



AAUW MAUI BRANCH



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NEWSLETTER

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.



NATIONAL NEWS & INFORMATION

BECOME A TWO-MINUTE ACTIVIST! Would you like to act on the energy that you received from participating in the January 20th Women's March?? If you're eager for activism right now, check out AAUW's Two-Minute Activist page [<http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/public-policy/two-minute-activist/>], where you can take action on AAUW's priority issues today with the click of a button.

2017-18 Skill-Training Webinars

Skill-training webinars are an easy way to learn strategies and techniques that can help your branch grow and give leaders the confidence they need to take on new challenges. Skill-training webinars will be held on the **second Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. ET (2pm in Hawaii)**. Please note that scheduling is subject to change as many of these webinars are collaborative efforts between member leaders, staff, and outside experts. Check back here regularly for updates.

Upcoming events

February 13, 2018: Inclusion and Equity Committee

Learn more about how to welcome and engage a diverse membership.

March 13, 2018: How to Get Publicity

Your branch holds great events and does wonderful things in your community. How do you get the publicity you deserve?

April 2018: On Site at Hawaii State Convention on Kauai (see page 7 of this Newsletter for information on the state convention).

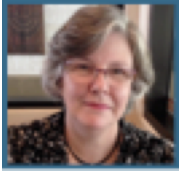
May 8, 2018: Writing to Engage

Find out how to make the most of your websites, brochures, newsletters, and emails!

June 12, 2018: Creating the Value of Membership

Learn how to help current and future members feel connected to AAUW's work and realize the value of their membership.

AAUW MAUI BRANCH NEWS AND EVENTS



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Thompson & Janet Walker: Co-Presidents' Message

What a busy month January was for AAUW Maui Branch!

- **Book Club** met the on January 3rd at Janet Walker's, for a delightful lunch (Mahalo, Janet!!) and a discussion of Louise Erdrich's novel *La Rose*. Jillian and Robin Ridington drew from their anthropological knowledge to give an informed review and to answer many questions.
- **Lunch Bunch** congregated on January 9th. Thirteen members enjoyed delicious food, good service and socializing at the **Maui Coffee Attic** in Wailuku –
- On January 15th, **Martin Luther King Day**, we partnered with Organizing For Action to collect food for the Maui Food Bank. The customers at Kahului Safeway were very generous; we filled a big barrel, then began filling boxes with donated food. In addition to the food, we collected almost \$200 during Maui Branch's productive and enjoyable morning shift.



- Women's March, Maui - January 22, 2018
- Many AAUW Maui members joined the **National Women's March** on Saturday, Jan. 20th. Wearing our Maui Branch T-shirts, we carried signs in support of women's equality. We were part of an energetic crowd of over 2000 at UH/MC. This year's theme was civic engagement, and included promoting participation in the 2018 mid-term elections, increasing the number of women who run for office, and getting out the vote by registering voters. On the AAUW National website (aauw.org) is a wealth of information about issues of vital importance to women, with the rationales and research data explaining policies supported by AAUW.

- **Pat Gotshalk** and Barry Solomon, who volunteer at the **Kealia Pond National Wildlife Sanctuary**, and **Marnie Meuser**, who works there and is our Cornelia Spanier Scholarship recipient, gave us a wonderful tour of the new Headquarters and Visitor Center on January 26th. Excellent exhibits are on display. If you missed this tour, be sure to visit on a Friday morning and say hello to Marnie, Pat and Barry.
- Maui author **Malia Bohlin** was our presenter for our Speaker Meeting this month and was introduced by her mother **Jennifer, our Branch Secretary**. Malia new book, *Left at Hiva Oa*, tells the remarkable story of her father's seafaring adventures sailing solo across the Pacific. For those who missed the meeting or didn't get a chance to buy the book, *Left at Hiva Oa* is available at Maui Friends of the Library.
- The month culminated in our **CLEARING THE PATH MEMBERSHIP MIXER** where potential members had the opportunity to learn about AAUW's mission and our branch activities. We were treated to a preview of February's Membership Meeting speech by Women's Studies educator (and Maui Branch member) **Carol Hogard**. The event was held at a beautiful poolside home in Wailea, and it was a perfect place for mixing and mingling! The refreshments, especially the chocolates, were delicious. Thirteen new members joined our branch!! Please welcome them when they join us at upcoming events. We thank **Jean Keating and her committee** for bringing us together with new friends for this enjoyable event.



Members and new friends listened attentively to the presentations at the Maui Branch Mixer. S. Boll photo
February will bring us more sociable and educational opportunities, and hopefully more chocolate!

Happy Valentine's Day

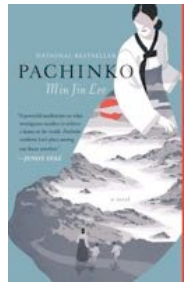


**FEBRUARY
DATES TO
REMEMBER**

Feb. 3: book group
Feb. 13 lunch bunch
Feb. 24 speaker
meeting

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3rd at noon
AAUW Maui Branch Book Club
PAM KALLNER'S HOME 18 Pa'alae Place, Wailuku

WE WILL BE DISCUSSING



PACHINKO

by Min Jin Lee

Four generations of a poor Korean immigrant family, exiled from a home they have never known, fight to control their destiny in 20th Century Japan. *Pachinko* is a story of love, sacrifice, ambition, and loyalty. From bustling street markets to Japan's finest universities to the pachinko parlors of the criminal underworld, Lee's complex and passionate characters; strong, stubborn women, devoted sisters, sons and fathers, shaken by moral crisis, against the indifferent arc of history.

