



#### CITRUS HEIGHTS-AMERICAN RIVER BRANCH

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Author's Luncheon
Saturday, April 14, 2018 11:00 AM
North Ridge Country Club
7600 Madison Ave. Fair Oaks
Cheryl Anne Stapp,
Local Sacramento Author



Come meet local author and historian of Sacramento's colorful and remarkable history. Cheryl was born and raised in Sacramento and has made it her life's work to research and chronicle the past and present of Sacramento from the Gold Rush Days, pioneers, politics, agriculture, missions and up to the mid century. Cheryl will have her books available to purchase and be autographed. Even if you grew up here, you will be surprised how much more there is to learn about our wonderful community.







### Guests are welcome!

#### Menu Choices:

- 1) Chicken Marsala, seasonal vegetables, roasted red potatoes
  - 2) Vegetable Risotto w/grilled whole vegetables

coffee, iced tea, hot tea, rolls & butter. Dessert-chocolate lava cake

Make check payable to CHAR / AAUW for \$25.

Contact Pat Boyd for information on where to send your check.

#### Deadline for reservation is Saturday, April 7th

Write your menu choice #1 or #2 on check.

#### Save the Date: Saturday, May 19th

May Monthly Meeting and Officer Installation

Come join us for lunch at the Old Spaghetti Factory on Folsom Blvd. in Rancho Cordova

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Spring is always busy.** The weather is busy too. Lots of changes. But I can always depend on AAUW to give me something to focus on outside of my daily routine. My book group and friends to go out to dinner with are always fun, and these wonderful educated women are always a joy to spend time with. I can talk about important things and have good discussions. Not just chit-chat. There are important causes to focus on, causes that AAUW advocates for and that I can feel good about spending my time and energy on.

One of those is VGIF. Most of us will agree that women all over the world need help to make their lives better – to give them success both socially and financially. The Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund is our way to help with their successes. We can feel good about the time and energy that we spend on helping with this.

**Thank you, Fran Clarke,** for taking the reins for VGIF this year and for organizing a wonderful program. The speaker, Betsy Gilon, was fascinating and taught us all a bit about the hardships that Palestinian women have faced and about the beauty of their culture. We also had some guests from Sister Cities, Bethlehem, which is another wonderful organization that you may want to connect with. It was a great way to spend a Saturday!

Another way to spend our time in a productive way is to work for AAUW Public Policies, even in very small ways. We may feel overwhelmed at times by what is happening in our world, but even a few minutes of time spent on trying to change things for the better can give you a boost.

**Our new Public Policy interest group** gives you a chance to spend a couple of hours with other women who really want to improve the lives of women and girls. None of us can do it alone. None of us can spend all day, every day, working for causes, but we can spend a bit of time doing a bit of work that makes us feel good.

**Spring is the time of change**; let's try to change the future for women and girls!

P.T. Missman, CHAR President

CHAR Board minutes are always available by contacting our branch secretary, Lee Battershell.



PRESIDENT PJ Missman

PROGRAM COMMITTEE
Mary Duval

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Roberta Schmalz

RIPPLES STAFF Editor Esther Leal

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April 2nd— 10:00 AM
Raley's Meeting Room



May Ripples deadline is Thursday, April 12th.

#### **BOOKS & MORE!**

**3rd Thursday Book Group** 

Date: Thurs., April 19, 2018

**Time**: 1:00 PM

**Hostess**: Jean Bronner **RSVP**: by April 17th.

Book: The Zookeeper's Wife,

by Diane Ackerman

Discussion Leader: Margaret Kaffka

**Whodunits** 

Date: Tuesday, April 10, 2018

**Time**: 1:00—2:30 PM **Place**: Carmichael Library Meeting Room.

Contact Coby Bonner for more in-

formation.



**Great Decisions** 

Dates: April 3rd and 17th. Time: 1:00 PM—3:00 PM Place: Raley's Event Center— San Juan at Sunset, Fair Oaks

**April 3, 2018** 

(Turkey: a partner in crisis)

April 17, 2018

(U.S. Global Engagement & the Military)

**Contact** Virginia Sturdevant for more information or visit the Foreign Policy Associa-

tion at: www.fpa.org.

**More Than Books** 

Date: Wed., April 18, 2018

Hostess: Pat Arthur

Topic: New York Times Bestseller

#### **CA Water Issues**

Date: Monday, April 23. 2018

**Time**: 10:15 Am

Place: Raley's Meeting Room,

San Juan and Sunset, Fair Oaks

All CHAR members welcome! Contact Mary Duval for more

information.

