



# REDDING REFLECTIONS

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President  
Tara

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**AAUW Presents**  
**WOMEN in STEM Conference**  
**(Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics)**  
**Saturday March 7, 2020**  
**8:30 AM to 2:30 PM**  
**Simpson University**



**Cost: \$20.00 per student and adult**

**Registration and Payment must be RECEIVED by FEBRUARY 22**

**Registration link:**

**<https://eyh.techbridgegirls.org/conferences/AAUWReddingSTEM/>**

**We will not have a monthly meeting in March. Hopefully many of you will be able to spend time volunteering at the Conference.**

## President's Message

Last year at this time our President, Noella, made a request to the Board of Directors for authorization to appoint a STEM Task Force. We were commissioned to review the history of STEM and our branch, and to research and make recommendations regarding the future of STEM and the Redding Branch.

At the conclusion of our research and discussions, the Task Force agreed to recommend going forward with the Women in STEM Conference in 2020. Hence, the upcoming Women in STEM Conference this March 7th, at Simpson University.

We also recommended presenting the Women in STEM topic to the membership at a Branch meeting. For those of you who were able to attend our February meeting, that is just what we did.

The last of our recommendations was to add AAUW Women in STEM Conference Guidelines to our Standing Rules. The Bylaws committee will be meeting soon and that, too, will be accomplished.

It feels good to be a part of something so important. I am grateful to Maureen and Lana and their dedicated STEM committee for their hard work and commitment to this important event. The conference makes a difference in the lives of all who attend. If you are not yet signed up to help with the STEM Conference, please consider volunteering. You won't be sorry!

The STEM Conference will be our March Branch Meeting. Hope to see you there.

Tara

"The measure of who we are is what we do with what we have."  
Vince Lombardi

### PAST PRESIDENTS

**DATE:** TUESDAY MARCH 17, 2020  
**LOCATION:** THAI CAFE  
820 BUTTE ST.  
REDDING (530) 243-5523  
**TIME:** 11:30 AM  
**RSVP:** DARLENE or BEATRICE

Long time member Hollie Lenroot has passed away. Hollie, a Stanford graduate, was a 50 year member of AAUW. She and her husband, Rush, moved last year to New Mexico to be closer to their daughter.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

#### BOARD MEETINGS

March 23  
April 27  
May 27  
June 22

#### BRANCH MEETINGS

March 7 (STEM Conference)  
April 9  
May (tba)

### NEW MEMBERS/CHANGE INFORMATION

Mary Jean, a longtime member of our Redding Branch, has moved out of State and now lives in Washington.



## Theater Arts - Come Join Us!

### Community Outreach

#### Theater Arts – Come Join Us!

**Axiom Matinee – Sunday, March 29, 2:00pm.**

**“The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time”**

This play is a mystery that premiered in 2012 at the Royal National Theatre in London.

**Axiom Repertory Theatre**

Tickets are available at Axiom’s website

<https://www.axreptheatre.com/>

Guests are welcome.

**Contact Gwen to be put on the attendance list.**

#### Next Axiom Play

**“Oklahoma”**

**A musical by Rogers & Hammerstein**

Sunday, May 17, 2:00pm.

**Contact – Gwen**

**Riverfront Playhouse** is in the process of moving to downtown Redding. Up to date Information will be emailed to the membership.

Riverfront website: <https://www.riverfrontplayhouse.net/>

**Contact – Pat**

**Contact Gwen or Pat for information** about tickets, seating arrangements, to be put on the attendance list for specific plays and with any other inquires.

**Salon Socials**, get-togethers before or after plays, are TBA for each play.

Gwen & Pat

#### Plays to Consider

- **“Driving Miss Daisy” ARTS Theatre**  
Anderson Redding Tehama Scholarship Theatre  
20304 Front Street, Cottonwood, CA
- **“Matilda” Cascade Theatre**
- **“Wolves” Shasta College**

**Enrich our Community –  
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## Political Journalist Mara Liasson to Speak at Shasta College

**REDDING, CA** – NPR political correspondent and Fox News panelist Mara Liasson will present at the Shasta College Theater on March 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Ms. Liasson will draw on her decades-long, award-winning career to provide an engaging evaluation of the canvas of American politics and the 2020 election followed by a Q&A session and a meet and greet. The event is free and open to the public.

Ms. Liasson’s reports can be heard regularly on NPR’s award-winning newsmagazine “All Things Considered” and “Morning Edition,” where she provides extensive coverage of politics and policy from Washington, DC—focusing on the White House and Congress—and also reports on political trends beyond the Beltway. Ms. Liasson’s work can also be seen on *Fox News Sunday*, where she has been a frequent panelist since she joined Fox News in 1997.

Each election year, Liasson provides key coverage of the candidates and issues in both presidential and congressional races. Prior to her current assignments, Liasson was NPR’s White House correspondent for all eight years of the Clinton administration. She has won the White House Correspondent Association’s Merriman Smith Award for daily news coverage in 1994, 1995, and again in 1997.

