

AAUW MAUI BRANCH

Advancing Equity for Women and Girls

State Legislature Advocacy Opportunity

The Hawai'i State AAUW is sponsoring a "Lobby Day" at the state Capitol on **Wednesday, March 15** on issues that are supported by AAUW National. The state AAUW will reimburse airfare for Neighbor Island members up to \$200, and provide transportation and lunch. This effort is coordinated by the AAUW State Public Policy Committee. **The agenda for the event is on page 9 of this newsletter.**

This is a great opportunity to meet your state representatives as well as AAUW members from O'ahu and the Neighbor Islands. New branch members are encouraged to participate. If you are interested, please contact state Public Policy Chair Younghee Overly at publicpolicy-hi@aauw.net. There are some airfares currently available that are less than \$200, so now is the time to sign up.



Dates To Remember:

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| Taste and Talk | Thursday, February 16, 6:00 p.m. (See p. 4) |
| Book Group | Saturday, February 11, 12:00 noon (See p. 4) |
| Special Lunch Potluck | Wednesday, February 8, 12:00 p.m. (See p. 4) |
| Great Decisions | Friday, February 24, 1:00 p.m. (See pg. 8) |
| Speaker Meeting | Saturday, February 25, 10:00 a.m. (See p. 3) |

President's Message

Aloha mai! A few important dates to mark on your calendars now:

1. Maui AAUW is signed up for the following dates for the **Chocolate Lulima** experience at Maui Ku'ia Estate Chocolates: March 12, April 2, November 5 and November 11. Please encourage friends and family to attend. Remember that 100% of all admission fees come back to AAUW Maui from these dates. Other than direct appeals, this is our main form of fundraising for the UH Maui College scholarships.



2. Our "Just For Fun" **AAUW Maui whale watch** get-together will be on March 2. More information is on page 5 of the newsletter.

3. March 15 is national **"Equal Pay Day"** and, as discussed on the front page of the newsletter, there is an advocacy opportunity at the Hawai'i State Legislature.

4. March 22 is the date on which AAUW Maui and UH Maui College will co-sponsor the showing of **"Equal Means Equal."** More information is on page 6 of the newsletter.

In other news, the AAUW hawai'i (state) Board met last week. The state Board will elect a new Secretary for a two-year position starting in July 2023, open to any member of a Hawai'i branch. If you are interested please contact me ASAP at pagotschalk@gmail.com. The AAUW Hawai'i board is very well organized and efficient. This is an opportunity for a Branch member to get involved in leadership at the state level. Our Branch will also be recruiting some new officers shortly. More on this to follow.

Finally, we are excited that our past president Cathy Thompson will be visiting Maui from the mainland in February. The Branch is holding a potluck in Cathy's honor at Dorothy Tolliver's home on Wednesday, February 8. More information is on page 4 of the newsletter. We hope to see all of you there!!

Mahalo nui loa!

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, February 25

Maui Branch's own Carol Hogard taught Women's Studies for more than 40 years at Minneapolis Community College and was the cofounder of the program.




She will speak about Undercurrents in the Life Of Rev. Dr. Pauli Murray: a brief discussion of the life experiences and the philosophies that shaped the contributions of this often ignored giant in the fight for human rights including her contribution to the legal architecture of the modern legal arguments around the concepts of "equality before the law" for people of color, women and LGBTI persons; her methods for change by "confrontation by typewriter" and by non-violent, direct action and by an amazing standard of excellence in all her work; an understanding of the richness of her talent for friendship and how those deep friendships affected her life; and her legal, innovative arguments to resolve conflict and end racism and sexism in the law. These will be illustrated by examining the content of her personal correspondence, especially those with Eleanor Roosevelt.

Pauli Murray was an activist, a legal scholar, family historian, a prolific letter writer, a poet and priest.

Background Resources:

<https://www.paulimurraycenter.com/who-is-pauli>

 My Name Is Pauli Murray - Official Trailer | Prime Video

The Speaker Meeting will be held on Saturday, February 25, via Zoom (Meeting link will be provided in an email prior to the meeting date.)

