



## CELEBRATE EQUAL PAY DAY APRIL 12 AT THE CAPITOL

### April 12 is Equal Pay Day.

This date symbolizes how far into the year women must work to earn what men earned in the previous year. Let's show California legislators our support for closing the pay gap by convening at the state Capitol in Sacramento at **11:30 on April 12.**

Our host and speaker is Assemblywoman **Lorena Gonzalez**, who chairs the Assembly Select Committee on Women in the Workplace. Assemblywoman Gonzalez was a key force behind last year's nation-leading CA fair pay legislation. She'll be joined by our AAUW CA State legislative advocate, **Shannon Smith-Crowley**. We'll be meeting from **11:30 to 1:30** in the Eureka room in the basement of the Capitol. Members may bring guests.

See page 5 for Directions to the Capitol. —>

### Lunch will be gourmet sandwiches; your choices: The cost is \$15.

- Brie Baguette – Black Forest ham, brie cheese, fig preserves
- Roast Turkey Breast – Walnut cranberry bread, cucumber, cranberry cream cheese
- Vegetarian – Roasted vegetables, provolone cheese, multi-grain bread

**Following lunch and speaker (11:30 to 12:30), we'll be treated to a private docent-led VIP tour of the Capitol, including some historic rooms that are not generally open to the public. The tour will be from 12:30 to 1:30.**

**Don't miss the opportunity to participate in this unique event.**

**You need to ACT NOW because we have a deadline of April 4 with the caterer and have planned for only 60 participants.** So mail your checks made payable to AAUW to Barbara Fraivillig. After March 30, contact Barbara to see if there are still openings before sending a check.

**Indicate your choice of sandwich on the memo line of your check.**

## President's Message by Sanchia Spadow



**March was National Women's History Month.** The theme this year was "Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government." "Each of these public leaders succeeded against great odds. The diversity of their experiences demonstrates both the challenges and the opportunities women in public service have faced. Their ability to use the art of collaboration to create inclusive solutions and non-partisan policies, as well as their skill and determination, serve to inspire future generations. The tenacity of each Honoree underlines the fact that women from all cultural backgrounds in all levels of public service and government are essential in the continuing work of forming a more perfect union."

### National Women's History Project

The sixteen women honored epitomize AAUW's mission and values. They represent a rich history of strong and determined women who valued a woman's place in the world. Among the sixteen was Ella Grasso, former governor of Connecticut – the first woman elected in her own right. I am proud to have been a member of Governor Grasso's staff and remember her as a personal friend and extraordinary public servant. Take a look at the National Women's History Project website to read more about these honorees. [www.nwhp.org](http://www.nwhp.org) I am proud that our branch has begun the tradition of honoring "women of distinction" so that we remember and thank the women who are leading the way and creating opportunities for women and girls.

At our April 12th program at the Capitol, "Celebrating Equal Pay Day," our branch will have the opportunity to hear from a woman in public service and government, Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez, Chair of the Select Committee on Women in the Workplace, and from AAUW legislative advocate Shannon Smith-Crowley. Two women who are working so that all women have a fair chance. I hope you will join us at the Capitol for this important program.

*Sanchia*

## WOMEN OF DISTINCTION RAFFLE WINNERS

Here are the lucky winners of our raffle at the Women of Distinction Event on February 18.



**CRUISE**  
**Napa Stay**  
**Timeshare week**  
**Giants/SF Hotel**  
**Wood Vase**  
**Wine**  
**Tahoe Stay**

**Jean Triebel**  
**Jane Nichols**  
**John Burke**  
**Lora Finnegan**  
**Christina Richter**  
**Valerie Van Wieren**  
**Fred Berryman**

## 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL ANTIQUE ANSWERS

By Jackie Lamb, VP, Philanthropy



On March 5<sup>th</sup> the Branch held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Antique Answers event. Again the majority of the customers were non-members which have been our goal. However we also want to thank those members who signed up to have their items evaluated. The goal for Branch fundraisers is to raise funds from outside our membership whenever possible.

We had over 100 customers in spite of nasty weather and some evaluators cancelling at the last minute. **Susan Hall** and **Lora Finnegan** did a yeoman's job of making it all work even with the last minute changes. The hours each of them spent on this event were very significant.

