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You are Invited!
CHAR Annual
Membership Luncheon
Saturday, Sept. 24, 2016
11:00 AM

Carmichael Presbyterian Church
5646 Marconi Ave., Carmichael
(Next to the Carmichael Library)
parking in rear of church

Program speaker: Giulia Favro-Farruggia Tech Trek Chair for CHAR
(Behind the scenes at Tech Trek audio visual presentation)

Call or email Elaine Bemis with names & addresses of prospective new CHAR members. **Theme:** Fall Harvest—Casual Dress

Come and chat with the members of special interest groups about your opportunities for fun and education. Be sure to bring your calendar so you can sign up for activities that interest you. Our CHAR sponsored Tech Trek 8th grade girls will share their experiences at the UC Davis summer math/science camp this past July.

To make a donation to Tech Trek, bring a check payable to **AAUW** (*write Tech Trek / University name, CHAR AAUW on the memo line*) and bring to the meeting.

(See page 2 for more info on writing donation checks.)

New members get a 30% dues discount if signing up on Sept 24th.

Please bring food according to the following last name designation:

- A-Ch** One or two salad toppings (cut up veggies, nuts, dried fruit) in disposable bowl or baggie
- Cl-Go** 3 cups of cut up fruit salad in a plastic bag
- Gr-Le** Finger sandwiches on a disposable plate (for 6 people)
- Lo-P** Finger food dessert (cookies, cut up brownies or bars) for 12 people on a disposable plate
- R-Z** Salad greens in a plastic bag (for 6 people)

See Page 4
for Facility
Help
Volunteers

You may use your own plates if you prefer. Please put your name on the bottom!

Save the Date: Saturday, October 8th 2:00 PM Sylvan Oaks Library
McGeorge School of Law students
Propositions on the Nov. Ballot

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT PJ Missman

Hello to all of you, my AAUW CHAR friends and fellow members. I thank you for the opportunity to serve as your president. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact me; I am here for you.

I hope you have all had good summers. It's hard to believe it's almost September and time to start a new year of busy activities. A very important election is in November, so we all need to keep the AAUW issues clearly in mind and support and advocate for them every day. Please especially keep them in mind when voting in November.

AAUW National supports four major issues:

1) Civil Rights - AAUW advocates for equality, individual rights, and social justice for a diverse society.

2) Economic Security - AAUW advocates for all women to achieve economic self-sufficiency.

3) Education - AAUW supports a strong system of public education that promotes gender fairness, equity, and diversity.

4) Title IX - AAUW supports vigorous enforcement of Title IX and all other civil rights laws pertaining to education.

AAUW-CA has a California Women's Economic Agenda which is based on four major principles:

- Fair Pay and Job Opportunities, Access to Childcare, Family Friendly Workplace, and Eradicating Poverty.

To get details about these issues just visit the AAUW website and the AAUW-CA website.

Thank you to all the new and returning officers and board members! We have a very strong group of women working together to make this an exciting and successful year for AAUW -CHAR.

Lots of great programs are planned, wonderful interest groups to keep you going, and many valuable and inspiring ways that you can give of yourself and your time. When an opportunity to serve on a short term task force, or a committee presents itself this year, please say yes! Thank you!!! *PJ*

Theater Group

If you are interested in joining this group visit the theater goers table at the Sept. Membership Luncheon or call Elaine Bemis for more information.

OFFICERS 2016-2017

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PJ Missman

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REMINDER OF NEXT BOARD MEETING

October 24th 10:00 AM

RALEY'S MEETING ROOM

SAN JUAN @ SUNSET

Donation checks guidelines:

To ensure you receive a tax deduction for your donation, please write your check as follows:

AAUW Funds

AAUW Funds (with CHAR AAUW on memo line)

Virginia Gildersleeve

VGIF (with CHAR AAUW on memo line)

Local Scholarships

ARC Foundation (with CHAR AAUW Local Scholarships on memo line.)

