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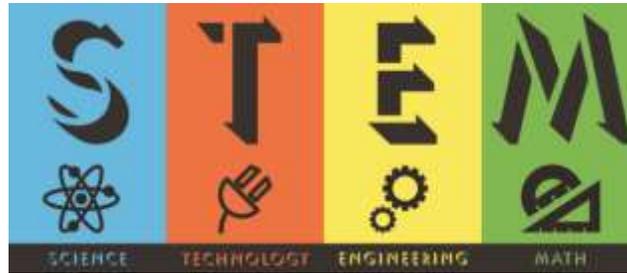
5:00 pm March 14, 2019 Redding Library

Join us for an informative meeting learning about the Redding Fashion Alliance. Redding Fashion Alliance was founded in 2015 by Jan Kearns, Robin Fator and Rachel Hatch. We started by answering the question: What if Redding had a bustling fashion industry? What started as an idea is now a fully functional non-profit organization lead by co-executive directors Robin Fator and Jan Kearns. Robin is a fashion designer and owner of the handmade brand Dark Pony Designs. Jan is a sewist and owner of Gold Coast Goods, a neckwear and accessories brand. We believe that we can change and improve the quality of life in our community by fostering the creative economy and increasing living-wage jobs in design and manufacturing of high-quality small batch manufacturing of apparel, accessories and textile based products.

Menu: 1/2 Meat & Cheese Sandwich on croissant (choice of Chicken/Provolone, Roast Beef/Cheddar, or Black Forest Ham/Swiss), Pesto or Dijon mayonnaise; Fresh Fruit Salad, Tortilla Chips, Potato Chips, Guacamole and Hummus; Cookies, Nuts, Sparkling Juice, Decaf Coffee, Hot Tea, Red or White Wine. **Paid reservations: \$10 due by Monday, March 11th, \$20 with late reservations or paying at the door.** Make check payable to AAUW and mail to Tammy. Reservations may also be made on line at AAUWredding.org. **Choose Option #1, \$10, or #6, \$10 for vegetarian.**

For information on becoming an AAUW member
and joining us at program meetings, go to www.aauwredding.org

President's Message



AAUW REDDING BRANCH, INC. STEM TASK FORCE

Dear AAUW Members,

The focus of this month's President's Message is to let you know that I have made a request to the current Board of Directors for authorization to appoint a STEM Task Force. The purpose of this Task Force is two-fold. First, to create a Timeline that depicts the history of STEM and the Redding Branch. Second, to research and make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding the future of STEM and the Redding Branch.

Tara, AAUW President-Elect, has agreed to be the chairperson and facilitate the conversation. Tara and I will recommend five individuals to serve on the Task Force. It is my intention to receive Board approval for the appointments at the next Board Meeting on February 25, 2019.

Periodically, it is important for any organization to reflect upon itself in order to remain relevant and make certain that it is allocating its resources in areas where it can be most effective. Individuals asked to serve on the Task Force will represent a cross-section of ideas. We do not all need to agree. However, it is my hope that we will listen to each other and respect each person. The goal for this Task Force is to make thoughtful recommendations that will be in the best interest of AAUW and our mission.

It is my personal intention to be transparent and fair to all AAUW Redding Branch, Inc. Members. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your support.

Noella
2018-2019 President
AAUW Redding Branch, Inc.

PAST PRESIDENTS

DATE: TUESDAY MARCH 19, 2019
LOCATION: WOODSIDE GRILL (GAIA HOTEL)
4125 RIVERSIDE PLACE
ANDERSON
(530)365-7077
TIME: 11:30 AM
RSVP: DARLENE and BEATRICE

NEW MEMBERS/CHANGE INFORMATION

Sharon
College/University: Wayne State, Detroit MI 1975—B.S.
University of Colorado, Boulder, CO 1978—M.A.
San Jose State, CA 2007—Masters
Highest Degree: Masters Year: 2007
Major: Library and Information Science

2018-2019 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

March 25, 2019
April 22, 2019
May 20, 2019
June/Board to Board/not yet scheduled

2018-2019 MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE

March 14, 2019
April 11, 2019
May 2, 2019
June 6, 2019

Theater Arts - Come Join Us!

