

AAUW MAUI BRANCH

Advancing Equity for Women and Girls

Branch News

Dates to Remember

Speaker Meeting

Saturday, November 21, online using Zoom. **Social time at 10:00 a.m., business meeting at 10:30 a.m., followed by a program at 11:00 a.m.** See page 3 of the newsletter.

Book Group

Saturday, November 7, at noon, and Saturday, December 5, online using Zoom. See page 4 of the newsletter.

Lunch Bunch

Tuesday, November 10, at 11:30 a.m. at Bistro Casanova in Kahului. See page 5 of the newsletter.

Taste and Talk

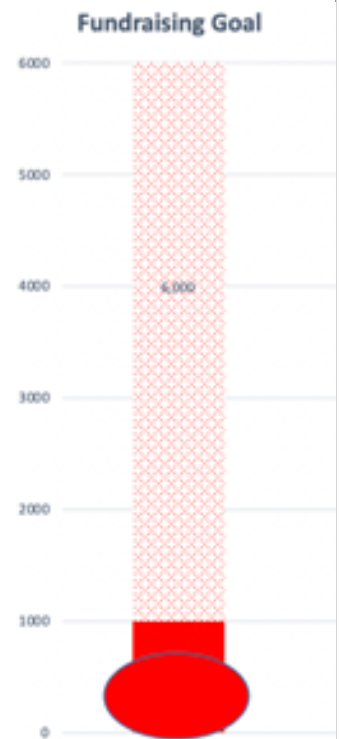
Thursday, November 19, at 6:00 p.m. at Pita Paradise in Wailea. See page 5 of the newsletter.

Holiday Party

Sunday, December 13, online using Zoom. Save the date, more information to come.

Help Us Reach Our Scholarship Fundraising Goal of \$6,000

By now, all of you should have received an email regarding our decision to suspend our annual Whale Watch Fundraiser this year. We still want to provide three deserving UH Maui students with \$2000 scholarships. To do that, we are asking you for a direct donation of \$100. So far, we've received \$1,000 from our members! Of course, any amount will be appreciated and will help us to reach our goal of \$6,000. Remember, since we no longer meet in person and pay the monthly meeting fee and lunch cost, many of us are saving over \$150 this year. And, as much as we enjoyed the Annual Whale Watch Cruise, you will not be purchasing tickets for an AAUW sponsored cruise this year. Let's get the temperature rising on our fundraiser thermometer!



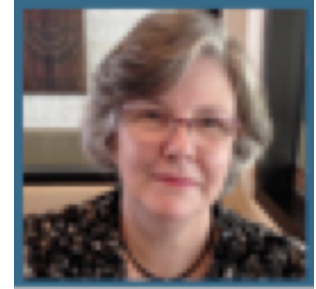
Please donate to our 2021 Scholarship Fund by sending a check payable to AAUW MAUI BRANCH to AAUW-Maui, P.O. Box 1352, Pu'unene HI 96784. We thank you in advance for your support! Your donation is greatly appreciated. You will receive a donation letter from the branch for your records. AAUW is a 501(c) (3) organization. Your contribution is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Submitted by Terry Rosenstock, AAUW-Maui Branch Fundraising Chair

President's Message

Aloha,

Hopefully, everyone has cast her/his ballot for this election year, but if not, please do so as quickly as you can! I am sure we are all ready for the election madness to be over, as well as COVID-19! What a year this has been! VOTE!



We are combining the November and December Newsletters this month, and we will be sending out the appropriate announcements in December as needed for the Book Club and the Holiday Party. There will be no Lunch Bunch, Tastes & Talk, or Speaker Meeting in December, as per usual.

Our October speaker, Kristen Spees Marchello, presented an excellent seminar and question and answer session on estate planning on October 24. About 20 people attended, and all the feedback has been positive. It was an example of how great a Zoom meeting can be! We will be sending out her PowerPoint slides soon and the link to her presentation.

The Board met on Sunday, October 25. Sadly, we received word that one of our former members and finance officer, Ron Bergman, passed last week. He had been ill for some time, but the passing was unexpected. We will be honoring him with a write-up about his life, and the Harriet Haynes Heritage Scholarship will be named in his honor for 2021-2022. His wife, Cheryl Bergman, was also an extremely active branch and state member and served in many capacities and offices while they were living in Maui.

