

NEWSLETTER - September 2018

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](#) ~**PUBLIC POLICY: WHAT ABOUT TITLE X?**

We are all fairly familiar with Title IX, the federal civil rights law enacted to prevent discrimination in education. But what about Title X? Title X was enacted in 1970 and is the only federal program specifically directed to provide affordable, voluntary, confidential and patient-centered birth control and reproductive health care to people with low incomes who could not otherwise afford it. Currently, health care providers receiving Title X federal funding can provide a full range of care and services, including birth control and medical exams, and cancer screenings such as breast exams, and HIV testing. They can give pregnant patients non-directive information and counseling about their three options: parenting, adoption or abortion. Title X funds are not used to provide abortions, but clinics receiving Title X funds can at the request of a patient refer her to a qualified abortion provider.

Title X



The Trump administration has issued new proposed regulations that would: (1) block payment of federal funds for any and all services to providers/clinics that provide abortions or information about abortions (such as Planned Parenthood); (2) prohibit counseling and referral to abortion services even if the patient requests it or if her health depends upon these services. Only information on prenatal care, delivery, adoption and infant or foster care may be given; (3) direct new funds to faith-based and other organizations that promote fertility awareness and abstinence as methods of family planning. Additionally, the Department of Health and Human Services is creating a new division to protect health care workers who refuse to provide treatment to certain people because of their personal moral or religious objections. Also included is the proviso that any institution providing abortions, such as a hospital, must maintain a physically separate facility with separate staff, entrances and exits and separate record-keeping.

In the light of these proposed changes, it is significant to note the Institute of Medicine's landmark study on health care which identified six domains which must be present for quality care: safety, timeliness, patient-centeredness, effectiveness, efficiency and equity. All of these domains would be adversely affected by this new proposal. If fully implemented the proposed changes to Title X would shrink the network of participating providers and have major repercussions for access for low income women and teenagers across the country who rely upon them for health care.

See AAUW article: "Issues: Reproductive Rights" for a thorough discussion of why AAUW supports education and choice in determination of one's reproductive life and increased access to health care and family planning services for all. [AAUW Issues: Reproductive Rights](#)

TITLE X Continued . . .

This month the federal regulations will be finalized and published and no doubt the legal challenges and public protests will begin the fight against what is being termed collectively as the “domestic gag rule”. To register your opinion on this or any issue, you may call the White House comment line at (202) 456-1111.

Janet Walker, Public Policy Chair

Sources: Kaiser Family Foundation, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

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**Cathy Thompson, President**

**AAUW MAUI BRANCH PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

***Aloha and welcome back for another exciting year for AAUW Maui Branch! We survived Hurricane Lane, and we are ready for action!***



**Virginia Shaw**, our **Vice-President for Programs**, has been busy, and we have a great line-up of speakers/programs for the next few months. Virginia is still in need of committee members to help with Programs/Speaker Meetings. Do you have some ideas you would like to contribute?

Our September program will focus on AAUW as an organization with the presentation: *Beyond Aspirations: AAUW's Future*.

**Pat Gotschalk**, our **Financial Officer**, has also been very busy collecting membership fees, renewing our CD, keeping track of and expending our funds as needed, and contributing in multiple ways to our branch.

**Debbie Priest**, our new **Vice-President for Membership**, plunged right into her new duties and has been working in conjunction with Pat Gotschalk to get our members renewed. Thank you to our members who are current with their dues. Let's all continue to support equity for women and girls. It is easy to renew online, or you can bring your check or cash to our September Speaker Meeting. Debbie and Pat will be sending out another email from AAUW national with an easy to renew button – all your information is already there and all you need to do is plug in your credit card information. Quick and easy!

**Terry Rosenstock and Pat Gotschalk** have been busy getting the Whale Watch set up for March 3, 2019. If you would like to help with our major fund-raising project which supports at least two \$2,000 scholarships for the UH at Maui College, please contact Terry or Pat.

As noted in a previous Newsletter, the Board met in June and the calendar is prepared for this year. We still need Committee Members for several committees. We welcome your participation, and we will ask for volunteers at the September meeting!