March Play

“Small Mouth Sounds” – Axiom Repertory Theatre

When and Where

Sunday, March 24, 2:00pm, Old City Hall

Buy Tickets

Cascade Theatre or at the door

Salon Social

Social after the play. Location TBA

Get out on the town – come see a play and socialize!

Become a part of the Theater Arts group and join Redding’s growing dynamic theater scene. In March, plan to see “Small Mouth Sounds” a highly acclaimed play about six runaways from city life who embark on a silent retreat.

Get your tickets ASAP then notify Gwen that you will be attending. This play is general admission which means that there is no reserved seating. The last general admission play we attended sold out so if you are coming, get your tickets prior at the Cascade and plan to arrive early.

April Theater Arts Play – Axiom presents GYPSY

Our attendance date is Sunday, April 28, 3:00pm. GYPSY will be at the Cascade Theatre. This play has reserved seating. Our group seating has been started with the reservation of some seats on the left side in Rows G and H. If you would rather sit in some other location, that’s fine just let me know that you are coming and if you are bringing guests so I can get you on the email information list and be sure you are invited to the Salon Social after the play.

April Riverfront Play – Tech Trek Fundraiser

This play is a fund raiser organized by Debbie, our Teck Trek Coordinator. Tech Trek sends four local girls to a university campus for an on campus experience. This is a great way to enjoy a Riverfront play and contribute to Tech Trek at the same time. *See Teck Trek notice.* Be sure to attend if you can and if not, consider a personal donation of support!

Gwen

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



Women’s Reproductive Rights—an important AAUW Public Policy issue

AAUW trusts that every woman has the ability to make her own informed choices regarding her reproductive life within the dictates of her own moral and religious beliefs.

AAUW supports the right of every woman to access safe, affordable, and comprehensive reproductive health care. In the 116th Congress, the Senate is considering dangerous measures that would roll back women’s reproductive choice, while the House is considering additional protections. Some of the measures that AAUW opposes at both federal and state levels are:

- **Enacting abortion bans that disregard the needs of women.**
- **Cutting funds to Planned Parenthood.**
- **Limiting abortion coverage for nearly all women.**

If you want to make your voice heard on this issue, use the [Two-minute Activist tool](#) on the AAUW website to tell your members of Congress to oppose these and any efforts to restrict women’s access to reproductive health care.

Carolyn, Public Policy Chair

EF NEWS

Congratulations to *Gwen*. She is this year's EF Honoree. *Gwen* has been an active member for many years.

Gwen has been responsible for the Home Tour Art Show, Film Group, now a new Theater Group.

Gwen was honored at the February General Meeting. Next time you see her, give her your congratulations on a job well done.

Riverfront Buy Out For Tech Trek

When I became the Tech Trek coordinator last year, I had a modest goal. For years our branch has sent two girls to the week-long Tech Trek camp for middle school girls held most recently at UC Davis. The goal was to increase participation to four girls.

Last year we requested spots for four girls and were given 3 spots. The UC Davis camp was very full. This year we requested 4 and were given 4 spots. The only problem is we have \$2,700 budgeted for the camp this year and the fee for sending 4 girls is \$3,400 so we are \$700 short. We actually have more than \$2,700, but money must be held over for next year's Tech Trek campers.

For this reason I have scheduled, with Board approval, a fundraiser at the Riverfront playhouse for Thursday, April 18th. The play is "Of Mice and Men." The admission price is \$25.00. We should be able to make at least \$700 with good support from the membership. I will be selling the tickets at the general meeting on February 28th.

If you cannot make that performance, you might consider other ways to contribute. First you can make a direct donation to Tech Trek. Donations to Tech Trek are tax deductible. Also I plan on raffling off a gift basket of personal care items, such as soap, bubble bath, a spa gift certificate etc. If you would like to contribute a similar item, bring it to a general meeting or get in touch with me. Finally we will need people to deliver food and/or wine for the performance. I will also solicit donations from the community, particularly if we fall short of the fundraising goal.