Endowment for Local Scholarships

ARC Foundation (with CHAR AAUW Endowment on memo line)

Tech Trek

AAUW (Tech Trek, University name / CHAR AAUW on memo line)

BOOK CORNER

Third Thursday Book Group

Date: Thursday, Sept. 15, 2016
Time: 1:00 PM
Hostess: Corrine Laing
RSVP: Corrine MWLaing by Sept. 12th
Book: *Gertrude Bell*, by Georgina Howell

Great Decisions

The Great Decisions group that studies and discusses US foreign policy issues will commence meeting next February. The group uses the Foreign Policy Association's (FPA) briefing book which costs approximately \$25. If you are interested in joining the group, please email Virginia Sturdevant now to sign-up.

Books will be ordered in October and arrive the end of December in time for the February start date. Visit the FPA's Great Decisions website for information on the organization and interesting world affairs articles, http://www.fpa.org/great_decisions/

Whodunits

Date: Tues., Sept. 13, 2016
Time: 1:00 – 2:30 PM
Place: Carmichael Library
Briefly share mystery books read. New members welcome. Call Coby Bonner with questions.



More Than Books

Date: Wed., Sept. 21, 2016
Hostess: Kathy Willstatter
Book topic: Memoirs

LET'S EAT!

Lunch Bunch will meet the 2nd Wednesday in October. Call Clydene Leslie with questions.

We love small locally owned restaurants.
—no big chains!



Hungry Ladies Eating Out

Date: Thurs., Sept. 1, 2016
Place: Thai Hut, Madison Ave.
Time: 6:00 PM
Hostess: Fran Clarke

We meet on the first Thursday of the month year round. We welcome any CHAR member...married or single. Call or email Corrine Laing with questions.

Couples Dine Out

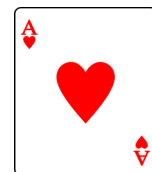
This group has an opening to invite one couple to join. Each month one couple hosts the dinner at the restaurant of their choice. We meet, eat and just enjoy good company and a different location each month. Also we are inviting a couple to be an alternate who would come occasionally when a member couple cannot attend. Please call for more details.

Gwen Houk or
Coby Bonner

Still More.....

Bridge

Please stop by the Bridge table at the September Membership Luncheon for information on joining a bridge group this coming year or being on a substitution list to play occasionally.





CHAR/AAUW

Membership September Luncheon September 24, 2016

Following helpers are needed
for the lunch: →

Please contact **Charlene Eberwine**

Volunteer with a friend!

Facility help

1. Set up 9:30 am
2. Clean up after lunch
3. Kitchen help
 - A. 10:00 -11:30 am
 - B. 11:30 - 1:00 pm
4. Kitchen clean up after lunch
5. Greeters 10:30—11:30 am

EXPANDING OUR HORIZONS

Bird Watchers

No Meeting in Sept. See the table at the Membership Luncheon for more information.

1st meeting of the year will be Tues. Oct. 4th.

World Country Study Group—Croatia

Date: Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2016

Time: 10:15 AM - 12:15 PM

Place: Carmichael Regional Library meeting room, 5605 Marconi Ave, Carmichael. We will have an overview of this year's study country Croatia.

RSVP: Janice Chung.

(The library opens at 10 AM.)

Please send me an email, if you think you might like to come to any of our meetings. That way I can add you to my email distribution list and keep you up-to-date on latest information."

Gadabouts—will be getting off to a flying start! (Note date change! - 5th Thurs.)

Date: Thurs., Sept. 29, 2016

Time: 10:30 AM to carpool

Place: Aerospace Museum—(\$5 admission) McClellan Park in North Highlands.

Can you fly? Use the simulator to find out!

Address: 3200 Freedom Park Dr., McClellan Park, CA

RSVP: Noreen Rademacher by Mon., Sept. 26th. **Lunch:** Lionsgate—afterwards

Carpool: Raley's San Juan at Sunset—meet in the north-east corner of the parking lot. Reservations necessary for the lunch. Also, drivers will be needed. Please let Noreen know when you RSVP.



OUT AND ABOUT

Participate in community activities

Arden Park 7th Annual Garden Tour - Saturday, Sept. 17th 9am -1pm

\$10 tickets available at Emigh Hardware, Talini's Nursery, Green Acres-Sacramento and Fair Oaks Nursery. \$15 tickets available day of tour at 1437 El Nido Way.

