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NEWSLETTER - April 2017

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.



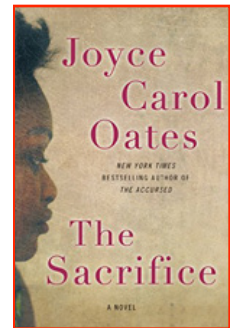
~ AAUW News & Information ~

AAUW NATIONAL BOOK OF THE MONTH CLUB - ¡ADELANTE!

Sexual Assault Awareness Month

The Sacrifice by Joyce Carol Oates

*“When a 14-year-old girl is the alleged victim of a terrible act of racial violence, the incident shocks and galvanizes her community, exacerbating the racial tension that has been simmering in this New Jersey town for decades. Unfolding in a succession of multiracial voices, in a community transfixed by this alleged crime and the spectacle unfolding around it, this profound novel exposes what — and who — the “sacrifice” actually is and what consequences these events hold for us all. Oates offers a sympathetic portrait of the young girl and her mother and challenges our expectations and beliefs about our society, our biases, and ourselves. As the chorus of its voices — from the police to the media to the victim and her family — reaches a crescendo, *The Sacrifice* offers a shocking new understanding of power and oppression, innocence and guilt, truth and sensationalism, justice and retribution.”*



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 2017, see: www.aauw.org/resource/adelante-book-list

2017 AAUW NATIONAL ELECTION



One Member, One Vote – You have a voice in AAUW’s Future!

Two candidates for election to the AAUW National Board are well known amongst our branch members - Alicia Hetman, Board Vice Chair, is running for AAUW Board Chair and Joanna Amberger, AAUW Honolulu President, is seeking re-election as Board Director.

In early April you should receive a Voter PIN which will be e-mailed to members and also mailed with the Spring AAUW Outlook Magazine. Online voting begins April 17 and ends on June 15.

To review AAUW’s bylaws, the Public Policy Program proposals, and to learn more about the slate of officers to the Board of Directors along with a timeline for elections, see the 2017 AAUW National Election page. <http://www.aauw.org/resource/national-election/>



It’s your AAUW, so your vote counts.



Co-Presidents' Message
Martha Dean & Janet Walker



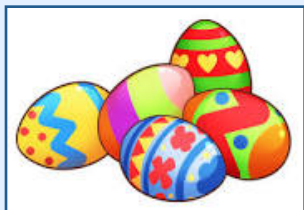
Spring has sprung and we are bouncing into April after a wonderfully successful Whale Watch on March 5 with thanks to the committee's hard work and the contributions from our members.

In addition to the financial success we were privileged to have Alicia Hetman, National AAUW Board of Directors Vice Chair, with us at the Whale Watch and at the March Lunch Bunch in Lahaina. Alicia spent part of her vacation time visiting with us on those two occasions. Currently running for the office of AAUW National Board Chair, Alicia answered our questions and shared information about her 27 years in education and the California State Legislature as a gender equity/Title IX specialist. It was so interesting to learn about her years of experience holding many branch and State positions, including California State President and National AAUW Board Director and Foundation Board Director and for the last four years as Board Vice Chair working with Patricia Fae Ho.

The presentation by Carol Hogard on the poetry of Emily Dickinson at the Wailuku Library on March 9 was excellent and well attended. Carol was erudite, inspiring, also charming and funny! How lucky we are to have a retired professor in our midst, still enthusiastic about sharing her knowledge with the public.

April 14 is the day on line voting begins and will end on June 15. Go to "AAUW National Election" to learn about the candidates and to review the proposed public policy program and bylaws amendments (including changes in the membership fee, and removing the degree requirement for membership). Please take the time to vote in this important election.

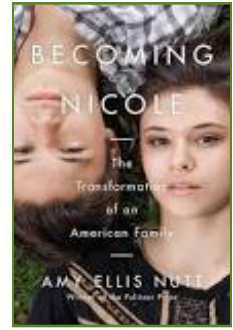
As you can see in this newsletter, April will be a busy and important month for our branch. Take note of the slate of candidates for office and be sure to put the Annual Meeting on April 22 on your calendar. We will be voting on the officers for two-year terms at that meeting.