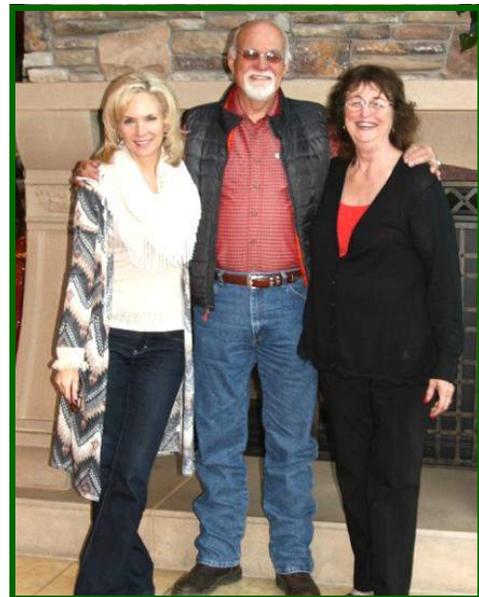
Please tell them thanks when you next see them.

The written evaluations that we asked people to complete showed:

1. Everyone ranked the event as Very Good or Good
2. Most said we should do the event again
3. All the various forms of publicity that we used brought in people with Sun Senior News leading the list.

Though this is an event enjoyed by both our customers and members the time and work required have not resulted in enough revenue. We were able to raise just over \$2000.00 The first year we had over 200 customers but have not been able to attract those same numbers in years two and three. The Branch will need to consider hosting this event every 3 or 4 years to build up a broader customer base.

**Thanks to everyone who volunteered their time and talent.**



## ***ELECT HER* Workshop at Sierra College**

**By Sue Miller, Sierra College Leadership Chair**

**Sierra College hosted an *Elect Her* workshop on March 10**, with over 30 students, including a few guys, in attendance. **Kate Farrar**, formerly an AAUW staff member, facilitated the half-day session, which also included several speakers.

**Deborah Ortiz, former CA Assembly member and Senator**, shared stories about what motivated her to pursue elected office. A panel of students spoke about what campus issues make them want to consider running for student senate. Each student wrote a brief “elevator speech” and all practiced giving their speeches. A very successful afternoon!



**Speaker Deborah Ortiz inspires students at recent *ELECT HER* workshop.**



**Sierra College students in attendance at *ELECT HER* workshop on March 10**

## **Sierra College Women and Gender Resource Center — Can You Help?**

Our Branch Board voted to give AAUW members the opportunity to donate items to be given out at the new **Women and Gender Resource Center on the Sierra Campus**. Three members of our branch have offered to collect the donated items, which will periodically be delivered to the center.

**Lincoln – Sue Orvis; Rocklin – Sue Miller; Roseville – Linda Howard.**

This would be a good project for AAUW Neighborhood Groups!

**Items needed:** Travel sizes of shampoo and conditioner; tampons; pads; soap/shower gel; razors; toothbrushes/toothpaste/floss; tissues; hand sanitizer. Also baby diapers and wipes; school supplies such as pens, pencils, sharpies, highlighters, notebooks, staplers. **THANK YOU!**

## Public Policy Report From Mary Kay Melton



AAUW will launch its latest research report, *Barriers and Bias: The Status of Women in Leadership*, on March 30. It examines why women are a small minority in seats of power while they are a majority of the U.S. population.

AAUW announces, "Live from the Newseum in Washington, D.C.," a panel of experts from industry, politics, and academia, moderated by journalist and author [Cokie Roberts](#), will discuss the report's findings, what they mean for women in leadership, and how these industries — and our society as a whole — can benefit from more women leaders."

You can sign up to receive the report here:

<http://www.aauw.org/research/barriers-and-bias/>

You can register now to **watch the Barriers and Bias report launch panel on Women in Leadership** here: <http://www.aauw.org/event/2016/03/barriers-and-bias-webcast/>

### And, News from AAUW Washington Update:

**Lisa Maatz** reports that "AAUW members should be very proud of the widespread progress on [equal pay in the states](#) in the last year. In October, [California](#) passed the strongest equal pay law in the nation. AAUW members advocated on behalf of the bill and were present at the bill's signing. Even more, AAUW helped to organize a [blitz](#) of equal pay bills in states for 2016—33 to be exact (and counting!)—which have been introduced or are pending this session. Your tireless advocacy and ongoing support make these extensive achievements possible."