10:00 a.m. Social half hour

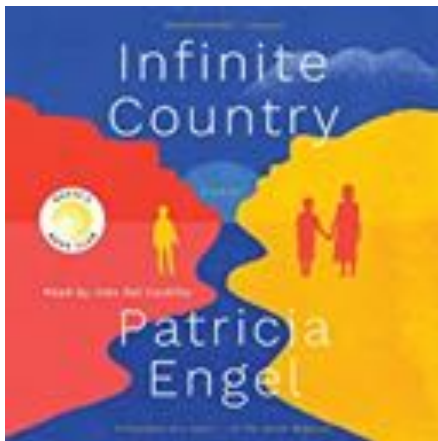
10:30 a.m. Business Meeting

11:00 a.m. Speaker

Book Group, Saturday, February 11

The next AAUW Book Group meeting will be held on **Saturday, February 11, 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 February is The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration by Isabel Wilkerson.



For March the book choice is Infinite Country, by Patricia Engel. Fifteen-year-old Talia escapes an all-girls correctional facility in the Columbian mountains on a mission to get back to Bogotá, where her father is waiting with her plane ticket to the U.S. It is her one chance to unite with her mother and the siblings she has never met. Alternating between Talia's journey and her parents' struggles as undocumented immigrants separated by deportation, Engel's astounding novel is an ode to family and heritage.

Lunch Potluck for Past President Cathy Thompson, Wednesday, February 8

In lieu of the February Lunch Bunch, all Maui Branch members are invited to a potluck luncheon in honor of past Branch President Cathy Thompson, who will be on Maui January 30 to February 13. The potluck will be at Dorothy Tolliver's home at 705 Pio Dr., Waluku, at noon. To RSVP phone (808)242-5047 or (808) 264-4709, or email 2425047@gmail.com and tell Dorothy what potluck dish you will be bringing.

Taste and Talk, Thursday, February 16

We switched the usual Taste and Talk date to later in the month due to the Lunch Potluck date. The location is Casanova's upcountry in Makawao, 1188 Makawao Ave. The menu is [here](#). The date is **Thursday, February 16**, at 6:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Heather Mueller at heathermaymueller@yahoo.com or (808) 430-0120 by Monday, February 13. Guests are welcome, just be sure to include them in your RSVP. New members, we welcome you! Please come, and bring a guest if you want.

“Just For Fun” Whale Watch, Thursday, March 2

This is not a fundraiser, it's a get-together! The branch scheduled an afternoon whale watch last year and it was great fun, so we are doing it again. If you want to attend, call Pacific Whale Foundation (PWF) and make reservations for the **Thursday, March 2 afternoon whale watch from Ma'alaea Harbor**. DO NOT BOOK ONLINE. When you call, ask for the 40% off Kama'aina rate if you have a Hawai'i driver's license or ID, or the 15% off Friends and Family rate if you live on Maui but don't have a Hawai'i DL or ID. Call PWF at (808) 249-8811 and use the “reservations” menu option. The vessel has capacity for 100, so **if you are interested be sure to make your reservations ASAP...they are not holding a block of tickets for us**. Any questions, please call or text Pat Gotschalk at (808) 707-2001 or email pagotschalk@gmail.com. Wear your AAUW Maui T-shirt!

You're Booking



Whalewatch • Ma'alaea

Thursday, March 2nd 2023 @ 2pm - 4pm

Vessel: Ocean Guardian **BOOK AFTERNOONS AND SAVE!**

16671 Reviewers

#4 of 13 things to do in Maalaea

TripAdvisor Traveler Rating

According to TripAdvisor travelers as of January 2023

0	Adults - Afternoon Whalewatch Age 13 & Over	\$49.95
0	Children - Afternoon Whalewatch Ages 12 & under	\$39.95
0	Free Child Ages 0-4 - One per paying Adult	

To Make Reservations – Do Not Reserve Online

Call PWF at 808-249-8811. Use “reservations” menu options.

