

# **Branch Lines**

APRIL 2015 American Association of University Women



Join us for our Branch Annual Meeting On Friday, April 24 2:00 to 4:00 PM At the Lincoln Library Twelve Bridges Drive, Lincoln

2014-15 Annual Meeting

We'll be voting for our next year's officers and enjoying a good old-fashioned Ice Cream Social to celebrate accomplishments of the past AAUW year.

"Topping" the Agenda will be speaker Rosemary Metrailer.

This woman has been called a legend! She's been a pioneer in the fight for equality for over 40 years. She began by working in the Civil Rights movement and the War on Poverty in the 60's. In the 70's, she became a lawyer, and then a partner in an all-women law firm in Sacramento. That firm fought against employment discrimination and sexual harassment and for gay rights. During her career, Rosemary helped make history by pursuing cases against the likes of Jerry Falwell and on behalf of civilian women employees who were being discriminated against by their employer, McClellan Air Force Base. Please come and hear about her experiences fighting for civil rights on behalf of women, gays and lesbians, and other minorities.

See candidates for branch office--2015-16 Year--on Page 4.

Save the Date: Saturday, May 2, 2015 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

#### Antique Answers Evaluation Day At Valley Springs Church in Roseville

See Page 3 for details and join us for a professional evaluation of your paintings, books, rugs, posters, silver, china, crystal, jewelry, railroadiana, dolls, toys, linens and collectibles.



Thanks to all who made this event a success for our branch last year!

#### President's Message By Schelly Jensen

## **March Board Meeting Highlights**

- The Non-Event Fundraiser has so far raised \$5,210 from 81 members.
- June 2 will be the Installation luncheon at Morgan Creek Country Club. Mark this date on your calendar.
- Tech Trek interviews will be taking place in March. Five girls will be selected to attend the UC Davis Tech Trek Camp. (See p. 7)
- Another new member joined the Branch for a total of 214 members.
- Nominating Committee still open to nominations for President Elect and Secretary for the 2015-2016 year. (See article and information on page 4.)

## **Women of Distinction Event**

During the last few months, a small group of the Philanthropy Committee has met to determine the feasibility of offering a "Women of Distinction" event as a fundraiser for our branch. After a lot of discussion and brainstorming, the committee decided that we would like to see our branch offer a first-class fundraising event that would honor and celebrate two or three outstanding women who have made significant contributions to their communities within South Placer County. The honorees would be chosen from the general population and may or may not include a branch member.

The committee discussed several ideas for the event, but it will be up to the Women of Distinction Committee to make final decisions. Several members have already expressed an interest in serving on the committee including Kathy Dorsey, Kathy Neuhaus, Sue Miller, Kathleen Crawford and Kathy Kort. The Women of Distinction Committee will fine tune the event concept. Committee members will decide on what type of event it will be (luncheon, dinner, etc.), will develop the program (choosing the master of ceremonies, securing a keynote speaker), develop the criteria to be used to select the women of distinction, as well as finding a venue, publicizing the event, etc. This is a big project and will need lots of volunteers to be successful. If you would like to volunteer to help with the event—in any capacity—please call or email Kathy Dorsey (contact information in Branch Handbook).

In approving the Women of Distinction concept, the board felt that there would be many advantages to offering such an event, including ultimately providing needed branch funds through just one major fundraiser a year, rather than several. Such an event would help us gain a greater presence in our community and would fulfill part of our AAUW mission.



SAVE THE DATE! OUR BRANCH INSTALLATION LUNCHEON ON JUNE 2 AT MORGAN CREEK GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB IN ROSEVILLE Complete Details to come in May issue of Branch Lines





## Join us for Antique Answers in May!



AAUW Roseville-South Placer

## ANTIQUE ANSWERS EVALUATION DAY

If you for a love Antiques Roadshow, you'll love this event! Get an informal, verbal evaluation by a professional! Proceeds support local scholarships for women and girls!

When: May 2, 2015, 10am – 5pm

Where: Valley Springs Church Youth Center, 2401 Olympus Drive Roseville, CA 95661 Free Parking!