This event is part of the Community Speaker Series, a joint effort by the Shasta College Foundation, The McConnell Foundation, and the Women’s Fund of the Shasta Regional Community Foundation to bring a diverse group of speakers who will inspire, excite and challenge the community with fresh ideas and perspectives on education, social issues, the arts, and our environment.

For more information, please visit [www.shastacollege.edu/Foundation](http://www.shastacollege.edu/Foundation) or contact us at [foundation@shastacollege.edu](mailto:foundation@shastacollege.edu) or 530-242-7512.



## AAUW CA Convention

Our California Convention this April 17-19, is taking place at the beautiful Westin San Francisco Airport Hotel in Millbrae, CA.

The theme this year is “Remembering the Past...Rockin’ the Future.

Take a look at your AAUW California Perspective for more information and how to register to attend. Hotel registration deadline is March 20th and convention registration deadline is April 10th. You may register online or by using the form in your Perspective.

If any of you are interested in attending, please let me or Adrienne know. We have designated money to help with expenses and would love to have a couple of delegates attend this year.

Thanks, Tara



## PUBLIC POLICY

**Did you know that the CA legislature wants to modify our procedure for voting in the coming election?**

During the 2018 election, the breakdown of the over 20 million CA voters looked like this:

- 44.4% Democratic
- 25.5% no party preference
- 25.1% Republican

And why is this important?

**As of 2/7/2020, SB 207 became the first bill this year sent to Governor Gavin Newsom’s desk for his signature from the CA legislature.** The bill is designated as an “urgency bill” which means that it required a two-thirds majority vote in each house of the Legislature to pass instead of just a regular majority vote. The bill would take effect immediately after the Governor’s signature. *(NOTE: he did not sign a similar bill last year)*

**If signed by Newsom, the bill would allow voters to change their party preference or update their residence address without re-registering to vote. And they would be able to do this up until the polls close on election day, and in the two weeks leading up to it.** Currently unaffiliated (no party preference) voters can cast ballots in the Democratic presidential primary, but they must request a “crossover ballot” to do so. California’s Republican presidential primary, however, is closed, meaning unaffiliated voters who show up to the polls on March 3 cannot cast their ballots in that primary.

**An analysis of the bill indicates the following:**

“Beyond making it easier for independent (no party preference) voters to participate in the presidential primaries, proponents of the bill also say it could potentially reduce wait times at polls. Californians will be able to conditionally register to vote at any polling place or vote center on election day and during the two-week period before it for the first time this year, which could “significantly increase” foot traffic on election day, according to the Senate floor analysis. Under current rules, already-registered voters who want to update political party preference or address information at their polling place must first complete a new registration and then cast a provisional ballot. But if this bill passes, they wouldn’t need to re-register or use a provisional ballot — meaning less time and paperwork.

For more information on SB 207, go to [leginfo.legislature.ca.gov](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov) and type in SB 207 or: [https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\\_id=201920200SB207](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB207)

## STEM GIFT BASKETS FROM DRAMA DIVAS



### Women of Achievement

It is that time of year to nominate that special woman in our branch and that special woman in our community who stands out as a Woman of Achievement. The nomination form is part of this newsletter **(ON LAST PAGE)**. Please take time to nominate that woman who stands out in your mind who should be recognized for her achievements either on behalf of the branch or on behalf of the community. Who is it that goes the extra mile to support the mission of AAUW or enhance our community with her good works? This is our branch's opportunity to recognize and thank those women who demonstrate those ideals. Please take time to consider nominating someone you believe deserves this honor. Application deadline is March 31st; send applications to Mary.



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## Ed. Committee News

Wendy Akins is the Shasta College Scholarship Processor. She is the chief liaison between AAUW Ed. Committee and Shasta College Scholarship Program. Shasta College's scholarship program recently went under legal review. All scholarship criteria must comply with federal and state laws that prohibit discrimination in programs or activities that receive federal financial assistance from the Department of Education. These laws prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion or creed, national origin or ancestry, or sex. Therefore, the criteria indicating the AAUW scholarship recipient be female has been removed from the scholarship application sheet. Accordingly, AAUW's Donor Profile has been modified to comply with these laws, i.e. women, or women and girls have been changed to qualified applicants or candidates.

Please contact Ed. Committee Co-chairs: Terri or Gail



### SCRABBLE!

We will meet for Scrabble On Friday, March 27th at my house in Anderson. We will meet at 11:30 am. I will provide iced tea, cold cuts, bread, and condiments for sandwiches. Others could bring salad, desserts, drinks, or favorite accompaniments for sandwiches. My house is near the freeway. Call or email me to let me know you are coming or if lost somewhere in Anderson.

**Debbie - Section Chair**



### **International Travel Section (ITS)**

**There is no meeting in March.**

Save this date for our last meeting:

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Debbie and John will speak on their trip to Lithuania, Russia, Poland and the Czech Republic.

