# **AAUW MAUI BRANCH**

## Advancing Equity for Women and Girls



# Janna Hoehn - Faces Never Forgotten

Janna Hoehn is our October guest speaker and is a thirty-year resident of Maui. Her heart and passion are with the veterans of the Vietnam War. She is active with the "Faces Never Forgotten", a project that puts a face with every name on the Vietnam War Memorial. Through her efforts, all 42 Maui servicemen that were killed in Vietnam now have a photo that goes with their names. This project is part of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund. This is an on-going project with just New York and Puerto Rico needing photos of the fallen.

The September meeting will be held on Saturday, October 23, via Zoom. There will be a social half-hour starting at 10 a.m., then the business meeting at 10:30 a.m. followed by our speaker at 11:00. The Zoom log-in information will be emailed to members by Communications Director Sandi Boll prior to the meeting.

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## Dates To Remember:

Speaker Meeting Saturday, October 23rd, online using Zoom

Social time at 10:00 a.m., Business meeting at 10:30 a.m., followed by a program at 11:00 a.m.

Book Group Saturday October 2, at noon, online using Zoom. See page 3

Tastes and Talk Kula Bistro Time 6:pm October 23 email <a href="mailto:heathermaymueller@yahoo.com">heathermaymueller@yahoo.com</a>

Lunch Bunch: October 12 1:00 p.m. Pita Paradise See page 3

Great Decisions: Friday, Oct. 22nd @ 1:00pm over Zoom - Chapter 8

# President's Message

Aloha e Kākou!

I would like to encourage all members to take a look at the AAUW of Hawai'i website: <a href="https://aauw-hi.aauw.net/">https://aauw-hi.aauw.net/</a>. The state website was languishing for some time, but it's now up to date and looking good. The state board has pledged to make the upkeep of the state site a priority since it is an important portal through which prospective members will look for information about AAUW. (Editor's note: the State website is how I found the Maui Branch).



I'm excited to announce that **Alicia Hetman** has agreed to take on the Public Policy Committee chair with the assistance of outgoing chair Janet Walker. Alicia has an extensive background in Title IX issues so, with the current emphasis by the AAUW state public policy committee on gender equity in the Hawai'i legislature, the timing is perfect for the Maui Branch to call upon her expertise. Many thanks to Janet for all she has done during her time as Public Policy Committee chair.

The year has flown by (despite COVID) and we are approaching the holiday season. A gentle reminder that a gift of Maui Kuʻia Estate Chocolate to friends and family will result in donations from the company to our branch. Be sure to check out the link to the website and consider making a purchase or two. <a href="https://mauichocolate.com/collections/american-association-of-university-women/">https://mauichocolate.com/collections/american-association-of-university-women/</a>. Also, if you haven't already done so, make your reservations soon for the November 7 Chocolate Experience at Maui Kuʻia's store in Lahaina, at 12:30 p.m. You can book through this link:

<a href="https://www.mauichocolatetour.com/weekend-tastings-chocolate-laulima/">https://www.mauichocolatetour.com/weekend-tastings-chocolate-laulima/</a> Be sure to select the November 7 date so your ticket price and any purchases will be credited to the Maui Branch.

Speaking of the holiday season, we have our fingers crossed that the indoor COVID restrictions will be relaxed in time to celebrate together on December 5. Pencil in the date for now and we'll make a decision closer to the date.

I want to thank our Communications Chair, Sandi Boll, for everything that she does for our branch. Through her efforts our membership has remained connected to branch activities and outreach efforts. Mahalo nui loa, Sandi.

Aloha mai, Pat

> 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.

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## **Book Group October 2**

The next AAUW Book Group meeting will be held on Saturday, October 2, at noon, via Zoom. Please RSVP to Dorothy Tolliver so you can be included in the Zoom Book Group meeting. Email Dorothy at <a href="mailto:2425047@gmail.com">2425047@gmail.com</a>. The book for October is <a href="mailto:Under Maui Skies and Other Stories">Under Maui Skies and Other Stories</a> by Wayne Moniz.

The book for November 6 is My Own Words by Ruth Bader Ginsburg. A witty, engaging, serious, and playful collection of writings and speeches from the woman who has had a powerful and enduring influence on law, women's rights, and popular culture. This book contains a sampling, selected by Justice Ginsburg and her authorized biographers. Justice Ginsburg has written an Introduction to the book, and Hartnett and Williams introduce each chapter, giving biographical context and quotes gleaned from hundreds of interviews they have conducted.

#### **Lunch Bunch October 12**

Please join us on Tuesday, October 12 at 1:00m p.m. for Lunch Bunch at Pita Paradise, located at 34 Wailea Gateway Pl, Kihei, Hl.

The website with menu information is here: <a href="http://www.pitaparadisehawaii.com/Menu.php">http://www.pitaparadisehawaii.com/Menu.php</a>

We do not have to pre-order. Under the current COVID rules, you must present a copy of your vaccination card at the door to be admitted to indoor seating. Depending on the number of RSVPs we will reserve sufficient seating at nearby tables. Please RSVP by Friday October 8, 2021 to Pat Gotschalk: pagotschalk@gmail.com, or call/text to 808-707-2001.

#### **Great Decisions**

## The End of Globalization?

Friday, Oct. 22nd @ 1:00pm over Zoom - Chapter 8

We truly appreciate everyone's contribution to the discussion. The comments and opinions from each of you enriches us all.

The "Brief" is just the beginning. We encourage you to do any research you feel will be of interest to the conversation. As importantly, let's keep politics out of the discussion as much as possible. We meet on the 4th Friday of the month. If you have any articles relating to the subject, please send along to share with everyone.

