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AAUW MAUI BRANCH



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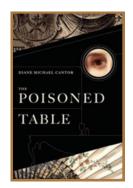


~ AAUW News & Information ~

AAUW NATIONAL BOOK OF THE MONTH CLUB - ¡ADELANTE!

"The Poisoned Table" by Diane Michael Cantor, AAUW national member

"The Poisoned Table portrays a passionate rivalry between fictional actress Isabel Graves and real-life Shakespearian sensation Frances Anne "Fanny" Kemble. A tale of ambition, romance, and betrayal, the novel traces their unconnected adventures and acting careers in the Old and New Worlds, as well as their introduction to the horrors of American slavery and to romance with Pierce Butler, one of the wealthiest men in the United States."



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If you are interested in reading books written from diverse perspectives, check out National AAUW's ¡Adelante! Book of the Month Club on the AAUW website.

For a complete list of book titles for 2016-2017, click on this link: <u>www.aauw.org/resource/</u> adelante-book-list

AAUW FUNDS - NATIONAL CONTINUES OUR MISSION

With a new administration and Congress, AAUW plans to continue our mission with nonpartisan leadership and research-based advocacy.

"It is now, after an election, that the real work begins," said Lisa Maatz, the vice president of government relations and advocacy. "AAUW will find common ground with the Trump administration and the new Congress on issues that are important to women and working families. Women want progress on issues that affect them, and AAUW intends to be a fair critic and a valued ally. Most importantly, in true AAUW fashion, we will not hesitate to speak truth to power."

There is still work to be done at every level: local, state, and federal - the Paycheck Fairness Act, college affordability and high student debt, combating campus sexual assault, good jobs with paid family and medical leave, and other workplace equity policies.

Now more than ever is the time to donate to AAUW Funds. PLEASE HELP OUR MAUI BRANCH BAND TOGETHER AND SUPPORT OUR MISSION!

Send your tax-deductible AAUW donations (checks payable to "AAUW Funds") to: Suzanne Young, 670 Lea Place, Makawao HI 96768.





~ AAUW Maui Branch Co-Presidents' Message ~



Co-Presidents' Message Martha Dean & Janet Walker



As we prepare to celebrate the holidays this month, we also want to celebrate you, our Maui Branch members. It is gratifying to have had almost all of our members renew their memberships. Also we are very pleased to have had many new members join recently and we thank them for becoming a part of our organization. AAUW National offers us a generous gift. We may give a free membership for every two new members who join at an event. As we gather at various events, please greet our new members, learn about their interests and share with them the benefits of branch membership. Some members need help with transportation and would appreciate the offer of a ride.

We invite all members to drop into an interest group meeting; bring a friend. Perhaps you would like to propose a new interest group. Might you volunteer to help on a committee? Every chairperson would welcome participation, input, feedback and ideas. See the attached list for who to contact. Become a member of a team! We would especially like to invite all members to attend board meetings. Your participation will let us know what works for you, what does not, and what programs, fundraisers and events you would like to see developed.

Fun social events engage us and bring us together. This year our Holiday Potluck Party will be held at a beautiful poolside setting. Please join us for good food and fellowship. This get together is also our opportunity to put together our annual contribution to Women Helping Women Maui shelter residents. We ask that you bring (or we can pick up) a contribution of new items gift wrapped and labeled by age and gender. Perhaps create a gift basket or pretty package of women's personal care items. Babies and toddlers need formula, bottles and diapers. Small children would love a new stuffed animal or doll to snuggle. Older children could use books, art sets, puzzles, stickers, perhaps in their own small backpack. Always appreciated by the shelter administrator are cash donations and gift cards to local stores to purchase food, and such items as new pillows, towels and bedding. Each year the staff at WHW tells us what a difference we make during the holiday season for the women and children at the shelter.

We wish you Happy Holidays and encourage you to send this newsletter to your prospective member friends and acquaintances.



