



# RIPPLES

CITRUS HEIGHTS-AMERICAN RIVER

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## May Monthly Meeting—Installation Luncheon

Saturday, May 19, 2018—11:30 AM  
The Old Spaghetti Factory—12408 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Cordova  
(Nimbus Winery—Folsom Blvd. at Hazel Ave.)

Our Speaker will be Angie Rooney—who escaped with her family from Nazi Germany to Shanghai during World War II. She will speak about her experiences living there during the war.

## Officer Installation

President—Lee Battershell-Baird  
Program VP—PJ Missman  
Membership VP Hospitality—Darlene Houston  
Membership VP—Finance—Karen Campbell  
Secretary—Denise McGrath  
Treasurer—Roberta Schmalz



## Menu Choices

1. Spaghetti w/ Marinara Sauce (vegetarian) \$14.00
2. Chicken Parmigiana \$19.00
3. Baked Lasagna \$19.50

The prices include tax and tip

Salad with Balsamic Vinaigrette dressing, sourdough bread and  
spumoni ice cream with all orders.

Beverages may be ordered and paid for separately at the luncheon.

Send check payable to CHAR/AAUW, with your menu choice # on check.

Mail to: Merrie McLaughlin

**by Saturday, May 12th**

## MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



**The Author's Luncheon** was again at North Ridge Country Club. It was a beautiful sun-shiny day and the grass was bright green. Mary Toutonghi supplied lovely roses from her garden for each table. The author, Cheryl Stapp, talked about her fascinating books about the history of the Sacramento Valley, especially about the first women to arrive at Sutter's Fort. Those women are awe-inspiring for both traveling through and dealing with the unknown and also bearing and raising children while doing so. Quite amazing!

**We voted in a new slate of officers** at the Author's Luncheon. We have a wonderful group of women making up next year's board. I thank them for offering their time and energy to AAUW and to our branch. We cannot work to improve the lives of women and girls without those of us who work to make it happen, year after year. Thank you!

**Lee Battershell Baird** will be our new president and you will be hearing from her soon. She and I will be attending the AAUW California Conference; we will be sharing what we learn with all of you. We will both be at the Public Policy workshop there. Our own Charlene Goehring is Chair of AAUW CA Public Policy and will be presenting at the conference.

**Lee and I will work with our CHAR group** to help make changes right here in our Sacramento area, based on what AAUW CA advocates for. AAUW CA has co-sponsored two bills that are moving through our state legislature. They are SB 1284 on pay transparency, and AB 2282, which refines the language now in law from previous efforts on prohibiting employers from asking for prior salary in the job interview process, and from using it discriminatorily should they obtain it.

**Equal Pay Day was April 10, 2018.** We have recently learned that at the current rate of change, women will not achieve equal pay with men in the U.S until more than 100 years from now. We must work to make that happen much faster! I encourage you to join our new Public Policy interest group to find out how you can help improve the lives of women and girls.

*PJ Missman*

## OFFICERS 2017-2018

**PRESIDENT**  
PJ Missman

**PROGRAM COMMITTEE**  
Mary Duval

**CO-V.P. MEMBERSHIP**  
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Hospitality—Therese Favro

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MaryGene Page

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Lee Battershell-Baird

**TREASURER**  
Roberta Schmalz

**RIPPLES STAFF**  
Editor  
Esther Leal

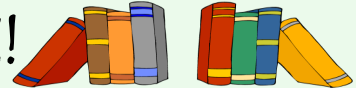
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**NEXT BOARD MEETING**  
**June 4th –10:00 AM**  
**Raley's Meeting Room**  
**San Juan at Sunset**  
**Fair Oaks**

**DEADLINE FOR JUNE RIPPLES**  
**May 12th.**  
**Esther Leal: [emleal@comcast.net](mailto:emleal@comcast.net)**



# BOOKS AND MORE!



## 3rd Thursday Book Group

**Date:** Thursday, May 17, 2018

**Time:** 1:00 PM

**Hostess:** Gloria Sears

**RSVP:** by May 14

**Book:** *Disaster & Triumph: Sacramento Women, Gold Rush Through the Civil War*  
by Cheryl Anne Stapp

**Discussion Leader:** PJ Missman

## Whodunits

**Date:** Tues., May 8, 2018

**Time:** 1:00—2:30 PM

**Place:** Carmichael Library Meeting Room  
New members welcome. Call Coby Bonner with questions. Briefly share and highlight mystery books read.

