

OUR REPORT

American Association of University Women

Ontario-Upland-Rancho Branch

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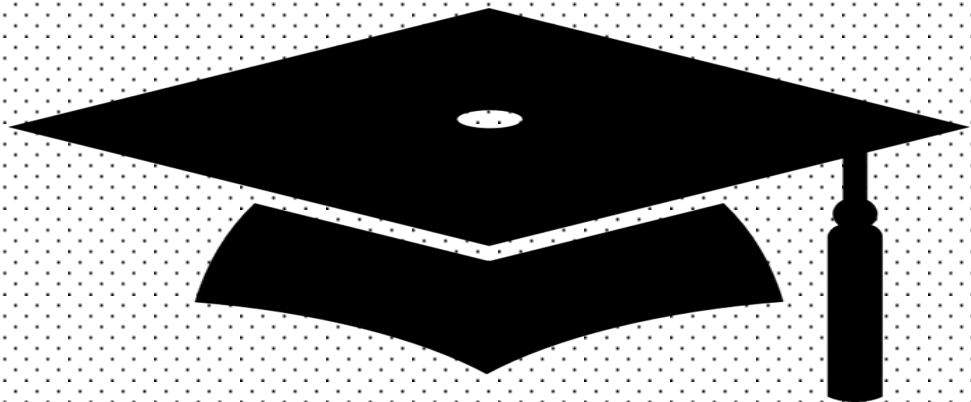
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN (AAUW-OUR Branch)

SCHOLARSHIP TEA & FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2022

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Your Scholarship Committee extends a warm invitation to be its guests, honoring the recipients of the 2022 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 2021 scholarship awardees, too. See you there.



RSVP TO SUE SMITH (909) 981-9311 or EMAIL
davesuesmith@aol.com

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We are back to in-person gatherings. All the Interest Groups are now once again meeting in person and enjoying the time spent together. Read this newsletter to see when and where everything is happening. I hope to see each of you at some events very soon.

You are being invited to my home for the Scholarship Tea on May 14th. All the details are on the front page of this newsletter. Please make your reservations now. This is an opportunity to meet and to hear from this year's scholarship recipients as they share with you their hopes and dreams for the future. There will not be a Wine Tasting Fundraiser in 2022 since it is being moved to a different month. Therefore, this Scholarship Tea is more important than ever. It is our single fundraiser for scholarships this year. Please plan to attend and to donate to the fund. Any amount donated is solely utilized for scholarships and will be greatly appreciated by the girls who receive them. Any amount donated helps a student advance a dream to secure financial independence.

Our Community Project has been very successful. Please be sure to read the thank you received from Chaffey High School that is printed in this newsletter. What we did directly touched the lives of the girls who received those personal hygiene items. We hope to be able to do it again. This is something in which every member of AAUW can participate. If you can purchase a few of the hygiene items, please bring them to an Interest Group or Branch meeting. A committee member will collect the items and insure they are at the next meeting at which the bags are assembled for delivery to Chaffey High School.

The Tech Trek girls have been selected and are preparing for their week on a college campus this summer. Tech Trek Director, Kathy Kinley, has been hard at work completing an unbelievable amount of paper work which is required to make it all happen.

As a member of OUR AAUW, we are providing Tech Trek experiences for junior high girls. We are helping high school girls stay in school with our personal hygiene kits. We are helping Chaffey College graduates continue their education at four year colleges or universities. This is all happening in our very own community. We are touching lives. We are making a difference. Thank you for all that you do to make it possible.

Joyce Paul, President

Tech Trek Candidates Have Great Ideas and Enthusiasm

This year's Tech Trek candidates want to be engineers, nurses, doctors, architects, and math teachers. They have ideas on how to improve our environment and use technology in new ways. The girls are looking forward to attending Tech Trek on college campuses and meeting new people. Girls attending TT at Whittier College will take field trips related to space and anatomy. UC Santa Barbara campers will explore marine biology and environmental issues. Camp directors are working hard to provide meaningful STEM experiences while implementing policies in the time of COVID. Parents have new agreements to complete by May 1. All of us including branch TT coordinators are also learning to navigate computer programs which are new to us. OUR girls will be attending multiple camps this year during three different weeks. We are pleased that OUR Tech Trek alumnae coordinator Leticia Fernandez will be volunteering at all three camps. I want to thank OUR members Diane Webster, Joyce Lazalde, and Kathy Henkins for helping to interview the girls who applied. We are looking forward to all branch members meeting the girls at OUR September branch meeting when they will tell us about their Tech Trek experiences.

