

# AAUW MAUI BRANCH

Advancing Equity for Women and Girls

## Maui AAUW and the County of Maui Celebrated Equal Pay Day on March 15th



Mayor Michael Victorino presented a proclamation of "Equal Pay Day" in Maui County to AAUW-Maui Branch. Receiving the proclamation are from left to right: AAUW Member and UH Maui College EEO Officer Shawna Pabingwit, AAUW UH Maui College Liaison Joyce Yamada, Mayor Victorino, AAUW Maui Branch Member Sandra Boll, and Maui AAUW Branch President Pat Gotschalk. This year, March 15th, was the earliest the occasion has been observed. The earlier that "Equal Pay Day" arrives, the closer women are to achieving pay fairness in the United States. In support of fair and equal opportunity in the workforce, may we as women continue our efforts until "Equal Pay Day" is no longer necessary at all.

### Dates To Remember:

**Speaker Meeting** Saturday, April 23, 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. (See pg. 3)

**Book Group** Saturday, April 2 at noon, online using Zoom. (See pg. 4)

**Taste and Talk** Thursday, April 21st, at 6:00 p.m., Marlow's Restaurant. (See pg. 4)

**Lunch Bunch** Tuesday, 1:00 p.m. April 12th, Moose McGillyCuddys. (See pg. 4)

**Great Decisions** Friday, April 22, at 1:00.p.m. via Zoom. (See pg. 7)

## President's Message

Hau'oli ka mahina 'o 'Apelila! (Happy April!)

I note in passing that March 15, 2022 was the second anniversary of the Maui COVID shutdown. It's hard to believe it's been two years. Maui Branch survived and thrived despite not having in-person Speaker Meetings -- we will see what the future holds in that regard. In the meanwhile, we will keep Zooming along. Many thanks to our Membership Vice President Debbie Priest for managing our memberships and recruiting and assisting new members during these challenging times.



March 15 was also significant for being the annual Equal Pay Day. As noted on the front page of this Newsletter, our Mayor signed a proclamation declaring March 15, 2022 as Equal Pay Day. Many thanks to Joyce Yamada, our University Liaison at UH Maui College, for making this happen.

I strongly encourage all of our members to take two minutes out of your week and become an **AAUW Two Minute Activist**: <https://www.aauw.org/act/two-minute-activist/> I filled out the form last week in support of the John Lewis Voting Rights Bill. It took less than two minutes. There are several bills that AAUW National urges its members to support. Review the list and find one or some that you want to support. The page makes it easy to communicate with your representatives. There are issues critical to the mission of AAUW being discussed at the Federal level. Please do what you can.

I was very excited to receive three reports from UH Maui College itemizing the Maui Branch scholarship donations under our three scholarships. **Since the time that the first scholarship was established in 1994, the Maui branch has funded 67 scholarship awards to 58 students for a total amount of \$81,796!** This is so impressive, and we should all be gratified and proud to reflect on how these scholarships helped improve the lives of our Maui 'ohana. Adding to this amount, this year we were able to donate \$3,500 for each of our three scholarships.

Mahalo nui loa to all our members!

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.***

## Speaker Meeting, Saturday, April 23

### Speaker: Sandy Ma - “Common Cause Hawaii”

The April speaker will be Sandy Ma. Sandy is the Executive Director of Common Cause Hawaii.

As the Executive Director, Sandy leads campaigns, fundraising, and engages local, state, and national organizations in building coalitions around Hawaii, focusing on ethics and accountability, money and influence, and voting and elections.

Sandy comes to the organization with a broad range of nonprofit, corporate, and government experience. She previously was an ACLU attorney in North Carolina and Hawaii. She was a private practice attorney for several years. She most recently worked with the Hawaii Office of Planning in the Coastal Zone Management Program, focusing on climate change, sea level rise, and coastal hazard issues.



Sandy will be discussing the various voting laws in Hawaii. Hawaii has adopted many laws to modernize voting and elections:

- In 1993, 16 and 17 year olds were allowed to preregister to vote if you can show that you will be 18 by the next election.
- In 2012, [statewide online voter registration](#) was adopted and implemented in 2015.
- In 2015, same-day voter registration was enacted (and phased in) to allow people to register to vote on the same day they cast their ballot.
- In 2019, Hawaii became the 5th all vote-by-mail state along with Oregon, Washington, Colorado, and Utah. California, Nevada, and Vermont will also be all vote-by-mail starting in 2022.
- In 2021, automatic voter registration was adopted.
- In 2022, Common Cause Hawaii is working to pass ranked choice voting.

**Join us for our Speaker Meeting on Saturday, April 23, 2022 online using Zoom. The social time starts at 10:00 a.m., followed by a business meeting at 10:30 a.m and the speaker at 11:00 a.m. The link to join the meeting will be sent prior to the meeting.**

## Lunch Bunch, Tuesday, April 12

Please join us for Lunch Bunch on **Tuesday, April 12 starting at 1:00 p.m. at Moose McGillyCuddy's in Kihei.** Yes, good old Mooses, where we held Maui Branch Speaker Meetings for years BC (Before Covid) and the shutdown. It will be fun to go back! Mooses is located at 2511 South Kihei Road, Kihei. The menu can be found here <https://moosemcgillycuddyskihei.com/>

Please reserve by calling/texting Pat Gotschalk at 808-707-2001 or email [pagotschalk@gmail.com](mailto:pagotschalk@gmail.com) by Sunday April 10. Mooses doesn't take reservations but we'd like to get a head count so we can be sure to get a table for our group together. Hope to see you there.

