

*Join Us!*

**Thursday June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 5:00 pm**  
**Redding Library Community Room**  
**Meet Officer Danielle Chabolla**  
**Our Guest Speaker**



Officer Chabolla is a Community Service Officer for the Redding Police Department. In the three plus years in this job, she has been in charge of the Neighborhood Watch Program and National Night Out. She also serves as a Field Training Officer, Explorer advisor, Cadet advisor and is part of the Crime Scene ID tech team.

Danielle will share information on women in law enforcement, crime prevention techniques and crime statistics in the Redding area.



**During this meeting our Branch will also be recognizing our 50+ year members, installing the 2023-2024 Officers and presenting the WOA to Linda Wright.**

### **Menu**

Menu: Beef, chicken or ham & cheese croissant 1/2 Sandwich from Costco, green salad, chips, cookies, nuts, water, lemonade, wine, coffee or tea. \$12 with reservation, paid in advance, \$20 if late or paying at the door.

RSVP by Monday, June 12th. Make check payable to AAUW and send to Tammy Douse, or go to [AAUWredding.org](http://AAUWredding.org), under payments select Option #2-\$12 or #7-\$12, vegetarian.

**Please do not show up without a reservation. Thank you.**

### **September 14 Redding Branch Riverfront Buyout**

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This smash-hit musical with well-loved songs and right-on patter will keep you laughing and humming along to pop hits of the '50s & '60s.

We'll have tickets at the June 15 meeting so bring your checkbooks! It's early to think about September, you say—true, but only a couple of Branch meetings take place before then. Get your tickets now, and plan to bring friends! \$35 ticket includes social time before the play, delicious food, and a festive evening at this fundraiser to send eighth grade girls to Tech Trek Camp for a week.

## President's Message

### *Looking Forward*

Summer is almost upon us! Gardens are planted, and some are already producing. You (as I) may have plans for getting out and about this summer, perhaps early morning walks, trips to the mountains, or visits from loved ones and friends. Aren't plans wonderful for keeping us focused on the future?



Review of the 2022-23 Action Plan is complete, and work on the 2023-24 plan has begun. Your leadership team for this year is preparing the handover to the capable hands of incoming President Maureen Chenoweth and the new Board. We will install these creative and committed women on June 15 and will hold a Board-to-Board meeting on June 26.

Another important event will take place at that June 15 meeting: All of you 50+ year members will soon receive a special invitation. We want to honor you wonderful women and present you with an AAUW Gold Member pin. By the way, in our Branch, we have the only 75-year California member—Bea Currie. Congratulations, Bea!

Serving you as a member of the Branch leadership *team* (the Board plus all of the members who have taken on specific jobs) has been an honor. We have endeavored to maintain the high standards set by dedicated women before us and respond to the challenges that face us through a steady focus on AAUW's mission to empower women and girls and also through local networking. On behalf of this year's hardworking *team*, thank you all for inspiring us and for supporting our efforts!

Happy summer and onward!

—Mari



#### **Past Presidents Monthly Luncheon**

**Date:** June 1, 2023

**Time:** 11:30 am

**Place:** Fratelli's Pizza Parlor  
1774 California Street  
Redding, CA 96001

**RSVP:** Tara Swanson

**Deadline:** May 30, 2023



#### **Next Board Meeting**

**Monday, June 26: Board-to-Board**  
at Maureen Chenoweth's home

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.



*Scholarship recipients left to right: Taya Henry, Carmen Ott, Rebecca Wagner*

## **Scholarship Recipients Honored**

Our branch was pleased to host our Shasta College scholarship recipients at our May meeting. They shared with us their intended colleges, majors, and career plans. We thought members unable to attend the May meeting would like to know:

Taya Henry, a native of Oroville, plans to attend the University of Arkansas where she will major in Agriculture Education and obtain a teaching credential as well as a master's degree. She would like to become an agriculture teacher for high school students.

Carmen Ott, of Redding, will attend the University of California, Irvine in Orange County. She will major in ecology and evolutionary genetics. She hopes she can use her masters and doctorate degrees to advance research in medical genetics.

