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AAUW Branch Planning Meeting

Saturday, June 11th 9:00 AM-2:00 PM

MARRIOTT SHADOW RIDGE

9002 Shadow Ridge Road, Palm Desert

(Off of Monterey between Frank Sinatra and Gerald Ford)

WE MEET IN A NEW LOCATION: The Private Lounge Dining Area, inside The Grill Room

Please bring your best ideas to share in planning for another successful year! Please complete the SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) analysis worksheet provided on page 6 of this Sandscripts. Bring your completed SWOT worksheet with you to our meeting. This will help us move more efficiently through our full agenda.

Our 2016-2017 Board: Sharron Cantarini, Membership VP, Sharrell Blakeley, Program VP, Germain German, Treasurer, Joann Lane, Secretary, Elizabeth Nash, President, Gail Hughes, Parliamentarian and Pat Fredericks, AAUW Funds and President-Elect



BREAKFAST MENU: Continental Breakfast at 9 am: An assortment of pastries and muffins, coffee, hot tea, orange juice and fresh fruit.

LUNCH AT 12:30 PM: Choose from printed menu at table. Choices include: Strawberry walnut Salad, or Greek Salad (Vegetarian), or Shadow Ridge Burger served with French Fries, or side salad with choice of Ranch or Balsamic Vinaigrette. Chef's choice of dessert. Coffee, sodas and water included in the price. (Lunch will be pre-ordered during our Continental Breakfast.)

Please return your reservation form with your check for \$36.00 per person. Make check payable to AAUW Palm Springs, and mail it to Norma Stempler, 1 Reed Court, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270-3712 no later than June 6th. Norma's phone number is 760-324-3090.

Name(s): _____

Number of Reservations: _____ Phone/E-Mail: _____

June 2016 President's Message**Elizabeth Nash, President****PROGRESS REPORT 2015- 2016**

As the 2015-16 Fiscal year rapidly moves towards completion, I am so pleased to report that we have experienced a wonderful year in our Branch!

We had outstanding monthly luncheon program speakers who provided us with important, compelling information about achievements, health and services that benefit women. We were often left spellbound by many of these presentations. I am pleased to report that 15 new excellent members joined our Branch this year. Many of these new members have dual memberships and/or professional experiences that allow them to accept leadership roles.

In the 2015-16 Fiscal Year, our Members have been actively participating in our Interest groups, such as Book Discussion, Great Decisions, Reel Revelers Movie Discussion, Out and About, Lunch Bunch and Happy Hour. I estimated the number of hours members participated in these groups, including some pre-preparation time needed to participate in these groups. My estimation revealed that collectively, our members spent approximately 5,000 hours, participating in one or more of the Interest groups during the 2015-16 Fiscal Year.

Additionally in 2015-16, we have members and groups who spend additional hours, some spend more than 100 hours per fiscal year, volunteering in various Branch areas. These areas include, but are not limited to, board meetings, Sandscripts, Tech Trek, Membership, Programs, Membership Tea, Out and About- Theater (and other outings), Treasury, Secretary, Fundraising, Reservations, Holiday Party, Communications, Publicity, Sunshine, By-laws, and Policies and Procedures, etc. We raised Funds to send 9 Girls to Tech Trek Camp at UC Irvine. Additionally we distributed Title IX materials to all of our local school districts. We were able to elect new leaders in several areas, such as Tech Trek, Treasury and Membership. We developed a "Buddy System" for new and established members, to improve communication and support for members. Based upon members' feedback, we added a monthly Lunch Bunch and Happy Hour to our calendar.

We restructured the Branch's Budget, and selected a new Bank. We connected with our local newspaper to have our events published monthly and we contracted with an AAUW Website Service to update our website. We instituted a "Sunshine" activity where each member automatically receives a Birthday Card from AAUW. They are also contacted when undergoing personal challenges. This is a brief synopsis of our FY 2015-16. We will continue to work towards achieving our Strategic Goals. We will develop new Goals for 2016-17 at our Planning meeting on June 11, 2016. Please plan to attend this important planning meeting and let your voices be heard! Thank you for your support.

TEAM: Together, Everyone ACHIEVES More

To get information on the AAUW.ORG website:

Go to www.aauw.org
click on login (at top)
click on create account

Your member number appears on the mailing label of mailings and magazines from AAUW.

