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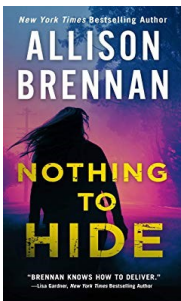
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Author's Luncheon
Allison Brennan, NY Times Bestselling Author

Saturday, April 13, 2019 11:00 AM
Lunch 11:45—Author 12:45 PM
North Ridge Country Club
7600 Madison Ave. Fair Oaks



From the Allison Brennan website, Allison Brennan believes life is too short to be bored, so she had five children and writes three books a year! A former consultant in the California State Legislature, Allison is now a New York Times and USA Today bestselling author of more than three dozen thrillers and numerous short stories. Reviewers have called her “a master of suspense” and RT Book Reviews said her books are “mesmerizing” and “complex.”



She's been nominated for multiple awards, including the Thriller, RWA's Best Romantic Suspense (five times), and twice won the Daphne du Maurier award. She currently writes two series—the Lucy Kincaid/Sean Rogan thrillers and the Maxine Revere cold case mysteries.

(Nothing to Hide available April 30, 2019)

Menu Choices:

- 1) Angel hair pasta with 4 oz. grilled salmon, asparagus and a lemon cream sauce
- 2) Portabella Mushroom Ravioli, house made marinara and whole grilled vegetables

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

Make check payable to CHAR / AAUW for \$25. Put meal choice # in memo line.

Send to: Pat Boyd
By Monday, April 8th

Guests always welcome!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



At this writing (March 6) neither the Arizona House nor the Virginia house have passed the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA). The Virginia House voted down the ERA in sub-committee. There is a chance the measure can be voted out of committee Friday. Another player is

North Carolina where bills were introduced in both houses March 5.

I don't have to tell you that we have a lot to do if our daughters and granddaughters are going to realize their full potential as women. I'm pleased with all we are doing in CHAR.

AAUW-CA awarded CHAR recognition for our work on Days for Girls. They said, "...This program is an excellent example of engaging with our local communities in support of our mission to enhance opportunities for women and girls." Karen Wilkes, thank you for your remarkable leadership.

Erin Saberi and committee kicked off International Women's Day with a talk by Kendra Harris, Executive Director of the California Commission on Women. Erin is using that forum to provide Sacramento County an opportunity to show that a Sacramento County Women's Commission is needed.

April 1 we rescheduled our board meeting to the 11th so all could be at the Capitol to support the Equal Pay Legislation, enjoy talking to Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson, and tour the Capitol.

Jean Gordon recommended we start a Care Committee. We are actively seeking a leader to accept that challenge. Jean has a lot of research she is willing to share.

Charlene Eberwine started an interbranch support group for Branches who have AAUW student clubs at ARC, CSUS and UC Davis. It's growing. Roseville AAUW (Sierra College) wants to join us.

The work we are doing is great, and yes, it has a price tag. Please see Roberta Schmalz's article and my article on page 6.

Don't forget to take time out April 13 to hear Allison Brennan CHAR Author of the year.

EQUAL MEANS EQUAL

A Lee Battershell-Baird
CHAR president

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REMINDER OF BOARD MEETING

April 11th— 10:00 AM
Raley's Meeting Room
San Juan at Sunset
Fair Oaks



CHOICES! CHOICES!

3rd Thursday Book Group

Date: Thurs., April 18, 2019

Time: 1:00 PM

Hostess: Virginia Dunstan

RSVP: by April 15th.

Book: *My Dear Hamilton*
by S. Dray and L. Hamoie

Discussion Leader: Virginia

Great Decisions

Dates: April 2nd—Decoding U.S.-
China Trade

April 16th—Cyber Conflict and Geo
Politics

Time: 1:00 PM—3:00 PM

Place: Raley's Event Center—
San Juan at Sunset, Fair Oaks



Contact Virginia Sturdevant for more infor-
mation or visit the Foreign Policy Association
at: www.fpa.org.

Whodunits

Date: Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Time: 1:00—2:30 PM

Place: Carmichael
Library Meeting Room.

Contact Coby Bonner for more infor-
mation.



More Than Books

Date: Wed., April 17, 2019

Hostess: Pat Arthur

Topic: A Favorite Novel

Days for Girls

Date: Wed., April 10, 2019

Time: 1:30 PM

Place: Shirley Chang

RSVP: Shirley

CA Water Issues

Date: Monday, April 29, 2019

Note: (5th Mon.)

Time: 10:15 AM

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

Speaker: Local rice farmer—Lawrence
Smudosky. Effects of water shortage on
local farmers.

All CHAR members welcome!