**This information emphasizes the timeliness of our upcoming Equal Pay Day event in Sacramento on April 12.**

## Directions to Capitol in Sacramento and Parking Information



**Directions:** Depending on where you live, get onto Hwy 80 going west. After Madison Ave. stay to the right and take Business 80. Continue on to Hwy 160 (to the right after the Arden exit). Hwy 160 becomes 12th Street. This street deadends at L Street. The Capitol is on L Street. Turn right on L and right onto 10th. Turn right into the Capitol Parking garage. The cost is \$1.50 for each 1/2 hour. If the garage is full, continue on 10th to the City Hall garage at 10th and I Street. The cost is the same.

Because downtown construction has slowed traffic, it is a good idea to allow about an hour to drive downtown, find a parking place and go through the Capitol security check.

## Speech Trek News

By Michele Stark, Speech Trek Chair



**Exciting news!** Our top Speech Trek winner, **Caitlyn Jordan**, has been selected as **one of the 3 state finalists** for the **AAUW-CA State Convention** at the Marriott Hotel in San Mateo. The final Speech Trek competition is the featured program at the luncheon on:

**Saturday, April 16, at 12:00-2:00.**

I plan to attend the luncheon and hope you will also. If you just want to attend the luncheon, the cost is \$40. For more information on all the events, workshops, and costs go to the state website at [aauw-ca.org](http://aauw-ca.org) and click "Convention" located on the left side bar.

**Caitlyn Jordan**, a senior at Roseville's Oakmont High School, plans to attend UC Berkeley as an English major and eventually become a journalist. Caitlyn is president of her school's Speech and Debate Club and Creative Arts Club, volunteers with the homeless shelter Gathering Inn, and serves on her county's Youth Commission. She also enjoys playing classical piano, spending time with her 15-year-old sister, and practicing hot yoga.

**Hope you can attend the event to cheer for Caitlyn!**

## Tech Trek Almost to the Finish Line

By Kim Lillard, Tech Trek Chair

The countdown continues to the final six scholarship recipients as our branch holds its **Tech Trek Scholarship interviews** on Saturday, March 19th, at the Woman's Club in Lincoln. Members of the Woman's Club were happy to provide their facility for a nominal rental fee, as issues affecting girls and women are near and dear to their hearts as well.



The final tally for participating schools and their students heading for interview day is eleven, with one student being chosen from each of the participating schools' nominees. It was difficult to choose one young lady from each school; it will be even more difficult to choose the finalists and alternates from such a deserving group of girls. Recipients of the camp scholarships will be notified by April 1st, and the annual ice cream social to celebrate their achievement will follow soon after.

**Wishing good luck to all the interviewees!**

If you would like more information on Tech Trek in general, please feel free to contact Kim Lillard. Please also go to our website at:

<http://rosevillesouthplacer-ca.aauw.net/projects/trek/>

or join us on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/AAUWRSP/?fref=ts>.

## March 16th Board Meeting — Raley's Conference Center, Lincoln

Report of the Nominating Committee  
 Committee: Michele Stark, Chair, Diane Madden, Joan Mackey

The following slate of officers are submitted  
 for consideration for the AAUW year 2016-2017

President	Kathleen Crawford
President-elect	Kathy Novotny
Program V.P.	Sanchia Spadow
Membership V.P.	Patricia Lane
Outreach Projects	Sue Orvis
Finance V.P.	Kathy Novotny
Philanthropy V.P.	Diane Black and Lynn Cooper
Secretary	Tasha Standridge



## March 16, 2016 —Board Meeting Highlights

President reminded board members of the **April 12<sup>th</sup> Pay Equity Day at the Capitol** and encouraged them to attend. (Details are on front page of Branch Lines.)

- Minutes of the February meeting were reviewed and approved.
- Financials were reviewed and approved.
- Committee reports were given.
- Ad Hoc committee on High School Scholarships, Chair gave update.
- Board approved to make Women of Distinction a signature event/fundraiser to be held annually in March.
- Board voted to have the Policies & Procedure Committee review the Interest Group policies and bring recommendations to the April board meeting.

