AAUW MAUI BRANCH

Advancing Equity for Women and Girls

It's Time To Renew Your Membership

Our fiscal year ends June 30, 2022 and that is also when your 2021-2022 membership expires. We are so proud of the loyalty of our branch members during the COVID years and are looking forward to your renewals and continued involvement with Maui Branch.

Unfortunately, due to some changes in the AAUW National website, we can't send you an email link with a direct link to your membership renewal this year. However, there are several ways you can renew:

(1) For most members, the easiest way to renew is to mail your check for \$93 to AAUW-Maui, PO Box 1352, Puunene HI 96784. (National dues are \$67; State dues are \$10 and Branch dues are \$16). We will process your renewal for you.

(2) If you do not have a checking account, there is a way for your bank to make a direct deposit into our AAUW-Maui checking account. Whether this is easy or difficult depends on your bank. If you want to transfer your dues payment to AAUW-Maui electronically, please ask your bank what information is needed and also let us know that you are making this transfer. (We do not have a Paypal or Venmo account at this time. Perhaps we will in the future but we don't want our branch or our members to incur processing fees.)

(3) You can process your own renewal by going to AAUW.org clicking "Membership" and creating a new password on the community hub. Click here for a tutorial. If you process your own renewal please be sure to click the boxes to join the Maui branch and the Hawai'i state memberships.

Questions? Please contact Membership VP Debbie Priest at debbie@roselaniplace.com or (419) 913-9524.

Dates To Remember:

Speaker Meeting No Speaker Meeting in June

Book Group Saturday, June 4th at noon, online using Zoom. (See pg. 5)

Taste and Talk Thursday June 23, The Outback in Kihei, 6:00 p.m. (See pg. 5)

Lunch Bunch No meeting in June

Great Decisions Friday, June 24, 1:00 p.m. via Zoom (See pg. 7)

President's Message

Aloha mai kākou!

May was our last Speaker Meeting so we are now in our "summer hiatus", but as you will see in this Newsletter we will still be a very active branch during the summer.

Many mahalos must be said for our Maui Branch officers who have made my job so easy. If we were having in-person meetings, I would cover all of these wonderful women in lei!

Mahalo to Cathy Thompson for providing her wise guidance as the Immediate Past President of the Maui Branch. Although Cathy has new adventures at her mainland home, she has been extremely helpful and available with her institutional knowledge of our branch, answering my questions and making valuable suggestions.

Mahalo to Virginia Shaw, VP for Programming, for the excellent programming at our online Speaker Meetings in our 2021-2022 Fall through Spring meeting cycle. Virginia lined up interesting and substantive speakers on topics that fall directly within the AAUW mission of gender equity for women and girls. It is not an easy task to find and confirm speakers. The Speaker Meetings kept the "face" of our Maui branch visible during COVID.

Mahalo to Debbie Priest, VP for Membership, for recruiting and being the point-person for new members and also for her role as the Sunshine Secretary. Our branch has a tremendous record of both new and renewing members during the past two COVID years. Debbie's friendly and professional personality has helped our branch to stay strong.

Mahalo to Pam Schulz, branch Secretary, for keeping impeccable minutes and also reminding us to stick to the agenda during our Zoom meetings. We are a nonprofit organization and it is critically important that we keep excellent records of our meetings and decisions. Pam's sense of responsibility in keeping accurate records is inspiring.

Mahalo to Jan Moore, branch Finance Officer, for her careful and competent maintenance of our financial records as well as assisting our members in joining and renewing. This has been a challenging year due to the revamping of the AAUW national website. But Jan has kept her sense of humor and has forged ahead despite all the unexpected changes.

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President's Message (continued)

Pat

I am going to run out of room in the Newsletter for my mahalos, but let me also thank the other board members: Sandi Boll, our Communications Director, and Janice Tietz, our Newsletter Editor, for ensuring that the Maui Branch is kept informed of events and important topics of the day; Janet Go for diligently submitting information about our branch events to local media; Dorothy Tolliver for overseeing our scholarships; Terry Rosenstock (soon returning to Maui part time!) for facilitating Chocolate Laulima donations; Alicia Hetman and Janet Walker for representing our branch on the state Public Policy committee; Joyce Yamada for serving as our College/University liaison with UHMC; Marty-Jean Bender for keeping our website in good condition; Heather Mueller for managing Taste and Talk (and also serving on other committees with indefatigable energy!) and newer member Penny Andrews for overseeing our Diversity and Inclusion efforts (and also serving on many committees!)
Have a wonderful summer – and I hope to see you at our summer events!
Aloha.

