

***We're going to have another amazing  
Starry Night!***

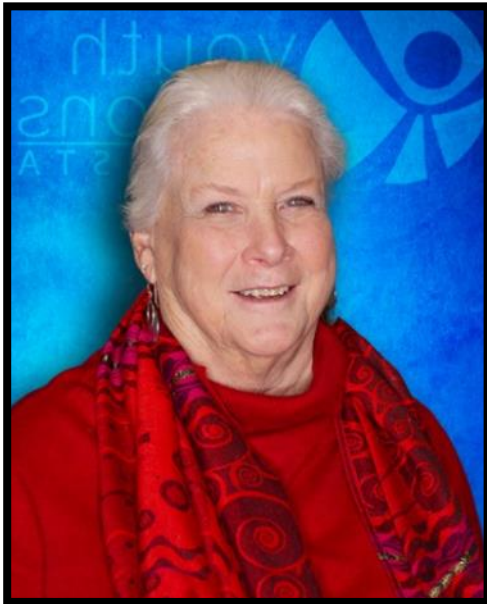
**What:** A fabulous art show, silent auction, and wine tasting.

**Where:** At the North Valley Art League's Carter House Gallery in Caldwell Park, Redding.

**When:** The main event is Friday evening, November 3rd, from 4:00 pm to 7:30 p.m., featuring the art show, silent auction and wine tasting. The art show will also be open for a preview and art sales Thursday and Friday, November 2nd and 3rd, 11:00 am-4:00 pm, and more art sales on Saturday, November 4th, 11:00 am-3:30 pm.

**Why:** This is our branch's great Fall Fundraiser for local scholarships!

All branch members will receive two tickets to buy/sell. Tickets will be distributed at our September 28 branch meeting. Of course, you may have all the additional tickets you want. Tickets are for general admission (\$30) to the Friday night event. Tickets for wine tasting (\$10) can be purchased on our



**October 12th Meeting, 5:00 pm**  
**Redding Public Library Community Room**  
**Speaker: Susan Wilson, Executive Director,**  
**Youth Violence Prevention Council**

Most members are acquainted with our own long-time AAUW member Susan Wilson who has been active in our community for many years. She expertly moderates forums, assumes leadership roles with ease, and is currently President of the League of Women Voters as well as a past president of AAUW.

In her position as Executive Director of the Youth Violence Prevention Council, Susan is focused on helping kids who have made bad choices to redirect their lives. At our next AAUW meeting she will explain the Youth Peer Court, in which kids who are in trouble have their offenses judged by their peers and pay back the community

through appropriate service. The program gives them an intimate look at the legal system. One of Susan's surprising comments was that a lot of future lawyers get their first taste of law in Youth Peer Court!

Please join us for this engaging speaker, a brief presentation by the Tech Trek girls and a light dinner on October 12th.

**Menu:** Fresh salads From The Hearth: Kale Quinoa, Artichoke Pesto, Apple Fennel Slaw and Fruit. Cocktail shrimp, cookies, nuts, water, lemonade, coffee and tea will also be provided. **\$10 with RSVP by 10/9.** \$15 if late or paying at the door. Mail check payable to AAUW and mail to Tammy Douse or use our website <http://www.aauwredding.org>, go to payment and select Option #1 for \$10, choose Option #5 if vegetarian.

## A Message from the President

Fall has officially arrived! In September we held a theater buyout at the Riverfront Playhouse to benefit our Tech Trek program. The cast and play were excellent, and we enjoyed each other's company while noshing on fabulous appetizers. Oh wait, the most important part was that we netted over \$1,900 for our middle school campers! We have high hopes of sending FIVE girls this next summer! Speaking of Tech Trek, if you really want to be inspired, please join us at this month's Branch Meeting to hear directly from the girls who attended this past summer. You will love them! In addition, Susan Wilson will present another inspiring program – The Shasta County Youth Peer Court. I hope to see you there!

Each year during this season, we have the opportunity to provide yet another fundraiser event to benefit local scholarships and the AAUW National Fund. But we also have the opportunity to improve upon and advance our goals. What has your Board and the Fundraising Committee been up to?