#### **Public Policy Group**

Date: Tues., April 24, 2018

**Time**: 1:00 PM

**Place**: Raley's Meeting Room San Juan at Sunset, Fair Oaks

All CHAR members welcome! Contact Mary Toutonghi for more information.

#### **Hungry Ladies Eating Out**

Date: Thurs., April 5, 2018

**Time**: 6:00 PM

Place: : Zinfandel Grille, 2384 Fair Oaks Blvd.,

Sacramento

**Phone and website**: 916-485-7100,

www.zinfandelgrille.com **Hostess:** Carolynn Michaels

#### **Movie Mavens**

**Date**: Wednesday, April 4, 2018 **Contact**: Elaine Bemis for movie

selection and theater.

Lunch afterwards, of course!

#### EXPANDING OUR HORIZONS



#### **Gadabouts**

**Date**: Thursday, April 26, 2018 **Time**: 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM

**Place**: Jan Shrem and Maria Manetti Shrem Museum of Art, UC Davis

manettishremmuseum.ucdavis.edu/about/

index.html

Wayne Thiebaud 1958–1968 brings together more than 60 early paintings.

**Lunch:** 11:30 AM Dos Coyotes Border Café—Colorful local chain cafe serving Mexican & Southwestern favorites, salsa & specials.

Oakshade Town Center 2191 Cowell Blvd,

Davis, CA 95618.

**Museum Visit**: 1:00 PM - Free admission **RSVP**: Charlene Eberwine by Monday,

April 23rd.



#### Mah Jong

Date: Thurs., April 12, 2018

Time: 1:00 PM

**Place:** Darlene Houston's clubhouse. 5688 Spyglass Lane, Citrus Heights

This is a fundraiser for AAUW funds, so

please bring \$5.00.

**Contact** Elaine Bemis for more

information.



#### **World Country Study Group**

**Date:** Wed. April 25, 2018 (4th Wed.)

**Time:** 10:15 –12:00 Noon **Place**: to be determined.

**Discussion**: current events, education and the status of women and children in Kenya, and perhaps watching some TED talks regarding Kenya.

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March Meeting:

Date: Wed., March 28, 2018

Time: 11:30 AM

Place: Abyssinia Ethiopian Restaurant,1346 Fulton Ave., Sacramento RSVP by March 24th to Janice Chung.

Send Janice Chung an email, if you plan to come to the April meeting. The location and date will be finalized after the Ripples comes out.

#### **Bird Watching**

**Date:** Tues., April 3, 2018

Time: 8:00 AM

**Place**: Pine Hill Preserve—centered around Green Valley

Road and stretches from Folsom Lake in the north to Highway 50 in the south and con-

tains a total of 4,746 acres. http://www.pinehillpreserve.org

**Carpool**: Calico Corners in Quail Pointe Shopping Center at Sunrise and Madison. Bring your binoculars and field guide. If you need binoculars or have questions, call Charlene Eberwine. Tuesday morning of the 3rd call Charlene's cell if you need to cancel. Public Policy Equal Pay Day, April 10, 2018, is the symbolic day this year, dedicated to raising awareness of the gender pay gap. This date symbolizes how far into the year women must work to earn what men earned in the previous year, the exact day differs both by year and by country.



**The Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act,** signed on January 29, 2009, is the very first piece of legislation that President Obama signed into law. The law, named after a woman who discovered her employer was paying less than men doing the same job, makes it easier for women to effectively challenge unequal pay. The law amended the Civil Rights Act of 1964 so that unfair pay complaints can be filed within 180 days of a discriminatory paycheck -- and that 180 days resets after each paycheck.

Mary Toutonghi, Public Policy

#### **Important Notice from AAUW National**

All AAUW members will be invited to vote on proposed bylaw changes this coming spring. In Mid-April, Bylaw proposals and resolutions will be published in the spring AAUW Outlook. Voter PINS will be emailed to members



and mailed with the Outlook magazine to members without registered email addresses and those who have requested to receive Outlook in the mail.

April 25, 2018 —Voting begins online

May 7, 2018 — Deadline for AAUW to receive request for paper ballot.

May 21, 2018 — Deadline for mailing paper ballots; ballot must be postmarked by

11:59 PM ET to be counted.

June 9, 2018 —Outline voting ends at 9:00 PM ET June 10, 2018 Vote results announced online.

#### The 3 proposed bylaw changes:

3-year staggered board terms
 Opening board service to non-AAUW members
 Eliminating degree requirement for AAUW membership

#### **New Voter's Choice Act!**

Don't forget Sacramento County has made changes in how we will vote in the June primaries and in the November elections. They have added many opportunities for voting:

#### Every registered voter will be mailed a ballot.

Ballots can be mailed or brought to a "Vote by Mail Ballot Drop Box"(VBM) at county offices, or to one of the 78 Vote Centers.