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.



A Heartfelt Request to Maui Branch Members

SAVE THE DATE!
Patsy Mink Biography Presentation
and Book Signing
JUNE 21, 2022 @ 10:30 am
UH Maui Campus 'Ike Le'a Rm 144

Aloha mai. As you may have heard, AAUW Maui Branch and UH Maui College are sponsoring a talk on the first biography of Maui-born and raised Congresswoman Patsy Mink, the champion of Title IX legislation which gave equal rights to women in federally-funded educational programs. The book is <u>Fierce and Fearless</u> and is co-authored by Judy Wu and Patsy Mink's daughter Gwendolyn Mink. Judy Wu will make a live presentation and Gwendolyn Mink will appear remotely at this event. This is a great opportunity to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Title IX.

Please make every effort to attend. The room seats 75. It is handicap accessible and we will serve light refreshments afterwards. I know we are all used to Zooming but it will be a much more interesting and meaningful event with a live audience. We will have a few books available for purchase at a reduced rate of \$21.00, and Judy Wu can sign your book.

"Every girl in Little League, every woman playing college sports, and every parent—including Michelle and myself—who watches their daughter on a field or in the classroom is forever grateful to the late Patsy Takemoto Mink." — President Barack Obama, on posthumously awarding Mink the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2014

You will need to pre-register. There is a "webinar" option if you are unable to attend in person, but we hope you will attend in person. tinyurl.com/aauwmaui-fierceandfearless.

Also, the event committee needs some help. For the refreshment setup we need some plastic or folding chairs and some card tables. The committee may also request donations of snacks (more on this later). Please contact Penny Andrews at penny395@aol.com if you have tables or chairs you can lend. Mahalo nui loa!!

P.S. Due to this event, we will not have a Lunch Bunch in June.

State Convention, September 30 - October 2

There is still time to register for the AAUW State Convention on the Big Island. To register for the conference, please go to this page on the AAUW-Hilo website and click "register here.": https://hilo-hi.aauw.net/state_convention/upcoming-events/. Registration ends on June 30.

Book Group, June 4

The next AAUW Book Group meeting will be held on **Saturday**, **June 4th**, **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. The book for June is *The Bluest Eye*, by Toni Morrison.

For July the book is *A Million Reasons Why*, by Jessica Strawser Sela is in desperate need of a kidney transplant. She has possibly found the perfect match; but how do you turn someone's else's life upside down by revealing that you are her previously unknown half-sister, the product of her father's affair? As Sela begins to connect with Caroline, she must decide which she wants more — a sister or a kidney. With realism and nuance, Strawswer's family story comes to life.

Taste and Talk, June 23

The June Taste and Talk will be held at the Outback Steakhouse in Kihei on Thursday June 23, at 6:00 p.m., 281 Piikea Ave Kihei, Maui, HI 96753 (808) 879-8400. Click here to see the menu. June 23 is the 50th Anniversary date of Title IX so we can celebrate! Please RSVP to Heather Mueller by Monday, June 20 by calling/texting Heather Mueller at 808-430-0120 or email heathermaymueller@yahoo.com.

Reclaim the Vote Luncheon, July 12

Mark your calendars and please RSVP. Pat Gotschalk is inviting Maui Branch members to her home to fill out Reclaim the Vote postcards on Tuesday, July 12, from noon to 2 pm, for our July Lunch Bunch. A light lunch and beverages will be provided. Reclaim the Vote is a nonpartisan "get out the vote" outreach to encourage underrepresented voters to register and vote. Pat will supply the postcards and instructions for filling out the information, and will mail the postcards. Our target will be a Florida primary election. This nonpartisan outreach has been approved by the AAUW State Public Policy Committee.

