



REDDING REFLECTIONS

President
Debbie - Sharon

AAUW REDDING BRANCH, Inc. (www.aauwredding.org)
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January Branch Meeting

January 21, 2017

10:30 AM – Shasta County Library Community Room

Please join us for an interesting and engaging evening
with two enthusiastic and dynamic woman!

EUPHRATES

As the world deals with conflict, our first speaker for this month focuses on positive solutions. Come and hear Janessa Gans Wilder, CEO and founder of the international educational organization Euphrates, speak about her transformative experiences in the Middle East with the CIA, how this local girl found herself so far from home and why she founded her organization. Hear how we can take part in helping to create the peace on earth we all desire!

Better Relationships, Happier Lives

That is the name of the book that Shasta College communication instructor Terry Turner, our second speaker, has recently published. She will speak about powerful tools that can help enhance one's communication, listening, choice making and relationships. Peace on earth begins right where we plant our feet!



Dick and Adrienne leading the group in singing holiday songs at the December 5th program.

Brunch Menu: Quiche Lorraine and fresh Fruit Salad by Tantardini's. (Vegetarian option available upon request.) Coffee, tea, juice, nuts and dessert included.

**For information on becoming a member and joining us at
program meetings, email: aauwredding@sbcglobal.net**

Presidents' Message

Debbie and I want to wish you a very Happy New Year. We are about at the halfway point of our presidency. The summer and fall really flew by! Looking back we have had very enriching branch meetings which have included the Riverfront players giving us a preview of their joint program with the Shasta Historical Society, Anne Thomas explaining the land conservation efforts of the Shasta Land Trust, Armando Mejorado, the owner of Armando's Gallery house showing his art and giving a very affecting speech about the evolution of his innovative business, and our own Adrienne and her friend Dick leading us in holiday singing. We also had a fabulous home tour and artists gala this year. The event was so very successful because of the hundreds of hours of planning and dedicated work by our members. We would like to especially recognize the artists group for their extra level of preparation and planning of the artists gala and Tammy and Terri, co- chairs, for their outstanding overall leadership. Finally, we have a new website designed by Lana. Check it out at aauwredding.org.

As this New Year begins we have much to look forward to. We have Janessa Gans Wilder, CEO of the organization Euphrates and Terry Turner, Shasta College communication instructor as speakers for our January branch meeting. We are currently working hard on the STEM conference which will be held at Simpson University on Saturday March 18th. The keynote speaker will be Lea Tate. There will be many exciting break out sessions planned. Please contact Pris if you are interested in helping with this event. Then, as a grand finale for the year, we will be celebrating AAUW's 75th anniversary at the Behrens Eaton House Museum on June 21st. Happy New Year to you and your families!

Debbie and Sharon



Past Presidents

Date: January 17, 2017
Location: Hilton Garden Inn
5050 Bechelli Lane 226- 5111
Time: 11:30 am
RSVP: Darlene and Bea

NEW MEMBERS

Diane
Cal State University Bakersfield
MPA Masters Public Administration
Sandra
Shasta College--General Education



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!
AAUW Women in STEM
Conference: Expanding Your Horizons
Saturday, March 18, 2017
Simpson University

Just a quick note to apprise you of our activities for this next year's STEM conference for the north state's middle school girls.

- The committee is diligently working on updating our system for sending large batches of e-mails to our projected 400 participants.
- We are working closely with Shasta County Office of Education to get the word out about the conference to all schools in the 9 northern California counties. Sent out were a new Save the Date flyer and a letter to educators.
- The registration site, Expanding Your Horizons, has improved their site and we are updating our information for the March 2017 conference.
- We have 15 presenters ready to go and a number of others whom we are currently contacting to gauge their interest in presenting to the girls.
- We have received a \$1000 donation from PACE Engineering!
- We have begun talking about publicity and, of course, the lunch menu. Hmm...sandwiches, wraps or pizza...always a conundrum.

We need your help!

- To provide more resources for the girls, we are looking for **grants, donations and business sponsorships**. Any financial, or in-kind, donations will enable us to provide these 400 girls with the same \$20 registration fee, scholarships to those in need, supplies for the interactive, hands-on activities (The girls always ask for more!), technological resources, and will help defray the increasing facility and food costs.
- **Donations could be either monetary or in-kind**, such as printing and signage, supplies for the interactive stations, fun and useful items for goodie bags given to the girls upon their arrival, just to name a few.
- **If any of you have connections with businesses or organizations**, such as, the Record Searchlight, KRCR, PG&E, Shasta

Regional Medical Center, Dignity Health (Mercy Hospital), CH2M Hill, Frontier, Sierra Pacific, and others, and have a name for us to contact, please inform Pris or Hillary.