- Planned the Starry Night of Art and Wine event for November 3, 2023. Look to buy your tickets at this month's Branch Meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, they will be mailed to you. You may also purchase the tickets on our website or pay by check (and mail back to the P. O. Box). It promises to be lots of fun!
- Moved the AAUW Silent Auction to the Spring of 2024 to allow for extra time to gather great bidding items!
- Made tentative plans to conduct a Home and Garden Tour for the Spring of 2024.
- We are also looking into ways to provide donors with a tax-deductible receipt. Our Branch is a 501(c)(4). While we are a non-profit, this category does not provide tax deductibility. We are researching the possibility of either becoming 501(c)(3) or participating in the SFP through AAUW California to provide the same benefits.

Please make sure that you contact anyone of us on the Board if you would like to help with any or all of these events and/or endeavors. Your participation makes all the difference! And as a reminder, you are always most welcome to attend any Board meeting. Information on attending is included in this and all newsletters.

In solidarity,  
*Maureen Chenoweth*  
AAUW Redding Branch President

### Upcoming Board Meetings

October 23

November 27

**There is no Board Meeting in December**

We meet at 5:30 pm at the Shasta County Public Library.

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



*The recent buyout at the Riverfront Playhouse was enjoyed by members and guests. (Photos by Noella Pearson)*



The background of the poster is a reproduction of J.M.W. Turner's painting 'Rain, Steam, and Great Bridges' (1844). The painting depicts a view of London from the River Thames, featuring the Maidenhead Railway Bridge and the Maidenhead Railway Station. The scene is characterized by a hazy, atmospheric setting with rain and steam rising from the bridge and the station. The color palette is dominated by soft, muted tones of grey, blue, and brown, with highlights of white steam and the warm tones of the buildings and bridge. The brushwork is visible, giving the painting a textured, impressionistic feel.

# STARRY NIGHT

## of Art and Wine

Art Sales | Wine Tasting  
Silent Auction | Appetizers

**November 3, 2023**

**4:00-7:30PM**

NVAL | 48 Quartz Hill Road, Redding

Tickets: \$30 | Wine Tasting: \$10

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**Tickets**



## **PUBLIC POLICY-DIVERSITY, EQUITY and INCLUSION**

### **AAUW CALIFORNIA Expands Education Goal and Establishes New Project**

A Pause to Reflect in the Midst of **National Hispanic Heritage Month** (September 15th - October 15th).

**Latina Equal Pay Day is October 5th** and the day to remember that Latina women are paid on average 54 cents for every dollar paid to non-hispanic white men.

**The good news is when women organize progress is made.**

Recently about 50 immigrant Hispanic women in New York City organized the first US women-led workers' hub through which they have created **Liberty Cleaners**, an educational-advocacy group where they learn about their rights for fair wages and safe working conditions as well as green cleaning procedures.

Closer to us, the mostly Latina immigrant garment workers in LA County experience "wage theft" and deplorable working conditions. Sixty per cent of all US fashion garment workers are in the LA area. Recently they organized and formed **Remake**, a women's rights group for ethical fashion and were able to get SB 62, The Garment Workers Protection Act, passed and signed into law by Gov. Newsom.

But what about our nation's **Dreamers and DACA**? The Dreamers are undocumented immigrants brought to the USA as young children who live here without legal status. In 2012 President Obama signed an executive order called the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program or DACA which is a two year renewable work permit with access to student loans and other programs. It is a temporary program which has been on a legal roller coaster for years and last month was declared illegal again. A case to determine its legality is expected to go to the US Supreme Court. Experts say a bill passed by congress is the legal way to give the Dreamers a pathway to citizenship.

Roberto G. Gonzales, Harvard Professor of Education has written **Lives in Limbo: Undocumented and Coming of Age in America** in which he profiles young adults and the positive effects of DACA not only in the lives of the DACA youth, but in their families and their communities.

**What can we do?** Perhaps read Professor Gonzales' book, look into Remake's clothing industry vision or what the NYC Liberty Cleaners are up to, and support local Hispanic businesses. La Cabana anyone?

