

Branch Lines

FEBRUARY 2015

American Association of University Women



The Eleanor Stem Allen Speech Trek Contest takes place on

Saturday, February 7, 2015, at 10:00 AM In the Whitney High School Library 701 Wildcat Blvd., Rocklin

The community is invited to hear students from high schools in the Roseville/South Placer area speak on this year's topic:

College...Is It Worth the Time and Expense?

Please Join Us for this Annual Branch Event!

We're planning a lunch to follow at BJ's Restaurant.

Here's the information if you wish to attend:

BJ's is located across from the Roseville Galleria
at 1200 Roseville Parkway. They have a great varied
menu and prices. You may order from BJ's menu with
individual checks. We are planning on sitting at one
of their long tables in the lower room.



If you plan to join us for this luncheon, please call or email by February 2:

Virginia Legarre or Carole Biemer (Contact information in Branch Handbook)

In March: A Runway Presentation of Women's Issues
With Fashions of the Decades



Celebrate Women's History Month with a unique fashion show presentation of the roles of women through the decades starting with 1920's fashions. Bring family, friends--open to the public.

This entertaining and educational event for all ages is sure to spark our fascination with the women's lives who preceded us.

See details on page 3 and make your reservations now for this March 28 event.

President's Message

January Board Meeting Highlights

- Midyear reports will be posted on the website in the "members only" section. It was recommended that committee members' names be included in the annual reports.
- Work on the video promoting our branch is continuing and should be completed in March.
- Two scholarships will be awarded to Sierra College students in September 2015. Sierra College has begun the process of publicizing the scholarships' availability.
- Five middle schools will participate in Tech Trek this year. The Tech Trek packets are to be returned by the applicants by February 27, and the names of participants must be submitted by April 15.
- Seventeen students have registered for Speech Trek, which will be held February 7.
- Sue Miller reported on the programs at Sierra College. She emphasized the strong partnership our Branch has with Sierra College----arguably the strongest in the state. She reminded everyone that April 14 is Equal Pay Day.
- Elect Her workshop will be held March 6. In last year's group of students, three were elected to the college senate----one as president.
- Megan Seely, a branch member and Sierra College employee, has received a \$5000 AAUW Campus Action Grant for her project "Unconscious Bias."

President Schelly Jensen

Last Call: Nominations Requested for Eleanor Roosevelt Award

Each year our branch contributes to AAUW Funds as part of our educational mission and selects two members to receive the Eleanor Roosevelt award for outstanding contribution to the Branch over the past couple years. These honorees are women who have supported the Branch in terms of their time, effort and talent and have not won the award in the past.



Please nominate a member or members who you think are deserving of this award and state your reason for the nomination.

All nominations need to be sent to the committee by **January 30, 2015**.

Diane Madden Susan Hall Cindy Hays

OR: Send nominations to above members by regular mail. See their addresses in Branch Handbook. Winners' names will be kept secret by AAUW Funds and Honoree Chair Carol Mintz until awards are given at the Annual Installation and Awards Luncheon.

In March: A Runway Presentation of Women's Issues With Fashions of the Decades



Mark Your Calendar Now! Join us in March

It's a Fashion Show and Commentary depicting women's role in society.

It's our way of celebrating Women's History Month!



Runway of Women's History Through Fashion Date: Saturday March 28, 2015

Time: 2 - 4 PM

Place: Valley Springs Church at 2401 Olympus Drive, Roseville Open to the Public

Celebrate Women's History Month with a unique presentation of the roles of women through the decades starting with 1920's fashions.

This entertaining and educational event for all ages is sure to spark our fascination with the women's lives who preceded us.

Bring friends, neighbors, daughters and grand-daughters to this eye-opening event.

Admission: \$20 All admission fees will go to our branch philanthropies.

Light refreshments will be served at intermission.

Clip reservation form below and send to:
AAUW Fashion Show, 5153 Wedgewood Way, Rocklin, CA 95765
For questions and/or additional information, call Barbara.

Reservation and payment must be received by Tuesday, March 24th.

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I	RESERVATION FORM: WOMEN'S HISTORY THROUGH FASHION						
İ	Enclosed is my check for \$20 (per person) payable to AAUW, with Fashion Show noted on the memo line. Event is open seating.						
į	Name:	Number attending:					
Į	Phone or email address:						

"Kudos To"

"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.

Our February Kudos go to:



Michele Stark for her work to start and continue to support the Sierra College Leadership Program. Our branch's Sierra College connection has been recognized as possibly the strongest in AAUW-CA and one of the strongest in the country as AAUW tries to forge connection with college women students. Michele has led a team that strengthened \$tart \$mart. Elect Her programs, and the establishment of other branch connections to Sierra College students and faculty members.