Janet and Martha



~ AAUW Maui Branch Events* ~

BOOK CLUB

Date: Saturday, December 3 Time: 12:00 Noon (Bring a bag lunch.) Location: Home of Janet Walker, 792 Kumulani Drive, Kihei, Maui Meadows RSVP: (530) 409-0192 Book: "The Language of Flowers" by Vanessa Diffenbaugh Overview: The Victorian language of flowers was used to convey romantic expressions:

honeysuckle for devotion, asters for patience, and red roses for love. But for Victoria Jones, it's been more useful in communicating mistrust and solitude. After a childhood spent in the fostercare system, she is unable to get close to anybody, and her only connection to the world is through flowers and their meanings. Now eighteen and emancipated from the system with nowhere to go, Victoria realizes she has a gift for helping others through the flowers she chooses for them. But an unexpected encounter with a mysterious stranger has her questioning what's been missing in her life. And when she's forced to confront a painful secret from her past, she must decide whether it's worth risking everything for a second chance at happiness.

HOLIDAY POTLUCK PARTY

Date: Sunday, December 11 Time: 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Location: Cheryl and Ron Bergman's **Maui Kamaole** Condo, upper poolside barbecue area. Address: 2777 So. Kihei Road. Condominiums are across from Kihei boat ramp. RSVP: **Janet Walker (808) 874-9435** or cell **(530) 409-0192** <u>bjpwalker@comcast.net</u> Potluck: Please bring a dish, appetizer or dessert to share (plastic only, no glass around pool). Drinks provided, but feel free to bring your own favorite beverage. A swim in the pool is encouraged!

Parking: Drive to the top of the complex for access to upper pool. Carpooling is recommended.

Please bring a wrapped gift to donate to Women Helping Women. Please attach a label describing the type of gift, the approximate age level, and if it is for a boy, girl or woman. Checks and cash donations are also welcome.

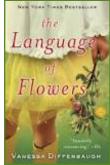
LUNCH BUNCH

Date: Tuesday, December 13 Time: 12:00 Noon Location: Koho's Grill & Bar - Queen Ka'ahumanu Center RSVP: Sara Green - <u>alaskagal515@gmail.com</u> - (907) 350-4700 Please include "Lunch Bunch" in the subject line.





Events are open to all AAUW members and guests.





~ AAUW Maui Branch Events, continued ~

FRIENDS OF THE CHILDREN'S JUSTICE CENTER - Super Santa/Super Sag(ittarius) Party

Date: Saturday, December 17 Time: 5:00 to 10:00 pm Location: Kihei Community Center Address: 303 E. Lipoa Street, Kihei, HI RSVP: Virginia Shaw at mauivirginia@vahoo.com or (808) 357-6805 Event: Come celebrate the holidays. We will be accepting gifts and donations for the Friends of the Children's Justice Center to brighten the holidays for abused and neglected children in Maui County. Also, we will celebrate the birthdays of all of you Sagittarians (that includes the hostess, Virginia, on December 10). Turkey, pizza, salad, rice and cake will be provided but please bring potluck and BYOB. Let's celebrate the season with good friends, great music, and good cheer!

Guests are encouraged to bring donations (cash, gift cards, or unwrapped gifts) for the abused and neglected children of Maui County that The Friends of the Children's Justice Center serves.

AAUW WHALE WATCH FUNDRAISER

Date: Sunday, March 5, 2017 Time: 3:00 - 6:00 pm Location: Ma'alaea Boat Harbor Tickets: \$35 Contact: Rachel Miyoshi - rachelmiyoshi@gmail.com - (206) 724-2322

Whale Watch tickets are available just in time for the Holiday gift giving season!!

NOVEMBER SPEAKER MEETING

Dr. Nancy Long and Robin Garrison, RN, from Hospice Maui talked about end-of-life issues and advanced care planning at our November 26th AAUW Speaker Meeting.

For information: hospicemaui.org

Please submit newsletter notices by December 20th to: SANDRA BOLL **Communications Chairperson, AAUW Maui Branch** Home: 808-879-7655 Cell: 808-205-6329 aauwmauibranch@gmail.com

















New Member! Joyce Yamada



Returning Member! Janice Roberts Sussman



AUW Dates to Remember

December 3 - Book Club December 11 - Holiday Potluck December 13 - Lunch Bunch December 17 - Super Santa/Super Sag(ittarius) Party

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS HAPPY BIRTHDAY December 1 - Sheryl Fries December 6 - Cheryl Bergman December 10 - Virginia Shaw December 13 - Ron Bergman December 22 - Lynn Austin December 30 - Joyce Yamada



PLANNING AHEAD

January 28 - AAUW Speaker Meeting February 25 - AAUW Speaker Meeting March 5 - AAUW Whale Watch Fundraiser March 25 - AAUW Speaker Meeting