## More Than Books

**Date:** May 16, 2018

**Hostess:** Judy Allen

**Topic:** Books written in or about the 1950's

## Great Decisions (1st & 3rd Tues.)

**Date:** May 1, 2018

(South Africa's fragile democracy)

**Date:** May 15, 2018

(Global health: progress and challenges)

**Time:** 1:00-3:00 PM

**Place:** Raley's Event Center—San Juan at Sunset in Fair Oaks.

For more information,  
visit [www.fpa.org](http://www.fpa.org). or  
Virginia Sturdevant.

## Hungry Ladies Eating Out

**Date:** Thurs., May 3, 2018

**Time:** 6:00 PM

**Place:** Wild Rooster Bistro, Fair Oaks Village—7984 California Ave.

They serve Mexican food.



**Hostess:** Judy Bell

## California Issues: Water

**Date:** May 22, 2018

**Time:** 10:15 AM

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

**Contact:** Mary Duval for more information.

## Public Policy Group

**Date:** Tues., May 22, 2018

**Time:** 1:00 PM

**Place:** Mary Toutonghi

**RSVP:** Mary Toutonghi

## MAH JONG

**Date:** Thurs., May 10, 2018

**Time:** 1:00 PM

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

**Contact:** Elaine Bemis for more information.

## EXPANDING OUR HORIZONS



### Bird Watchers

**Date:** Tues., May 1, 2018

**Time:** 8:00 AM

**Place:** Mather Field Regional Park.

**Meet:** Quail Pointe parking lot corner of Madison and Sunrise near Calico Corners at 8:00 AM. All interested ladies welcome. Come join us whether you are seasoned or beginner or somewhere in between. *Bring your binoculars and field guide.* If you need binoculars or have questions, call Charlene Eberwine Tuesday morning of the 1st. Call Charlene's cell if you have a change of plans.

**[www.regionalparks.saccounty.net/.../Pages/MatherRegionalPark.aspx](http://www.regionalparks.saccounty.net/.../Pages/MatherRegionalPark.aspx)**

### World Country Study Group

**Date:** Wed., May 23, 2018

**Time:** 11:00 AM

**Place:** PJ Missman

We will have our Kenyan Food Fest (bring a Kenya-inspired dish to share)!

Do let us know what you intend to bring.

**RSVP** to PJ Missman or Janice Chung

**April 25th meeting—update**

**This meeting has been cancelled.**

### Gadabouts

**Date:** Thursday, May 24, 2018

**Time:** TBD

**Place:** Budweiser Brewery and shopping stop at Jelly Belly Factory in Fairfield.

Brewery tour is \$5.00

Breakfast or Lunch: TBD

Car Pool Location/s: TBD

**Trip Coordinator:** TBD There was a last minute cancellation of coordinator. If you can volunteer, please contact Carolynn Michaels.

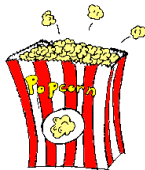
**RSVP:** Until a new coordinator is identified, please contact Carolynn Michaels



### Movie Mavens

**Date:** Wednesday, May 2, 2018

**Contact:** Elaine Bemis for movie selection and theater.



### Directory Changes

**Diana Young**—new phone

**Mary Groesbeck**  
new email





## Public Policy

**On March 13th an important press conference was held** by A STRONGER CALIFORNIA on the south steps of the Capitol. AAUW has lent its support to this group in the past when several members from CHAR were encouraged by our state representative Sue Miller to attend another informative meeting at the Capitol last year.

**The Stronger California Advocates Network** presented the Launch of its 2018 Legislative Agenda. The event highlighted 2018 priority bills addressing sexual harassment, fair pay and job opportunities, poverty, child care and family-friendly work places. The mission of the organization is to secure economic opportunity for all women.