Kathy Kinley, OUR Branch Tech Trek Coordinator,
dr.kathy.kinley@verizon.net

DUES ARE DUE

It's that time again when dues renewal is approaching. National has raised dues to \$67 so the total will be:

National	\$67
State	20
Branch	16
Total	\$103

Please mail checks to our branch P.O.
Kay Alexander, Finance VP

APRIL Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 3
at Joyce Paul's home

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

Birthday Bash

This month we will celebrate May Birthdays at **Spaggi's** on Foothill Blvd, Upland on **Thursday, May 26** 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 is the Biden administration treating foreign policy, among other policies, differently from the last?

The new administration in Washington promised to reverse many of the policies of the past administration, especially in foreign policy. How will issues such as climate, the pandemic, and alliances be treated under the Biden administration?

We will meet **Monday, May 2, 5:30 p.m.** in person outside on the patio at Lazy Dog on Central Ave., Montclair Plaza to discuss Ch. 8. Please RSVP Kathy Henkins 909 596-3920 or email kmhenkins@msn.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 21st**, 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 mrs lazalde@hotmail.com so I know that you are coming. Hope to see you on Saturday the 21st!!

TRAVEL GROUP

The Travel Buddies committee has been working diligently to plan a "starter trip" before planning more extensive travel. We have decided on an Amtrak train trip from Fullerton to Santa Barbara for a two night stay in a yet-to-be-determined hotel. Our plan is for August 23-25. Friends and family are welcome. Please email Sandy Rudder at lsrudder@aol.com if you have an interest in this trip. We would welcome input as we finalize plans."

MOVIE GROUP

I'm pleased to announce the revival of the **Movie Group**.

Please save the date **Monday, May 16th** for a movie and lunch. Anyone who wishes to be included send an email to marycpeat@gmail.com. Please watch your email for further details closer to the date regarding where we will attend the movies and lunch afterward.

Mary Peat, Movie Group Chair

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

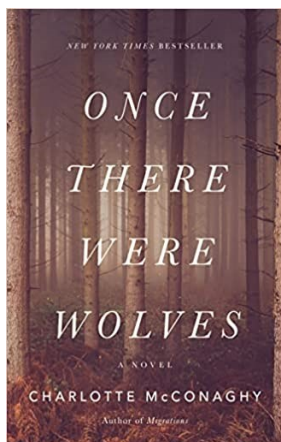
Diane Webster

at

818-515-3946



BOOK GROUP



Our next book club meeting will be in person on May 12 at 3 p.m. at the home of Kay Alexander.

Our book is **Once There Were Wolves** by Charlotte McConaghy. It is about reintroducing wolves in Scotland. There is lots of information about wolves but much of the book is about twins who are working on the resettlement. The twin Inti has

a sense of feeling what she sees going on around her such as when watching her dad kill a rabbit. She and her sister talk mostly in their own sign language. Her sister Aggie is recovering from a bad marriage. Inti and Aggie lived in Australia with their mother and in Canada with their father. The story is a little weird with plenty of characters.

I went to the library to reserve the book because it is new. It was on the shelf. So check with your library Hope to see you in May

Cathy Reaves, Book Group Chair

BRANCH NOMINATIONS

At OUR May branch meeting we will be voting on the candidates for 3 Branch Board positions. The nominees are:

President-Elect	OPEN
Membership VP	Cynthia Garcia
Treasurer	Kay Alexander

Nominating Committee:

Kathy Kinley, chair

Paul Gomez

Diane Webster

OUT AND ABOUT

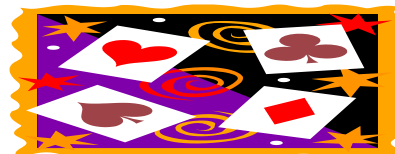
Our May "outing" will be to Lewis Family Playhouse for "**MENOPAUSE THE MUSICAL**" on **Sunday, May 22** for the 2 p.m. performance. Tickets are \$65 and can be purchased at the boxoffice@cityofRC or by calling 909-477-2752

If you wish to join others for lunch prior to the performance, please email me to be included.

Cynthia Freymueller skinnyminnie40@verizon.net

BRIDGE I

The Bridge I group will meet at **Carolann Ford's** home on **Wednesday May 25 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 18, 1 p.m. at Cathy Reaves' home.** Please call her at 909-987-6197 to let her know you can play.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

It has been a challenge, but working as partners with the Chaffey College Foundation, the Scholarship Committee can report that it has received quite a few applications for the 2022 **Barbara Hughbanks-Beverly Brennan Memorial Scholarship** for **Chaffey College Transfer Students**. It is looking forward to the next step, which is reviewing applications, and setting up interviews for the successful applicants. Masking protocols are such that finding a venue for the interviews has been a challenge. But I am confident that hurdle will be overcome.

The Committee has earmarked Saturday, May 14 for the person-to-person Scholarship Tea. This event is a fundraiser. Equally important is that the Scholarship Tea offers Branch members an opportunity to meet our special guests, the 2022 scholarship awardees, and the past year's recipients. The experience is one you will not forget. Your support during these difficult times has meant a lot to the students who have benefited from your commitment to advocacy for women to pursue educational goals and dreams.