Rebecca Wagner, of Redding, will attend UCLA. Her academic goals are to earn a bachelor's degree in mathematics and economics, a master's degree in quantitative economics and a Ph.D. in economics. She would like to work in research or teach economics with an emphasis on the mathematical concepts behind the theories of micro- and macroeconomics.

Ashley Sherbundy, of Redding, was unable to attend the Branch meeting. She will attend National University and intends to earn a master's degree in psychology. Her career goal is to become a therapist and women's advocate. She especially hopes to establish a counseling practice in Shasta County.

Our scholarship fundraising efforts this year are encouraging four intelligent, determined, resourceful women who have overcome significant obstacles and who are extremely grateful to receive our generous support.

**-Sharon Clairemont, Chair**

## **Wines and Brews,**

Beginning in September Nancy Randall will be chairing Wines and Brews.

Sharon and Andi would like to thank all those that participated throughout the last two years. When we began Wines and Brews in September 2021 our goal was to have an enjoyable, social event for meeting our members and their spouses and learning about new venues in the community.



*April 2023 Wine and Brews at Ridgetop Cellars in Shasta Lake City*

It has been an enjoyable time and we know Nancy will capably and successfully carry on this group in the future. We look forward to great times with discoveries of new wines and brews and new friends when we meet again in September! Thanks, Nancy!

**-Sharon Salpas and Andi Winters, Co-Chairs**



## Women in STEM Conference 2023 - We're Back!

Redding AAUW branch has been hosting conferences since 1995 when we collaborated with SCOE and Shasta College to create the first Math and Science conference for junior high girls in Redding. This association continued through 2014 when size and logistics required a move to another location until 2023. We are delighted to be back at Shasta College.

The 2023 Women in STEM Conference was a great success:

- 60 schools registered from across the north state representing Siskiyou, Shasta, Tehama, Trinity, Glenn, Butte and Lassen counties.
- 212 girls and 32 adults (teachers and parents) attended the conference where
- 35 professional STEM women presented 25 STEM career pathways.
- 12 Interactive Stations provided explorations in STEM subjects during morning registration and lunch.

It was a very busy and engaging day!

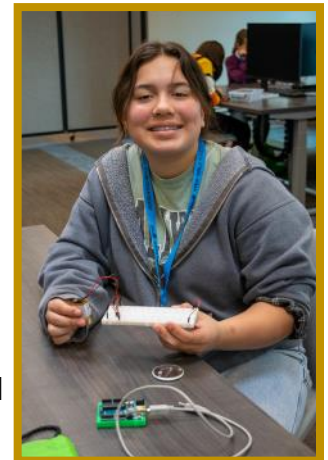
More than a dozen famous women in STEM as well as local notable women in STEM were featured throughout the event this year so that our girls may appreciate the great contribution women have made in these career fields.

A host of generous volunteers were busy across the Shasta College campus to bring this unique event to our North State girls. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event a success. I want to give a special shout-out to Joann Roskoski, Sharon Clairemont, Penny Harris, Maureen Chenoweth, Anne Prielipp, Gail Paulsen, Pris Brutlag, Alison Krupit, Mari and the many committee members who worked so diligently to bring the event to fruition. And a special thank you to all of the interest groups who donated items to fill 30 gift baskets! The girls loved them! Thank you, ladies, you're the best!

We are also grateful for the support of the 10 sponsors who helped to make this event possible.

Please follow this link to a video of conference highlights: <https://fb.watch/kBtwK16BEE/>

-Lana Hill, STEM Chair



May 4, 2023  
AAUW Past Presidents First Thursday Monthly Luncheon  
assembled at Corbett's today. Take note of the smiling  
faces gathered together. These ladies are definitely  
happy to see each other.



Thanks to  
**Frances Cole  
Boyd** for use of  
her beautiful  
spring pictures  
taken locally while  
on the AAUW  
Walking/Hiking  
Group outings.  
Thanks also goes  
to **Noella Pearson**  
for her creative  
photo montages  
displayed monthly.



# AAUW Redding Branch Woman of Achievement Linda Wright and Nancy Hill

The Branch Woman of Achievement award is bestowed upon a member who advances the mission through service in leadership within the branch and/or out in the community and exemplifies those personal qualities that make her a role model while promoting positive societal changes.

