



**Our April Meeting is Thursday April 13 at
the Redding Library
Doors open at 5:00 for our Members Fundraiser Sale
The Annual Business Meeting starts at 5:30**

Come early to browse the note cards and plant sale. Plants have been donated by some of our gardening members. Non-donated items will provide 20% of the sales to our fundraiser. All monies raised will support our Tech Trek fund. Thank you to the members who are participating to make this fundraiser possible. Purchases can be made by check or cash for \$30 dollars and less. Credit card sales will be available for larger purchases.



Annual Business Meeting



- Joann Roskoski, Branch AAUW Fund VP, will present the 2023 AAUW Fund Named Gift Honoree.
- Penny Harris, Chair of the Nominating Committee, will introduce the 2023-2024 nominated officers and call for members to vote on the proposed slate. Members will

receive the slate of officers along with their bios and the proposed Bylaw amendments fifteen days or more before the Annual Business meeting.

- Maureen Chenoweth, Chair of the Governance Committee, will introduce the proposed Bylaw changes that have been approved by the Board. Members will vote on the changes after the presentation.

Menu

Salads "From the Hearth": Kale Quinoa, Artichoke Pesto Pasta & Mixed Fruit.

Beverages: Lemonade, Water, Tea, Coffee, Red or White Wine.

\$12 if paid by 4/10/23, \$20 if paying at the door. RSVP by 4/10/23: Make check payable to AAUW and mail to Tammy Douse. Payment may also be made on our website: aauwredding.org, under payment choose Option #2-\$12. The meal is vegetarian.

President's Message

We just keep on movin'!

March was very busy!! A big round of applause for STEM Chair Lana Hill and the STEM Committee: the 2023 Women in STEM Conference was superb! Over 200 girls and 53 adults attended from all over the North State with many, many of you volunteering to keep things running smoothly!

On Golden Pond was a delight and the small bites delicious! Great job, Sharon and Debbie! The buyout brought in over \$2,000 for Scholarships.

Tech Trek Coordinator Sally Wallman, Education Chair Sharon Clairemont, and Debbie Stokes interviewed candidates for Tech Trek 2023 at UC Davis, and the Education Committee is meeting to select scholarship recipients.



Many thanks to Past President Penny Harris and the Nominating Committee for their work on the challenging job of recruiting candidates to lead the Branch next year. Please read the candidates' bios carefully before the Annual Meeting on April 13. Each of us values the right to vote! Your attendance at the Annual Meeting and voting when we elect officers lets the candidates know that we members have confidence in them. We will also vote on an amendment to the Standing Rules about collaboration with local organizations that share our mission and on proposed Branch dues for undergraduate and graduate students. Presentation of the award to the 2023 AAUW Fund Named Gift Honoree, door prizes, and a small fundraiser (plants and other items) will add to the festivities!

Holidays of several major world religions take place in April this year—Passover, Easter, and Eid-al-Fitr. Many other spiritual observances take place in the spring. I find myself wondering, what insights might we gain from each other in our journeys toward inclusion and empowerment of all women and girls?

Mari Ennis-Applegate, President 2022-2023



The *On Golden Pond* buyout netted over \$2,000 for scholarships! The play was excellent, the evening delightful! **A big thank you to:**

- Debbie Stokes who worked tirelessly organizing it and selling tickets;
- everyone who brought refreshments and helped in countless ways;
- everyone who bought tickets.

Next Board Meetings

All Board Meetings will be at 5:30 pm
at the Community Room,
Redding Library, 1100 Parkview Ave.

Monday, March 27

Monday, April 24

Monday, May 22

All members are welcome to attend Board Meetings. The agenda will be emailed one week prior to each meeting.

If you wish to speak to an agenda item at the meeting, please contact
President Mari Ennis-Applegate.

Women in STEM Conference - March 18



THANK YOU to all the volunteers who helped with the Women in STEM Conference and to the dozens of generous members who carefully planned and filled baskets for the event! We could not do it without YOU!

After a three-year absence due to COVID restrictions, we had a very successful conference at Shasta College. We are still collecting data and have not yet had a debrief meeting, but we can report that approximately 200 girls, 53 adults (teachers and parents) and nearly 100 volunteers and presenters were on-campus, as well as Shasta College support staff.

Approximately 45 schools from across the north state, as well as homeschooled girls, attended the event. Energy and excitement were high all day as girls attended four interactive presentations that they had selected from 21 STEM career pathways. We will post a photo album of the event on Facebook soon.

After our debrief meeting and once the data is finalized, we will be present our final report to the Board. Once accepted, the report will be available to members.

