

AAUW MAUI BRANCH

Advancing Equity for Women and Girls

Dates to Remember

Board Meeting

The Maui Branch board meeting is **Sunday, July 14, at 1:00 p.m.** at Cathy Thompson's house in Kahului. For directions, see page 2 of the newsletter.

Lunch Bunch

Lunch Bunch is a fun get-together exploring Maui restaurants, held every second Tuesday of the month. Mark your calendar for **Tuesday, June 11, at 12 noon** at A Saigon Cafe in Wailuku. See page 4 of the newsletter for more information.

It's summer, so our newsletter is shorter than usual. There are no Book Club meetings or Speaker Meetings over the summer.



Maui Branch News

Maui Branch Member Honored



Dorothy Tolliver was recently named the "2019 Outstanding Older American Woman for Maui County" by the Office of the Mayor, the Maui County Office on Aging, the Aging and Disability Resource Center and the Department of Housing and Human Concerns. Each county in Hawai'i annually honors one outstanding male and female older American with this award. Dorothy will be attending a luncheon in Oahu with Governor Ige and the other neighbor island winners. Congratulations to Dorothy, a former AAUW Maui Branch President and long time member.

Scholarship Update

AAUW Maui Branch annually awards three \$2000 scholarships to qualified applicants studying at the University of Hawaii Maui College. Led by Scholarship Chair Dorothy Tolliver, the Scholarship Committee this year included Adah Askew, Janet Go, Terry Rosenstock, Elizabeth Rodgers and Janet Walker. The Committee spent many hours reading through hundreds of applications. The final selection is challenging, given the varied and compelling backgrounds, needs, recommendations and stated goals of the students. We welcome new members to the Scholarship Committee. Contact Dorothy Tolliver for information at 2425047@gmail.com. More on Page 3.

Officer Installation

On May 25 the Maui Branch held its Officer Installation ceremony, officiated by Parliamentarian Dorothy Tolliver.



The Maui Branch thanks the officers who have agreed to continue their service.

(from left to right)

Pat Gotschalk, Finance Officer

Cathy Thompson, President

Dorothy Tolliver, Parliamentarian

Pamela Schultz, Secretary

Debbie Priest, Membership Vice President

Virginia Shaw, Program Vice President (not pictured)

AAUW-Maui Branch Scholarships Awarded

On May 7 the University of Hawaii Foundation and UH Maui College Chancellor Lui Hokoana welcomed AAUW-Maui to the annual scholarship reception where the donors and recipients gathered together and the scholarships were awarded.

For the Dorothy Shimer Scholarship our branch selected Marnie Meuser. We have been following Marnie's college career for the last two years, and twice awarded her scholarships as she obtained her AA degree in Accounting and subsequently advanced in her career at the Maui National Wildlife Refuge at Kealia Pond. Marnie is now working toward a Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Sustainable Science Management. With a 4.0 GPA, she is a member of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

The Harriet Haines Scholarship was awarded to Adriana Araneta. Adriana's goal is to help her community by working in the criminal justice system. She is fluent in Hawaiian having graduated from a Hawaiian Language immersion school. She is working toward an Administration of Justice degree and is also enrolled in Hawaiian Studies. Adriana's long term goal is to earn a law degree from the William S. Richardson School of Law in Oahu.



This year, our Heritage Scholarship was renamed for Martha Martin, who joined AAUW Maui Branch in 1966 and is a 50+ year Lifetime Member. Martha keeps renewing her membership to support our scholarships, "to help single women graduate with less student debt and to help them further their careers." For the Martha Martin Heritage Scholarship we selected Annette Pagay. A non-traditional student, Annette says that she "always wanted to come to school". Now after raising five children and as grandmother to 16 and great grandmother to 14, Annette is finally able to pursue her dream of an education that will allow her to work to help children in need, particularly those who have suffered abuse. Her degree will be in Human Services.



All of these recipients expressed much gratitude and said it makes a big difference to them to have our support.