Time: an appointment is required: send an email to <u>antiqueanswers@gmail.com</u> OR call 916-772-6763 to book your appointment.

**Bring in:** paintings, books, rugs, posters, silver, china, crystal, jewelry, railroadiana, dolls, toys, linens and collectibles.

Cost: \$12 for 1 item \$22 for 2 items \$10 each for 3 or more items

Tax deductible!

#### Some of Our Evaluators:

Gary Cox, Antique Answer Man; B. Velasco, Hand Pickin Emporium; Bob Hensley Estate Services; Charles Gray & Lynne Holmberg-Gray, Fine Arts; Gary Schiff Estate Services; Brad Lomazzi, Railroad Americana; Debra Jensen, Ormolu Appraisals; Joy Zgola, Capital Estate Liquidation; Brian Johnson, B&C Estate Sales; Kathy Pratt Estate Sales; Malcom Howe, The Penny Farthing.

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## Nominating Committee Report

#### By Kathleen Crawford, Nominating Committee Chairperson

The Nominating Committee is pleased to place the following names in nomination for elected branch officers beginning in July 2015. The election takes place at the branch April 24, 2015 General Meeting, and the Installation Luncheon will be on June 2nd.

PRESIDENT: Sanchia Spandow PRESIDENT ELECT: To Be Determined PROGRAM VICE PRESIDENT: Peggy Rutherford MEMBERSHIP VICE PRESIDENT: Patricia Lane FINANCE VICE PRESIDENT: Kathy Novotny OUTREACH VICE PRESIDENT: Lynda Braun PHILANTHROPY VICE PRESIDENT: Jackie Lamb SECRETARY: To Be Determined



Two positions remain vacant and nominations remain open. President Elect is a two year term which allows a full year of board service while preparing for the next term as President to begin in July 2016. Secretary is a one year term involving monthly board meetings, creating board meeting minutes (summary descriptions of agenda items with motions/actions noted), distribution of minutes to board and Facebook page for member access as well as an Action Items list for board follow up. This is an opportunity to contribute to our leadership team while learning a great deal about the branch programs and projects.

It is perfectly acceptable to self-nominate, so please consider "leaning in" by joining the branch board. Self-nominations can be made by contacting any member of the Nominating Committee before the April 24th Annual Meeting. At the Annual Meeting, branch members may nominate other members for any office. Permission from any candidate to be nominated must be obtained by the nominating branch member before the Annual Meeting.

To paraphrase an African saying "It takes a village" to accomplish the AAUW goals and mission. Please contact anyone of the Nominating Committee members (Kathleen Crawford, Kathy Kort and Elsie Gaura) to let us know if you are willing to join our village, the branch Leadership Team!



## Use Amazon Smile and Help our Branch

So many members order from Amazon, some even using Amazon prime. Now there is a way to buy your usual item(s) and let Amazon give back to our non-profit charitable funds.

<u>When you are ready to place an Amazon order</u>: Find the "Select a charity" space and type in AAUW Roseville-South Placer. Then click the select button. Now you are on Amazon Smile.

- Shop and place your order in the usual way, and Amazon takes care of the rest, giving back one-half a percent to our branch--not a lot, but every few dollars help, <u>and you have no extra charges</u>. You already have your credit card and personal information on file and secured with them, so you are not exposing any information to a third party. If you are an Amazon Prime user, the process works the same way.
- If you are not an Amazon user but would like to be, you will be asked to set up an account. Amazon walks you through the process. If you are a regular Amazon buyer, you already know the procedures. Eventually the branch hopes to have a similar connection with other businesses that will work the same way.
  Keep shopping and help our worthy causes!

#### Tech Trek Girls for 2015 By Connie Losk, Tech Trek Chair

On March 14<sup>th</sup>, eight girls from four different schools were interviewed by three members of the Tech Trek Committee. The participating schools are Buljan Middle School in Roseville, Granite Oaks Middle School in Rocklin, Twelve Bridges Middle School in Lincoln, and Cavitt Junior High in Granite Bay. All eight candidates are outstanding young women and it was with great thought that the five campers and one alternate for this year were selected.