Lana Hill, STEM Chair, and the STEM Committee



Travel Interest Group Wednesday, April 26th at 5:30 At Karline's Restaurant



Join us for our last travel meeting until October. The highlight for April's meeting will be a presentation by Carol Schultz, Suzannah and Tim Gerlach of their trip last summer to Scotland.

The evening will start out with a travel short presentation of Death Valley.

If you are a new member to AAUW or a member who has never come before, I would like to extend a personal welcome to you. We meet at Karline's restaurant on 1100 Center Street, Redding.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Judy Bush and make a reservation.

Judy Bush, Travel Chair

Wine.



Wine and Brews Ridgetop Cellars Wednesday, April 12, 4:30

Just wine this month, no brews!

Please join us at the newly opened tasting room of Ridgetop Cellars. The owners, the Sepulveda Family, were one of the wineries pouring wine at our Starry Nights Art Show. In addition, Autumn

Sepulveda is a new member of AAUW.

Please bring an appetizer to share.

Tastings are \$10 or no charge for tasting with the purchase of a bottle of wine.

The winery is at 4229 Shasta Dam Boulevard, located in the triangle between east and west Shasta Dam Boulevard.

RSVP to Andi Winters by April 7.

Sharon Salpas and Andi Winters, Co-Chairs

Nominating Committee Report



The Nominating Committee for 2023-2024 composed of Pam Crowe, Sandra Tary, Frances Cole-Boyd, Adrienne Cowling and Penny Harris as chair met February 27th at Deja Vu restaurant in spite of the snow and slushy streets. Sandra Tary joined us by conference phone and we each proposed names of members who might be willing to serve as officers for the coming term.

We are pleased to announce the following nominees to the slate of officers for the 2023-2024 AAUW Redding Branch Board of Directors along with a brief bio for each. Elections will take place during the Branch meeting on April 13.



President Elect: Pending

Program Vice-President: Barbara Enochian

Barbara was born and raised in Long Beach, California and earned her BA in History of Art at UC Berkeley. She continued her art studies for 8 years at Shasta College and began teaching classes to children and adults at the Redding Museum of Art and History and at Redding School of the Arts. She now teaches art to adults in her west Redding studio

and exhibits her work regularly throughout Northern California and Oregon. Barbara has many other interests. She has taught yoga for 30 years, loves to play golf, walks every day, travels frequently, and tries to keep up with the 14 grandchildren she and her husband, Jack Kimple, share. She has



been active in nonprofit organizations, arts organizations, and is heavily involved with the yearly AAUW ART SHOW.

Membership Vice-President: Frances Cole-Boyd

After a year of 'sabbatical' as Membership VP, leaving it in the very capable hands of Carol Schultz, Frances looks forward to completing her second year as Membership VP. She chairs the Walking Interest Group and co-chairs the Women's Interest Group, has held the office of Corresponding Secretary, and enjoys assisting with special events. Frances earned her BA in Business Administration from the University of the Pacific and her master's in Social Work, with a focus in Gerontology, from CSU Chico. She came to Redding to be a hospice social worker and retired last summer as the Resident Service Coordinator at Mountain Vistas Senior Apartments. She continues to advocate for older adults serving as co-chair on both the Older Adult Policy Council and on the PSA 2 Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council.

AAUW Funds Vice-President: Joann Roskoski

Joann has been active in our Branch, serving previously as Membership Treasurer and AAUW Fund VP, since moving to Redding in 2014. She has a BA in Bacteriology from Douglass College, an MS in Ecology from Rutgers, and a PhD in Forest Ecology from Yale. Joann has led various agricultural and forestry studies around the world, including managing a tropical forestry grants program at the National Research Council. Her career culminated in being Acting Assistant Director for the Directorate for Biological Sciences at the National Science Foundation where, for 25 years, she held various management/leadership positions, all involving program/budget formation and execution.

Treasurer: Lana Hill

Lana has been an active member of our branch since 2011 and has served in many positions including webmaster, Home Tour Chair and multiple years as Women in STEM Conference Chair and Co-Chair. She currently serves on the board as STEM Chair. She holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from Penn State, two bachelors degrees, in Chemistry and Biology, from CSU Chico and has worked in the field of chemistry and management for more than 35 years. She and her husband raised three children in Redding, have two grandchildren and a puppy-girl named Hazel.

Recording Secretary: Linda Wright

A member of the Redding AAUW Branch since 1997, when she and her young daughter joined Serendipity Playgroup, Linda has served as President, Program VP, and Recording Secretary. She has been actively involved in Home Tour, STEM Conferences, Art Gala, numerous sections, and Branch newsletter editor for more than a decade. Linda has a BA in Paleontology from UC Berkeley, a background in Journalism and is a brand new grandma.