- We are seeking **technological help** with short-term projects, such as, creating and formatting flyers, and quite frankly, answering what might seem to most simple questions, but for those of us without the expertise, are puzzling and more time-consuming than they probably need to be.

We invite you to join us for our meetings.

We will continue to publish our agendas and meeting minutes. We welcome all ideas and support. Our next meeting is at noon on Monday, January 9th, at Round Table in the mall.

Please, plan on visiting the day of the

conference. The girls' excited talk about the STEM sessions, and their enthusiasm about what they learned, and their plans for their futures are energizing and heart-warming. We promise you will leave with a smile on your face.

See you next year!

Pris & Hillary
Chairpersons of the AAUW Women in STEM Conference

AAUW Scheduled Branch Meeting Programs

January 21, 2017 – 10:30 AM – Shasta County Library
Janessa Gans Wilder, CEO and founder of Euphrates
Terry Turner Author of *Better Relationships, Happier Lives*

February 9, 2017 – 5:30 PM – Shasta County Library
EF Honoree
A Panel Discussion with Community Leaders on Homelessness in Redding

March 18, 2017- STEM Conference – Simpson University

April 27, 2017 – 5:30 PM – Shasta County Library
Women of Achievement
Election of Officers
Debra Lucero, Shasta County Arts Council Director
Californians for the Arts Board
Member

May 11, 2017 – 5:30 PM – Shasta County Library
Tech Trek Girls
Scholarships
Installation of Officers
Guest Artist

June 21, 2017 – 75th Anniversary Celebration
Dinner at Behrens-Eaton House – 6:00 PM

Come join the fun!
Adrienne



"I'm always striving for superior performance and customer service"



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WINE TASTING AT ARMANDO'S

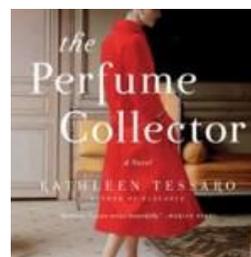
Here's your chance to see Armando's Gallery and Restaurant. Come have a glass of wine, sample some appetizers and enjoy the ambience. The cost is \$7 per glass of wine.

January 12 - 4:00PM
Armando's
1350 Butte Street

Please RSVP to Marietta

BOOK SECTIONS

The Perfume Collector
by Kathleen Tessaro



JANUARY 17 @ 2PM
MARY

JANUARY 18 @ 7PM
CAROLYN

International Interests Section (IIS)

The next meeting of the International Interests Section will be at Gironda's again on January 25, 2017, at 5:30 PM when Debbie and Penny will share their experiences traveling in five southern African countries. This will be another great presentation not to be missed! Again, we may order off the main menu. Friends and family are welcome. Let's fill that entire back room! Call or e-mail Adrienne by Monday, January 23, 2017 for reservations.

We will start collecting donations for the STEM baskets.

January 25, 2017 – Debbie and Friends - Botswana, Zimbabwe, Zambia and South Africa

February 22, 2017 – Judy – Viking Riverboat Cruise From Amsterdam to Budapest

April 26, 2017 – Penny – Bhutan and India
Locations of the 2017 meetings will be announced as the date approaches.

The Perfume Collector by Kathleen Tessaro: A remarkable novel about secrets, desire, memory, passion, and possibility.
Newlywed Grace Monroe doesn't fit anyone's expectations of a successful 1950s London socialite, least of all her own. When she receives an unexpected inheritance from a complete stranger,

Madame Eva d'Orsey, Grace is drawn to uncover the identity of her mysterious benefactor. Weaving through the decades, from 1920s New York to Monte Carlo, Paris, and London, the story Grace uncovers is that of an extraordinary woman who inspired one of Paris's greatest perfumers. Immortalized in three evocative perfumes, Eva d'Orsey's history will transform Grace's life forever, forcing her to choose between the woman she is expected to be and the person she really is. The Perfume Collector explores the complex and obsessive love between muse and artist, and the tremendous power of memory and scent.



Ring in the New Year--Join one of the drama groups: day or evening!

January will find us reading "The Time of the Cuckoo", a comedy in two acts by Arthur Laurents.