While the girls were being interviewed, two members of the Tech Trek Committee interviewed the parents, showed them a DVD of the Tech Trek program, and answered their questions. The interviews were held at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection in Granite Bay.

In May, there will be an ice cream social for this year's and last year's campers at the home of Kim Lillard. At that time, the girls will be presented with a Tech Trek teddy bear and other small gifts useful at camp. The participating Tech Trek committee members are: Lois Adams, Sally Altman, Marty Greenfield, Kim Lillard, and Connie Losk

#### Scholarship Women to be Chosen By Betty Manning, Scholarship Committee Chair



Scholarship Committee Chair, Betty Manning, has been notified that the candidates are now online. She has contacted the committee members to schedule a meeting and will then schedule the interviews.

#### The final decision will be made prior to April 24th.

More news to come in the May issue of Branch Lines.

#### **Sunshine Chair Welcomes Your Requests**

**Patricia Glover**, our new Sunshine Chair, welcomes your requests to send a card or make a friendly call to members who are ill, need encouragement, or are to be congratulated. (Her phone number is in our Branch Handbook.)





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#### Public Policy: Resources and Programs Affecting Our Lives By Kathleen Crawford: Public Policy & Leadership Development

April is Pay Equity month and recent statistics on the Gender Pay Gap are out. California ranks fifth in median earnings of women working full time compared with men's earnings in 2013 at 84%. Award for least pay gap goes to Washington DC at 91%, and the record for highest pay gap goes to Louisiana with 66%. The national average is 78%.



Considering the cost of living in California, the 6% difference between our somewhat higher rate and the national average is not encouraging. Here in Placer County, the rate is 78%, which is below the statewide California rate.

**Pay equity for women is a complex issue**. Recently on March 15, 2015, Dan Walters in his opinion article in the Sacramento Bee, stated:

"Census data places about 9 million Californians in poverty but it obviously extends further because more than 12 million are being enrolled in Medi-Cal, the state medical plan for the poor, approaching one third of the population. However, only 1.3 million Californians are receiving welfare benefits, telling us that most in poverty are in 'working poor' families."

This cuts across all sectors, as noted in the impassioned statement by actress Patricia Arquette at the Academy Awards. What would a significant increase in the minimum wage mean for working poor families? Working poor families are statistically likely to be single female parent households. What does this mean for us, our daughters, children, and grandchildren? It means lower retirement benefits (both social security and other pensions), lower standard of living, inability to financially support college costs for self-improvement or our children, less access to medical, dental, vision and psychiatric support and more stress in the daily life of making ends meet.

By supporting AAUW lobbying efforts, we can impact both state and national efforts to improve the situation for women, children and families both locally and nationwide. Take advantage of our women power and join in the advocacy efforts by signing up at advocacy@aauw.org for the Two Minute Activist and weekly emails on federal issues. 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 call or email me (contact information is in Branch Handbook).

Kathleen Crawford Branch Public Policy Chair

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

#### Casual Gardeners April 1, 10:00 a.m.

Meeting at the Rocklin home of Barbara Parker We will have a general discussion about: What's Happening in Your Yard? Any New Ideas? Then we will go to lunch; place to be decided. RSVP to Barb if you plan to attend.

#### Wednesday Evening Book Group April 1, 6:30 p.m.

In April at the Roseville home of Barbara Ross Barbara reviews: <u>The Housemaid's Daughter</u> by Barbara Mutch RSVP to Barbara if you plan to attend. May book: <u>The Goldfinch</u> by Donna Tartt

#### Mah Jongg Thursday, April 2 and 16, 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. New members welcome at the teaching table. Note: In March, our group celebrated Chinese New Year--the Year of the Ram--at Fat's Restaurant and then played Mah Jongg afterward. For more information about our group, give Joyce a call.

> Party Bridge Monday, April 6 and 20, at 1:30 p.m. Contact: Sally Altman for information.