Joyous Easter or Passover!
MARTHA & JANET



* **Events are open to all AAUW members and guests.**



BOOK CLUB

Date: **Saturday, April 1**

Time: **12:00 Noon** (Dessert and drinks provided.)

Location: **Janet Walker's home**, 792 Kumulani Drive, Maui Meadows

RSVP: **(808) 874-9435**

April Book: **Becoming Nicole: The Transformation of an American Family** By Amy Ellis Nutt

When Wayne and Kelly Maines adopted identical twin boys, they thought their lives were complete. But it wasn't long before they noticed a marked difference between Jonas and his brother, Wyatt. Jonas preferred sports and trucks and many of the things little boys were "supposed" to like. Wyatt liked princess dolls, dress-up, and playing Little Mermaid. By the time the twins were toddlers, confusion over Wyatt's insistence that he was female began to tear the family apart. In the years that followed, the Maineses came to question their long-held views on gender and identity, accept and embrace Wyatt's transition to Nicole, and undergo an emotionally wrenching transformation of their own that would change their lives forever. Becoming Nicole chronicles a journey that could have destroyed a family but instead brought it closer together."

May Book: To Be Announced

AAUW BOARD MEETING

Date: **Sunday, April 9**

Time: **12:00 Noon**

Location: **Janet Walker's Home**

Lunch will be provided.



LUNCH BUNCH

Date: **Tuesday, April 11**

Time: **12:00 Noon**

Location: **Maui Country Club Restaurant**, 48 Nonohe Place, Paia

RSVP: **Sara Green** - alaskagal515@gmail.com - (907) 350-4700

Please RSVP by Friday, April 7, and type "Lunch Bunch" in the subject line.

Menu Preview: www.musthavemenu.com

Please indicate if you would like to carpool or can drive a carpool.
Arrangements will be made.



GREAT DECISIONS

Date: **Friday, April ? - Date and Topic To be Announced**

Time: **12:00 Noon** Bring a bag lunch, drinks will be provided.

Location: Sandy Rogers's home, Opukea #D101, Lahaina

Contact Mihaela Stoops at mihaela_stoops@hotmail.com or at (808) 357-4000

for questions or for a copy of the Great Decisions book - the price is \$26.





~ **AAUW Maui Branch Events, continued** ~

SPEAKER & ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: Saturday, April 22
Time: Business Meeting: 10:30 a.m.
Speaker: 11:00 a.m.
Lunch: 12 noon



Location: Moose McGillycuddy's, 2511 So. Kihei Road, Kihei
Moose's is on the 2nd floor of the building, with Fred's beneath it. There is an easy access ramp in the rear parking lot, to the left of the building as you face it from the rear.

RSVP: Cathy Thompson cathyt808@gmail.com or call/text (808) 268-1232.

Please type Speaker Meeting in the Subject Line.

Please indicate your meal selection when you RSVP by noon on Wednesday, April 19.

Preview Menu: (See Email Attachment)

Complimentary water, coffee & iced tea provided before lunch.

Speaker: Nicolette van der Lee, B.A., M.Ed, and the LEED GA Creative Director
Interim Education Coordinator for Sustainable Living Institute of Maui (SLIM)

Topic: Sustainable Education and Sustainability

As the world shifts to sustainability in many aspects and globally – the environment has become forefront. Much of the movement has been indigenous led. With that in mind, we as senior citizens, elders, grandmothers and educated women in AAUW would benefit our communities with our experience and by staying current with sustainable changes which support our workforce and our youth, particularly of our host culture. The diversity of our islands, especially our Hawaiian population, provides us with many opportunities and much insight. Similarly, as we in AAUW work to sustain our organization for the future to more inclusivity, new blood, new concepts and ideas, and new membership including an outreach to the younger generation, we want to offer supportive services, programs and education to meet with today's challenges and in our scholarships to assist these innovative leaders.

Biographical Information:

Nicolette van der Lee has a varied background with a B.A. from Dartmouth College, a M.Ed. from Chaminade University, and the LEED GA Creative Director, marketing specialist and multimedia designer with 15 years' experience creating financial models, sales, training and marketing presentations, and project management solutions.