Mihaela & Diane Diane Pure (808)793-2661 dpure@hawaii.rr.com

## **CULTURE AND DIVERSITY**

The origins of **Global Diversity Awareness Month**, which is celebrated in October, are unclear. Yet, its purpose to acknowledge the positive contributions of cultural and ethnic diversity to society are obvious. <u>GLOBAL DIVERSITY AWARENESS MONTH --October 2021</u> <u>National Today</u> Unsurprisingly, the University of Hawaii's Hilo and Manoa campuses are second and third in an annual ranking of the most diverse colleges in America. <u>The 50 Top</u> <u>Ethnically Diverse Colleges In America | BestCollegeReviews</u>

Thirty years ago, the Filipino American National Historical Society chose October to be **Filipino American History Month** in recognition of the arrival of the first Filipinos to California on October 18, 1587. <u>Filipino American History Month - Wikipedia, Filipino American History,</u> 425 Years and Counting | KCET

Included in local Maui celebrations is the **52nd Annual Barrio Fiesta** sponsored by Binhi At Ani Filipino Community Center. The partially virtual event takes place on Saturday, October 2, 2021, with a Facebook broadcast, <u>Binhi at Ani Filipino Community Center - Home | Facebook</u>, from 11am to 1pm and a drive-by food sale at the Center (780 Onehee Ave., Kahului) 10am – 5pm. Offerings include pansit, pork adobo, empanada, cascaron (fried coconut donut), and pinakbet, a savory indigenous Filipino dish with mixed vegetables sautéed in fish or shrimp sauce. Festivities showcase Filipino counting games, a cook-off, and a singing competition.

Acknowledging the often tragic consequences of early European exploration in the New World, <u>Columbus Day</u> has fallen into disfavor over the years and has been largely replaced by **National Indigenous Peoples Day** events. Columbus Day - Wikipedia In Hawaii, the second Monday in October is designated **Discoverers' Day**, "to honor all discoverers, including Pacific and Polynesian navigators". <u>Voyagers and Explorers - Celebrating Discoverers' Day in Hawaii - Big Island Pulse</u>

Because of Christopher Columbus' Italian heritage, October is still commemorated as <a href="Italian-American Heritage">Italian-American Heritage</a> and Culture Month, "to honor the achievements and contributions of Italian immigrants and their descendants ...., particularly in the arts, science, and culture." Salute Italian culinary contributions by visiting local favorite Maui restaurants, such as Wailuku's Bistro Casanova, Kahului's Marco's Grill, Paia's Flatbread Company, and Lahaina's Sale Pepe.

Submitted by Estelle Chun

# Chocolate Update!!

Save the Date – Sunday, Nov 7, 2021

AAUW Maui Chapter Fundraiser at Maui's own Ku'ia Estates Chocolate Factory

Questions? Contact Terry Rosentock 415-816-2671 (text) or terryrosenstock@gmail.com. I am currently on the East Coast so please be aware of the time difference.(6 hours)

AAUW on the Texas Abortion Law

Kate Nielson, AAUW's Senior Director of Public Policy, Legal Advocacy

AAUW strongly condemns the U.S. Supreme Court's refusal to suspend implementation of a dangerous Texas law that would virtually strip individuals of their well-established, Constitutional right to control their bodies and erode their economic security. The nation's highest court is enabling a vicious system of vigilante lawsuits that aims to turn citizens against one another in furtherance of the most extreme anti-choice agenda. This ruling, which bypasses Constitutional review, effectively abolishes a pregnant person's ability to make personal choices. Curtailing reproductive rights is a seismic affront to all Americans and AAUW vows to ferociously fight to ensure quality, affordable, and accessible health care for all.

Reference: https://www.aauw.org/resources/news/statement-on-supreme-court-ruling-on-texas-law-restricting-reproductive-rights/

AAUW Maui Branch pg 5 October 2021 Newsletter American Association of University Women We have a new and very interesting member: Lorri Allison. While this is her professional biography, hopefully we will be acquainted with her on a more personal level.

**Lorri Allison Craig, CFP™**, has over 23 years of experience, is a subject matter expert for the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards, a Certified Integrative Nutrition Health Coach and an Internationally Certified Kundalini Yoga Instructor. She has been honored as Citizen of the Year and Volunteer of the Year by two Oregon communities and holds an MBA from California Lutheran University's School of Management, which named her as one of their silver anniversary distinguished alumni.



#### A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO.....

October 12 - Christine Spencer

October 15 - Kathleen Deknis

October 20 - Barbara Carlson

October 26 - MaryMargaret Baker

October 30 - Robert Walker

October 31 - Deborah Takahashi

#### ET CETERA.....

The following three young women and men are our scholarship winners:

Dorothy Shimer - Kobelynn Bounlangsy - Dental Hygiene

Harriet Haines - Kawaiola Wendt - Applied Business & Information Technology

Ron Bergman Scholarship:

- Bree Hyssop - Liberal Arts

## We have an artist in Our Midst

Pam Schulz has some great news! "I had recent news that I'm thrilled to share. An oil pastel painting that I completed was chosen by the jurors to be included in the current show Malama Wao Akua (Realm of the Gods) at the Hui No'eau Visual Art Center in Makawao. The annual show celebrates native species of Maui Nui." Here is her beautiful work.



Here's a link to the show for anyone who would like to see the exhibit: <a href="https://malamawaoakua.org/#">https://malamawaoakua.org/#</a>

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