Our thanks also to **AAUW Branch members** who are recruiting new members to the branch. There has been an increase in new members this past six months in large part thanks to our members who tell others about AAUW's mission and programs. Keep up the good work!

Sierra College Hosts Cesar Chavez Speaker By Sue Miller, Sierra College Leadership

One of the opportunities in our partnership with Sierra College is the invitation to attend the upcoming annual Cesar Chavez Higher Education Speaker, a panel discussion that inspires intellectual thought and understanding. This year's topic is Hidden Voices: Mexican American Women of WWI, to be presented March 26, 12:30, in Dietrich Theater.

Panelists include Consuelo "Connie" Macias, Sergeant in the Marine Corps, WWII; Maggie Rivas-Rodriguez, Associate Professor of Journalism at the U. of Texas, Austin: and Mirtha Villarreal-Younger. Deputy Secretary Minority Veterans Affairs, California Department of Veteran's Affairs.

Ms. Rivas-Rodriquez, a native of Roseville, was the director of state personnel at the California Military Department, where she served in multiple positions since 2001, including deputy director of state personnel programs, state equal employment officer, deputy director of public affairs and command information officer and chief of community relations.

All AAUW members are welcome to attend the program.



Mirtha Villarreal-Younger, Deputy Secretary Minority Veterans Affairs

Roseville-South Placer Branch--Non-Event Fundraiser for Philanthropy Projects By Maria Actis, Philanthropy Vice President

Hello AAUW Branch Members:

Well it is that time of year again; your AAUW Roseville-South Placer branch, Philanthropy group, will be sending you the Non-Event Invitations in the very near future. This is your invitation and opportunity to participate in one of our larger Branch fund-raisers for 2015. This Non-Event fund-raiser is very important to the welfare of our Branch Outreach Projects: Sierra College Scholarships, Sierra College Leadership, Tech Trek and AAUW Funds awards. All of these Outreach projects are dependent upon your funding support. Without your contributions and your good will, we would not be able to offer these opportunities to women returning to college nor to the middle school girls that we send to Tech Trek summer camp each year.

Please open your hearts, contribute to the success of these projects, and let us keep the vision of offering these opportunities through 2015. When you receive the Non-Event Invitation, please return your contribution check in the self-addressed envelope to the Branch's Post Office Box, 1174, Lincoln, California 95648 no later than June 30, 2015.

All contributions, small and large, are recognized and are truly appreciated! An acknowledgement receipt for your generosity will be sent for tax purposes. Please remember that all of your contributions are 100% tax deductible now that we are a 501 (C) (3).

So please help us as you did so generously last year to surpass our goal of \$5,500 for this Non-Event fund-raiser for our Roseville-South Placer Branch.

Sierra College Scholarships

Sierra College Leadership



Tech Trek Math, Science, Technology Camp for 7th Grade Girls

AAUW Funds Awards

Friends of the Roseville Public Library will be having their first gently used book sale of 2015 on Saturday, February 28

The sale will be located at the Downtown Library 225 Taylor Street from 10 AM – 4 PM.

This sale will be featuring Railroad Collection, California History books, as well as our regular selection of books.

Prices are \$1 for paperback and most media, \$2 for hardback books, and \$.25 for children's books.

Public Policy: Resources and Programs Affecting Our Lives By Kathleen Crawford, Public Policy Chair

Please mark your January 2016 calendar (yes, 2016 is correct!) to attend the next CCRWF (California Center for Research on Women & Families) Policy Summit at the Sacramento Convention Center.

I have just returned from the January 2015 event and it is THE best day for information on legislative efforts to improve AAUW issues for women, girls and families. **Sue Miller** and **Cindy Faulkner** attended, so you can also check with them for additional details. We saw another 7 AAUW members from regional branches as well and enjoyed meeting some of the 34 young women participating in the Pathways mentor program through CCRWF (collaborates with AAUW).



Photo taken during the General Session on Working Families and the Workplace. Seated Kate Karpilow (Exec Dir CCRWF) and Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson (moderator). At the podium speaking is Jenya Cassidy (Program Director, Work & Family Coalition, Next Generation).