Debbie



International Travel Section (ITS)

The members of the International Interests Section (IIS) met at Karline's Restaurant and Bar on January 23rd to enjoy another entertaining trip abroad through the pictures and first-hand experiences of Claudia. She is a real art connoisseur and treated us to a tour of the art museums of Paris where she stayed for a month last May. Many thanks go to Claudia for her generous sharing.

On **February 27th at 5:30 PM at Karline's Restaurant and Bar**, **Judy and Dave** will speak on their experience in **Baja on the Sea of Cortez** in search of the great **blue whales** from the "safety" of a National Geographic Zodiac boat. There is still room and time to make your reservations for that meeting.

IIS will not meet in March. Our **next meeting will be Wednesday, April 24th at 5:30 PM** at Karline's Restaurant and Bar. **Pat and Fritz** will talk about their trip to **Eastern Mongolia** where they trekked to the **Altai Mountains with camels** and then drove to an **Eagle Festival** where **Eagle hunters compete**. Sounds very interesting! Save the date! Stay tuned. Details to follow later regarding reservations.

Adrienne, IIS Chairperson



Give a Grad a Gift

Do you know someone who is graduating or who has graduated from college within the last 2 years? As an AAUW member, you can gift one year of membership to recent grads at no cost to anyone! What a great way to encourage women, especially younger women, to learn more about AAUW! Contact Mari, your VP for Membership, for more information. Save the date! The New and Prospective Member gathering will take place on May 21. Details later!

Mari

DRAMA SECTIONS



Drama Divas: March Schedule

Evening Drama: Wednesday, March 6th, 6 p.m.

Hostess: **RSVP** to Pat

If you arrive late you will need to call her land line so that she can release the gate.

Pat: Dessert
Janel: Wines
Sharon: Rice Chex Mix

Daytime Drama: Wednesday, March 13th, 11 a.m.
Round Table Pizza, Mt. Shasta Mall
RSVP: Cheryl

We thoroughly enjoyed reading Noel Coward's play: Relative Values in February. This fun group is open to all AAUW members and you are welcome to attend the day, evening or both groups. In March we will be reading George Batson's Design for Murder. Contact Tammy if you are interested in joining one of our groups. This is the 18th season the Redding Branch has hosted the Drama Section.



SCRABBLE!

Scrabble--We will be meeting at Armando's Gallery House located at 1350 Butte Street on February 22nd. It is in the historic building across from the vacant space formerly occupied by the "Dickers" building. Play begins at 1 PM. If you wish to eat, come at 12:30. Armando will have a set menu for us. I will be sending out a blind copy email through Martha with the menu and the time and day repeated. The March meeting will be on Friday, the 29th of March. The location is yet to be determined. As always, let me know if you are coming!

Debbie



WINE TASTING

Thursday, March 21st 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at
West Side Wines, 1872 Buenaventura Blvd,
Redding. Tastings available as a flight or by the
glass. Delicious appetizers are available to
purchase. Please RSVP to Dawn. Hope to see you
there. Thank you!
Dawn

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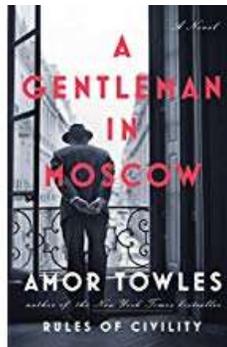


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March Book Sections



A Gentleman in Moscow By Amor Towles

From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Rules of Civility*—a transporting novel about a man who is ordered to spend the rest of his life inside a luxury hotel.

In 1922, Count Alexander Rostov is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal, and is sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel across the street from the Kremlin. Rostov, an indomitable man of erudition and wit, has never worked a day in his life, and must now live in an attic room while some of the most tumultuous decades in Russian history are unfolding outside the hotel's doors. Unexpectedly, his reduced circumstances provide him entry into a much larger world of emotional discovery.

March 19 at 2:00 pm
Leader and Hostess: Mary

March 20 at 7:00 pm
Leader and Hostess: Debbie

Please note change in hostess and leader for evening session.