### SAVE THE DATE

**May 10: Annual Meeting and Election of Officers  
 10:00—12:00 at Presentation Hall at Kilaga Springs in Lincoln**

**June 29: Installation of Officers, Awards and Honors Luncheon  
 11:30—2:00 at Timbers Ballroom in Sun City Roseville**

**April 15, 16, 17: AAUW California State Convention in San Mateo  
 See [aauw-ca.org](http://aauw-ca.org) for information.**



## The Welcome Mat

By Leslie McNeill, New Member Coordinator

### The AAUW Roseville South Placer Branch welcomes 6 new members...

**Elizabeth Gonzales** received her BA in English from UC Berkeley. Elizabeth has retired from her career as an English and History teacher. She lives in Rocklin.

**Marilyn Sanders** resides in Roseville. Marilyn received her BA in Health Science from CSU Fresno and has retired after a career as a Community Service Liaison.

We have 4 new members who reside in Sun City Lincoln.

**Esther Parfitt** received her BA in Gerontology Sociology from CSU Sacramento. She is now retired from her career as an Activities Director.

**Margaret Maher** was a Physical Education Teacher. She received her BA in Phys. Ed. at UC Davis and her MS in School Counseling from CSU Hayward. **Almeda Decell** received her BS, MA and Ph.D in Clinical Psychology from the U. S. International University, San Diego.

Rounding out our newest members residing in Sun City Lincoln, is **Jeri Hanson DiFiore**. Jeri is a graduate from the University of San Francisco with a BS in Psychology. She retired from a career as a Territory Manager, Del Monte Sales.



**Welcome! Elizabeth, Marilyn, Esther, Margaret, Almeda and Jeri**

## Highlighting Casual Gardeners Interest Group Event: Tulipmania!

By Patricia Tolleson

**The Casual Gardeners** left bright and early on Feb.17 to board the Amtrak train to San Francisco. We arrived at Pier 39 where the vibrant colors of more than **39,000 blooming tulips** (many imported from Holland and Washington State) and garden favorites awaited us. Our tour guides provided helpful gardening tips and information about the history of tulips. We had time to browse and shop before a short ten-minute walk to Scoma's Restaurant, where we enjoyed a scrumptious lunch. This fun-filled day was arranged by Barbara Fraivillig.



**??? Ask your question! ???**

What would you like to know about the branch-- its functions, its policies or practices? If you have a serious question you have pondered and that can be answered by one of the branch leaders, send it to Susan Hall. We will print the question and answer in subsequent copies of *Branch Lines*. We hope this new feature will help keep members better informed.

**Your Communications Team**

**Let's Say:**



**“Kudos To” ~ A branch feature ~**

Do you know someone who has gone above and beyond to help the branch— perhaps someone who has missed being recognized? Send your recommendation with examples to Communications Director, Susan Hall.

**This month we're saying “Kudos To”**

Thanks for the Wine Donations for Women of Distinction and Antique Answers events to: Michele Stark, Mary Kay Melton, Susan Hall, Diane Madden, Karen Allen, Patti Kingston, Kathy Kort, June Paquette, and Sanchia Spadow.

Thanks to Sue Orvis for the homemade gourmet cheese crackers and to Sue Cofer for the lovely gift bags for the Antique Answers appraisers.

Thanks to Lynda Braun for creating the two beautiful tri-fold poster boards with photos and captions depicting our branch. Look for them at branch events. Thanks also to Kate Scott and Carolyn Garfein.

**Sunshine Chair Welcomes Your Requests**

**Patricia Glover** is our Sunshine Chair. She welcomes your requests to send a card or make a friendly call to members who are ill, need encouragement, or are to be congratulated.

**Particia's phone number is in our Branch Handbook.**





## Interest Group Meetings in April--Open to all members

### Wednesday Evening Book Group

**April 6, at 6:30 p.m.**

Meeting at the Lincoln home of Marnie Badgley  
Please RSVP Marnie if you plan to attend.  
Sue Machle reviews: The Mare by Mary Gaitskill  
May book: Hemingway in Love  
By A. E. Hotcher  
Further information: Contact Pat Morgan.

### Casual Gardeners

**Wednesday, April 6, at 10:00 a.m.**

Garden tour of the Methodist Church Gardens  
6414 Brace Road in Loomis.  
Meet at the church at 10:00 a.m. and then we'll go  
to lunch at High Hand Nursery Conservatory.  
Reservations made for lunch at 11:30.  
Please bring cash to facilitate easier service with  
separate checks. **RSVP by April 4th** to  
Sandra Barnikel.