You can vote at any of the Vote Centers.

Some of the Vote Centers will be open May 26-June 5, 2018, so you will have a longer time to vote. Vote Centers offer in-person voting, replacement VBM ballots, accessible voting devices, registration forms, and assistance in alternate languages.

Vote Centers will be listed on the Voter Information Guides mailed to you in May.

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Tech Trek update for 2018 CHAR has scholar-

**ship funds** to send 5 deserving girls to Tech Trek Camp this summer at UC Davis. Two girls have been selected from Mills Middle School in Rancho Cordova and three from Lichen Elementary School in Citrus Heights. Thanks to all members and sponsors who have financially and emotionally supported the Tech Trek program: Your good-

will truly makes a difference in the students' lives.

Thanks to our CHAR members who have stepped up to the plate to contact the schools and interview these girls: Elaine Bemis, Pat Boyd, Therese Favro, Mary Duval and Roberta Schmalz.

In order for CHAR to continue this worthwhile program, we need someone to step forward and be the Coordinator of Tech Trek for the coming year. You will work with a committee but there needs to be someone to facilitate the process. Contact Elaine Bemis for more information.

The CHAR Nominating Committee presents the proposed slate of officers for the coming year:

This slate will be voted on at the April Monthly Meeting at North Ridge Country Club on Saturday, April 14th.

President: Lee Battershell
VP Program: PJ Missman
VP Membership, Hospitality: Darlene Houston
VP Membership, Finance: Karen Campbell
Secretary—Denise McGrath
Treasurer—Roberta Schmalz
AAUW Funds—Open

#### Save the Date

Saturday, May 19, 2018
Installation of Officers Luncheon
Old Spaghetti Factory
12408 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Cordova
(Nimbus Winery—Folsom Blvd. and Hazel Ave.)

Our Speaker: Angie Rooney, Shanghai during World War II

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#### CHAR Membership Renewal Form Deadline June 15, 2018

# Check here if any information is different from last year's directory. Highlight changed information. Please complete the following information as you wish it to appear in the branch directory: Please print. Name\_\_\_\_\_\_ Address\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: Home\_\_\_\_\_\_ Cell\_\_\_\_(Include area code with all phone nos.) E-mail address: Ripples Newsletter, emailed \_\_\_\_\_\_yes

\* \$10 covers annual printing and mailing costs of your Ripples. The branch is only able to provide this service upon receipt of the \$10.

Mailed through Post Office\*

The due date for renewing your membership is June 15th.

Please make check payable to CHAR/AAUW

**Send Form and Payment to:** 

Esther Leal

#### **CHAR Membership Fees**

Circle appropriate category:
Regular Dual Honorary

1) Regular Member Category Breakdown of dues:

AAUW National Dues (\$59 (\$56 of this is tax deductible) CA State Dues \$20 CHAR Dues (Branch) \$15 Regular Member—Total \$94

**Note**: If you are a Paid Life Member your total fee is \$35. (Total of State and CHAR fees. You do not pay National Fees.)

Paid Life Member—Total \$35.

#### 2) Dual Member CategoryMy Primary Branch is:

If you are a dual member, and CHAR is not your primary branch, **your total fee is \$15** (our CHAR branch fee.) You do not pay the State and National fees twice! If this is your primary branch, total fees of \$84 apply.

#### 3) Honorary Life Member Category

If you are an Honorary Life Member, you only pay \$15.

Honorary Life Member- Total: \$15 fee

#### **Renew Online!**

If you prefer, you may renew online and pay by credit card. Look for an email from National if you have an email address listed with them. If you don't see the email from AAUW, let me know and I will resend it to you.

**Esther Leal** 



If you're paying online, you may designate contributions there.

Otherwise, look for contribution opportunities in the September 2018 Ripples and at the Membership Luncheon in September.

Please don't send any with this renewal, except adding \$10 if you're requesting the printed Ripples newsletter.

#### CHAR

Deadline for May 2018 Ripples April 12th See page 2 for address Our CHAR website: citrusheights-ca.aauw.net

Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/aauwchar



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#### Renewing online made easy!

**AAUW National will be sending you an email** with a link to renew your membership without using your membership no. or a password. When you receive the email, just click on the link and follow the simple instructions. You can then pay with a credit card or you can print the form, include a check and mail it as directed.

Or, you can always use the Membership Renewal Form which is on page 7 of this Ripples.

(If paying online **and** requesting the printed Ripples, send a \$10 check separately—payable to CHAR/AAUW and mail to Esther Leal.

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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN MISSION STATEMENT:

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