A new feature this year was the Women's Health Policy Fair, which was well attended by the mentees

and registrants including younger career women working in the capitol, so it was an exciting and interesting day. It is very difficult to pick out a few highlights from the speakers but here are two of my personal favorites: Senator Holly Mitchell, whose opening remarks including the powerful reminder: "Two year olds do not get a do over," underscoring the importance of providing nutritional support, health care services and early childhood educational opportunities because research on brain and physical development is clear how important early environment impacts success in later life. And the keynote by Assembly Speaker Toni Atkins, who challenged us to channel our frustration and anger over the lack of legislative improvements INTO energy to impact our issues of improving the economic status of minimum-wage-earning women, substandard housing, and the cost of educational opportunities. She assured us that our participation does matter!

The policy summit focus is on pragmatic and realistic solutions that will make a difference. Attendees received several short policy papers which are available on the CCRWF website **www.ccrwf.org** if you wish further information.

Here is another opportunity to participate in an AAUW leadership program. Mark your calendar for March 21, 2015, for the Northern CA one-day conference. The keynote speaker will be from the AAUW national office, Erica Stout, AAUW Training & Program Manager. Complete details are not available as of this Branch Lines deadline, but if you are interested, please contact me!

Take advantage of our women power and join in the advocacy efforts by signing up for the Two Minute Activist and weekly emails on federal issues at advocacy@aauw.org.
Once you sign up on the national site, you are automatically registered for the CA State Alert messages.

If you are interested in public policy issues and wish to join a branch discussion group, please contact me by phone or email.

Kathleen Crawford Public Policy

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Interest Group Meetings in February—Open to all members Interest Group Coordinator: Marilyn Gregory

Party Bridge Monday, February 2 and 16 at 1:30 p.m.

Contact: Sally Altman for information.

Casual Gardeners Wednesday, February 4 at 10:00 a.m.

At Karen Haggard's home in Loomis. Lunch will follow at Pete's Brewhouse 5540 Douglas Blvd., Granite Bay, at 12:15 pm. The president of the Camilla Society will be speaking; and then on March 7 we will be going to the Camilla Show together. RSVP to Karen if you plan to attend.

Wednesday Evening Book Group February 4, 6:30 p.m.

At the Lincoln home of Michele Stark Michele Reviews: The Husband's Secret by Liane Moriarty RSVP to Michele if you plan to attend. March book: All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr

Mah Jongg Thursday, February 5 and 19, 1:00 p.m.

Group plays twice monthly in members' homes. Players will be contacted by hostesses and Coordinator Joyce Wade. New members are welcome at the teaching table. For information: Give Joyce a call.

Women of the World Monday, February 9 at 10:00 a.m.

Hostess: Meeting at the home of Carolyn Garfein. Lynn Cook reviews "A Fighting Chance" by Elizabeth Warren. More information: Contact Joan Mackey.



Hand and Foot Card Group Tuesday, February 10, 1:00 p.m.

Group meets monthly on the second Tuesday at the Granite Bay home of Darlene Thomas. Bring a snack to share. All are welcome. RSVP to Darlene if you plan to attend.

Mexican Train Tuesday, February 10, 1:00 p.m.

At the Roseville home of Kate Tiongson RSVP to Kate if you plan to attend. Remember to bring \$2.00 in nickels. Hope to see you there!

Party Bridge Wednesday, February 11, 1:00 p.m.

For information, call Joan Lowry.

Great Decisions Friday, February 13, 10:00 a.m.

Raley's Event Center, 1915 Douglas, Roseville Topic: "Brazil in Metamorphosis" (pp. 89-100) Open Forum. Personal trip stories are welcome. No-host lunch afterwards.

Further information: Contact Elsie Gaura.

Duplicate Bridge Friday, February 13, 1:00 p.m.

(Group plays monthly on second Friday.) In February at the Granite Bay home of Sally Altman RSVP to Sally if you would like to play. Please contact Sandi Roullier if you would like to join or be a sub in this group.



February Interest Group Meetings—Open to All Members

Interest Group Coordinator: Marilyn Gregory

Movies on Monday February 16 at 11:30 a.m.

At Sue Cofer's Lincoln home.
Our film: "Belle" (2014) Genre: Political drama, pre-20th century period piece, Indie drama.
Bring your lunch. \$2 "at the door" pays for chips, beverage, movie rental. Seating is limited to 14.
For Reservations: Contact Adele Tarantino.
Further group info: Contact Darlene Thomas.

Tuesday Book Group February 17, 10:30 a.m.

At 6365 Douglas Blvd., Granite Bay Reviewing: <u>The Shoemaker's Wife</u> by Adriana Trigiani. In March: <u>One Summer: America, 1927</u> by Bill Bryson Questions: Contact Patricia Glover.

Wednesday Book Group February 18, 10:30 a.m.