### Mah Jongg

**Thursday, April 7 and 21, at 1:00 p.m.**

Group plays twice monthly in members' homes  
on first and third Thursdays.  
Players will be contacted by hostesses  
and Coordinator Joyce Wade.  
In April we will begin playing with the new card.  
New members are welcome at the teaching table.  
Further information: Contact Joyce.

### Duplicate Bridge

**Friday, April 8th, at 1:00 p.m.**

Hostess will be Mary Layman in Lincoln.  
RSVP to Mary if you plan to attend.  
Contact Sandi Roullier if you would  
like to sub or join this group.  
We need substitutes!



### Great Decisions

**Friday, April 8, at 10:00 a.m.**

Raley's Event Center, 1915 Douglas, Roseville  
Topic: "The Koreas" DVD shown.  
Open Forum. Bring your opinions.  
No-host lunch after program  
Further information: Contact Elsie Gaura.

### Wine Appreciation Group

**Sunday, April 10, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.**

A Bargain Wine Session by  
Michael from Grocery Outlet  
At Ilene and Irv Herman's Roseville home  
\$6 per person: Please bring a check  
or the correct cash.  
**RSVP by April 6** to Ilene.

### Women of the World

**Tuesday, April 12**

**Note change from our usual day.**

We will be attending the Branch Program:  
Equal Pay Day Event at State Capitol.  
Further information: Contact Joan Mackey.

### Hand and Foot Card Game

**No meeting in April due to Branch Event.**

Group meets on the second Tuesday monthly  
at the Granite Bay home of Darlene Thomas,  
For information about our group, contact Darlene.

### Party Bridge

**Wednesday, April 13, at 1:00 p.m.**

Group meets monthly on the second Wednesday.  
Questions & RSVP: Contact Leslie McNeill.



## April Interest Group Meetings-- Open to All Members

### Mexican Train

**Thursday, April 14, at 1:00 p.m.**

The Mexican train group meets on the second Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in members' homes. A hostess is needed for this event. Please RSVP to Joan Urry if you can be a hostess. All will be notified when someone volunteers.

### Movies on Monday

**April 18, at 11:30 a.m.**

Meeting at the Lincoln home of Sue Cofer

Our film: "The Tree of Life" 2011

The eldest son of a 1950s-era Midwestern family sets out on an existential journey that leads him to question his faith while seeking the answers to life's most challenging mysteries in this evocative drama from celebrated director Terrence Malick.

Stars Brad Pitt and Sean Penn

Bring your lunch. \$2 "at the door" pays for chips, beverage, and movie rental.

Seating is limited to 15 so please RSVP early.

For Reservations: Contact Carol Mahany.

Further Group Information: Contact Coordinators Darlene Thomas or Sue Cofer.

### Tuesday Book Group

**April 19 at 10:30 a.m.**

Lutheran Church: 6365 Douglas Blvd., Granite Bay

Reviewing: The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry

by Rachel Joyce

May book: At the Water's Edge by Sara Gruen

Questions: Contact Patricia Glover.

### Wednesday Book Group

**April 20 at 10:30 a.m.**

At Raley's Event Center, 1915 Douglas in Roseville

Reviewing: Hiding in the Spotlight by Greg Dawson

May book: A Spool of Blue Thread by Anne Tyler

Questions: Contact Nancy Taylor.

### Women's Gourmet Group

**Monday, April 25**

April's Women's Gourmet will be held at the Lincoln home of Cindy Hays.

She will send out the menu in April.

Questions may be directed to Coordinator Karen Allen.

### Scrabble Group

**Tuesday April 26, at 2:00 p.m.**

Group plays in members' homes monthly on the 4th Tuesday. In April at the home of Barbara Parker in Rocklin.

RSVP to Barbara if you plan to attend.

### Couples Dinner Group

Our next dinner will be held on

**Saturday, May 21**

RSVP: Barbara Gorden or Fran Rice.

### Audio Book Exchange

No regular meetings—just sharing of books on CD throughout the year. If interested, contact Coordinator Nancy Taylor.



### Interest Groups

Our branch members enjoy a variety of interest groups, and we welcome members to get involved and to suggest new groups that will promote AAUW camaraderie among women of like persuasions. Contact our president with your suggestions.