Contact Mary Duval for more information

Hungry Ladies Eating Out

Date: Thurs., April 4, 2019

Time: 6:00 PM

Place: Il Forno Classico (Italian)
In Gold River

RSVP: Pam Bone



CHAR is sending 5 girls to Tech Trek Camp this summer at UC Davis. Two girls will be selected from Mills Middle School in Rancho Cordova and three from Will Rogers Middle School Elementary School in Fair Oaks. Thanks to all members and sponsors who have financially and emotionally supported the Tech Trek program and the team who

contacted the schools and will be interviewing these girls.

Please plan to join our Tech Trek girls reunion from the past 20 years. Details coming later. Help is needed in contacting girls and preparing for the reunion. If you don't have time to volunteer, your donation of any amount would be greatly appreciated. Checks for the Tech Trek reunion should be made payable to AAUW CHAR, with TT Reunion on the memo line.

Send checks to Mary Duval.

EXPANDING OUR HORIZONS



Gadabouts

Date: Thursday, April 25, 2019

Time: 11:30 AM Lunch at Rio Cify Café on your own expense

Tour: 1:00 PM Old Sacramento Underground tour

½ mile guided historical walking tour takes approximately one hour and visits areas with uneven surfaces and low ceiling. Also includes hollow sidewalks and sloped alleyways. The tour is ADA compliant. Come dressed for outside weather, you will be outside until you reach the underground spaces which are not temperature controlled.

Cost: \$18 for adults

Contact Charlene Eberwine no later than April 8th for reservations.

I will purchase tickets only for those who send me their ticket fee. Carpool information after April 8th.

Mah Jong

Date: Thurs., April 11, 2019

Time: 1:30 PM

Place: Shirley Chang,

RSVP:

Shirley Chang

This is a fundraiser for AAUW funds, so please bring \$5.00. **April 23rd—free Mah Jong for scoring practice.**

World Country Study Group

Date: Wed. April 24, 2019 (4th Wed.)

Time: 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM

Place: Fair Oaks Library

Send Janice Chung an email, after March 28th if you plan to come to the April meeting.

Be sure to be on Janice's group email list to get all the detailed information regarding each meeting.

Arrive after 12 noon, bring finger food to share and enjoy a good speaker.

Bird Watching



Date: Tues., April 2, 2019

Time: 8:00 AM

Place: We will visit the Vic Fazio Yolo Wildlife Area, about a 30 min. drive. This is mostly a driving route.

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. Tuesday morning of the 2nd, call Charlene if you need to cancel.

AAUW Student Club Leaders met in March to get to know one another. Three different colleges—ARC, CSUS and Davis met at Charlene Eberwine's home where they collaborated, shared ideas, experiences and activities.

Areas of discussion included the upcoming National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, Work Smart /Start Smart AAUW programs, Equal Pay at the Capitol April 1 and the Women's Commission on the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors. They will meet again in late April or early May in Davis.





Days for Girls

Dwarfed by the more than a thousand kits

completed and ready to take to Africa, Karen Wilkes spoke to the assembled group at Days for Girls on March 2nd in Rocklin. Karen's commitment to fulfilling a pledge of 1000 feminine hygiene kits more than materialized. As the day progressed, more and more women, men and girls arrived to continue the assembly process. Thirty seven tables were set up with components and instructions for completion.

Karen's work did not go unnoticed by AAUW. CA AAUW announced that CHAR was selected for recognition at the CA AAUW Annual Meeting in San Diego this spring. The award is for the on-going mission-based "Days for Girls" program. "This program is an excellent example of engaging with our local communities in support of our mission to enhance opportunities for women and girls."

Focus on Patricia (Trish) Caldwell

CHAR Member Trish discovered the joys of geography her freshman year at San Bernardino Valley College, and subsequently found cartography when she transferred as an undergraduate to the University of Washington. She started her professional career as a cartographer with the CIA.

At the age of 24 she was making maps for the president's daily briefing, a publication read by cabinet-level officers and Presidents Johnson and Nixon. She returned to California to go to grad school at UCLA, and while there taught cartography at UCLA, became vice president of a publishing company that published restaurant guides, and started a map production and consulting firm. Clients included Prentice Hall, McGraw Hill, Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Park, United Nations Environment Programme and Thomas Brothers.



Trish was hired by Los Rios Community College District to manage a large Microsoft grant, a position that led to becoming Special Projects Program Manager for the Workforce and Economic Development Center of Los Rios, then Dean of Technical Education at American River College. She is a passionate supporter of California's community colleges and vocal advocate for the value of Career Education. She finds great joy in working for an institution that transparently supports equity and social justice for all.

For the last few years Trish has helped coordinate Visit Day for the UC Davis Tech Trek. She balances her work life with yoga, is a member of two book clubs, and is a nationally competitive masters race walker. She's also a USA Track & Field race walk judge.