Lunch Bunch June 11

Lunch Bunch will take place on Tuesday, June 11, at 12 noon at A Saigon Cafe, 1792 Main Street, Wailuku. NOTE: If you haven't been to this restaurant before, it's on the right side below the overpass as you head "mauka" towards Wailuku Town, just south of the intersection of Kaniela St. and Nani St.



Please RSVP by noon on Monday, June 10, to Cathy Thompson at aaumlunchbunch@gmail.com with Lunch Bunch in the subject line and your menu choice in the message, or call/text CathyThompson at (808)-268-1232. As always, if you are unable to attend and must cancel, please call the restaurant directly at 808-243-9560 to avoid a charge for a prepared meal.

The menu is at: <http://asaigoncafe.com/menu.htm>.

Bring a friend who is interested in joining the AAUW Maui Branch.

REMINDERThe Maui Branch still needs a new Lunch Bunch coordinator. If you are someone who likes to explore the Maui restaurant scene, this is the opportunity for you! Lunch Bunch is held on the second Tuesday of the month. But, you wouldn't have to attend every month if that is an issue. Please send a note to aaumlunchbunch@gmail.com if you are interested in taking this on or would like more information. Mahalo!



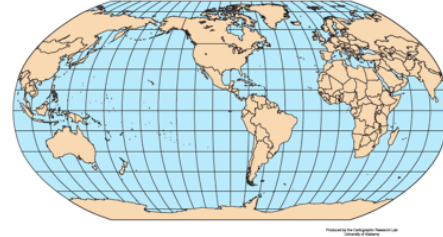
Last Month's Lunch Bunch at Pita Paradise

Great Decisions Group June 28

Join the discussion on important international affairs topics of the day!

Nationalism in Europe-Chapter 4

The discussion will be on Friday, June 28, 2019 at the home of Sandy Rogers. Please supply your own lunch and bring something to share.



Help your hostesses by confirming that you are attending the meeting. Contact Sandy at (808)662-8748. They make it look easy...it's not!

Suggested viewing & reading:

A must see speech with United States Senator Mark Warner, Vice Chairman, Intel Committee:

<https://www.c-span.org/video/?455583-1/senate-intel-committee-chair-mark-warner-discusses-cyber-threats>.

The Shadow War, a book by Jim Sciutto, CNN Analyst & Reporter

Directions to Sandy's home in Opukea at Lahaina, 1400 Limahama, Unit D-101, Lahaina: Turn mauka at Pizza Hut on Honoapiilani Hwy. Take the LEFT at the top sign (which faces NAPA.) Follow the road and take the FIRST RIGHT at the Opukea entrance. Park in "guest" parking. The group will meet on the ground floor lanai at the end of the first building with tables and chairs, and lattice screen doors.

(Note: This is not an official AAUW Maui Branch group, but members who are interested in international affairs are welcome to attend.)

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.

Women’s Right to Vote Centennial August 2020

At the May 25 Speaker Meeting, Cathy Thompson started a discussion about the Women’s Vote Centennial Initiative (WVCI) Toolkit (link here: www.2020centennial.org). The WVCI is a collaboration of organizations working to coordinate and highlight celebrations of the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution.

The Centennial is a great opportunity to educate younger women about the hard-earned right to vote. The State of Hawaii has the unfortunate distinction of being last of all 50 states in voter turnout for the 2016 Presidential election (only 43% of eligible voters participated.) So, there is important work to be done.

The important role of the national AAUW in planning activities for the Centennial was noted in the toolkit. The Maui Branch membership is starting to brainstorm activities and events for the Centennial in August 2020. We will continue the discussion at the July Board meeting.

“There never will be complete equality until women themselves help to make laws and elect lawmakers.”

Susan B. Anthony



Et Cetera



**OUR SPEAKER MEETINGS
START UP AGAIN IN
SEPTEMBER ON THE FOURTH
SATURDAY
HAVE A WONDERFUL
SUMMER!**

For a donation of \$20, you will receive an official Maui Branch T-Shirt. Contact Debbie Priest at dpriest29@gmail.com.

June Birthdays

June 27 Jillian Ridington

June 29 Andrea Rubio

June 30 Jean Keating