**The various bills that were highlighted** included: SB 1284 and AB 2282 which strengthens equal pay protections; SB 937: lactation accommodations; SB 982: ends deep childhood poverty; SB1300 and SB1038: retaliations, protections; AB 1870: extends filing deadline for harassment claims; and increased funding for childcare.

**More information:** Jessica Stender, [jstender@equalrights.org](mailto:jstender@equalrights.org) and [StrongerCalifornia.org#StrongerCA](http://StrongerCalifornia.org#StrongerCA)

*Mary Toutonghi, Public Policy*

## Signups are now being accepted for next season's Marathon Bridge

**Both old and new teams are welcome.** You and your partner will play a different team each month from September through April on a date agreed upon by the respective teams. Winners are announced at a bridge luncheon in May.

**Each player should mail a \$20.00 check,** payable to CHAR/AAUW, to Margaret Lawston. Your \$20 donation can be for Local Scholarships, Tech Trek or split 50/50. Write the name of your partner and your donation preference (LS, TT, or 50/50) on the memo line of your check.

**Checks must be received by June 30,** and your CHAR dues must be paid.

**Instructions and a play schedule** will be mailed to each partner in late August.

**Questions?** Call Margaret or Linda West.





## Tech Trek Update

**Thank you to Mary Duval** for stepping forward and agreeing to oversee the Tech Trek Committee next year. While it is a joint effort and a wonderful group of CHAR members are participating, it is essential to have someone at the helm to keep track of the progress and make sure all the “i”s are dotted and the “t”s are crossed!

**Thanks to Aerojet Rocketdyne and Golden State Water** for once again donating a scholarship each. We now have an assurance of at least three girls for next year’s camp.

**The September Membership Luncheon** is the meeting in which the current summer campers are introduced and invited to share their experiences with CHAR members. And, October is the month when we must notify U.C. Davis of the number of girls we can send for the following year. Therefore, donations received at the September meeting are the final determination of how many girls are chosen.

## A little Tech Trek history

**Marie Wolbach, an AAUW of California member**, is credited with beginning Tech Trek in 1998. She had received an AAUW Community Action Grant and the rest is history!. Today, 20 years later, AAUW Tech Trek operates at 22 different sites around the United States. Ten of those sites are in California alone.



**Statistics indicate that Tech Trek alumnae** complete Pre-Calculus at a rate of twice the national average and they complete Algebra II at a rate higher than either male or female students in general.

## Membership Renewal Season



Remember that you can make your CHAR renewal easily by going to the email sent by National AAUW. If you have misplaced that email, another one will be sent in May.

Or, you can always use the membership form on page 7, if you prefer.

AAUW is 150,00 members strong and is in all 50 states. Your membership says you care about equal rights for women and girls and that you are proud to be a part of this important cause.



## Membership Renewal Form for 2018-2019

### CHAR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

☐ 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  
\_\_\_\_\_Mailed through Post Office\*

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

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

**Make check payable to CHAR/AAUW**

**Send Form and Payment to:**  
Esther Leal

*Please send in the entire page when completing the membership renewal form.*

### 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.**

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#### **2) Dual Member Category**

My 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 \$94 apply.

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#### **3) Honorary Life Member Category**

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

**Honorary Life Member- Total: \$15 fee**

#### **Renew Online**

##### **Pay by credit card**

Look for the email from AAUW National. Follow the easy steps—no membership # or password required!



**Look for contribution opportunities in the September 2018 Ripples. Don't send any donations to our various funds with this renewal, except \$10 if you are requesting the Ripples to be sent by the Post Office.**



Deadline for June 2018 Ripples  
Saturday, May 12th

Our CHAR website:  
[www.citrusheights-ca.aauw.net](http://www.citrusheights-ca.aauw.net)

# May 2018



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Great Decisions		1 Bird Watchers	2 Movie Mavens	3 Hungry Ladies	4	5
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**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN MISSION STATEMENT:**  
AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.