### **DRAMA SECTIONS**



#### **Drama Divas**--open to all AAUW members

Are you a new member to AAUW? The **Drama Divas** is a fun way to meet other members and make new friends. This is our 20th year of reading plays aloud in a group setting. Try us out and RSVP to the hostess or chair! If you return, there is an annual fee of \$10 to cover the cost of receiving the plays and mailing them onto the next AAUW branch. (Similar to our Round Robin book club.) Please join the day or evening group. Tammy - evening chair

We read a comedy in February, "**The Lady's Not For Burning**" by Christopher Fry. We will be reading another comedy: **It Happened at Harrod's** by John Chapman.

**Evening Drama**--Wednesday, March 4th, 6 p.m.  
at Pat's house

**RSVP: Pat**

Jan C: Nuts

Cathe L: Snack Mix

Rita C: Red Wine

Janel L: White Wine

Pat L: Dessert

**Future Evening Dates: April 1 and May 6**

#### **Daytime Drama:**

Wednesday, March 11th, 11 a.m.

Round Table Pizza in the Mt. Shasta Mall

**RSVP: Cheryl**

**Future Daytime Dates: April 8 and May 13**

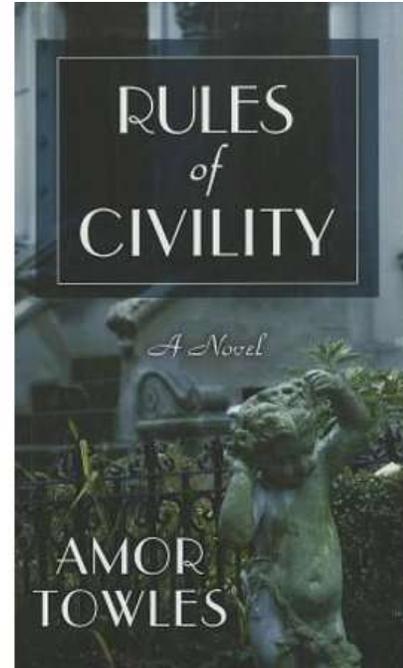


### **MARCH WINE TASTING AT “WESTSIDE WINES WINE BAR”**

Come join us on Thursday, March 19, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Westside Wines is located at 1872 Buena Ventura Blvd, Suite 2, Redding. White and red wines are available as a flight or by the glass. Westside Wines also offers appetizers for sale. Check their Facebook page or website at [www.westside-wines.com](http://www.westside-wines.com) for more info. Spouses/guests are welcome.

**RSVP: Linda**

## **March Book Sections**



### **Rules of Civility By Amor Towles**

**From the *New York Times*-bestselling author of *A Gentleman in Moscow*, a “sharply stylish” (*Boston Globe*) novel of a young woman in post-Depression era New York who suddenly finds herself thrust into high society**

On the last night of 1937, twenty-five-year-old Katey Kontent is in a second-rate Greenwich Village jazz bar when Tinker Grey, a handsome banker, happens to sit down at the neighboring table. This chance encounter and its startling consequences propel Katey on a year-long journey into the upper echelons of New York society—where she will have little to rely upon other than a bracing wit and her own brand of cool nerve.

**Tuesday, March 17 at 2:00 pm  
Wednesday, March 18 at 7:00 pm**

Leader and Host: Gail

**AAUW REDDING BRANCH, INC.  
WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT**

Redding Branch AAUW has the option to present two Women of Achievement awards annually. One award goes to an outstanding member of the Branch and the other is given to a woman from the Community at Large.

**SELECTION CRITERIA FOR WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT**

The criteria for the selection of the Woman of Achievement are drawn from the Mission Statement and Image Statement shown below. Your narrative must include the criteria listed below. You may write on the back of this form or add additional pages. The nomination is made for the year 2020 and must be received by March 31.

Nominee's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Recommending Member \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark the category for which the nomination is made: Community \_\_\_\_\_ or Branch \_\_\_\_\_

**LEADERSHIP:** Serves, and/or has served, in leadership positions in the community and/or branch. (For branch award only.....has been an active participant for seven years or more).

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**SELF DEVELOPMENT:** Fosters her personal development and furthers her education in a formal and/or informal way.

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**COMMITMENT TO THE COMMON GOOD:** Demonstrates consistent, effective involvement, thereby bringing about positive societal changes.

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**PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:** Exemplifies qualities, including friendship, that make her a role model for others.

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<b>AAUW MISSION STATEMENT</b> <i>AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.</i>	<b>CALIFORNIA AAUW IMAGE STATEMENT</b> <i>AAUW is California's most active and diverse organization for women offering: Action for Equity, Community, Leadership, Personal and Professional Growth *Friendships.*</i>
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As in the past, only written nominations submitted during the current year will be considered. Nominations for candidates not selected this year will be returned to the recommending member. Branch members are invited to resubmit candidates' names with updated information.

**Please return this form to Mary**

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AAUW Educational Foundation—the world’s largest source of funding exclusively for graduate women—  
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stages of their careers and those pursuing professions where women are underrepresented.

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- Vital Community Action Projects
- Symposia, Roundtables, and Forums
- Fellowships and Grants
- Special Awards
- AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund

AAUW is California’s most active and diverse organization for women offering:  
Action for Equity  
Personal and Professional Growth  
Community Leadership  
Friendships

In principal 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.

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