At Raley's Event Center, 1915 Douglas in Roseville Reviewing: <u>Blush: A Mennonite Girl Meets the</u> <u>Glittering World</u> by Shirley Herhey Showalker March book: <u>Night in Shanghai</u> by Nicole Mones Questions: Contact Nancy Taylor.

Wine Appreciation Group Sunday, February 22, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Hosted by Kathy Kort at the home of
Clay Abrams in Lincoln Hills.

Mary Jo Ford from Borra Vineyards in Lodi will be
pouring 4 reds, 3 whites, and a dessert wine.

There will be a small charge, Bring an appetizer.
RSVP to Kathy by February 15.

Women's Gourmet Monday, February 23

Women's Gourmet will be held at the home of Sandra Barnikel in Rocklin.

Sandra will be sending out the menu to members.

Anyone interested in joining the gourmet group should contact Coordinator Karen Allen.

Scrabble Group Tuesday, February 24, 2:00 p.m.

Plays in members' homes monthly on 4th Tuesday.
In February, we play at the home of
Judy Maas in Roseville.
RSVP to Judy if you plan to attend.

Couples Dinner Group The Dinner Group will be meet next on Saturday, March 21st

Hostess and/or a planned event needed. Anyone interested in joining the group, contact Fran Rice or Barbara Gorden.

Audio Book Exchange

No regular meetings--just sharing of books on CD throughout the year. Contact Coordinator Nancy Taylor if you are interested.

Note from Nancy:

We will meet at Sue Orvis's Lincoln home on Wednesday, January 28, at 12 noon, for our discussion of this past season of books and to choose new ones for the next round. Everyone should bring a sandwich that can be cut into 4 pieces to share. We will have chips and drinks provided. I will bring a selection of books on tape that you can choose from if you don't have one of your own to provide. Let Sue or me, Nancy, know if you can attend. If you can't join us, let me know your new book choice or tell me if you want me to choose one for you.



Audio books are fun. Here we go again!

New members are welcome.



February Neighborhood Groups Neighborhood Group Branch Chair: Susan Hovde



Granite Bay/Loomis/Newcastle and East

Roseville—Our neighborhood group will be having lunch on our usual day, the 3rd Friday, February 20. We will be going to a new Noodles restaurant located at the corner of Sierra College and Douglas Blvd. The time is 12:30. Respond to Sally Altman if you plan to attend.

Rocklin/Springfield-- Rocklin neighborhood group will meet for lunch on February 26.

Patricia Glover will contact members to let them know the time and place. Contact Patricia if you have any questions.

<u>Lincoln</u>—We have a "twofer" for you on Saturday, February 7! Come support Speech Trek and these young students who have worked hard at this busy time of their lives. Then have lunch at BJ's across from the Galleria in Roseville. They have a great varied menu and prices. Order off their menu and receive individual checks. We are planning on sitting at one of their long tables in the lower room. RSVP by calling or emailing Virginia Legarre or Carole Biemer.

Neighborhood Group Chair Susan Hovde

(See Branch Handbook for contact information.)

SCR Villages 1-8--On February 20, from 2-4 PM, Jewelry Exchange. Bring your unwanted but nice jewelry to this event and change for another item you can use. Any leftover items go to charity. It's at the Sun City Roseville home of Sandra Pugh. Sandra will serve wine and soft drinks. You may bring an hors d'oeuvre. Reply to her by February 16 if you plan to attend.

SCR Villages 9-13 + The Club--Diane Madden has graciously offered to host an event for our group on Thursday, February 12. Save the date. Details will be announced shortly. We need a volunteer for March.

Neighborhood Group Leaders

(They welcome your call and questions.)

Granite Bay/Loomis/Newcastle/ East Roseville: Sally Altman

Rocklin/Springfield: Jerri Yeager Lincoln: Susan Hovde SCR 1-8: Connie Frank SCR 9-13+: Sandy Haley



Join Your Neighborhood Group Today!

Save the Date: In May! Antique Answers Fund Raiser Saturday, May 2, 2015 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

At Valley Springs Church. Watch for Details.





Sunshine Chair Welcomes Your Requests

Patricia Glover has graciously offered to take over the responsibilities as our new 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.

(Contact information is in our Branch Handbook.)

Board Meeting Notice

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

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 Raley's in Roseville.

Anyone interested is welcome to attend.
Contact President Schelly Jensen
with any agenda items.

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.

Visit Our Media Sites

Members will want to visit our Website and Facebook page for a wealth of information about branch events present, past, and future—also to access links to articles of concern for today's women.

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Branch Lines Deadline

Deadline for submissions is the 15th of the month.
Emails preferred to Editor

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