Party Bridge Wednesday, April 8, 1:00 p.m. For information, call Joan Lowry.



#### Great Decisions Friday, April 10, 10:00 a.m.

Raley's Event Center, 1915 Douglas, Roseville Topic: "Human Trafficking in the 21st Century" Joan Mackey is presenting. DVD & Discussion. No-host lunch afterwards. Further information: Contact Elsie Gaura.

#### Duplicate Bridge Friday, April 10, 1:00 p.m.

(Group plays monthly on the second Friday) In April at the Lincoln home of Sue Ames RSVP to Sue if you would like to play. Please contact Sandi Roullier if you would like to join or be a sub in this group.

#### Wine Appreciation Group Sunday, April 12, at 5:00 p.m.

Meeting at Susan Hovde's Lincoln home Bring you favorite Summer Wine with a summertime appetizer. Singles please team up and only bring wine or an appetizer. RSVP to Susan if you plan to attend. Questions/suggestions: Contact Diane Madden.

#### Women of the World Monday, April 13, at 10:00 AM

Hostess: Meeting at Lynn Cook's Lincoln home Pat McLaughlin reviews *Bombshell* by Mia Bloom. Please RSVP to Lynn if you plan to attend. Further information: Contact Joan Mackey.



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#### April Interest Group Meetings—Open to All Members Interest Group Coordinator: Marilyn Gregory Hand and Foot Card Group **Tuesday Book Group** April 21 at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 14, 1:00 p.m. At 6365 Douglas Blvd., Granite Bay Group meets monthly on the second Tuesday Reviewing: Truth and Beauty by Ann Patchett at the Granite Bay home of Darlene Thomas. May book: To be announced Bring a snack to share. All are welcome. Questions: Contact Patricia Glover. RSVP to Darlene if you plan to attend. Women's Gourmet Mexican Train Tuesday, April 14, 1:00 p.m. Monday, April 27 Women's Gourmet will be held at the home of In April at the Rocklin home of Joan Urry Mary Ellen Vogt in Lincoln. Please RSVP to Joan if you plan to attend. She will send out the menu in April. Remember to bring \$2 in nickels. Anyone wanting more information about the group should contact Coordinator Karen Allen. Wednesday Book Group April 15 at 10:30 a.m. At Raley's Event Center, 1915 Douglas in Roseville Scrabble Group Reviewing: The Aviator's Wife Tuesday, April 28, 2:00 p.m. by Melanie Benjamin Plays in members' homes monthly on 4th Tuesday. May book: The All-Girl Filling Station's In April at the Lincoln home of Karen Allen Last Reunion by Fannie Flagg RSVP to Karen if you plan to play. Questions: Contact Nancy Taylor. Further information: Contact Judy Maas. **Couples Dinner Group** Dinner Group's next event will be May 30. Please mark your calendars. Information to come as plans are finalized. **Movies on Monday** To assist with an event, please contact April 20 at 11:30 a.m. Fran Rice or Barbara Gorden. At Sue Cofer's Lincoln home Our film: "Lady Sings the Blues" (1972) Diana Ross stars as legendary jazz singer Billie Holiday in this poignant biopic of her remarkable musical career and tragic demise. Bring your lunch. \$2 "at the door" pays for chips, beverage, movie rental. Seating is limited to 15. For Reservations: Contact Adele Tarantino. Audio Book Exchange Further information: Contact Darlene Thomas. No regular meetings--just sharing of books on CD throughout the year. Contact Coordinator Nancy Taylor if you are interested. New members are welcome.

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# Spring

## April Neighborhood Groups Neighborhood Group Branch Chair: Susan Hovde



#### Granite Bay/Loomis/Newcastle/E. Roseville/ Orangevale -- Our group will meet for lunch at 12:30 on the **4th Friday, April 24th** (not the 3d Friday, as Sally will be gone on the 17th). The restaurant will be chosen at our March luncheon.