~ **AAUW Maui Branch Business** ~

AAUW T-SHIRT ORDERS

Our T-shirts are here! They are light blue made with a high-quality cotton blend, locally purchased and silk-screened with the national AAUW logo in front and "Maui Branch" on the sleeve.

The t-shirts are priced at \$20.00, with \$5.00 going to the General Fund. They will be available at branch get-togethers or you may order yours from Janet Walker at (808) 874-9435 or bjwalker@comcast.net.



NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee, Chair Cathy Weber, Karen Hecht and Marilyn Lytle, has completed it's duties and is submitting the following candidates for Executive Board of Directors 2017-'18.

- Co-Presidents Cathy Thompson and Janet Walker
- Program Vice President Virginia Shaw
- Finance Officer Pat Gotschalk
- Secretary Jennifer Bohlin

Voting will occur at the April 22 Annual/Speaker Meeting by voice vote if there is only one nominee per given office. Election shall be by majority vote.

Additional nominations may be made with the consent of the nominee and with Board or Nominating Committee Chair Cathy Weber's **approval at least 20 days prior** (per Bylaws) Election will then be by secret ballot. For those unable to attend the April meeting, your vote, which will be kept confidential, may be sent to Cathy Weber at jcweber86@hawaii.rr.com.

AAUW MEMBERSHIP DUES

It will soon be time to renew your AAUW Membership for the 2017-2018 year.

AAUW now requires all membership fees to go through AAUW National. This means the National, State and Maui dues must be sent to National and then they will transfer the State and Maui portions to the Hawaii State treasurer and the Maui treasurer.

Each individual member can send their dues directly to National or to our branch treasurer, but in each case all three dues portions must be together. The branch treasurer will send any dues received from branch members to National for processing.

At the beginning of the renewal period an email blast will be sent from National to allow members to submit their dues on line using a credit card. Once again, if you do this, send all three dues portions together.



Equal Pay Day is Tuesday, April 4, 2017. This date symbolizes how far into the year women must work to earn what men earned in the previous year.

**Next Equal Pay Day:
Tuesday,
April 4, 2017**

Wear RED on Equal Pay Day to symbolize how far women and minorities are "in the red" with their pay!

AAUW Dates to Remember

- April 4 - Equal Pay Day
- April 4 - Book Club
- April 9 - AAUW Board Meeting
- April 11 - Lunch Bunch
- April (TBA) - Great Decisions
- April 25 - AAUW Speaker Meeting
- June 14 - 17 AAUW National Convention

**APRIL BIRTHDAYS
HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- April 10 - Dorothy Tolliver
- April 11 - Karen McGinnis
- April 24 - Cathy Thompson



WELCOME



**Meet Our New AAUW Member
Laurie Zimmerman**



**Meet Our New AAUW Member
Barry Solomon**



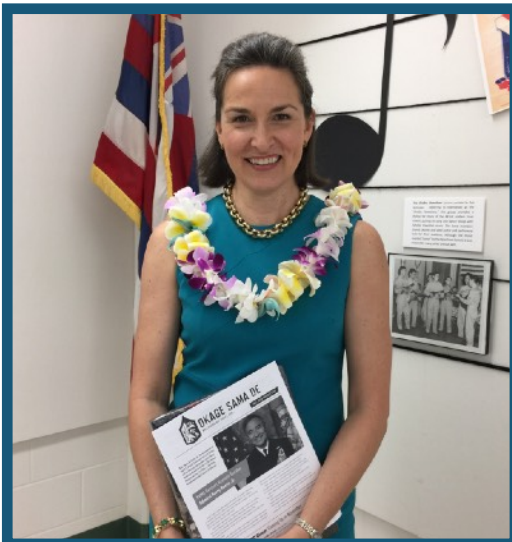
**Meet Our New AAUW Member
Pamela Schulz**



AAUW WHALE WATCH - MARCH 6

Thanks to the AAUW Whale Watch Fundraising committee, the event was a great success!

Alicia Hetman, National AAUW Board of Directors Vice Chair, was a special guest on board the cruise.



APRIL SPEAKER MEETING

Nisei Veterans Memorial Center executive director, Deidre Tegarden, shared the legacy of the Nisei Veterans with our AAUW members.



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