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Plus, our **AAUW Maui Branch Survey 2018** through Survey Monkey was partially successful – 26 of 71 possible active members responded as of press time! What a delightful group we are! Our interests and talents are so varied, and as a group we satisfy what many members expressed as their reasons to belong – meeting interesting and informed people and to advocate for women’s rights. Throughout the year, the board will be using the results to tailor our branch to meet your needs and the branch needs.

**For Question # 7 - Activities I'm interested in (check all that apply) – the checked responses as a percentage of the total responses were quite interesting:**

- Lunch Bunch - meets on 2nd Tuesday of the month 73.91%
- Bottles and Bites - possible new interest group 60.87%
- Movie screenings - a possible new interest group 56.52
- Book Club - meets 1st Sat. of month at members' homes 39.13%
- AAUW research presentations 26.09%
- Women's Suffrage 100th Birthday 2020 Celebration 26.09%
- Advocacy events 21.74%
- Great Decisions - meets eight times per year 21.74%
- Membership campaigns 13.04%
- STEM programming 08.70%
- Voter Registration Project 08.70%
- Elect Her workshops for college women leaders 04.35%
- Start Smart or Work Smart salary negotiation trainings 04.35%
- Community forums 00.00%



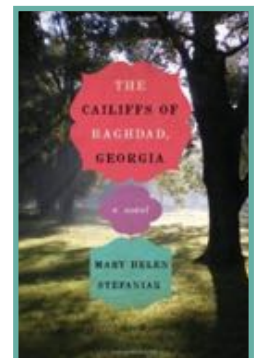
We will use this data to get started on the Bottles and Bites and the Movie Screenings interest groups. As well, we will be using the AAUW Research Presentations and Women’s Suffrage 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday 2020 Celebration and the follow-up questions to begin working on those areas. More details to come!

**Fall means back to school memories, especially for all you retired teachers, and the chance to create new beginnings – hope to see you in September!**

**AAUW NATIONAL BOOK OF THE MONTH CLUB - ¡ADELANTE!**

**The Cailiffs of Baghdad, Georgia: A Novel** by Mary Helen Stefaniak

*“Eleven-year-old Gladys Cailiff can’t help but be impressed by her new teacher, Miss Spivey, who arrives in Threestep, Georgia, at the height of the Great Depression. After all, she’s never seen someone quite like her. Miss Spivey smokes, drives a truck, and reads to her class from the classic *Thousand and One Nights*. Inspired by the book, Miss Spivey decides to turn the annual town festival into a Baghdad bazaar, complete with characters from the stories, a camel, and sets custom-made by the Cailiffs’ gifted neighbor, Theo Boykin, an African American teenager. But when Miss Spivey’s progressive vision proves threatening to some, it triggers a chain of events that culminate in triumph and tragedy for the talented teen.”*



**GREAT DECISIONS - WHAT IS THIS PROGRAM?**

The Foreign Policy Association offers the Great Decisions program as a basis for discussion of national and foreign policy topics. The program model involves reading the Great Decisions Briefing Book and meeting in a Discussion Group to talk about the most critical global issues facing America today.



For a list of the 2018 series, see [Great Decisions 2018 Topics](#).

Several AAUW Maui members meet monthly for the Great Decisions meetings - usually on the fourth Friday. If you are interested in learning more about the program, contact Mihaela Stoops at (808) 357-4000 or [mihaela\\_stoops@hotmail.com](mailto:mihaela_stoops@hotmail.com).