The Board voted to review the Branch Bylaws and the Policies and Procedures. A major revision was done in 2016 to bring our branch into compliance with the revised National Bylaws and to update our Policies and Procedures. Each year, minor revisions have been made, and last year Janet Walker and Karen Grafe performed a thorough examination that resulted in a few changes. We need a committee to examine the Bylaws, the Policies and Procedures, and the job descriptions for all the elected and appointed officers. We are asking for volunteers. Both Janet Walker and Dorothy Tolliver have agreed to serve on the committee, which is a plus because they have a good historical perspective on why things are the way they are in the materials. We now need some newer members to join – we can meet via Zoom or in person, depending on the COVID situation and people's preferences. Please let me know if you are interested in serving on the committee. I served on the one in 2016, and I found it so helpful to understand how the organization works.

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President's Report (continued)

The Board also voted to hold the Holiday Party on Sunday, December 13, via Zoom. We need a committee to plan and coordinate the event. Any volunteers can contact me, and you can elect your chairperson. We are working with Women Helping Women to see how we can best assist them this year, and we will send out that information as well as the party details as soon as they are available. Our Holiday Party has always been a great success – both socially and beneficently, and I hope that the tradition can continue.

Meanwhile, enjoy our November activities and stay healthy!

Cathy

Speaker Meeting November 21

The November Speaker Meeting will be held on **Saturday, November 21, via Zoom. There will be a social half-hour starting at 10 a.m., then the business meeting at 10:30 a.m. followed by our speaker.** The Zoom log-in information will be emailed to members by Communications Director Sandi Boll prior to the meeting.

In honor of Native American Heritage Month, our speaker will be Gentle Thunder. Gentle Thunder is a highly regarded Medicine Woman, Light Worker, Sacred Water Carrier, and Humanitarian. Having been called to serve in many areas around the world, including South America, the World Peace movement in South Korea, the Parliament of World Religions in Salt Lake City and to construct medicine wheels, and Crystal Earth Grids as part of the planetary grid, Gentle Thunder also serves as a Sacred Water Carrier – it is her belief that uniting the water unites people, and uniting people will ultimately bring world peace. “Let us sing our Medicine Songs! Through our songs, we help heal Mother Earth and Humanity. Ancient songs handed down from our Ancestors, these songs are Powerful! Music carries a very Heart Opening frequency & vibration that can be felt and received all over the World. Such as when a Butterfly flaps it's wings:-) A’ha.”



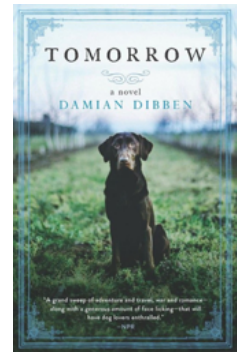
Book Group November 7 and December 5

The AAUW Book Group meeting will be held on **Saturday, November 7 and December 5, at noon, via Zoom.**

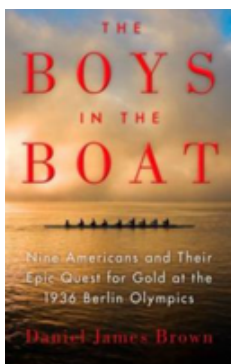
Please RSVP to Dorothy Tolliver so you can be included in the Zoom Book Group meeting. Email Dorothy at 2425047@gmail.com

The book for November is *Tomorrow*, by Damian Dibben

Venice, 1815. A 200 year old dog is searching for his lost master. And so begins *Tomorrow*, a story of love that spans the centuries and of hope as the world collapses into war. *Tomorrow* is a dog who must travel through the courts and battlefields of Europe in search of the man who granted him immortality. His is a journey of loyalty and determination, as he befriends both animals and humans, falls in love—only once— marvels at the human ability to make music and despairs at their capacity for war. *Tomorrow* is a spellbinding novel of courage and devotion, of humanity across the ages and of the eternal connection between two souls.



The book for December is *Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Olympics*, by Daniel James Brown



It was an unlikely quest from the start. With a team composed of the sons of loggers, shipyard workers, and farmers, the University of Washington's eight-oar crew team was never expected to defeat the elite teams of the East Coast and Great Britain, yet they did, going on to shock the world by defeating the German team rowing for Adolf Hitler in the 1936 Summer Olympics Games in Berlin.

Lunch Bunch November 10

We will meet and socialize for our Lunch Bunch on **Tuesday, November 10, starting at 11:30 a.m. at Bistro Casanova in Kahului**, 33 Lono Avenue, (808) 873-3650. Ample parking is located behind the building.



We have reserved a table for eight on the patio, but if more RSVP we can get another table. If space is available, guests may be invited. For this event please RSVP to Linda Martin by Friday, November 6, at mauibabequilter@gmail.com or call 408-725-8558. If you need to cancel please advise Linda 24 hours prior so we can allow another person to attend. You do not have to order in advance. Here is a link to the menu: http://bistrocasanova.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/2020-10_Bistro_LunchMenu-scaled.jpg.