Please RSVP to Pat at pagotschalk@gmail.com before July 10. Or text/call 808-707-2001. Feel free to bring friends. More hands make lighter work :-) Pat's address is 1391 Ho'olako Street, Wailuku. Contact Pat if you have questions.

AAUW Maui Branch Membership

Aloha Tammy Malloy!

I grew up in Washington State and I lived there until a little over a year ago, when I moved to Maui. I had visited Maui many times and had a dream to live here one day.

I received an Associate's Degree in Banking and Finance from Tacoma Community College and worked at First Interstate Bank in the Trust Department for 10 years. I then decided to go back to school to get my Accounting Degree. I received my BS in Accounting while attending night school at City University. After getting my CPA License, I went to work for AT&T Cellular where I worked for 10 years. When AT&T was purchased by Cingular and moved their headquarters out of Washington, I found a new position at Martingale and Company. Martingale is a publisher of craft and hobby books. I have enjoyed working there for the past 16 years. It's fun working with such a creative group of people; the perfect blend of both right and left brain for an accountant!

I have a daughter, Tessa, who still lives in Washington.

I absolutely love living on Maui. I enjoy beach time, hiking and paddling. I also enjoy traveling and crafting. I make the occasional quilt and have made my own soap for a number of years. I am a volunteer at ProArts and the Maui Humane Society.

I'm looking forward to becoming involved with AAUW and making new friends.



AAUW of Hawaii Public Policy Committee: 2021-2022 Activities and Accomplishment Overview

The state legislature passed 7 of the 23 bills AAUW of Hawaii supported. Next stop, the Governor's Office. The bills become state laws on July 12, 2022 unless the governor vetoes them. AAUW of Hawaii worked closely with the state legislators on several Title IX and workplace sexual harassment bills:

- 1. Data collection for Title IX
- 2. Raise minimum wage to \$18 by 2028, refundable state income tax credit
- 3. Ban non disclosure agreements in cases of workplace sexual harassment
- 4. Early childhood workforce registry
- 5. \$1.5 million to incorporate kupuna caregiver with kupuna care service
- 6. Additional housing subsidies for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- 7. Free of charge menstrual products in public and charter schools

"We could not have supported the 23 bills without the dedication from the AAUW of Hawaii Public Policy Committee. We grew the number of AAUW members & friends submitting testimonies for Title IX from 9 to 21 during the session. Without the members of Hilo Branch calling the chair of House Judiciary Committee to get the Ban NDA in case of workplace sexual harassment bill heard, the bill probably would not have passed." - Younghee Overly, AAUW Hawai'i Public Policy Chair

There will be plenty of small opportunities for the AAUW Maui members to get engaged in our Public Policy work in 2022-2023:

- 1. TitleIX 50th Anniversary, attend the June 21 Patsy Mink biography event.
- 2. Purchase Title IX stamps at your local post office, or request through mail order.
- 3. Educate yourself on the many components of Title IX and join us as we participate in a "See Something, Say Something" campaign to assist local schools to become more fully compliant with Title IX provisions.
- 4. Two Minute Activist: https://www.aauw.org/act/two-minute-activist/

[Submitted by Alicia Hetman, AAUW Maui Public Policy Co-Chair]

Sports Illustrated Honors Title IX

In case you missed it: Click <u>here</u> to review the June, 2022 issue of *Sports Illustrated* magazine, which is devoted to the 50th Anniversary of Title IX.

Great Decisions

CLIMATE CHANGE....CHAPTER 2

Friday, June 24th, 1:00 p.m. HST. Please note on your calendar and please confirm attendance with Diane Pure by emailing dpure@hawaii.rr.com.

Recommended preparation for the discussion: FRONTLINE April 19th, THE POWER OF BIG OIL, Part 1 of a 3 part series. Click <u>here</u> to access the program.

Note: Great Decisions is not an official AAUW Maui Branch interest group but there is a substantial overlap of membership.

Birthday Wishes



June 6Karin Carlson

June 8.....Penny Andrews

June11..... Lorraine Craig

June 19......Charmaine Bissen

June 29.....Andrea Rubio

June 30.....Jean Keating

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