Penny Harris  
Public Policy, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Chair

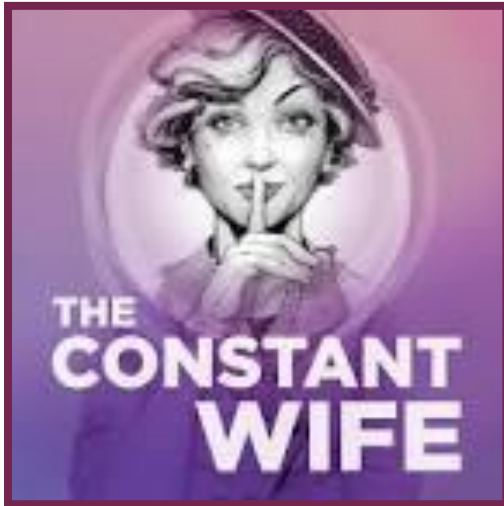
### **AAUW October Past Presidents First Thursday Monthly Luncheon October 5th, 11: 30 am, C.R. Gibbs, 2300 Hilltop Drive RSVP to Noella Pearson by October 3rd**



*The September Past Presidents Luncheon at Cheesecakes had nine past presidents attending. (Photo by Noella Pearson)*



**Drama Divas - Season Opening**  
**Wednesday, October 4th, 1-4 p.m.**  
**Hostess: Mari Ennis-Applegate**



Welcome to our 23rd Season of Drama Divas, the AAUW Round Robin version of plays. We receive ten copies each month to read and review. Join us for a delightful afternoon of play reading, delectable treats and beverages and great conversations! Open to all AAUW members. The annual fee of \$11 covers the cost of postage to receive the plays.

We will be reading Somerset Maugham's play, *The Constant Wife*, a play written in 1926. It is a comedy whose modern and amusing take on marriage and infidelity gives a quick-witted alternative view on how to deal with an extramarital affair.

Please RSVP to Mari so she knows how many to prepare for.

Future play reading dates:

November 8th, 1:00—4:00 pm Hostess needed

December 6th, 1:00—4:00 pm Hostess needed

Questions about Drama Divas? Contact Tammy Douse. We generally meet the first Wednesday of each month from October-June. In November we moved the meeting to the following week due to the 11/3 Starry Night Art Reception.

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## **Movies Spark Animated Conversations**

The Redding Branch Movie Group has met for about 20 years. A group of 20 to 30 members and their spouses watch two or three movies per month and meet at a restaurant in the evening to discuss the movies. Two members coordinate Movie Group while different volunteers give a brief presentation and then the whole group discusses the movie.

Recent movies have included: *Oppenheimer*, *Barbie*, *Asteroid City*, *Call Me Kate*, *Don't Look Up*, *She Said*, *The Whale*, *Women Talking* (nicely presented by two husbands). We've also discussed documentaries like *The Dust Bowl*, *The Great Hack*, and *Crip Camp*.

The reason this has been a closed group is that it's so popular that members rarely quit once they've joined. Plus, most restaurant meeting rooms have a cap on the number of people allowed at one time.

If you're interested in being a part of Movie Group, there are two options: contact a coordinator to get on the waiting list or volunteer to coordinate another Movie Group. A newly formed Movie Group doesn't need to look like the current one. It could meet during the day instead of the evening or members could watch the movie together and then go to a restaurant after to discuss it or they could meet at someone's house to stream a movie and discuss it after.

For more information, contact chairs Alison Krupit or Pam Crowe.





## The Walking Group

We are out and about again, not only walking and enjoying each other's company, but also doing good deeds. On one of our walks, we noticed smoke coming from a log near the River Trail. We called 911, then waited and guided in the fire department, who promptly dealt with the smoldering log. *(Photos by Frances Cole-Boyd)*

### **Tuesday Walks (8:00 am meeting time):**

- 10/3 Lassen Park (trail TBD) We will meet at the Macy's parking lot and carpool.
- 10/10 Churn Creek Trail (meet at Lema Ranch Shasta View/Hemingway parking)
- 10/17 Senior Center (2290 Benton Drive)
- 10/24 Lema Ranch (Shasta View/Hemingway parking)
- 10/31 Sundial Bridge