The Redding Branch is Pleased to Celebrate the AAUW Fund Named Gift Honoree Mari Ennis-Applegate

Mari has been a member of AAUW 12 years, joining the Redding Branch in 2016. She has served in various positions and on a number of committees. Undoubtedly, two stints in the Peace Corps, one in Colombia and then the Solomon Island, plus 15 years' employment at EDD, led to organizational skills that she has put to excellent use for the Branch. Leveraging her Spanish language fluency, she obtained a bilingual teaching credential, enriched the educational experiences of 1st and 2nd graders in Gerber School and honed skills useful for leading various Branch activities.

She served on the Home Tour and STEM committees, even volunteering her own home as a one of the 50th Anniversary Home Tour Houses. From 2020-2021, she was the Program VP, and although COVID made in-face meetings impossible, she created programs, aired via ZOOM, that were both educational and inspirational, like a Homage to Ruth Bader Ginsburg. In 2021-2022, as President-elect she led a committee that took on the important task of reviewing and revising the Branch By-laws and Standing Rules. Now as 2022-2023 President, she coordinated the activities of several committees that culminated in a new multi-day, fall scholarship fundraiser, called Three Days of Art in Caldwell Park, that included the AAUW Art Show, Starry Night of Art and Wine and the Kids Artfest that coordinated with the AAUW Fund On-line Auction. Not one to rest on her laurels, she then inspired the Branch to take a leadership role in a multi-organization Women of Shasta County Networking group as well as leading the Interactive Science Stations for the 2023 Stem Conference.

She retired from teaching in 2006 and, now in addition to all she does for AAUW, she is a member of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International and the California Retired Teachers Assoc., tutors as a Redding Library literacy volunteer, tends a large garden and although a lapsed Master Gardener, still helps other gardeners.

Mari's infectious enthusiasm, her drive to improve and evolve our Branch, her sense of humor, emotional intelligence, and her dedication to not only improving the lot of local girls and women but also her broader national and international perspective on the challenges girls and women face, have made her a vital member of our Branch. We are most pleased to name her the 2022-2023 Redding Branch AAUW Fund Named Gift Honoree.



PUBLIC POLICY: How to Change the World in 2 minutes (from AAUW CA)

By clicking on the "Two-Minute Activist" link below, you can become part of AAUW's advocacy by promoting laws that improve gender equity in equal pay, economic security and the workplace, equal access to quality public education, reproductive freedom, voting, affordable health care and housing, freedom from violence, increased representation of women in leadership roles, etc., in only 2 minutes. You will receive e-mail notices when your advocacy is needed most. AAUW will provide all the tools you need to call or send messages to your members of Congress, write letters to the editor in your local newspapers, contact your state legislators about pressing issues, and more in 2 minutes. Last year, our supporters sent federal and state legislators over 200,000 messages! With your help, our Action Network can continue to boost AAUW's influence on Capitol Hill and in statehouses across the nation.

What's next? **Click on our [Two-Minute Activist page](#)**, where you can take action on AAUW's priority issues today with the click of a button!

Learn how to empower women and girls in your community with our [advocacy how-to guides](#). Whether you're interested in organizing rallies, reaching out to the media, or getting out the vote, AAUW has the answers.

Get social with AAUW! Follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) to stay in-the-know about our newest public policy efforts.

For over 135 years, AAUW has been the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls – and we don't intend to quit. Together, we can make a difference. Thank you for joining our community dedicated to advancing education and equity for women and girls. We hope you'll invite friends and family to become part of this powerful network!

Susan Morris Wilson
Public Policy Chair



NEW MEMBER EVENT - MAY 18

Our annual New and Prospective Members event will be Thursday, May 18 at Maureen's beautiful home in west Redding.

Save the date and let Carol Schultz know of women you think would be interested in joining our Branch. Carol will be sending invitations to the activity leaders, board members and, of course, the new and prospective members.

Thank you! *Carol Schultz*

Theater Arts – AAUW Community Connection Events



Axiom Repertory Theatre: *Ruthless the Musical*
- Smart & Funny. Sunday, May 14 at 2 pm

**Cascade Theatre: North State Symphony
Masterworks 4 - Saturday, May 13 at 7:30 pm**

Cascade Theatre: *James Garner's Tribute to Johnny Cash* - Sunday, July 2 at 3 pm

**Redding Civic Auditorium: *Riverdance* -
Thursday, May 11 at 7 pm
Check the website – reddingcivic.com**

**Shasta College: visit the website at
shastacollege.edu**

For more about what's happening in Community Theater Arts, contact Pat Williams or Gwen Knaebel.

Suggestions of how to continue to enrich this program are always welcome.