## April Neighborhood Groups Events

Neighborhood Group Branch Chair: Susan Hovde

**Granite Bay/Loomis/Newcastle/E. Roseville/Orangevale:** Our neighborhood group will meet for lunch on its usual 3rd Friday, **April 15**, at 12:30. We will decide where we will eat when we meet in March. Questions? Contact **Sally Altman**.

**Rocklin/Springfield:** Our neighborhood group will meet on **April 28** for lunch. Joan will send everyone an email to let us know the time and place. Contact: **Joan Mackey**.

**Lincoln: Dolls and Dessert in April**  
Come meet Susie Crawford and some of her handcrafted figurative dolls while enjoying dessert in the afternoon. Susie is a Sun City Lincoln resident and has been featured in the Compass. Date: **Friday, April 29, 2 to 4 PM**  
Place: At the Lincoln home of **Sue Cofer**  
**RSVP to Sue by April 27.**

**May - Cafe and Clay in May**  
We will meet at the **Newly relocated and renovated** Whistle Stop Cafe, 602 Lincoln Blvd., Suite 120, for lunch at 11:30 AM. We will then venture to the exhibit of student works at **Clay Fest IV** at the Lincoln Art League, located at 580-6th Street, Lincoln. The date of this event will be in the May issue of the Branch Lines.

**Join your Neighborhood Group Today!**

**Contact our group leaders.**

**Or call our  
Neighborhood Group Coordinator  
Susan Hovde.**

**SCR Villages 1-8 + Northwest Roseville:**

**Clay Fest 3 (Feats of Clay) on Tuesday, April 19**  
Meet at 11:30 at the Lodge if you need a ride or want to travel together. Meet at 12:00 noon at Blue Line Gallery at 405 Vernon Street, Suite 100. Meet at 1:15 at The Place Italian Restaurant at 221 Vernon Street. It is about 2 blocks so you can walk it.  
RSVP to **Connie Frank** by **April 13** so she can make reservations for the group. The restaurant is small but charming, and last year they had to move some tables for us. Individual checks are OK, but please bring cash.

**May** is open. Who would like to cover that month? A volunteer would be appreciated. Please let Connie know.

**SCR Villages 9-13 + Southwest Roseville:**

Our neighborhood group will meet on **Thursday, April 7th**, at 9:30 AM at **Kathleen Crawford's** home in Sun City Roseville. Join your neighbors for an informal coffee with light snacks to meet and greet continuing and new members.  
RSVP to hostess **Kathleen Crawford** by email no later than **April 3.**

**Neighborhood Group Leaders**

(They welcome your questions about our groups)

Granite Bay/Loomis/Newcastle/E. Roseville &  
Orangevale: Sally Altman

Rocklin/Springfield: Jerri Yeager

Lincoln: Susan Hovde

SCR Villages 1-8 + Northwest Roseville:  
Connie Frank

SCR Villages 9-13 + Southwest Roseville:  
Sandy Haley



### Board Meeting Notice

Board Meetings are scheduled for the second Wednesday of each month at 10:00 AM at Raley's Event Center.

**Change of time for this month only:  
Our next meeting will be on  
April 13, 2016 at 9:00 AM  
at Raley's in Lincoln.**

Anyone interested is welcome to attend. Contact President Sanchia Spandow with your discussion item a week before the meeting so you can be placed on the agenda. Thank you.

Misplaced your copy of Branch Lines?  
No problem!  
Contact Editor for a re-send.  
OR: The current issue of Branch Lines can be found on our Website. Check it out.

### AAUW ROSEVILLE-SOUTH PLACER BRANCH LINES

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Roseville-South Placer (CA) Branch

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

### Visit AAUW Media Sites

Hold CTRL on keyboard, then click on addresses below to visit our Branch Website and Facebook page, as well as State and National sites, for a wealth of information about AAUW events present, past, and future—also to access links to articles of concern for today's women.

<http://rosevillesouthplacer-ca.aauw.net/>

<http://www.aauw.org/>

<http://www.aauw-ca.org/>

<http://www.facebook.com/aauwrsp/>



To access the Members Only section on our Branch Website, you will need to use the branch password.

**Branch Lines Deadline: 15th of the month**

### NOTE:

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It is suggested that you print out the newsletter now so you will have it handy for future reference.