Tastes and Talk November 19



Tastes and Talk will continue with conversation and great food on **Thursday, November 19, starting at 6:00 p.m. at Pita Paradise** in Wailea, 34 Wailea Ike Dr, in the Wailea Gateway Center. We will be seated outdoors; however, patio seating is limited, so we suggest that you RSVP to Heather Mueller as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, November 16 at 808-430-0120, or heathermaymueller@yahoo.com. The phone number for the restaurant is 808-879-7177.

You do not have to order in advance. Here is a link to the menu: <http://www.pitaparadisehawaii.com/Menu/Lunch-Dinner-Menus-website.pdf>

Culture and Diversity Column

For those who have missed the many cultural and ethnic celebrations in the islands this past year, here are suggested searches for YouTube videos and websites, so you can reminisce, learn, and enjoy.



“Japanese festivals Hawaii YouTube” and “Obon Maui YouTube” for the lovely Lahaina Jodo Mission annual celebration and Wailuku Hongwanji’s obon drummers, among others; also see the full-length “Virtual Okinawan Festival 2020.”

Hispanic Heritage month was Sept. 15 to Oct. 15: “Hispanic Celebrations Hawaii YouTube.”

“Hindu festivals Kauai monastery YouTube”; see also the fascinating “Story of Iraivan Temple of Kauai.”

“Chinese New Year Hawaii 2020 YouTube”; many celebrations from around the state.

“2016 Korean festival Hawaii YouTube” and click the informative video by The MNonaka Gallery from August 30, 2016.

Micronesian festivals Hawaii YouTube” and click on “Celebrate Micronesia 2015: Micronesian Cultural Festival of July 8, 2015.

Native American Heritage Month is November and has been celebrated by Pow wows on Oahu: “Native American festivals Hawaii YouTube.”

“Portuguese festivals Hawaii YouTube” and click “2018 Hawaii Portuguese Festa” from October 8, 2018, and “Pukiki” from December 1, 2007.

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Cultural and Diversity Column (continued)

“Kwanzaa (Sister Power) YouTube”. <https://www.YouTube.com/watch?v=csbntyb4MgY>.



“Jewish celebrations Hawaii YouTube”; Hanukkah begins December 10, 2020, and the Kauai Chanukah Event will include an historic connecting of Jewish communities on four Hawaiian islands with a simultaneous lighting of the Menorah: www.HawaiiJewryUnite.org.

“Christmas in Hawaii”: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christmas_in_Hawaii.



“Filipino festivals Hawaii YouTube” and click on any of several Filipino Fiesta videos.

Hawaiian: The Makahiki season - <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Makahiki>; Prince Lot (Virtual) Hula Festival 11/5-8/2020 <https://moanalugardensfoundation.org/2017-prince-lot-hula-festival/>.

“Vietnamese festivals Hawaii YouTube.”

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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-Maui Branch Scholarship News

Due to the current UHMC Covid Scholarship protocols, a new AAUW Scholarship Committee is being formed. This Committee will be working on revising our AAUW scholarship guidelines to more accurately reflect our AAUW mission. This Committee will work with the UHMC Foundation and the UHMC Financial Aid Office. If an AAUW member would like to be on this Committee, contact Dorothy Tolliver, Scholarship Chair, at 2425047@gmail.com.

We are also pleased to report our UHMC scholarship awardees for academic year 2020-2021 (unfortunately, due to the pandemic, no on-campus award ceremony could be held).

Congratulations to the recipients:

Dorothy Shimer Scholarship

Jennifer Azuma Chrupalyk, Hawaiian Studies, Sophomore

Harriett Haines Memorial Scholarship

Cameron D. Viernes, Natural Science, Sophomore

Heritage Scholarship

Alani T. Hoe, Business Technology, Sophomore

Happy Thanksgiving to Maui Branch Members and Families



Et Cetera



Happy Birthday!

Alicia Hetman	November 7
Marty-Jean Bender	November 16
Virginia Shaw	December 10
Linda Martin	December 15
Debra Greene	December 16
Lynn Austin	December 22
Barry Solomon	December 26
Debbie Priest	December 30
Joyce Yamada	December 30

**Many mahalos to our October speaker.
Attorney Kristen Marcello**



Et Cetera (continued)

Lunch Bunch at Lava Rock Cafe



Taste and Talk at Wailea Kitchen



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