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



## General Membership Meeting

*SUNDAY, March 10, 2013*

Social: 11:30 a.m.  
*First polo game 12:00-2:00.*  
Luncheon: 12:00 noon  
Announcements: 12:45 p.m.  
Crazy Hat Contest: 1:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Empire Polo Club, 81-800 Ave. 51, Indio, tel. (760)393-7298/[www.empirepolo.com](http://www.empirepolo.com)

### Luncheon

*Smoked Turkey, Ham and Roast Beef  
Served with Swiss, Cheddar and Monterey  
Jack with lettuce and tomato  
Mixed Green or Pasta Salad  
Assorted Fresh Fruit  
Triple Chocolate Brownies, Lemon  
Lavender Bars, Fresh Baked Cookies*

### Program

*AAUW goes to the Polo Grounds for a day of fun and fundraising. The first polo match will be during lunch. At 1:00 p.m. crazy hats will be judged for most beautiful, most creative and the funniest. Prizes will be awarded. Second polo match is at 2:00 p.m. REMEMBER \$10.00 (or more), per person-*

PLEASE RETAIN THE ABOVE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE AND RETURN RESERVATION FORM WITH YOUR CHECK. Palm Springs Branch of AAUW, mail to Vivian Penniman, 79528 Morning Glory Ct., La Quinta, CA. 92253-4846 by THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2013.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ # RESERVATIONS \_\_\_\_\_ @\$37.00, PER PERSON,  
TELEPHONE/EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

President’s Message

AAUW President Carolyn Garfein’s message in the 2012 AAUW Annual Report was so inspirational that I thought I would echo some of it here:



“Empowering women as individuals and as a community is what AAUW is all about, and 2012 was a banner year for accomplishing just that. Our members and supporters have spread AAUW’s mission to women and girls all over the country, from fighting for fair pay to encouraging girls to break into science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. For more than 130 years, we have done great things together as a national grassroots organization and positively affected millions of lives.

We have worked together to support veterans who are victims of sexual assault, sent record numbers of women students to the unforgettable National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, turned AAUW’s sexual harassment research into concrete action in America’s middle and high schools, celebrated Title IX victories and the law’s 40th anniversary, and supported women’s graduate studies at home and abroad.

Together, we’re carrying out projects that empower women and men in our communities and in our country. It’s what we’ve been doing since 1881, and it’s what we’ll continue to do. We are investing in new solutions to reach and attract the AAUW members of tomorrow.

We’ve accomplished so much together already. We hope you’ll reflect on 2012 with pride and prepare for a renewed commitment in 2013!”

Also, I want to commend Francie Spears for stepping up to the plate to replace our speaker for the February meeting who took ill the day before the meeting. She did an amazing job.

**Officers**

President -----	Elaine Levey -----	360-6440
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Evening Book Group -----	Ronda Ostergaard -----	340-3714
Great Decisions -----	Bev Anderson -----	771-0838



AAUW  
Public Policy  
National



*February, 2013*

AAUW commends lawmakers from both parties for coming together to reach a true compromise to avoid the “fiscal cliff”. However, **the deal is far from perfect**, but it includes several AAUW sponsored provisions that will help women and their families: (1) Returning to the Clinton-era tax rates for high-income workers while continuing the current rates for the middle class, (2) Extending the “American Opportunity Tax Credit,” a \$2,500 tax credit to help college students and their families pay for tuition and related expenses, (3) Ending the payroll tax holiday to protect Social Security’s long-term solvency, (4) Delaying the automatic, across-the-board spending cuts for two months, giving Congress more time to find a way to protect key program from sequestration.

That last point in where YOU come in: The automatic spending cuts have been delayed, but they are still dangerous. In the next two months, Congress will need to find a solution to avoid deep cuts to important investments such as education, funding for civil rights enforcement, women’s health programs, and workforce training programs.

Your voice was critical in reaching the January **deal**; **now it is time to finish the job!!**

## Lilly Ledbetter to Speak on Tuesday, March 5, 2013



Hear this courageous woman whose battle inspired the Lilly Ledbetter **Fair Pay Restoration Act**.

Where: Memorial Chapel, University of Redlands.

When: Social 5:30 p.m., Meeting and Buffet Dinner at 6:00.

CASA LOMA ROOM

Cost: \$17.00

No charge for Lilly Ledbetter’s talk.





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by  
Patti Pastrick*





Welcome  
New A.A.U.W. Members  
*please add to your directory....*

*Angie Love, Membership, V.P*  
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*Beginning next month there will  
be a column on news about our  
members. Please send  
information to:  
[pcariker1@roadrunner.com](mailto:pcariker1@roadrunner.com)*

# Interest Groups.....film, books, current events

## Reel Revelers

Date: March 28, 2013  
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Phone: Suzanne McBride  
760-779-0721



## Daytime Book Club

Date: March 20, 2013  
Time: 2:00 p.m.  
Where: Joyce Cohn  
398 Via Carisma  
Palm Springs

Phone: 760-323-5106

Book: *The Buddha  
in the Attic*  
*Julie Otsuka*



## Afternoon Book Club

Date: March 13, 2013  
Time: 2:00 p.m.  
Where: Nancy Terrel  
Oasis Country Club  
76956 Kyber Road  
Palm Desert

Phone: 760-360-2528  
Book: *The State of Wonder*  
*Ann Patchett*



## Great Decisions

Date: March 18, 2013  
Time: 2:00 p.m.  
Where: Beverly Anderson  
50865 Paradis West, Apt E., La Quinta  
Phone: 760-771-0838 or call Dolly Schultz @  
760-328-1938  
Topic: NATO

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WHEN:  
WHERE:

Saturday March 16, 2013 at 2:00 PM  
Home of Joanne and Jack Bourquin  
43618 Salerno Court  
La Quinta, CA 92253-4971



COST:

\$30.00 to benefit AAUW Special Projects/Speech Trek  
Refreshments will be served



DIRECTIONS:

**From Washinton and Fred Waring** – Take Fred Waring East and continue past the next signal. Stay in the middle lane and turn into the Bella Vista Tract (no gate). Continue to the stop sign (Torino) Turn right then left at the first street (Salerno Ct.)  
**From the East** - Going West stay on Fred Waring past Jefferson, Dune Palms and Adams. Bella Vista Tract is the second tract on the right after passing Adams. Enter (no guard or gate) and continue to the stop sign,(Torino) Turn right and then take the first street to the left (Salerno Ct.) **Phone 760-799-1545 if lost**



Tear off

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Check Payable to AAUW Special Projects/Speech Trek

Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: Angie Love  
17 Maximo Way  
Palm Desert, CA 92260-0333

Questions: Angie Love 760-779-5658  
Joanne Bourquin 760-772-2832



## *Membership*

The AAUW orientation meeting in February brought four new members. One new member recruited a fifth. A sixth member found the Branch on the website. Three of the newest members, Chris Ellet, Carolyn Coughlin and Betsy Boyd were also present at the orientation. Another informal gathering will be held in March. Please contact Angie Love for potential member suggestions.

*Thank you to Sue Beatty and Elaine Levey for referring new members and to Faye Duffy for referring her daughter, Lori Duffy.*

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