

AAUW MAUI BRANCH



NEWSLETTER - October 2014

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

AAUW Maui Branch Events*

BOOK CLUB

Date: Saturday, October 11

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Location: Cathy Weber's home, 86 Kulipu'u Street, Kihei

<u>jcweber86@hawaii.rr.com</u> (808) 298-0855 October Book: <u>Salt: A World History</u> by Mark Kurlansky

Please bring a possible book selection for the November meeting.

Directions: 1.) South on Pi'ilani highway take the Alaunui Ke Ali'i Drive exit at the Kamali'i School. Go down the street and turn right into the Ke All'i Kai Development . . . 2.) Or, off South Kihei Road turn left on to Alaunui Ke Ali'i Drive and then turn left into the Ke All'i Kai Development, . . . turn left and follow Kulipu'u to #86 which is on the left side going up the hill.

Parking is on the street.

LUNCH BUNCH

Date: Tuesday, October 14

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Location: Chez Meme Baguette Bistro, 115 Kio Loop, Kihei RSVP: Janine Yip at (808) 875-7112 or email jiyip@telus.net

NEEDLEWORK GROUP

Date: Tuesday, October 28

Time: 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Suzanne Young's home

670 Lea Place, Makawao

RSVP: Suzanne at (808) 573-8319 or suzyyoung@hawaiiantel.net

Space is limited, so please RSVP. Time for "Show & Tell." Bring projects to share.

SPEAKER MEETING

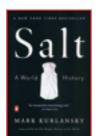
Date: Saturday, October 25

Time: Breakfast - 10:00 a.m., Speaker - 11:15 a.m.

Location: Mulligan's on the Blue, Wailea

Speaker: To Be Announced RSVP: To Be Announced.

Contact Cheryl Bergman to share ideas for speakers.



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^{*} The Special Interest groups are open to all AAUW members.

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GREAT DECISIONS

The Great Decisions program provides background information and policy options for the eight most critical issues facing America each year. http://www.fpa.org

Date: Monday, November 3

Time: **12 p.m**.

Location: Sandy Roger's home, 1400 Limahana Circle #101 Lahaina

RSVP: Call Mihaela Stoops at (808) 357-4000 or email mihaela_stoops@hotmail.com

TOPIC: <u>U.S. Trade Policy</u> - America's foreign policy tools are not limited to sanctions, treaties or military campaigns – they also include the sales pitch. The logic behind this pitch, or "economic statecraft," is simple: promote the benefits of democracy and the free market. In so doing, the U.S. will gain valuable and stable partners, both in business and in diplomacy. Now, as China and other emerging nations battle the U.S. for global influence, Secretary Kerry will take the reigns as a free market matchmaker.



Date: Sunday, November 9

Time: 1 - 3:00 p.m.

Location: To Be Announced



SAVE THE DATE for our annual AAUW Membership Drive

AAUW Maui Branch News

AAUW FUND OF THE MONTH: Leadership Programs Fund "Elect Her"



Envelopes for this and other AAUW Funds will be passed at the business meetings. Suggested contributions are \$15 per year. If you can't remember whether you've given this year, perhaps giving in your birthday month would be easy to remember.

AAUW has a long and distinguished history of advancing educational and professional opportunities for women in the United States and around the globe.

Elect Her–Campus Women Win is the only program in the country that encourages and trains college women to run for student government and future political office. A collaboration between AAUW and Running Start, **Elect Her** addresses the need to expand the pipeline to women running for office and to diminish the longstanding political leadership gender gap.

Elect Her is a one-day, 4.5-hour training. Campus administrators, students, and local AAUW members collaborate with AAUW and Running Start staff to plan the trainings each year. Fifty campuses are hosting host **Elect Her** sessions in 2013–14. Participants practice hands-on campaign skills, hear from inspiring local speakers, and discuss research on women in government.

2014 Elect Her by the Numbers

78 percent of 2014 participants who reported running for student office WON!

12 percent more students plan to run for political office after attending Elect Her.

100 percent of participants reported that they would recommend Elect Her to a friend.