Request Kama'aina Rate of 40% off if you have a HI Driver's License or State ID

Request Friends/Family rate of 15% if you live here but don't have a HI DL or State ID



“Equal Means Equal,” Wednesday, March 22

National Equal Pay Day is on March 15, 2023. In honor of Equal Pay Day, there will be a March 22 screening of the documentary Equal Means Equal co-sponsored by UH Maui College and AAUW Maui. It will be in Room 144 'Ike Lea Bldg from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. For more information about the documentary, please click [here](#). The event is free and open to the public.

Historic Women of Hawai'i

Mahalo nui loa to Maui Branch member Dr. Charmaine Bissen for this series of informative articles.

Queen Kapi'olani

Queen Julia Napelakapuokaka'e Kapi'olani was born in Hilo, Hawai'i on December 31, 1834. Kapi'olani is defined as the “arch of Heaven, (ka pi'o lani).” Royalty was signified through rainbows. Her parents were High Chiefess Kinoiki Kekaulike of Kaua'i, the daughter of King Kaumuali'i, and her father was Chief Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole of Hilo. Kapi'olani remained in Hilo until age eight years and then was sent to Kona. Kapi'olani was fluent in the Hawaiian language. She often had a Hawaiian translator when communicating with English speakers.

On March 8, 1852 when she was 16 years old, Kapi'olani came under the protection of King Kamehameha III in Honolulu. The High Chief Nāmākehā became her husband four years later. On December 27, 1860 Nāmākehā died. On December 8, 1863, David Kalākaua and Julia Kapi'olani were married in a quiet ceremony by an Episcopal minister. In 1874, King Kalākaua replaced the deceased King Lunalilo by election. Queen Kapi'olani was reigning Queen for nearly 17 years. Kapi'olani adopted her sister Kekaulike's sons (in the Hawaiian tradition of hanai), David Kawānanakoa and Jonah Kūhiō Kalaniana'ole. In 1883, Kalākaua gave the titles of Princes of Hawai'i to Kapi'olani's nephews.

Kapi'olani was deeply concerned about the health problems confronting the Hawaiian population. Kalākaua's vision of Ho'oulu Lāhui (increasing the nation) was prominent in Kapi'olani's mind for a healthier populace. Thus, she established the Kapi'olani Maternity Home, which allowed Hawaiian mothers with their newborn babies to receive proper medical care. The Queen visited the Kaka'ako Branch Hospital on O'ahu which received patients with leprosy from all over the islands. The Queen subsequently developed a friendship with Mother Marianne Cope and the other Franciscan sisters.

On July 21, 1884, the Queen toured the Kalaupapa Leper Settlement on Moloka'i. Princess Liliu'okalani accompanied her with others. The Queen met Father Damien and resident

[Queen Kapi'olani \(cont.\)](#)

superintendent Ambrose Hutchison. After the Queen departed, the living conditions of the residents improved. On November 9, 1885, the daughters of parents with leprosy were given the opportunity to have an education through the establishment of the Kapi'olani Home for Girls at Kaka'ako. The key for this building was given to Mother Marianne Cope who was also recognized later with the Royal Order of Kapi'olani from the King for her selfless dedication to caring for Hawaiians afflicted with leprosy.

In April 1887, Queen Kapi'olani, Princess Lili'uokalani and the King's official envoy traveled across the United States and were received by President Grover Cleveland and his wife Frances. Later in London, Queen Kapi'olani and Princess Lili'uokalani were received by Queen Victoria at Buckingham Palace. They attended the Queen's Jubilee at Westminster Abbey.

On January 20, 1891 King Kalākaua died in San Francisco from complications of a stroke that he suffered in Santa Barbara, California. After the death of her husband, Queen Dowager Kapi'olani seldom attended public events. Subsequently, she retired from public life. Kapi'olani lived her remaining days in her private Waikīkī residence where the Hyatt Regency Waikiki Hotel now stands. She gave her wealth of over \$250,000 to her nephews Prince Kawānanakoa and Prince Kūhiō. She suffered three strokes and died on June 24, 1899 at age sixty four.

Kapi'olani's medical legacy survives today in the Kapi'olani Medical Center for Women and Children. King Kalākaua named Kapi'olani Park in Waikīkī after the Queen. Kapi'olani Boulevard, Kapi'olani Community College and several other businesses are named after her.