See also the California AAUW website: www.aauw-ca.org. On the AAUW CA website members log in to access members only documents with the same user id and password. The user id is "member" and the password is 'aauwca'. Both are lower case.

Palm Springs Officers

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Tyke Trek: Barbara Villani..... 322-3987
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Sandscripts: Elaine Levey 360-6440
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Magdalena Hamilton 636-5261
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Book Group:
Roberta Young 734/658--9981
Great Decisions:
Joanne Bourquin 772-2832
Happy Hour Spirits
Joan Cartwright 415-320-5335
Lunch Bunch Phyllis Greene 772-7121
Out and About Angie Love 779-5658
Reel Revelers:
Bayla Adelman 568-9621

Fundraising

As our season draws to a close, your fundraising committee will be meeting to think about the best ways to raise money for our activities. Our support of Tech Trek is vital and if we wish to continue supporting nine girls we need to raise funds to do so.

We will be having our strategic planning meeting on June 11th and members are invited to attend with their ideas. Our branch is looking into ways to help young girls prepare for life in the world and how to succeed in the business world. I have met with Doris Wilson, Assistant Dean at CSUSB Palm Desert Campus, to see how we can help Junior and Senior young women prepare their resume, how to succeed at an interview and how best to dress to impress.

We look forward to working together with you in the upcoming season.

Pat Fredericks

Membership Badges: Sign up at a meeting, or contact Barbara Hawkins Villani at 760-322-3987 to order your magnetic badge (with the new logo) for \$10 each. Badges are available within three weeks of order.

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

In principle and in 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.

AAUW empowers all women and girls to reach their highest potential.

By joining AAUW, we belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women and girls have a fair chance.

Membership

Don't forget: AAUW Dues are Due June 30, 2016. Mail your check to Barbara Villani, 1028 E. San Lorenzo Road, Palm Springs 92264-8114.

NEW MEMBERS:

Carole Ann Haller 760-321-7877 h Referred by Iris Anderson
52 Mission Palms E 760-219-5533 c
Rancho Mirage, CA 92270 Birthday: 12/14
hallercarole@aol.com
BA CSUSD, Education

Gail Wahl 541-915-4007 Referred by Joan Cartwright
1143 Tiffany Circle South
Palm Springs, CA 92262 (Nov-Apr)
PO Box 1027 (May-Oct) ALL MAIL
Coos Bay, OR 97420 Birthday: 6/14
gailwahl@msn.com
BA Earlham College, Indiana, Psych.
MA and PhD, Univ. of Oregon, Clinical Psych.

Give a Grad a Gift

How Many Recent College Grads Do You Know? Give Them All the Gift of Free AAUW Membership!

As an AAUW member, you can gift one year of free AAUW national membership to as many recent graduates as you like. We all know that the future of our organization depends on today's graduates. Give a minute; gain a new community of AAUW leaders. Here's how it works:

- **Identify the recent college or university graduates in your networks.**
These recent graduates can be family, friends, neighbors, former students, friends of friends, you name it! You could even gift AAUW memberships to the entire graduating class of your local college or university. Anyone who has graduated within the past two years is eligible to receive one free membership from an AAUW member.
- **Collect their information.**
You'll need to know the mailing address, phone number, e-mail, and alma mater for each of these future AAUW members.
- **Fill out our handy form!** At <https://ww2.aauw.org/grad-gift/>
Voilà! Welcome, new AAUW members. Hello, the future of AAUW.

UC Riverside STEM Program

For one week only, academic achievers in grades 3-6 can attend a special STEM Discovery Program, with activities in computer programming and engineering, at UC Riverside.

Sessions are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 27 to July 1 at UCR Palm Desert, 75080 Frank Sinatra Drive, Palm Desert. Fee is \$245, and many scholarship spots are available. Visit the [website](#) for requirements and to apply: <https://www.extension.ucr.edu/academics/eh.php#>

This is the first year Expanding Horizons has offered this one-week learning experience in the Coachella Valley. Challenging and creative classes will focus on science, math, and technology, nurturing children's interest in physics, chemistry, engineering, programming, and so much more!

Photos from May 2016 Meeting



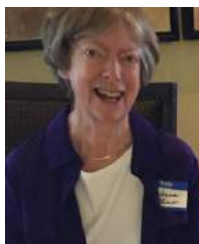
Andrea Fostvedt and Norma Stempler; Colleen Littell, Carol Scobie and Arlette Butler; Cheryl Sexton, Deedee Warren and Gillian German.