As our guests, we hope you can join your committee and board on **Saturday, May 14, 2022 from 2-4 p.m. at the home of Joyce Paul** for OUR branch's annual Scholarship Tea.

Please call or email Sue Smith for reservations. RSVP TO SUE SMITH (909) 981-9311 or EMAIL davesuesmith@aol.com Address & gate code will be emailed to all who RSVP.

Paul Gomez, Chair, Scholarship Committee

MEMBERSHIP



Welcome Quincey Grace

Quincey Grace is a California artist who got her start in the art world by painting bright and crazy furniture in the early 1990s.

She learned how to paint and decoupage furniture from a jewelry vendor at the Rose Bowl Swap Meet. She wanted to buy the vendor's display table, and instead, the vendor described how to apply decoupage to furniture, and pointed out where Quincey could buy used furniture at the swap meet so she could paint some herself.

When her neighbors saw the furniture, they suggested she should sell it at the Folk Music Store in downtown Claremont. It sold like gangbusters which emboldened her to sell it through galleries in Laguna Beach, Malibu, Scottsdale Arizona, San Antonio Texas and two locations on Madison Avenue in NYC.

In 1994 she stepped away from art to devote 100% of her time to her ongoing profession—teaching high school English for the next 28 years until she retired in 2019.

In 2018 she took 2 hand building classes from The Clay Yard in Ontario, followed by 4 classes at the American Museum of Ceramic Arts in 2019.

Before she had a chance to take any class on how to create armatures for sculptures, COVID closed down AMOCA, which led her to invent her own armature system using fabric, dowels, & pillow stuffing. Her internal support system (i.e. armature) makes the creation of a sculpture's basic form very quick and simple. It also has the added beauty of being reusable time and again.

In October of 2020, she attended the California Conference for the Advancement of Ceramic Arts at the John Natsoulas Gallery in downtown Davis, where she met John Toki, ceramic artist and the author of "Hands in Clay." When he saw the images of her work on her business card, and heard her description of her armature technique, he asked her if he could feature the photo of her work and a description of her technique in his sixth edition (due out in March of 2022) of **Hands in Clay**. Of course

she said YES.

So, now she's traveling down the path of her second career as a ceramic artist.

You can see her works at <https://quinceycreates.com>



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Community Service Project

Update

In the words of Chaffey High School's Counselor, Leslie Jensen, who coordinates our Community Service Project of toiletry packet distribution to female students in need:

"Wow!!!! THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE GIRLS' TOILETRY BAGS!!!!"

What a blessing it was to receive this donation from such an incredible group! Our female students were so appreciative and grateful. Many of our girls returned to me and said an extra thank you for the goodies!

I cannot extend in words, how this benefitted our students and how much it means for them to know how their community members care enough to provide for them!

It is with a grateful heart that I say simply THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMPASSION!"

O.U.R.'s first delivery of this newest community service project brought this lovely response from the high school. A huge Thank-you goes to all those who contributed. After last month's newsletter, we are on our way to collecting enough items to do a second distribution by the end of May. Here are the items with the number **STILL needed:**

Toothbrush/paste packets: 31

Lip Balm: 22

Shampoo/Conditioner: 43 (this is best from Dollar Tree in the travel packet—also online)

Body Wash/Lotion: 25 (Also best in the travel packet from Dollar Tree—can be found online)

Deodorant: 8

Wet Wipes: 1 box of 18

[See April's Newsletter for photos of the specific items used for the bags]

Members can support this community service project by simply adding a few of these listed items to the cart as you shop Dollar Tree and 99 Cent Store. Then when you attend any of OUR AAUW Branch sponsored activities, bring them along and drop them in the collection bags that we will have at the events—Board Meetings, Book Group, Bridge I & II, Great Decisions, Out & About, monthly Branch Program or the upcoming May 14 Scholarship Tea. You do not have to purchase all the items just a few from any one of the categories. If you prefer, monetary donations will be accepted also—just note "Community Service Project" on your check or note included with the

donation.

For more information about donation, call/text/email Community Service Committee Chair Cynthia Clark at 650-678-4132 or clark.cyl@gmail.com or President Joyce Paul, as well: 909-277-8800 or joycem.paul@yahoo.com

CALIFORNIA AAUW LEGISLATIVE BILLS OF HIGHEST PRIORITY

In the 2022 California Legislative year, based on the AAUW Public Policy Priorities, there are 31 bills which our organization supports. Six bills are related to Economic Security for All Women, seven are related to Equal Access to Public Education, and 18 are related to Social and Racial Justice for all Members of Society. The highest priority bills were presented recently by California Public Policy Co-Chairs Kathleen Harper and Sue Miller and are listed below:

AB 92—creates an equitable sliding scale for family fees to alleviate the burden on working families struggling to pay for childcare and early childhood education services. Co-sponsor

AB 1666—enables persons to come from outside California for abortions and not be impacted by laws of other states. Co-sponsor

AB 1968—mandates the creation of websites at CSU/UC campuses to assist sexual assault survivors.