Kapi'olani composed a beautiful love song for her husband, Kalākaua, "Ka Ipo Lei Manu." However, he died in San Francisco and never heard the song.

Queen Kapi'olani was a Hawaiian Queen who deeply cared for the Hawaiian people and left a medical legacy.



Who Wants Chocolate?

Who wants to contribute to AAUW Maui's fundraising efforts by eating chocolate? **Our AAUW chapter receives 100% of the \$35 registration fee paid by all attendees (AAUW related or not) to the March 12 and April 2 Laulima Tastings (translation: "many hands," tied to the idea of cooperation, of the power of people working together) at the [Maui Ku'ia Estate Chocolates](#).**

Enjoy breathtaking 360-degree views from Maui Ku'ia Estate Chocolate's second story open-air pavilion while being led through three flights of chocolate (a minimum of nine pieces) by Founder and CEO, Gunars Valkirs, or VP of Everything Chocolate, Dan O'Doherty. The Chocolate Bar is open in the pavilion and offers wines, spirits and beer that are paired with the chocolate flights. They can recommend pairings or you can make your own choices from their List. Their experienced chocolate sommeliers will help you make your decision.

If you have not yet attended one of the tastings, I highly recommend it to you, your friends and family. It is a fascinating look into how the company came about and how cacao is grown and processed on our island. If you've attended one of the tastings in the past, come again, since no one can taste chocolate too many times. And if you cannot attend the event yourself on this date, just send everyone you know. We get the registration proceeds from everyone attending that day, regardless of whether or not they are members of AAUW.

[Submitted by Terry Rosenstock]

Online Payments to Maui Branch Now Available.

Some members have requested online options to make donations or other payments to AAUW Maui Branch. We now have a "PayPal Me" link. If you have a PayPal account, go to this link and you will be connected to the Maui Branch account:

paypal.me/aauwmauibranch953 . For more information about PayPal, please see this [link](#).

We are also setting up a Venmo link and will provide that when available. The Branch's bank does not support Zelle. Incidentally, anyone who has a "bill pay" option on their bank account can also send money directly to AAUW Maui from their account. Check with your bank to see how to do this if you are moving away from writing checks.

Maui Branch T Shirts Still Available!

Just a reminder that we have Maui Branch T-shirts in stock with the AAUW logo. It's time to get one now to wear at the "Just for Fun" Whale Watch! If you are interested please email Pat at pagotschalk@gmail.com or call/text (808) 707-2001.

Great Decisions - Friday, February 24

The Great Decisions discussion will be on **Friday, February 24, at 1:00 p.m.** HST via Zoom. Please confirm attendance with Diane Pure by emailing dpure@hawaii.rr.com.

The topic is **Energy Geopolitics**.

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

Birthday Wishes for February “Hau’oli Lā Hānau”



February 16 Elizabeth Rogers
February 16 Pat Gotschalk
February 18 Diane Riley
February 20 Janet Walker

Fun Events in January



Taste and Talk at Fuego's Steakhouse at Maui Lani Golf Course



Lunch Bunch at Kalei's Lunchbox in Kahului

AAUW State “Lobby Day” Agenda, March 15

Note: Full training on talking points on AAUW, equal pay, and workplace gender equity will be offered via Zoom before March 15.

9:30AM-11AM Reproductive Rights - meetings with legislators (Lead: Jen Wilbur of Planned Parenthood Alliance Advocates Hawai'i)

11AM-NOON Prep for equal pay meetings (Leads: Laurie Temple, Jean Evans - AAUW Hawai'i Public Policy Committee)

- Review of talking points and logistics

NOON-1PM Lunch (Leads: Laurie, Jean)

- Kickoff (Joanna Amberger, AAUW Hawai'i President)
- Q&A

1PM-3PM Equal Pay - meetings with legislators (Lead: Laurie, Jean)

- 12 chairs and vice chairs of Labor, Judiciary, and Money committees; six groups of AAUW Hawai'i members, two meetings per group
- AAUW Hawai'i members to meet with their state senators and house representatives
- 4 meetings per person, 20 minutes each

3PM-3:30PM Wrap up (Leads: Laurie, Jean)

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