Wilma Mills and Gail Hughes on left. Sharron Canterini and Elizabeth Nash on right.



At left, new Honorary Life Members Francie Spears, Gerry Johnson and Pat Mauritzen with Elizabeth Nash. At right, Sue Beatty and Elisabeth Spiro enjoying Lunch Bunch.



Above, Hannah Cline and Angie Love. At left, Barbara Battino. On the right, Jackie Drucker and Pamela Roberts.



S.W.O.T. ANALYSIS

(Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats)

A SWOT ANALYSIS INVOLVES PARTICIPANTS EVALUATING THE FOLLOWING: (Please list one or two items in each category)

S. The INTERNAL STRENGTHS OF THE BRANCH

W. The INTERNAL WEAKNESSES OF THE BRANCH

O. The EXTERNAL OPPORTUNITIES OF THE BRANCH

T. The EXTERNAL THREATS TO THE BRANCH

¡Adelante! Turns 20

One gender gap we don't hear about often is the literary gender gap. In 2014, 41% of books reviewed by the *New York Times* were by women; for *Harper's Magazine*, it was 28%. And the numbers are even worse for women of color: 15% for the *New York Times* and 7% for *Harper's Magazine*. That's why AAUW created the ¡Adelante! Book of the Month Club: to spotlight engrossing stories and writing by women from all backgrounds. The 2016-2017 reading list is out! Be sure to join in [upcoming online author discussions](#).

Link: <http://www.aauw.org/resource/adelante-book-of-the-month-club/>

GREAT DECISIONS

The May 17th and June 21st meetings will be at 10 am at Joanne Bourquin's home.. Call 760-772-2832 if you need directions to her house.

Chapter 4, International Migration, will be discussed. Afterwards we will try to answer the questions on page 50, all eight of them! Hope you can all come to add to a scintillating discussion.

Joanne Bourquin, 760-772-2832

BOOK DISCUSSION

The Book Group will meet on Wednesday, June 15th to discuss *One Night in Winter* by Simon Sebag Montefiore at Elaine Levey's home, 78708 Platinum Drive, Sun City Palm Desert, 760-360-6440..

The book for July is *Between The World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates.

The May 18th meeting was moved to the Rancho Mirage Library. Anne LaConde led the discussion of *Dead Wake*.

Roberta Young, 734-658-9981
roberta-young@juno.com.

REEL REVELERS

The film for June 30th will be chosen closer to the date of the meeting.

We shall meet at Anne and Ken LaConde's home, 73135 Fiddleneck Lane, Palm Desert, 760-862-1913.

Bayla Adelman, 760-568-9621

LUNCH BUNCH

For the June luncheon, Gillian German has made a reservation at Tommy Bahama's Restaurant at the Gardens on El Paseo, in Palm Desert. It is located upstairs at 73595 El Paseo, between Larkspur and San Pablo.

We will meet on Monday, June 13 at 11:30 AM. Call Gillian German at 714-998-2137 to RSVP. Phyllis Greene, 760-772-7121

HAPPY HOUR SPIRITS

On May 21st at 5 pm we will go to the Tack Room at the Polo Club, at Monroe and 50th in Indio.

Our June 18th Happy Hour will be at 5:00 pm at the Cliffhouse on Highway 111, just west of Washington.

Dr. Joan Cartwright, 415-320-5335

OUT AND ABOUT

We are attending the Coachella Valley Repertory Theater on the second Wednesday of each play's run: Nov. 2 / Jan. 25 / March 22 / May 3. Starting May 25, you can order your own tickets by calling the box office at 760-296-2966 from 10:30 to 5:00. You can go to their website cvrep.org for a listing and description of the plays.

We will have dinner before the plays at 5:30.

Call Angie Love for information at 760-779-5658.

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Barbara Villani
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5 Happy Birthday Pat Fredericks	6	7 Happy Birthday Marsha Claybrook	8 Happy Birthday Karin Newlin	9	10	11 9:00 planning meeting Happy Birthday Bonnie Paul	
12	13 11:30 Lunch Bunch	14 Happy Birthday Gail Wahl	15 2:00 Book Discussion	16	17	18 5:00 Happy Hour Spirits	
19	20	21 10:00 Great Decisions	22	23	24	25	
26	27 Happy Birthday Joanne Bourquin	28	29	30 6:00 Reel Revelers			