### **Saturday Walks (8:00 am meeting time):**

- 10/7 Sundial Bridge
- 10/14 Clover Creek Preserve (parking lot at Shasta View & Venus)
- 10/21 Senior Center (2290 Benton Drive)
- 10/28 Lema Ranch (Shasta View/Hemingway parking)

## Women's Issues

**October 10th, 5:00 pm**

Fifteen AAUW members met on September 12<sup>th</sup> to discuss one of the issues that National AAUW is exploring. Facilitated by Carolyn Chandler, members shared a thoughtful discussion on education and Title IX. This included members' experiences when Title IX was implemented and how it affected their lives, whether while in school, with their children and/or grandchildren, and as educators. Members pondered why more women are not entering STEM fields and problem solved ways to encourage and support more women and girls to do so.

October's topic will be Workplace Sexual Harassment. Participants are encouraged to review <https://www.aauw.org/issues/equity/workplace-harassment/> and to bring questions and comments. We will meet at Frances Cole-Boyd's home. Snacks will be provided. Please RSVP as space is limited.

An easy way for all AAUW members to take action on issues that affect women is becoming a Two-Minute Activist. You can send emails and texts to your legislators to fight for equal pay, family leave, stopping sexual harassment, equality in education and more. Sign up to get regular alerts to be able to take timely action. You can enroll by going to <https://www.aauw.org/act/two-minute-activist/> or texting "AAUW" to 21333.

Questions: Contact Frances Cole-Boyd.



## Wine and Brews

### Ridgetop Cellars

**Wednesday, October 11th at 4:30 pm**

Come join us at Ridgetop Cellars in Shasta Lake for some lovely local wines. We had a great time the last time we were there

Please bring an appetizer to share.

RSVP Nancy Randall by Monday, October 9th.

## October Book Group, Tuesday, October 17th, 2:00 pm

### Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus

Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an *average* woman. But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute takes a very unscientific view of equality. Except for one: Calvin Evans; the lonely, brilliant, Nobel-prize nominated grudge-holder who falls in love with—of all things—her mind.

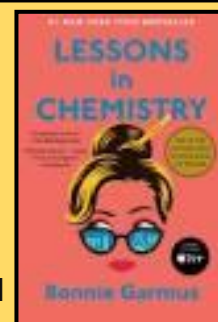
But like science, life is unpredictable. Which is why a few years later Elizabeth Zott finds herself not only a single mother, but the reluctant star of America's most beloved cooking show *Supper at Six*. Elizabeth's unusual approach to cooking ("combine one tablespoon acetic acid with a pinch of sodium chloride") proves revolutionary. But as her following grows, not everyone is happy. Because as it turns out, Elizabeth Zott isn't just teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo.

Laugh-out-loud funny, shrewdly observant, and studded with a dazzling cast of supporting characters, *Lessons in Chemistry* is as original and vibrant as its protagonist.

Leader: Nancy Williams

Host: Nancy Randall

If you are interested in attending please contact Nancy Randall by October 13th.



## TRAVEL INTEREST GROUP

**Wednesday, October 25, 5:30 pm**

**Karline's Restaurant**

**Reservations Needed**

Travel interest group's first meeting will be on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at Karline's restaurant. Our first presenters will be Daryl and Penny Harris sharing their 3-week adventure trip to Peru. The first week of their trip featured hiking on the Inca Trail to Machu Pichu, considered to be one of the 10 best hikes in the world. Other hikes on that list included the John Muir Trail, Napali Coast Kalalau Trail, and Mount Everest Base Camp. About 1.5 million people visit Machu Pichu yearly, but of those, only about 25,000 people hike the trail. The second and third weeks focused on lodging in an eco-lodge along the Amazon River and Lake Titicaca.

Travel 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 this year for more adventures. All travel interest group events are dinner meetings held at Karline's restaurant in Redding.

Reserve your seat by contacting Judy Bush.



## 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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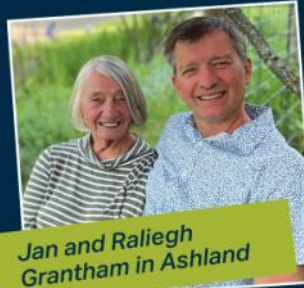


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