



# AAUW MAUI BRANCH



## APRIL 2018 NEWSLETTER

*AAUW = Advancing equity for women and girls. In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.*

### AAUW NATIONAL NEWS

#### **Make your voice count and have a say in the future of AAUW. Vote on the By-Law Changes**

In April 2018, AAUW members will be asked to vote on amendments to the **AAUW Bylaws**. Before voting begins you have the opportunity to comment on the proposed amendments or propose your own amendments and resolutions on this site. Be on the lookout for your voter PIN in April and check back in June for the results.

#### **Membership Dues Update**

The AAUW Board of Directors voted in June 2017 to enact the first dues change in almost a decade. Effective March 16, 2018, national dues will increase from \$49 to \$59. Annual dues currently account for 13 percent of AAUW's annual budget. They help to sustain and grow AAUW's programs and work that advances equity for women and girls. A combination of dues, donations, and corporate and foundation funding is critical to supporting AAUW's salary negotiation workshops, ground breaking research, advocacy efforts, campus leadership programs, and so much more. We believe we can do great things together and thank you for your continued support.

#### **EQUAL PAY DAY APRIL 10: What You Should Know about Equal Pay Policy and the Gender Pay Gap**

Equal Pay Day is the day each year when women's earnings catch up to men's earnings from the previous year. In other words, women work more than three months longer to earn as much as men do; women are typically paid just 80 cents for every dollar paid to men — and that number has barely budged in a decade. Although enforcement of the Equal Pay Act and other civil rights laws has helped to narrow the gender pay gap, these actions only cover segments of the American working population, and many important protections are not yet codified in law. Moreover, there are numerous other reasons for discrimination and pay disparity that must be addressed. AAUW continues to advocate for strong pay equity legislation, regulation, and enforcement to protect employees and assist employers. Equal Pay Day is an opportunity to draw attention to the gender pay gap and to call for legislative action and other solutions, including AAUW's salary negotiation workshops, to curb this pervasive problem. The pay gap is even worse for some women of color. AAUW also

observes equal paydays throughout the year focusing on Asian American, African American, Native American, and Latina women.

As early as 1922, AAUW's legislative program called for a reclassification of the U.S. Civil Service and repeal of salary restrictions in the Women's Bureau, The gender pay gap is a primary issue for AAUW and one that we have been working on for years!

## AAUW MAUI BRANCH NEWS AND EVENTS



### *Co-Presidents' Message*

*Cathy Thompson & Janet Walker*



Aloha! Happy Spring! We are so lucky we live Hawaii and enjoy nice weather all year!

Our Maui Whale Watch, our yearly fundraiser to sponsor scholarships for students at the University of Hawaii Maui College (UHMC), was held on March 4 under the very able leadership of our own Pat Gotschalk. **It was a huge success!** Pat, who was assisted by Barry Solomon, Dennis Tanga, Karen Grafe, Joe Grafe, Donna Chisholm, Virginia Shaw, and Laurie Zimmerman, received many compliments on how well this Whale Watch went – the excellent pupus and treats furnished by members, the excellent weather, and the cooperative whales who put on quite a show. Our thanks go out to Pat for a job very well done!

**Pat reported:** *All tickets were sold quite easily at the \$40.00 level. Some tickets were donated back and resold; and we received additional cash donations. We paid \$1,700 for the boat charter but had no other expenses (thanks to the generous donations of door prizes and snacks). Our net proceeds were \$4,440.00 (subject to verification in the quarterly bank statement).*

*Unless PWF gets a bigger boat, or we find another charter, we will be limited to 147 tickets. It is possible to get a kama'aina ticket on Trilogy for \$51 so we may be reaching the upper level of our ticket price. We could consider trying \$45 next year.*



*Next year I'd like to hand off the Whale Watch Committee responsibility but I'm happy to coach anyone who is interested in taking it on. We should start the planning in Nov. 2018.*

***It's not that difficult; the main challenge is keeping track of the ticket sales.***

**Mahalo to everyone who helped with the AAUW Whale Watch Fundraiser. We had a great time - hope you did, too. Pat and Cathy**

PRESIDENTS' REPORT, continued . . .

The Book Club met at Cathy Weber's home on March 3 for a lively discussion of *The Orchardist*. April's Book Club will meet on Saturday, April 7, to discuss *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles. (See details on page 4.)

Our Lunch Bunch on March 13 at The Mill House at the Maui Tropical Plantation was delightful – the food, the desserts, and the service were great! As a bonus, we were joined by Alicia Hetman, former Vice-Chair of the AAUW Board of Directors. Alicia reported that she will be affiliating with our branch soon.