Save the Date: Saturday, May 11, 2019 Installation Luncheon

Speaker: Erin Saberi –On Women's Commission in Sacramento

This year the CHAR Board voted to extend officers' tenure from one year to two years. Therefore, the only officer being voted on and installed this year will be Roberta Schmalz. She is finishing two years as Treasurer and has agreed to extend her job by one year. In the future, it is planned that officers' terms will be alternating so that there will not be a complete new board every two years. An officer not wishing to complete a two year term will have the position appointed by the president for the remaining term.

2019- 2020 UPCOMING BUDGET DECISIONS

Lee Battershell-Baird, CHAR President

There are wonderful activities that our members have begun that advance equity for women and girls. However, these activities have costs and we will need to increase revenue if we are to pursue them. And we need to know if the programs are important enough to you to increase revenue. We can increase dues, increase fundraising, solicit donations, eliminate some programs, or a combination of all.

Roberta Schmalz (our treasurer) explains our current projects and related funding (below). In May, **Charlene Eberwine** will explain the AAUW@ARC Student Club goals and costs. **Mary Duval** will explain the Tech Trek Alumni Association goals and costs. In June, **Charmen Goehring** will explain Public Policy that includes the Women's Commission on the Sacramento County Board. **Karen Wilkes** will explain how we will use hygiene kits for Sacramento homeless and students. In June, **Lee Battershell** and **Jean Gordon** will explain the Caring Committee goals and costs.

Also, in the June issue of the Ripples you will receive a ballot to express your views for the coming year, and the importance of our various activities to you. Based on your input, the Board will formulate a budget for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. At the September Meeting you will have the opportunity to vote on the proposed budget.

Treasurer's Statement—Roberta Schmalz

Like most of us, AAUW-CHAR does not have enough money to do all the things we would like to do. I, as Treasurer, was asked to explain our current projects and the money we need to support them. The best starting place is the 2018-2019 budget which can be found in the September 2018 Ripples.

Branch dues of \$1,500 (100 members at \$15 each) is our only source of revenue for operating expenses. Most of this is spent on our fixed cost of \$550 from AAUW – CA, \$250 for your directories, and \$600 for conferences and training. Our monthly meetings are a mix of fundraisers for our historic philanthropic work, education, and social get-togethers. Some result in costs to our branch while others do not.

If our members have facilities available, such as churches, clubhouses, etc. that our branch could use at no charge, that is definitely an option to save money. Renting facilities for monthly meetings is a large part of our spending. Please let Lee know if you have that available to us.

The bottom line is that the fiscal year 2018-2019 is budgeted for a loss of (\$1,208). Depending on actual revenue and costs, the actual loss could be larger or smaller than budgeted. Reserves from prior years allow us (for a few years) to spend more than we make. However, those reserves will not last forever. In addition, the opportunities we have for new projects to be described in next two month's Ripples, will require some funding.

In our June Ripples you will have the opportunity to let us know if you feel these programs are important enough to 1) raise dues, 2) generate additional funding through fundraisers or member donations, 3) use our reserves, or 4) cut back on expenses. A combination of all of these options is most likely the best solution. Watch for your June Ripples to make your preferences known. Our budget for the coming year will depend on the feedback we get from members in this regard.



CHAR Membership Renewal Form Deadline June 15, 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 15th.

**Please make check payable to
CHAR/AAUW**

Send Form and Payment to:

Esther Leal



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

Otherwise, look for contribution opportunities in the September 2019 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 Membership Fees

Circle appropriate category:

Regular Dual Honorary

1) Regular Member Category

Breakdown of dues:

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|----------------------------------|-------------|
| AAUW National Dues | \$59 |
| (\$56 of this is tax deductible) | |
| CA State Dues | \$20 |
| CHAR Dues (Branch) | <u>\$15</u> |
| 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 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.

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 (by the end of March) 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 —emleal@comcast.net



CHAR

Deadline for May 2019 Ripples
April 10th
See page 2 for address
Our CHAR website:
citrusheights-ca.aauw.net

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



Amador AAUW Branch Fundraiser Scholarship Fund


47th Annual Home Tour
April 13, 2019
Fiddletown, California.

Amador-ca.aauw.net/home-tour
to purchase tickets online for \$25.

Or email
blwalker@volcano.net
with questions



April 2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | 1 Bird Watchers | 2 Great Decisions | 3 | 4 Hungry Ladies | 5 Board Meeting | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 Who Dunits | 10 Days for Girls | 11 Mah Jong | 12 | 13 Author Luncheon |
| 14 | 15 | 16 Great Decisions | 17 More Than Bks | 18 3rd Thurs Bks | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 Free Mah Jong | 24 World Country | 25 Gada- bouts | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 CA Water | 30 | | | |  |

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN MISSION STATEMENT:

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