We celebrated our Branch and Community Women of Achievement at our last branch meeting on May 11. Linda Wright is our Branch WOA and Nancy Hill is our Community WOA for 2023. Here is a little bit about them:

## Nancy Hill

Nancy has had an exemplary professional 35 year career in education, advancing and developing her leadership skills, teaching music, directing programs and performances including choral and dance. In addition she has mastered the use of advanced technical skills that are critically needed when staging theater performances.

Most of you, if not all of you, are aware that Nancy along with her husband Ken is the co-owner and operator of Redding's very successful Axiom Repertory Theatre.

Nancy recently added the directorship of the Shasta County Arts Council to her management list, putting her on the cutting edge of art focused leadership positions in the State of California.

Congratulations, Nancy. We are delighted to have you, a recognized leader in our community and in our state, as our 2023 AAUW Redding Branch Community Woman of Achievement.

**-Gwen Knaebel**



*Gwen Kaneable (left) and Tara Swanson (right) presented the Community WOA award to Nancy Hill (center). Linda Wright, Branch WOA was unable to attend.*

## Linda Wright

This year's Branch award goes to Linda Wright. Linda has served our branch for many years in numerous positions with a style of leadership that is both participative and transformational. She has been an invaluable resource on an ongoing basis, both with the Home Tour and with the STEM Conference. But newer members may not know that she has also served as Co-President of our Branch, and Recording Secretary.



One of Linda's greatest talents is with writing and proofing. In that capacity, she edited and proofed our newsletter previously, as well as in her current position of Newsletter Editor. And we have all benefitted from those same talents most recently through her contributions to the STEM Task Force, editing and publishing our Directory, the Home Tour Ticket Guide, the Communications Committee, and the Five Star Committee. Her ongoing commitment to the goals and mission of AAUW is awe-inspiring! It is also important to note here that she served on the

Shasta County Grand Jury, and quickly became known to her peers as one that they could count on to write and proof many of their findings.

On a personal note, Linda is best known to us as the person who is first to welcome people in, both the Branch and in her circle of friends. She actively reaches out to all of us with a warm and winning heart. And the children in her immediate family as well as children in the community have benefitted immensely from that same commitment and caring spirit. Her first grandchild, newly arrived Aiden, is the most recent beneficiary! Going into next year, we will all continue to benefit from Linda's expertise as she takes on again the critical position of Recording Secretary on our AAUW Redding Branch Board. We applaud you, Linda!

**-Maureen Chenoweth**

## Book Section for June 2023

Our book group met on May 16 and chose the selections for the 2023-2024 sections. We enjoyed our appetizer/salad/dessert dinner, had a good visit, and nominated many excellent books. There was lively discussion and it was difficult to choose only eight books. We look forward to reading the final choices and having more lively discussions this coming year. If you would like to join us, all are welcome.



September 19: **Remarkably Bright Creatures** by Shelby Van Pelt

October 17: **Lessons in Chemistry** by Bonnie Garmus

November 14: **Northanger Abbey** by Jane Austin

December 19: **Meet Me at the Museum** by Anne Youngston

January 16: **Demon Copperhead** by Barbara Kingsolver

February 20: **This Tender Land** by William Kent Kruger

March 19: **The Secret Life of Sunflowers** by Marta Molnar

April 16: **Coronary: A True Story of Medicine Gone Awry** by Stephen Klaidmon

-Debbie Spiess, Chair

## LGBTQIA+ PRIDE MONTH:

From the [Library of Congress](#):

*“Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month is currently celebrated each year in the month of June to honor the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in Manhattan. The Stonewall Uprising was a tipping point for the Gay Liberation Movement in the United States. In the United States the last Sunday in June was initially celebrated as ‘Gay Pride Day,’ but the actual day was flexible. The purpose of the commemorative month is to recognize the impact that lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals have had on history locally, nationally, and internationally.”*

LGBTQIA+ is one of the current descriptions used to describe the population of lesbian, gay, bisexual, pansexual, transgender, non-binary, intersex, queer, questioning and asexual individuals in our community. It is more accurate than most of the language that is used to label this group.