April's Lunch Bunch will be on Equal Pay Day, Tuesday, April 10, at That's a Wrap in the Dolphin Plaza in Kihei. In addition, we will have a Special Event Luncheon on Wednesday, April 11, at The Leis Family Class Act Restaurant at the UHMC. And, planning ahead for May, we will hold a special luncheon for visiting AAUW National CEO Kim Churches on Tuesday, May 1, at the 5 Palms in Kihei.

**Special Announcement:** The Nominating Committee, consisting of Pam Schulz and Dorothy Tolliver and chaired by Martha Dean, presents **Debbie Priest** as the nominee for Vice-President for Membership, the only position up for election this year. The election will be held at the April Speaker Meeting, and the installation will be at the May Speaker Meeting.

The AAUW Scholarship Committee, consisting of Adah Askew, Elizabeth Rodgers, Janet Go, Pat Gotschalk, and Janet Walker, chaired by Dorothy Tolliver, met at UHMC on Thursday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, to select the candidates for the three AAUW Scholarships. This year's Heritage Scholarship will be named for Cornelia Spanier.

If you have not made plans to attend the AAUW Hawaii State Convention in Kona the last weekend in April, it is not too late! See last month's Newsletter for more information. Currently, five Maui Branch members have registered to attend.

Mahalo to all who help keep us going, with special thanks to Jillian Ridington, our Newsletter Editor, and Sandi Boll, our Communications person extraordinaire!

*(Editor's note: And many mahalos to our co-presidents, Cathy and Janet, who are the engines that really keep us going!)*

And last, but not least, our thanks go out to Pam Kallner for making new name tags for our Speaker Meetings! The new badges are snag-free, and all new members should have one available.

A VERY HAPPY APRIL 24<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY TO OUR WONDERFUL CO-PRESIDENT, CATHY THOMPSON. She has the only April Birthday among our current members -- no wonder she is irreplaceable!





## DATES TO REMEMBER FOR APRIL



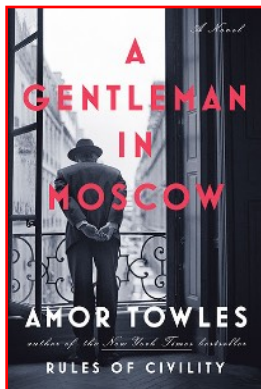
### **AAUW Maui Branch Book Club: SATURDAY, April 7th**

We will be discussing *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amore Towles.

Elizabeth Rodgers will be hosting the book club at her home at 2159 Illili Road, near Cove Park in Kihei.

**Directions:** If you are approaching from North Kihei, drive south on Kihei Road to the first right past Kalama Park, which is Illili Road. Take a right and just past the empty lot on the left, you will see a large white two story condo building on the left: 2159 Illili Road, Hawealani Condominiums. You can park on the street. Elizabeth's condo is on the lower left as you face the building.

PLEASE LET ELIZABETH KNOW WHETHER OR NOT YOU ARE COMING.  
e-mail [erjeweler@yahoo.com](mailto:erjeweler@yahoo.com) or call her cell (505) 603-5790



*A Gentleman in Moscow immerses us in an elegantly drawn era.*

*In 1922, Count Alexander Rostov is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal, and sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel across the street from the Kremlin.*

*Rostov must now*

*live in an attic room while some of the most tumultuous decades in Russian history are unfolding outside the hotel's doors. His reduced circumstances provide him a doorway into a much larger world of emotional discovery.*

### **AAUW Maui Branch Board Meeting: SUNDAY, April 8th**

The Board will meet on Sunday, April 8, at Cathy Thompson's house at 22 Huluhulu Place, Kahului, 96732, to discuss next year's proposed budget, hear committee reports from this year, and to discuss other business related to the Annual Meeting which will be held at the on April 21, before the Speaker Meeting. Pertinent materials will be emailed to those who plan to attend. Please RSVP to Cathy Thompson by phone at 808 268-1232 or email [cathyt808@gmail.com](mailto:cathyt808@gmail.com). All members are eligible to attend.

**WE HAVE SUCH A BUNCH OF LUNCHES COMING UP!**



**Lunch Bunch attendees at the Mill House on March 13th. (S. Boll photo)**

**LUNCH BUNCH: Tuesday, April 10th** at noon at **That's a Wrap Cafe** located in Dolphin Plaza at 2395 South Kihei Road, Suite 118.

Please see menu attached to this newsletter, and **RSVP** with your menu selection by Saturday, April 7th to Sara at [aauwlunchbunch@gmail.com](mailto:aauwlunchbunch@gmail.com) with "Lunch Bunch" in the Subject line or call [907-350-4700](tel:907-350-4700).

**Please wear RED in honor of Equal Pay Day!**

Last year our picture made the paper!