More info online at ardenparkgardenclub.com.

This fundraiser, featuring five homes in the Arden Park area, supports local schools and programs such as Effie Yeaw Nature Center. Our club is a non profit formed to create interest and knowledge in amateur gardening and to better understand environmental issues to which we contribute. Carolynn Michaels

American River College Local Scholarship Winners



Lesli Keith, an Education major with a minor in Special Ed/Linguistics (Spanish and Sign Language); will attend CSUS in the fall having maintained a 3.34 GPA while at ARC. She is a single mother who developed MS at the age of 22, limiting her ability to work or drive. She has volunteered in a Headstart class and worked with disabled students at SJ USD. Lesli is a single mother of a 7 year old son with Autism which has motivated her to help children with special needs.

Brenda Calmelat, the Margaret Radsliff Scholarship Winner, began her college career at ARC in 2011 and has maintained a 3.86 GPA. She will be attending UCD in the fall and majoring in Genetics & Genomics with the goal of becoming a medical doctor. She is the single mother of 2 girls, aged 10 and 11, who has been able to maintain 3 part time jobs and tutor at ARC.



Mimi Matthews, will be transferring after the fall semester at ARC to CSUS and will major in Business Administration to become a Human Resources Manager. She currently works for the California High Speed Rail as an office assistant and with the college education she will be able to reach her career goal. She continues to volunteer in the Twelve Step program, where she is a long time member.

All of these ladies express gratitude for the CHAR AAUW scholarships that provide both financial and emotional encouragement to allow them to become self-sufficient in their chosen field.

Thank you for your continued support of CHAR AAUW's scholarship program.

To make a donation, bring your check made out to ARC Foundation, (with CHAR AAUW Local Scholarships on memo line) to the September Membership Luncheon or send a check to ARC Foundation, Attn. Kirsten DuBray, 4700 College Oak Drive, Sacramento, CA 95841.



June Installation Luncheon—
We honored our 90+ members!
Present were, from left to right:
Harriett Orchard, Helen Porter,
Noreen Rademacher, Eras Cochran
and Jean Rubin.



Public Policy—Mary Toutonghi



AAUW encourages women to become involved in every level of the political process - especially voting! We actively support legislation on educational equity and diversity in public schools, pay equity, reproductive choice, child care, school based healthcare, civil rights and responsible funding for public education.

Public Policy is a major focus of AAUW CA. An important part of this focus is our contact with Shannon Smith-Crowley, our effective lobbyist for legislation on issues regarding the rights of women and girls. You can participate in the legislative process by signing up for Action Alerts which are direct messages sent to legislators when bills are up for critical votes, or are going to the governor. Go to www.aauw.org to sign up for Action Alerts, which enable you to receive notices to act from both national AAUW and AAUW CA.

If you want to become even more involved, submit your pay discrimination story to: legislativeadvocate@aauw_ca.org. The stories are helpful when trying to persuade Gov. Brown to sign the Gender Pay bills.

Keep in mind - Human Trafficking disproportionately affects women and girls who account for 55% of forced labor and 75% of all trafficked victims around the world. Should you become aware of suspicious activity that suggests human trafficking, it is important to report it. Call: The National Human Trafficking Resource Center Hotline at 1-888-373-7888 or the US Department of Justice Hotline at 1-888-428-7581.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONCERN!! STAY INFORMED!! Note the issues on the November ballot that AAUW is supporting. In October we offer pros and cons on controversial initiatives, discussed by students from McGeorge School of Law. These may include: death penalty, bilingual education, recreational marijuana, Citizens United, parole chances for felons, firearms restrictions, plastic bag use, etc. **STAY TUNED!!**

Join the Public Policy committee in this exciting election year. First meeting of the year will be on Monday, September 19th, at 10:00 AM at Mary Toutonghi's house. All are welcome to join!