In July 2021, for the first time ever, the Census Bureau initiated a series of nationwide surveys that included questions about sexual orientation and gender identity. One of the primary missions of the Census Bureau is to develop a factual demographic, social, and economic understanding of the United States:

California has the largest lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender population—2.7 million—in the nation.

California’s share of adults who identify as LGBT (9.1%) is considerably higher than the share in the rest of the nation (7.9%).

According to this data, about half (49%) of LGBT adults in California describe themselves as bisexual, similar to the rest of the US. Slightly over one third (36%) describe themselves as gay or lesbian, and 15% as transgender.

The data indicates that there are 543,000 same-sex married couple households, 469,000 same-sex unmarried partner households, and 191,000 children living with same sex parents.

For more information on the LGBTQIA+ population in California go to the Public Policy Institute: <https://www.ppic.org/blog/californias-lgbt-population/>

Please attend the 2023 Redding Pride Festival on Saturday, June 3 from noon to 4 pm at Redding City Hall. Also consider donating to [nocaloutreach.org](http://nocaloutreach.org) or attending their Drag Performance fundraiser, ***The Show Must Go On!*** At the Cascade Theatre, June 3, 7 pm—9 pm.

-Susan Morris Wilson, Public Policy Chair



## Travel Interest Group

In the last year and a half, we have enjoyed our members' adventures in Ireland, India, Iceland, Maine and Canada, Alaska, and Scotland. Our last meeting was on April 26<sup>th</sup> with a marvelous presentation from Carol Schultz, Suzannah and Tim Gerlach on their fabulous trip to Scotland.

As you travel this summer, take lots of pictures with the idea of sharing your special trip with the travel group. Many of you are taking grandchildren traveling. Major national parks have junior ranger books for kids from about 4 years old to 13. When your grandchild hands a completed book into the visitor center, the rangers celebrate by announcing this accomplishment. The child takes an oath to preserve the park and receives a nice park specific badge. Many state parks have activity books also.

The Travel Interest Group is open to all members. 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 to join us next year for more adventures. We hold dinner meetings at Karline's restaurant in Redding.

For travelers and homebodies, here is a fun, new travel show you might enjoy streaming on Apple TV+: **The Reluctant Traveler** starring Eugene Levy. Genre: Travel documentary; 8 episodes. The series follows Canadian actor Eugene Levy as he travels to remarkable hotels around the world and explores the places and cultures.

See you in October.

-Judy Bush, Chair

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### Drama Divas--Potluck--June 7, 2023, 11:30 Hostess: Sharon Salpas, RSVP for directions

Bring a dish to share and a play reading will follow. Ride sharing recommended. Bring \$11 to cover next season's play costs which covers plays and postage. Drama Divas is a fun and casual group that reads a play aloud, (we have 10 copies), and then discusses it. Meet and make new friends and gather with already friends for a delightful afternoon. All AAUW members are welcome to join us. We meet the first Wednesday afternoon starting in September. Contact Tammy Douse for ride sharing or joining us.



We will finish our season by reading *The Nerd*, a comedy by Larry Shue. Set in Terre Haute, Indiana in late 1979, *The Nerd* centers on the hilarious dilemma of a young architect who is visited by Rick Steadman, a fellow ex-GI whom he has never met but who saved his life after he was seriously wounded in Vietnam. Willum is delighted when Rick shows up unexpectedly at his apartment on the night of his thirty-fourth birthday party. However, Rick's awkward manner and inappropriate behavior throw the occasion into shambles. It turns out that Rick is a stupid nerd who overstays his welcome with a vengeance.

-Tammy Douse, Chair

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### Theater Arts – AAUW Redding Branch Community Connection

*A Note from Gwen* - Having enjoyed being on the faculty of schools in the Shasta Union High School District, I couldn't resist a last minute attendance to see the Shasta High School presentation of "Mama Mia" at the Marr Auditorium. Delightful!

Those of us in attendance at our recent branch meeting were delighted to see Nancy Hill, our very own member, the Shasta County Arts Council Director and an Axiom Theater co-owner be named our Community Woman of Achievement! Thanks to Tara Swanson for presiding over the presentation of the award and the gifts to Nancy.