**SPECIAL EVENT AT LEI'S FAMILY CLASS ACT on Wednesday, April 11th at 11:30 a.m.** Lei's Family Class Act is run by the students in the University of Hawaii Maui College Culinary Arts Program - the chefs of tomorrow. To get there, **enter** University of Hawaii Maui College off Lower Beach Road (across from the Maui Arts and Cultural Center). There is a large parking lot - parking is free. The Class Act is in the Pa'ina Building, 2nd building closest to the ocean. For this special event, the following menu will be available. We are limited to 10 people at this time (there will be a waiting list in the event they're able to add more people to our reservation), so it will be a first come first served.

Please **RSVP** to Sara Green ASAP at her cell [907-350-4700](tel:907-350-4700) or [aauwlunchbunch@gmail.com](mailto:aauwlunchbunch@gmail.com) and include your menu selection with "Special Event Class Act" in the Subject line.

Please note: Menu is subject to change without notice. Please choose from the French Influence Four Course Prix Fixe Menu on next page - \$32 to \$44 per guest.

The Class Act Menu includes choice of appetizer, salad or soup, choice of entrée, and choice of decadent or light dessert. Prices are listed on the menu after the entree choices.

**Appetizers:**

Scallop and Shrimp Gratin with Mushroom Duxelles, Leeks and Pernod  
**or** Red Wine Poached Pear, Kula Greens, Belgium Endive, Point Reyes Blue Cheese, Spiced Macadamia Nuts  
**or** Tomato Bisque with Herb Pistou

**Entrées:**

Crispy Skin Seared Salmon, Warm Pink Lentils, Sauce Gribiche- \$42  
Filet Mignon, Hamakua Mushrooms, Pommes Aligot, Sauce Béarnaise - \$44  
Crispy Duck Confit, Pommes Aligot, Dried Cherry Gastrique - \$37  
Artichoke, Spinach, Mushroom, Gruyère Crêpe with Tomato Confit,  
and Crème Fraiche - \$32

**Desserts:**

Vanilla Strawberry Mille-Feuille, Red Current Sorbetto, Dark Chocolate Powder  
**or** Frozen Raspberry Soufflé

**SPEAKER MEETING: Saturday, April 21st at Moose McGillycuddy's**

**Our Speaker will be Debra Tufts**



As Spain's historic Camino de Santiago has increased in popularity, people from around the world are drawn to the unusual and dramatic walk that is uniquely called a pilgrimage. No spring chicken herself, Debra tells a true, raw, and sometimes humorous story of escorting her 77-80 year old parents along this daunting 500-mile journey. Although there were concerns about language, meals, terrain, and accommodations, there were no issues with desire or determination. Never having been seasoned hikers, let alone backpackers for days on end, their extended journey awakened each of them through the solitude of pilgrim experience.

**Please Note:** The Annual and Speaker Meeting will take place on **the 3rd Saturday of April** (April 21st) to accommodate members who will be attending the State Convention the next weekend. The Annual Meeting will be at 10:30, the Speaker at 11:00 a.m., and lunch at noon.

Please respond by Wednesday, April 18th to Virginia Shaw:

[AAUWspeakermeeting@yahoo.com](mailto:AAUWspeakermeeting@yahoo.com), include your menu choice with "Speaker Meeting" in the Subject line.

**AAUW-HAWAII STATE CONVENTION**  
**ROYAL KONA RESORT, APRIL 27-29, 2018**

The convention is a wonderful way to interact with AAUW members from all seven branches and to hear about their challenges and successes. Please register now and join us for an exciting convention in a beautiful resort on the Big Island.

**AND ANOTHER SPECIAL EVENT:** We're having a Special Event Luncheon with **Kim Churches**, CEO of the American Association of University Women, at the **5 Palms Restaurant on Tuesday, May 2nd** at noon.

This is a great opportunity to meet Kim and find out more about her role in our National Organization. Five Palms will provide separate checks and a Kama'aina discount.

Please **RSVP** with your menu selection by Saturday, April 28th to Sara at **907-350-4700** [aauwlunchbunch@gmail.com](mailto:aauwlunchbunch@gmail.com) with "Special Event 5 Palms" in the Subject line.

**REMEMBERING A SPECIAL WHALE WATCH DAY:**



Several Red Hat Society friends of Sandra Boll enjoy the Whale Watch Cruise every year. "Flat Stanley" loved seeing the active whales, too!

AAUW members Virginia Shaw and Laurie Zimmerman were on board for our wonderful Whale Watch on March 4th.



Please send all reports, announcements and other material for the **MAY** AAUW Maui Branch Newsletter to [jillianbrid@gmail.com](mailto:jillianbrid@gmail.com) by **APRIL 20TH** – Mahalo. (And do please bring your camera to AAUW get-togethers and send in your photos for the newsletter.)



**HAPPY SPRING!**