PLEASE LET PAM KNOW IF YOU ARE COMING.

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DIRECTIONS: From RT 30 going into Wailuku turn L on Kuikahi and go up toward Wailuku Heights. Take the first right onto Kehalani Mauka Pkwy. Take the first L onto Kauna Lipo Dr to Kehalani Koa neighborhood. At the gate call from the directory to be buzzed in. Directory name is Russ Kelm. 3rd Street on left is Pa'alae Place. 18 Pa'alae.



LUNCH BUNCH; Many of our members enjoyed January's lunch bunch at Maui Coffee Attic in Wailuku. The staff were courteous and accommodating, and the food was good. Thanks to Sandi Boll and Janet Walker, we have photos of many who attended: see next page.



from left: Jane Litt, Debbie Litt Rogers, Janet Go, Janet Walker and her mother Bernice, Karen Grafe, Carol Hogard, Jillian Ridington, Martha Dean. Mary-Jean Bender is in the background. S. Boll photo.



Illa Todd, Sandra Boll, Laurie Zimmerman, Virginia Shaw. J. Walker photo at Jan. lunch bunch

FEBRUARY'S LUNCH BUNCH 12 noon Tuesday. Feb. 13th at The Pint & Cork located at 3750 Wailea Alanui Drive in the Shops at Wailea. (see menu attached)

Please RSVP with your menu selection by Sat., Feb. 10th to Sara Green at aaulunchbunch@gmail.com with Lunch Bunch in the subject line or [907-350-4700](tel:907-350-4700).



SPEAKER MEETING: FEBRUARY 24TH

GUEST SPEAKER: Women's Historian CAROL HOGARD

TOPIC: *Clearing the Path:* *Creating Women's Educational Opportunities & Property Rights; From Title IX to Building the First High School for Girls in the USA; From Patsy Mink & Bella Abzug (1970's) back to Sarah & Margaret Fell (1670's).*

Who did the work? How did they achieve it?

Thinking backward through history and the rights and privileges I have enjoyed, this is a small thank you to acknowledge just a few of the women who cleared a path to greater economic opportunity, property rights and educational opportunities that have so enriched women's lives and helped women to become self-supporting. Using these pioneering women as role models, what do you think should be our next or current issue? Where should we put our great energies for women's rights?

AAUW Maui Member **Carol Hogard** was co-founder of the Women's Studies Program at Minneapolis Community and Technical College in 1973. It was one of the first Women's Studies Programs in the upper mid-west. She taught in that program for 41 years.

The meeting will take place at Moose McGillycuddy's, 2511 S Kihei Rd., Kihei - 2nd floor above Fred's; parking at rear. Please arrive by 10:30 a.m. for meet and greet. Carol Hogard's talk will begin at 10:45 a.m. Lunch will be served at 12 Noon. Please reserve by contacting Virginia Shaw at AAUWspeakermeeting@yahoo.com with Speaker Meeting in the subject line or call 808-357-6805 by Wednesday, Feb. 21. Please include your menu choice in your reply (see menu attached to this newsletter).



***COMING UP SOON:
AAUW MAUI WHALE
WATCH Scholarship
Fundraiser; March 4th***

Ticket sales are brisk. There are fewer than 20 tickets available for sale (assuming all the tickets already taken by members will be sold). We will need members to provide the snacks -- finger

foods and treats that will not blow away on the boat (so no chips and dip!). Brownies, bars, cookies, tea or slider style small sandwiches, cheese and crackers, square cut pizza, and similar foods are great. So start planning! Mahalo. Tickets

are available at all AAUW events, from members, or from Pat Gotschalk (pagotschalk@gmail.com or (808) 868-0418).

AAUW-HAWAII STATE CONVENTION

Attached is an updated registration form for the AAUW Kona Convention. Let's show our Maui support! Sign up now!

ROYAL KONA RESORT, APRIL 27-29, 2018



The convention will include a variety of local tours on Friday and Speakers and Leadership Training on Saturday in an oceanfront venue. One of our speakers will be Theresa Shook, the Hana attorney who created the 2017 Women's March on Washington. Her topic is titled, "What We Learned from the March". We will also have a presentation by Leslie Wilkins, President and CEO of the Maui Economic Development Board, an expert on the topic of women and girls in STEM. On Sunday we will have an Update from AAUW National by our new CEO Kimberly Churches. We are honored to have this opportunity to meet her and hear about the future of our organization.

The convention is a wonderful way to interact with AAUW members from all seven branches and to hear about their challenges and successes. Please register now and join us for an exciting convention in a beautiful resort on the Big Island.

Please send all reports, announcements and other material for the **MARCH** AAUW Maui Branch Newsletter to jillianbrid@gmail.com by **FEBRUARY 20TH** – Mahalo. (And do please bring your camera to AAUW get-togethers and send in your photos for the newsletter.)



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS 

PAT GOTSCHALK Feb. 16th

ELIZABETH RODGERS FEB. 16

 JANET WALKER Feb. 20th