Your AAUW CA Public Policy Committee has developed an ambitious work plan for 2016-17. Our agenda includes supporting key legislation affecting women economically, encouraging branches to Get Out the Vote, updating AAUW CA's Public Policy Priorities, and increasing communication about public policy issues. We look to IBCs and branch leaders to provide information to their members and take action when requested. The November ballot in California will contain 17 ballot measures, of which the Public Policy Committee reviewed and evaluated those related to AAUW's priorities and mission and took a position on five:

Proposition 51, support – School Bonds. Funding for K-12 and Community College Facilities

Proposition 52, support – The Medi-Cal Funding and Accountability Act, hospital fees that help fund Medi-Cal;

Proposition 53, oppose – voter approval on specified bonds;

Proposition 55, support – extend taxes for schools voted in Proposition 30;

Proposition 58, support– The California Multilingual Education Act. allows structured bilingual education programs for English learners. A full report will be in the September edition of Perspective.

Sue Miller, Co-Chair, AAUW CA Public Policy Committee, suellen-aauw@wavecable.com

CHAR/AAUW Proposed Budget *

July '15-June '16 Actual

July '16-June '17 Budget

INCOME

Branch Dues from Members	\$	2,025.00	\$	1,725.00
Donations to Ripples	\$	316.00	\$	240.00
Interest on Savings Account	\$	1.82	\$	2.00
Program General Receipts	\$	708.58	\$	1,500.00
Total - OPERATING INCOME	\$	3,051.40	\$	3,467.00
Transfer Funds from Reserves	\$	<u>00.00</u>	\$	<u>795.00</u>
TOTAL BUDGETED INCOME	\$	3,051.40	\$	4,262.00

EXPENSES

PUBLICATIONS/POSTAGE

Ripples Printing	\$	118.53	\$	122.00
Yearbook	\$	265.34	\$	300.00
Web Site	\$	0.00	\$	0.00
Postage/Envelopes	\$	<u>172.47</u>	\$	<u>175.00</u>
Total - PUBLICATIONS/POSTAGE	\$	556.34	\$	597.00

BRANCH OPERATIONS

Insurance - Liability, D and O	\$	552.76	\$	600.00
Other Memberships	\$	3.00	\$	00.00
Sunshine	\$	39.47	\$	40.00
Officer Expense	\$	00.00	\$	100.00
Board Dinner/Gifts	\$	- <u>77.85</u>	\$	<u>100.00</u>
Total - BRANCH OPERATIONS	\$	673.08	\$	840.00

CONVENTION/CONFERENCE TRAVEL

\$	00.00	\$	300.00
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PROGRAM

Program - General	\$	5.39	\$	275.00
Facilities, Meals & Tickets	\$	805.03	\$	1,000.00
Speaker Honoraria	\$	493.00	\$	500.00
Speaker Lunches	\$	<u>33.50</u>	\$	<u>100.00</u>
Total - PROGRAM	\$	1,336.92	\$	1,875.00

MEMBERSHIP

Membership - General	\$	170.00	\$	200.00
Membership Lunch	\$	<u>300.00</u>	\$	<u>450.00</u>
Total - MEMBERSHIP	\$	470.00	\$	650.00

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$	3,036.34	\$	4,262.00
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NET INCOME/(EXPENSE)	\$	15.06	\$	0.00
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* Budget will be voted on at board meeting on August 22nd. Pending approval, this budget is proposed and will be presented for branch approval at the Sept. Meeting.



Title IX is 44 years old!



Since its founding in 1881, AAUW has led the charge to secure equal educational opportunities for women. As early as 1945, AAUW began to study the impact of sex discrimination on college campuses. Members at the branch and state levels, concerned about the exclusion of women due to the influx of returning war veterans, issued surveys to colleges and universities on the status of women on their campuses. This exercise led to a concerted effort to ensure women's inclusion in all educational opportunities.

AAUW was already addressing the subject of sex discrimination before the passage of Title IX in 1972, so the organization was well prepared to jump into action when the issue came before a national audience. We were instrumental not only in securing passage of the legislation but also in fighting for the subsequent regulations that would ensure compliance with the law.

September 2016



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Membership Luncheon

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN MISSION STATEMENT:
AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.