Keep tabs on upcoming summer event happenings in the community by subscribing to the Shasta County Arts Council Newsletter!

-Pat Williams and Gwen Knaebel, Co-Chairs

# AAUW Walking/Hiking Group

## June 2023 Walks

All walks will begin at 8:00 am. Our walks have been gorgeous. Make sure you let Frances know if you plan to walk. Walks are sometimes canceled or rescheduled, plus we don't want to leave you!

### Tuesday Walks

6/6 Senior Center

Wednesday 6/14 Red Bluff Adventure. Walking, eating, and a stop at Gaumer's Jewelry, Museum, and Lapidary (Carpool: TBD) NOTE: This is a Wednesday, not a Tuesday

6/20 Sundial Bridge

6/27 Lema Ranch

### Saturday Walks

6/3 Churn Creek Trail (NOTE: park at Lema Ranch – Shasta View/Hemingway parking lot)

6/10 Walk along the river with light brunch afterwards. Meet at Frances's.

6/17 Clover Creek (parking lot off of Shasta View & Galaxy)

6/24 Sundial Bridge



-Frances Cole-Boyd, Chair

## Round Robin Book Group



***Been part of this group? Interested in joining in our 2023-2024 reading adventures?***

**Join us at a luncheon potluck at noon on Thursday, June 8 at the home of Annette Spitsen**

How Round Robin works:

- Members read recently published (within past 2 years) hardback books, both fiction and non-fiction.
- Books are chosen in July from a ballot composed of suggestions from Round Robin members.
- \$20 a year is the total cost. A best seller for \$2 a month!
- Members receive a new book on the 1st of each month, beginning in September. This book is rotated to the next person on your group list at the end of the month.
- Members do not meet monthly to discuss the books.
- New members are welcome. However, interest must be determined by July 1 so they can be included in a rotation list of participating members.
- Books are collected in the spring and sold at the September meeting with proceeds going to AAUW projects.

-Annette Spitsen, Chair



# Community Events

Want to stay informed about what is happening in our community as it relates to our mission? These information sources suggested by members may interest you.

## Newsletter

New member Lynn Fritz's newsletter—community events, trainings or issues: Email Lynn at [lynnprod@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lynnprod@sbcglobal.net). Include first and last name and phone number. You can opt out from the newsletter at any time.

## Organizations and Their Websites

Beloved Community Shasta County: on Facebook

Children's Legacy Center: <https://www.childrenlegacycenter.org/>

Girls, Inc. of the Northern Sacramento Valley: <https://www.girlsincnsv.org/>

League of Women Voters of the Redding Area: [my.lwv.org](http://my.lwv.org)

Older Adult Policy Council

Nor-Cal Think Pink: <https://www.norcalthinkpink.org/>

One Safe Place: <https://ospshasta.org>

S.C.C.A.R. Shasta County Citizens Advocating Respect: <https://www.niot.org/group/shasta-county-citizens-advocating-respect-sccar>

Society of Women Engineers: Proposed Shasta Cascade Section of the Society of Women Engineers on Facebook

The Women's Fund Reimagined: <https://womensfundredding.org/>

## Radio & TV Stations

KFOI 90.9 FM <https://www.kfoiradio.org/>

KKRN 88.5 FM <https://kkrn.org/>

KCHO 91.7 FM Chico-Northstate Public Radio. [myspr.org](http://myspr.org)

KFPR 88.9 FM Redding-Northstate Public Radio. [myspr.org](http://myspr.org)

KNCA 89.7 FM Burney/Redding-Jefferson Public Radio, Rhythm & News. <https://www.ijpr.org/>

KWCA 101.1 FM Redding-Jefferson Public Radio, Classics & News. <https://www.ijpr.org/>

KJPR AM1330 Shasta Lake City/Redding-Jefferson Public Radio, News & Information. <https://www.ijpr.org/>

KIXE TV--PBS **KIXE** 9-1 · **KIXE** 9-2 · **KIXE** 9-3. Northern California Educational Television.

## Media

A News Cafe: [anewscafe.com](http://anewscafe.com)

Shasta Scout: [annelisepierce@shastascout.org](mailto:annelisepierce@shastascout.org)

## 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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