Evening Drama: Wednesday, January 4, 2017, 6 p.m

Hostess: Pat
Dessert: Pat
Nuts: Tammy
White Wine: Linda
Red Wine: Sharon

Daytime Drama: Wednesday, January 11, 2017, 11 a.m.

Angelo's Pizza Parlor, California Street
RSVP to Cheryl

The small conference room is the perfect setting for reading the play and lively discussion. If you choose to order lunch, Angelo's has lots of fresh items and a good salad buffet. (Rumor has it that Cheryl provides Chocolates!)

Drama Details: The Redding Branch has participated in this Round Robin style drama group for 16 years. It is a fundraiser for the AAUW Fullerton Branch. We pay an annual fee to cover the cost of receiving 10 copies of a different play eight times a year, from October to May. We also have to pay for postage to mail the box of

plays onto the next AAUW Branch. Therefore, we collect \$10 from each drama member each year to help cover the cost of the plays. Any money left over is used to create gift baskets for girls attending the Women in STEM conference. New members are welcome to join either or both drama groups. Questions: call Tammy Douse, 547-4024. If you are only interested in the daytime drama group please contact Cheryl.



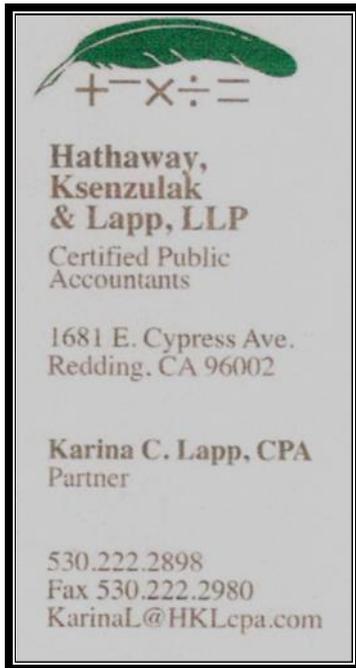
Election of Nominating Committee Members – January 23

It is the function of the Nominating Committee to nominate and present a slate of candidates for the 2017-18 elected officers. According to the Redding Branch Bylaws, the Nominating Committee consists of the most recent presidents (Marietta and Linda t) and the most immediately available past president (Betty).

At the Branch meeting on January 21, 2017, it is the responsibility of the members to nominate 3 additional members to the Nominating Committee. These nominations must have the consent of the nominee.

In addition, if you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact Marietta or Linda. Serving on the Board offers an opportunity to interact with bright and dynamic women while giving you the satisfaction of taking an active role in advancing equity for women and girls. The following positions usually involve only one meeting/month and can be shared with a "Co":

- President Elect
- Program Vice President
- Treasurer
- Membership
- Membership Treasurer
- Education Fellowship
- Recording Secretary
- Corresponding Secretary



Did you know that "za" is a word? It's the short way for saying "pizza." There are a lot of two letter words on our "cheat sheets" that you can use when playing Scrabble. We'd like everyone to enjoy the game and expand their vocabulary in a fun way. So please join us for lunch and good company. This year we will be playing every third Friday of the month. So mark your calendars.

Please let Marietta know if you'll be attending

SCRABBLE

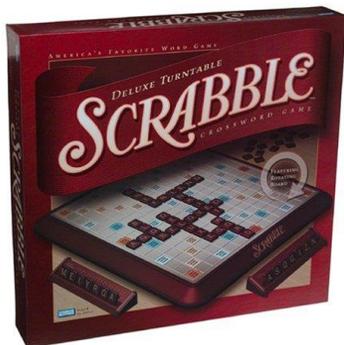
January 20 - Friday
Deja Vu Restaurant (upstairs above the coffee shop)

EF NEWS FOR JANUARY

I want to thank everyone who purchased Raffle tickets. We made over \$2,000 from this year's raffle, all of these monies go toward next year's Fellowship Awards.

Finally, now is the time to fill out the EF Award forms.

The form is available from Betty. If you have a form and/or the name of a nominee from last year, let me know I still have them.



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AAUW advances equity for women and girls through
advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

AAUW Educational Foundation—the world’s largest source of funding exclusively for graduate women—
supports aspiring scholars around the globe, teachers, and activists in local communities, women at critical
stages of their careers and those pursuing professions where women are underrepresented.

The Foundation Funds:

- Groundbreaking Research
- 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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