**Please Note: The following is a reminder for those who have already given their RSVP:**

**Date: Friday, August 31**

**Topic: U.S. Global Engagement and the Military**

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

**Location:** Susan Alloway's Home, 98 Mehani Place, Kihei

**AAUW BOOK CLUB**

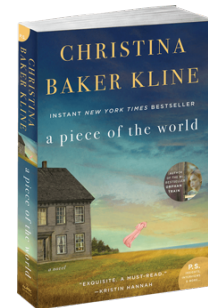
**Date: Saturday, September 1**

**Time: 12:00 Noon**

**Location: Cathy Thompson's home, [22 Huluhulu Place, Kahului](#)**

**RSVP: (808) 268-1232**

**Book: A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Kline**



*The inspiration for the book was Andrew Wyeth's mysterious and iconic painting Christina's World. A Piece of the World is a story about the burdens and blessings of family history, and how an artist and a muse can come together to forge a new and timeless legacy. To Christina Olson, the entire world was her family's remote farm in the small coastal town of Cushing, Maine. Born in the home her family had lived in for generations, and increasingly incapacitated by illness, Christina seemed destined for a small life. Instead, for more than 20 years, she was host and inspiration for the artist Andrew Wyeth, and became the subject of one of the best known American paintings of the 20th century.*

**AAUW LUNCH BUNCH - Join us for an opportunity to try different restaurants, enjoy casual conversations, and get to know one another!**

**Date: Tuesday, September 11**

**Time: 12:00 Noon**

**Location: To Be Announced**

**RSVP: Sara Green - [aauwlunchbunch@gmail.com](mailto:aauwlunchbunch@gmail.com) < click link or (907) 350-4700 with Lunch Bunch in the subject line.**

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

**Menu Preview: To Be Announced**

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

~ **AAUW Maui Branch Events, cont.** ~



**AAUW SPEAKER MEETING - Bring a guest for our first meeting of the 2018-2019 year!!**

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



**Location:** Moose McGillicuddy's, 2511 So. Kihei Road, Kihei  
Moose's is on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto: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, September 19.*

**Preview Menu:** (See Email Attachment)

Complimentary water, coffee & iced tea provided before lunch

**Meeting Fees:** AAUW Members \$3, Guests \$5

**Presentation:** *Beyond Aspirations: AAUW's Future*  
created by AAUW Chief Executive Officer Kimberly Churches



**Kimberly Churches**

Because some of our members could not attend the AAUW HI Convention to hear Kimberly Churches message, wouldn't it be nice if everyone was able to experience the excitement and learn what AAUW leadership had to say? Find out the latest insight about AAUW's reorganization, new leadership, budgeting, and more at our September 22nd meeting.



~ **AAUW Maui Branch Business** ~



**AAUW MEMBERSHIP DUES**

If you haven't done so, it's time to renew your AAUW Membership for the 2018-2019 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, Pat Gotschalk, 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.

It's easy for members to submit their dues on line using a credit card. Once again, if you do this, send all three dues portions together (National + State + Maui).







**AAUW T-SHIRT ORDERS**

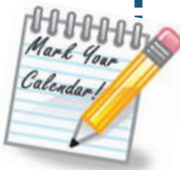
Do you have your AAUW T-shirt? They are light blue made with a high-quality cotton blend, locally purchased and silk-screened with the national AAUW logo in front and "Maui Branch" on the sleeve.

The t-shirts are priced at \$20.00, with \$5.00 going to the General Fund. They are usually available at branch get-togethers or you may order yours from Janet Walker at [bjpwalker@comcast.net](mailto:bjpwalker@comcast.net).



**AAUW Dates to Remember**

**SEPTEMBER is Women's Health Month & National Hispanic Heritage Month**



**August 26 - Women's Equality Day**

**August 31- Great Decisions**

**September 1 - Book Club**

**September 11 - Lunch Bunch**

**September 22 - AAUW Speaker Meeting**

**March 3 - AAUW Whale Watch**

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



September 8 - Martha Martin

September 10 - Martha Dean

September 14 - Laurrie Zimmerman

September 15 - Karen Hecht

September 17 - Roberta North

September 23 - Karin Camilli

September 30 - Sandra Hooper



**Please submit newsletter notices by September 20th to:**

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**Remember to bring your camera to Speaker Meetings and other events and submit photos for the newsletters.**

Do you know someone who may be interested in joining AAUW? Please share a copy of this newsletter and invite your guest to the next Speaker Meeting or other AAUW events.

**September 2018 AAUW Newsletter - Submitted by Sandra Boll**

**Questions, additions, or comments?**

**Please contact Sandra Boll, Communications Chair**

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