AB 2881—student parents get priority enrollment, registration, and access to basic needs centers, enabling them to remain in California colleges.

SB 523—expands contraceptive coverage by requiring health plans to provide point-of-sale coverage without cost-sharing.

SB 1375—updates statutes relating to abortion care to allow nurse practitioners to practice under standard protocols to provide first-trimester abortion care..

**Kathy Henkins, Public Policy Chair
Kathleen Harper and Sue Miller, CA Public Policy Co-Chairs**

Current AAUW Funding Opportunities - Fellowships and Grants

AAUW is providing nearly \$5 million in funding to more than 260 fellowship and grant recipients in the 2021-2022 award year. The programs listed below help to advance equity for women and girls; strengthen AAUW's role in the global community; support efforts to eradicate the persistent challenges facing women and girls; and leverage opportunities to attract new audiences to our mission.

American Fellowships

Overview: The American Fellowship program began in 1888, a time when women were discouraged from pursuing an education. It is AAUW's largest fellowship program and the oldest non-institutional source of graduate funding for women in the United States. AAUW American Fellowships support women scholars who are pursuing full-time study to complete dissertations, conducting postdoctoral research full time, or preparing research for publication for eight consecutive weeks.

Funding: \$6,000–\$30,000

Opens: August 1

Deadline: November 1

Career Development Grants

Overview: Career Development Grants provide funding to women who hold a bachelor's degree and are preparing to advance or change careers or re-enter the workforce in education, health and medical sciences, or social sciences. Primary consideration is given to women of color and women pursuing their first advanced degree or credentials in nontraditional fields.

Funding: \$2,000–\$12,000

Opens: August 1

Deadline: November 15

Community Action Grants

Overview: Community Action Grants provide funding to individuals, AAUW branches and AAUW state organizations as well as community-based nonprofits for innovative programs that promote education and equity through projects focused on encouraging girls to select, before entering college, the physical sciences or engineering as a career. Since 1972, AAUW has provided support to hundreds of communities across the United States.

Funding: \$3,000–\$10,000

Opens: August 1

Deadline: December 1

Gloria Hailes, Fund VP

Writers' Workshop

Calling For New Participants!

After weathering the long pandemic, Writers Workshop participants are still meeting virtually, giving members the inspirational comfort of their own homes and writing spaces. However, we need more member/participants to continue!

No writing experience needed, other than a mind full of memories, travels, daily observations, and thoughts of the right now! Please call, text, or email Cynthia—the workshop host for your Zoom link and more information:

Clark.cyl@gmail.com Cell: 650-678-4132

Each session is a stress reliever! We learn much about each other and find that each personal writing inspires the others by opening doorways into memories and experiences that are shared—causing smiles and laughter and impressing each other with the unique styles that emerge. So, whether you are at your mountain or beach retreat, home at your kitchen counter, office area desk, or on your patio enjoying your morning cup of tea or coffee—**Zoom** in and join our 4th Tuesday morning Writers' Workshop. We start at 9:30 a.m. and the 1 ½ hour writing session flies by. Mark this date:

May 24 9:30 a.m. or check the event calendar on

<https://our-ca.aauw.net>

New writers always welcome—**Zoom Click this link:**

[Join Workshop Link Here](#)

About Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson

Judge Jackson will bring stellar qualifications and a sound judicial temperament to the Supreme Court. A graduate of Harvard Law School, she served with distinction on the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals, the nation's second highest court. She held a Supreme Court clerkship, worked at prestigious law firms and served as a public defender—experience that is sorely lacking on the current court. Her record demonstrates that she is fair and impartial jurist and lawyer, dedicated to protecting the fundamental rights of all people. As such, she has earned broad and bipartisan support.

Kathy Henkins, Public Policy Chair

OUR MEMBERS Have been active



Out and About experienced a wonderful outing to Santa Monica for the Princess Diana Exhibition on March 23. An added bonus was a delicious innovative totally market fresh lunch at **The Curious Palate** at Santa Monica Place. (The French Fries were phenomenal!)

Pictured above: Joyce Lazalde, Carolann Ford, Cynthia Freymueller, Mary Peat, Allison Burgess and Joyce Paul



Joint Branch Meeting April 2 with Redlands Branch for brunch and special speaker, AAUW American Fellowship Award 2021-22 Grantee, **Sandra Portocarrero, PhD.**

Pictured above: Glenda Sherertz, Linda Strotz, Mary Peat, Dolly Church Israelitt, Joyce Lazalde and Joyce Paul. Other OUR branch members were able to attend via Zoom.



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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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