In this election year, doesn't that sound like just the kind of thing we should be supporting?

For more information about AAUW Fund donations, contact: Amey Hempel at (808) 214-6159 or ameyhempel@icloud.com



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AAUW FINANCIAL REPORT - Suzanne Young

Our checking account has a balance of \$2,743.63; savings is \$4,749.98. We are starting the new fiscal year in good shape!



AAUW WEB PAGE - HELP IS NEEDED TO PROMOTE OUR AAUW BRANCH

Our branch is in need of someone to set up a web page on the Hawaii State AAUW Website. http://aauw-hi.aauw.net/news/

National AAUW has a format which is available for easy set-up.

Please contact President Cheryl Bergman if you or someone you know can help our Branch create a web page.



AAUW HAWAII Branch News

AAUW PUBLIC POLICY - Hawaii State Chair Job Description (See Cheryl's President's Message)

Overview: The state public policy chair (SPPC) advocates for and represents AAUW's public policy priorities to policy makers, elected and appointed officials, AAUW members, the public, and the media at the state level. The chair mobilizes the membership to support issues relevant to AAUW's mission.

Overall Responsibilities

- Work with the board to establish AAUW Hawaii's position on issues before the legislature in accordance with the AAUW Public Policy Program.
- Advocate for AAUW's position on state legislation to Hawaii senators and representatives through activities such as letters, meetings, and submitting testimony.
- Spearhead and join statewide coalitions to work on AAUW public policy priorities.
- Communicate with members regarding the status of state public policy priorities.
- Mobilize members to influence state public policy issues.

Specific Skills Helpful to the Position



A good candidate will be skilled at coalition building, communications and public speaking, strong writing skills, consensus building, comfortable with technology.

Time Commitment

Time commitment varies based on legislative session and issues before the legislature. Attend either in person or electronically state meetings as scheduled.



October Birthdays

20 - Bobbi Carlson 29 - Janine Yip

26 - Mary Margaret Baker 30 - Robert Walker

26 - Victoria Wundram

Please submit newsletter notices by October 20th to: SANDRA BOLL

AAUW Maui Branch Newsletter Chair Home: 808-879-7655 Cell: 808-205-6329

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President's Message *Cheryl Bergman*



Thank you, dear members, for the words of kindness for Ron! He is going to celebrate Halloween by being a scarecrow! He has lost so much weight, but we are working on getting him healthy with baby steps along the way.

Heh! We are on FACEBOOK! We've joined the rest of the branches in Hawaii! Our site is on "AAUW - Maui." I am slowly transferring photos onto the site. Hopefully, it will help with recruitment and be fun! Do you "LIKE" us?

Besides OUR activities this month, you might want to check out the FREE ukulele concert this Sunday, October 12, at the MACC. It will be a lot of fun!

Lunch Bunch continues under the leadership of Janine Yip while she is in town!

Needlework will start up this month with a show & tell format. Bring what you have completed these past summer months. Great Decisions will have their last meeting of the year on November 3 in Lahaina. Our Speaker Meeting this month will meet at Mulligans on the Blue. I am going to try a new idea by us meeting at IO:00 a.m. with breakfast, and the speaker following our meal. This will be cheaper for us and we won't get hung up waiting for our checks. Let me know how you like this!

The STATE branch has been busy, and I attended a meeting in the Big Island a few weeks ago. We drafted a new position for a PUBLIC POLICY chair for the State. I have provided more information about it. (See attached file to newsletter email.) This is an exciting and important job for the State. The purpose is to track legislation that is important to AAUW women. Special programs for your computer will be provided. If you are interested in this position, draft a letter explaining what you can bring to this new job. A selection will be made October 15 at our State board meeting. The board meetings are not closed to the board membership. If you want to listen to what is going on, let me know.

Registration for the AAUW NATIONAL CONVENTION has opened. Early bird specials are available: \$449 for registration, \$195 for hotel.

Dates: JUNE 18-21. It is in San Diego at the Sheraton on the marina.

A Maui Branch Membership meeting is being planned for Sunday, November 9th.