After lunch, we will attend the AAUW Annual Meeting from 2:00 to 4:00 at the Lincoln Library. Please RSVP to **Sally Altman** whether or not you can attend our luncheon on April 24th.

**Rocklin/Springfield**-- Our group will meet for lunch on **Thursday**, **April 23rd** at 12:00 noon at ASR Restaurant. The restaurant's name is unique! The letters are the first initials of the owners' three children. ASR is located at 390 N. Sunrise Ave., Roseville. Reserve by contacting coordinator **Jerri Yeager**.

**Lincoln**—Tasting of Olive Oils and Balsamic Vinegars at Pairings in Roseville--near the Nugget Market--on Tuesday, **April 28th**. Meet there at 11:00 a.m. for a short presentation and tasting-then have lunch at Mary's Pizza Shack nearby. For further information and to reserve a space, contact **Barbara Gorden**.

#### **Neighborhood Group Leaders**

(They welcome your call and questions.)

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 + Southeast Roseville: Sandy Haley

#### <u>Neighborhood Group Chair</u> Susan Hovde

Contact her for further information about our popular branch neighborhood groups.

#### SCR Villages 1-8 + Northwest Roseville

On **Tuesday, April 7**, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., **Amy Costello** will host our group's members for an art project for "Community Art Garden Spouting of colorful flowers for Spring" using discarded items such as cardboard tubes from paper towels and toilet paper rolls. The flowers will be displayed throughout Roseville before coming together as a Community Art Garden at the Celebrate Earth Festival on April 18th. Let Amy know if you can attend our art project at her home. Scissors, glue, paints, sponge brushes will be provided. Amy will serve tea sandwiches and beverage. **RSVP to Amy by April 1st**. Seating is limited.

Watch this spot for details on our **May 13th** event. We'll visit Blue Line Gallery to enjoy America's Clay Fest III. You may remember this international event formerly at Feats of Clay. We will also have lunch.

#### SCR Villages 9-13 + Southeast Roseville

On Tuesday, April 7th, our group will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. at the Pacific Street Cafe in Roseville, 301 Lincoln Street (at the corner of Lincoln Street and Pacific Street). After lunch, we will go up the street to the Carnegie Museum at 557 Lincoln Street for a tour which highlights the History of Roseville. The tour will be conducted by a docent of the Roseville Historical Society. Those who need a ride or can offer a ride for the outing may meet at Gini Christiansen's home no later than 11:00 a.m. Contact Gini to confirm your attendance for lunch and tour, or tour only of the museum, and whether you need a ride or can offer to drive. RSVP to Gini Christiansen ASAP to make your reservations. We still need volunteers for May through November. Contact Sandy Haley.

> Join your Neighborhood Group Today!



## **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, April 8, 2015 at Raley's in Roseville** 

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

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> OR: The current issue of Branch Lines can be found on our Website. Check it out.

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Adele Tarantino, Editor Gini Christiansen, Distributor



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

## **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.

#### rosevillesouthplacer-ca.aauw.net

#### www.facebook.com/aauwrsp



The Friends of the Roseville Public Library are announcing their Adult Poetry Contest, It will begin on February 2, 2015 <u>and will close on</u> <u>April 11</u>. Winners will be notified in late May and the prizes will be awarded on June 8, 2015 in the Martha Riley Library Community Room at the Friends Annual Meeting.



Contest details can be obtained at the front desk in each of the Roseville Libraries or can be downloaded from the Friends Websites:

www.rosevillefriendsofthelibrary.org. Or friends@rosevillefriendsofthelibrary.org.

On **April 11th**, we will celebrate with the Roseville Public Library and our community the addition of our new **Mobile Library.** The celebration will be in downtown Roseville in the Town Square with a dedication, games, music and food from 1 to 3 pm.

On Monday, **April 13th**, **National Library Week** will commence with the Roseville Library Staff bringing a challenge to library patron teams to a Trivia contest at Monk's Cellar on Vernon Street starting at 7 pm.

Thank you for supporting our Public Library as they serve our community's educational needs. More info: 916-746-1212.