AAUW Walking/Hiking Group

April Walks - A perfect way to get out and see the wildflowers. Please let Frances know if you will be walking so you don't get left behind.

Tuesday Walks (8:00 am meeting time, unless otherwise noted):

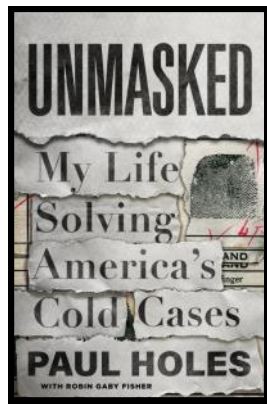
- 4/4 Blue Gravel Mine Trail (meet at Holiday Parking lot at Placer & Buenaventura)
- 4/11 **(10:00 am meet time)** Sundial Bridge
- 4/18 Churn Creek Trail (park at Lema Ranch – Shasta View/Hemingway parking lot)
- 4/25 Senior Center

Saturday Walks (8:00 am meeting time, unless otherwise noted):

- 4/1 Lema Ranch (Shasta View/Hemingway parking lot)
- 4/8 Clover Creek Preserve
- 4/15 Upper Salt Creek Trail, 2 miles one way. (CARPOOL: We will meet at Grocery Outlet Parking lot. Eureka Way & Buenaventura)
- 4/22 **(10:00 am meet time)** Blue Gravel Mine Trail (meet at Holiday Parking lot at Placer & Buenaventura)
- 4/29 Yana Trail/Sacramento River Bend Trail, from Oak Slough Trailhead or Jelly's Ferry boat launch area. (CARPOOL: We will meet at the Save Mart/Ross parking lot.) Bring a lunch.

Frances Cole-Boyd, Chair





April Book Section
Tuesday, April 18, at 2:00 pm

Unmasked - My Life Solving America's Cold Cases
By Paul Holes

Unmasked is a memoir that "grabs its reader in a stranglehold and proves more fascinating than fiction and darker than any noir narrative."
(*LA Magazine*)

"When I look back at my long career, there is a lot I am proud of. I have caught some of the most notorious killers of the twenty-first century and brought justice and closure for their victims and families. I want to tell you about a lifetime solving these cold cases, from Laci Peterson to Jaycee Dugard to the Pittsburg homicides to, yes, my twenty-year-long hunt for the Golden State Killer.

But a deeper question eats at me as I ask myself, at what cost? I have sacrificed relationships, joy - even fatherhood - because the pursuit of evil always came first. Did I make the right choice? It's something I grapple with every day. Yet as I stand in the spot where a young girl took her last breath, as I look into the eyes of her family, I know that, for me, there has never been a choice. 'I don't know if I can solve your case,' I whisper. 'But I promise I will do my best.'"

RSVP to Host: Annette Spitsen
Leader: Martha Hamon

Debbie Spiess
Book Sections Chair

Drama Divas
Wednesday, April 5, 1 - 4 pm
Hostess: Judy Champagne (RSVP by April 3)

All AAUW members are welcome to join us as we read this month's play: ***Sylvia* by A.R. Gurney**. You are in for a treat as this play is extraordinary! It was performed locally about 20 years ago and starred John Truitt who finds a dog in the park, and Nadia who plays the dog so well! The acting was incredible as they truly embraced A.R. Gurney's storyline. Comedy at its finest!



Past Presidents Monthly Luncheon

Date: April 6, 2023

Time: 11:30 am

Place: LuLu's Bar and Grill
2230 Pine Street
Redding, CA 96001

RSVP: Tara Swanson

Deadline: April 4, 2023



Drama Divas donated 9 gift baskets to the STEM conference. So thank you to all who contributed baskets, goodies and cash. You are awesome!

Have you wondered what Drama Divas is all about? Come on out for an afternoon of fun reading and check us out. Contact Tammy Douse for more details!

RSVP to Hostess: Judy Champagne (so Judy knows how much seating is needed)

May 3: Hostess needed

June 7: Sharon Salpas' Season Finale Potluck lunch starting at 11:30 with a play reading to follow.

Tammy Douse
Drama Divas Chair

Local Businesses that Support AAUW Redding Branch, Inc.

Please patronize these businesses and tell them where you saw their name.

For information about renting a monthly 3" by 3.5" square, Contact Debbie Stokes.

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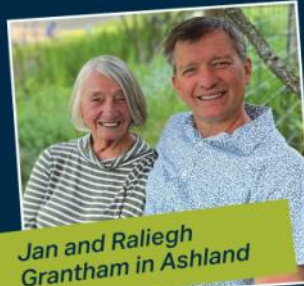


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There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

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