Scholarship Committee

Nurse, Special Education Teacher, Political Scientist, Lawyer, and Filmmaker. Grand Canyon University, CSU's Sonoma, San Bernardino, Long Beach. Those are the educational and occupational goals of the Class of 2022 Chaffey College scholarship recipients shared with attendees at the Scholarship Tea Fundraiser held Saturday, May 14, 2022, hosted by the Scholarship Committee.

Five \$1,000 scholarships were awarded to Chaffey College transfer students enrolling in Fall 2022 at a 4-year accredited college.

Dr. Henry Shannon, Superintendent/President of Chaffey College was present to express words of gratitude for the Branch's ongoing support of women's educational and occupational goals. Six of ten students enrolled at Chaffey College are females.

Inspired by the student's stories, the Scholarship Committee has a request. For members unable to attend the Scholarship Tea Fundraiser, please consider making a donation to the scholarship program, supporting the OUR Board's advocacy for education for women and girls. For women this action is embedded in the Barbara Hughbanks-Beverly Brennan Memorial scholarship. As a reminder, the Scholarship Tea along with the annual Wine Tasting Fundraiser plus Branch member's individual donations are the sole sources of funding for the AAUW-OUR scholarship.

Your donation can be mailed to P.O. Box 1173, Upland, CA 91785. Make your check payable to "AAUW-OUR", include in memo line "Scholarship".

Your generosity for a life-changing educational program is greatly appreciated.

Paul Gomez, Chair Scholarship Committee

MEMBERSHIP

This month our spotlight shines on **Julia Arias**, an AAUW member for 55 years. Moving from New Mexico to Fontana was quite an experience for her and her family. However, it wasn't long before the Fontana winds sent them to Cucamonga, She remembers the fruit stands and vineyards (almost extinct now). After a couple of moves, the family finally settled into a home in Cucamonga.

Julia recalls her first job was working for the Whitson family. She would be dropped off by the Chaffey High School bus and from 3 to 7 she packed eggs on the Whitson's ranch. Eventually, Julia lived with the family for six years, completing high school and Chaffey

Junior College. Because of her love of children, Mrs. Whitson encouraged Julia to enter the teaching profession. Julia was determined to pay her way through college and did so by becoming a nanny for two years for a family in Pasadena. This allowed Julia to complete her education by graduating with a teaching credential from Pasadena College in 1958.

Her first job was teaching at Cucamonga Elementary School but she resigned a year later to become a mother. The principal was so impressed that he begged Julia to return as a substitute. She subbed in the morning and then taught Spanish to students at Upland College. Eventually, she returned to teaching students from kindergarten to 8th grade in Alta Loma. Even after her 39 years of teaching, Julia wasn't ready to retire. She continued teaching ESL at Chaffey High School and College for four additional years and supervising student teachers at Cal State San Bernardino for an additional ten years.

Finding herself thinking and talking like a second grader, she felt she needed some stimulation.

AAUW seemed to be a place that would provide it.

She joined a program similar to our Great Decisions group and the book club. She enjoyed attending conferences and conventions and then returning with information to share. Being a part of AAUW and over the years taking on many local and state positions gave her confidence to take on numerous leadership roles.

Julia was actually involved in Tech Trek as a dorm mother at Stanford University. Through AAUW, Julia volunteered in a program teaching English to children living at Los Olivos. AAUW provided the center with both a library and books to complete it. Julia also recalls that one of the AAUW community projects provided the monies necessary to fund this library. More recently she was involved in OUR dictionary project and the scholarship committee, as well as holding numerous offices in OUR branch and at the state level.

Julia, the OUR branch of AAUW appreciates all that you have done during the last 55 years to help AAUW continue to move forth. You are truly an inspiration to us.

Pat Kersbergen, Membership VP









May 14 Scholarship Tea

Honoring the new Chaffey College 2022 recipients. A lovely assortment of tea sandwiches, sweet bites, delicious tea and chance to hear great stories were enjoyed by all.







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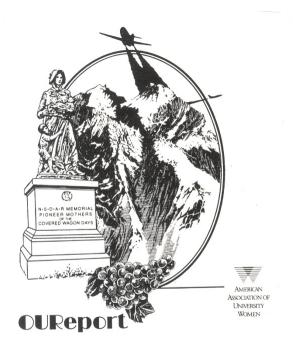
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AAUW is California's most active and diverse organization for women offering action for equity, personal and professional growth, community leadership and friendship.

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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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