## Book Group, Saturday, April 2

The next AAUW Book Group meeting will be held on **Saturday, April 2nd, at noon, via Zoom.** Please RSVP to Dorothy Tolliver so you can be included in the Zoom Book Group meeting. Email Dorothy at [2425047@gmail.com](mailto:2425047@gmail.com). The book for April is *Save Me the Plums*, by Ruth Reichl.

For May the book is *Cutting for Stone*, by **Abraham Verghese**

Marion and Shiva Stone are twin brothers born of a secret union between a beautiful Indian nun and a brash British surgeon. Orphaned by their mother's death and their father's disappearance, sharing a preternatural connection and a fascination with medicine, the twins come of age as Ethiopia hovers on the brink of revolution. Moving from Addis Ababa to New New City and back again, this is an unforgettable story of love and betrayal, medicine and miracles.

## Taste and Talk, Thursday, April 21

We had such a memorable meal of fabulous pizzas at Restaurant Marlow in Pukalani on St. Patrick's Day that we wanted to do it again. Please join us there on **Thursday, April 21, at 6:00 p.m.** To RSVP please call, text or email Heather Mueller by Monday, April 18 and she will make a reservation: 808-446-3545, text 808-430-0120, email [heathermaymueller@yahoo.com](mailto:heathermaymueller@yahoo.com).

The address is 30 Kupaoa Street, Pukalani (*in the Kulamalu Town Center behind Long's Drug*). You can view the menu here: <https://www.restaurantmarlow.com/menu>

## AAUW Public Policy



**In the news:**  
**Senator Mazie Hirono questions Supreme Court Justice nominee Ketanji Brown Jackson on what steps she takes to maintain an inclusive environment in her chambers.**

[▶ WATCH: Sen. Mazie Hirono questions Jac...](#)

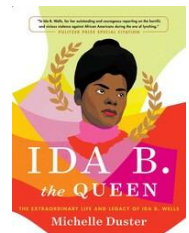
## Bibliography From Carol Hogard's February Talk

For anyone who missed Carol Hogard's informative talk on the extraordinary Black women of the Civil Rights movement, here is her bibliography. She particularly suggested "Ida B. the Queen" as a good introduction to the subject.

IDA B. WELL-BARNETT (1862-1931)

*Ida: A Sword Among Lions--Ida B. Wells and The Campaign Against Lynching*, Paula J. Giddings (2009).

*Ida B. The Queen:: The Extraordinary Life & Legacy of Ida B. Wells*, Michelle Duster & Hannah Giorgis (Best Young Adult Book) (2001).



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MARY CHURCH TERRELL (1863-1954)

*Unceasing Militant: The Life of Mary Church Terrell*, Alison Parker (2020).

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ELLA BAKER (1903-1986)

*Ella Baker and The Black Freedom Movement: A Radical Democratic Vision*, Barbara Ransby (2003).

The 1981 documentary *Fundi: The Story of Ella Baker*, directed by Joanne Grant

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BEST GENERAL WORKS

*When and Where I Enter: The Impact of Black Women on Race & Sex in America*, Paula Giddings (2007).

*Black Women in White America*, edited by Gerda Lerner (1992)

# AAUW Fundraising Update: Chocolate Laulima Program

## Give Twice for Mother's Day!!

Did you know that if you purchase certain Maui Ku'ia Estate Chocolate products, grown and produced right here on Maui, your AAUW chapter receives 40% of the amount you spend? Mother's Day is Sunday, May 8 and will be here before you know it. So, this is the perfect time to purchase chocolates for those mothers in your life: your mother or mother-in-law, your daughters, daughters-in-law or just those moms you know who would love to be recognized for their hard work with chocolate. So both the mothers and the Maui AAUW chapter get a gift. How great is that?

Need to ship to the mainland? No problem. Maui Ku'ia Estate Chocolates can take care of the shipping.

You must purchase your chocolates through our webpage {below} or mention AAUW if you call in your order or stop by their Lahaina store in person.

<https://mauichocolate.com/collections/american-association-of-university-women>.

REMEMBER: Only products shown on our webpage qualify for the 40% donation.

## Celebrate!

### Sally Ride Quarter



Released 3/21/2022

### Earth Day, 4/22/22



## Great Decisions, April 22

The topic for April is *Xi's China takes on the Quad*

At the last Great Decisions meeting we decided to skip ahead in the book. So, the topic for April will be Xi's China Takes on the "QUAD", which refers to the security dialog between the US, Japan, India and Australia.

**The April meeting will be on Friday, April 22, 1:00 p.m. via ZOOM.**

To join the group and order your book for 2022, please contact:  
Diane Pure (808) 793-2661, [dpure@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:dpure@hawaii.rr.com)

## UH-MC Online Sexual Assault Training.

For Sexual Assault Awareness Month, the following webinars are offered:  
<https://uhcc.hawaii.edu/saam/>. Please take a look and share with others.

## April Birthday Wishes . . .



April 10th..... Dorothy Tolliver

April 14th.....Marsha Lash

April 24th..... Catherine Thompson

April 28th..... Heather Mueller

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