

Welcome New Members!

Wednesday, May 16th, 2018

Angelina's Spaghetti House - 1563 E, Fremont St.

Our May meeting is designed as a social event for recognition of new members and an opportunity for all members to mingle and join in conversation to make new acquaintances and to reconnect with long-time friends.

This year we will be "going Italian" with our dinner meeting at Angelina's Spaghetti House, [1563 East Fremont Street](#). The date is Wednesday, May 16th at 5:30pm.

We will also be voting on our slate of candidates to elect new officers for 2018-19, so we encourage members to attend for this important vote.

Think Italian. Tutti al tavolo! Andiamo a mangiare!

Schedule:

5:30 Registration

6pm Welcome

(new member recognition and vote on new officers)

6:30 Dinner

Menu selections:

Spaghetti with Meat Sauce: \$22

Spaghetti with Meatless Sauce: \$22

Marinated Breast of Chicken: \$27

(Served with Pasta)

Entrees Include Salad, Garlic Bread, and Non-Alcoholic Beverages

Prices Include 18% Gratuity and 9% Tax.

Wine and Spirits Will Be Available at The Bar.

Reservation Deadline: Sunday, May 13th

(Reservations must be in by Sunday evening, no later than 6pm)

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Reservations Chair 478-1457

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On Saturday, April 21st, I attended the Status of Stockton Women Summit at the University Plaza Hotel. The summit was spearheaded by Anna NtiAsare-Tubbs and timed for the release of "The Report on the Status of Women 2018" which she instigated. The report can be found here: https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/fc8e09_0b4e65ceb92445ecbe0700279cd64b79.pdf

Many issues affecting the women of Stockton were addressed at the summit, including pay equity, one of AAUW's top public policy priorities. Those in attendance were encouraged to focus on an issue on which they believe they can have impact. I believe that AAUW can help by making AAUW's "Work Smart" salary negotiation workshop available to all working Stocktonians. An online version of the workshop will be launched this year, which will make it possible for many more people to participate. If workers are able to better negotiate salaries, work conditions, positions and raises, they will be better able to support themselves and their families and contribute to the local economy.

I look forward to working with our city leaders to make "Work Smart" available to our community.

We would be joining the cities of San Francisco, Boston, Washington, DC, Tempe, Long Beach and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which have all committed to training thousands of their residents.

Ronda Sanders
President

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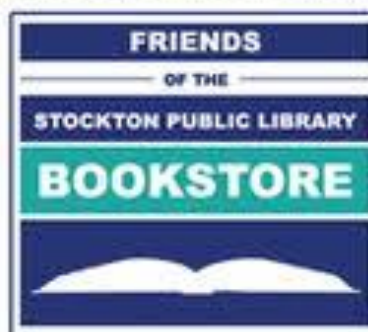
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STEM Trek

Due to the generosity of Donna Stein and coordinated by Rosa Solis, our girls were invited to attend the annual Hospice Butterfly Champagne and English Tea. To be sure, the girls had wide eyes when they saw our table decked out in the finest china and crystal laden with scrumptious delicacies of sweets and tiny tea sandwiches. The STEM Trek program strives to expose our girls to experiences that they would not otherwise have the opportunity to have, and this day did not disappoint.

Paula Almaas and Pam Mallett-Jones have been in meetings with the San Joaquin Agricultural Commission and have negotiated a deal for our girls to attend a week-long Technology Camp at the county's "Fab Lab" this summer. This camp will be followed by another camp for younger children at which our girls will act as counselors. We think this is a "win/win" as they will have the opportunity to participate and gain leadership skills, then assist at the children's camp and earn community service hours.

Our seniors have only another month with us as they will be graduating at the end of May. Again this year Marilyn and Russ Wylie have generously made their home available to us for the graduation party. Watch this space for an update in the June Steamer!



Hospice Butterfly Champagne (but not for us!) and English Tea!



Chloe Johnson, Speech Trek winner, addresses the membership at the April meeting.



Emily Stenzler, essay winner, reads her essay at the April meeting.



2018 Tech Trek Scholarship Winners

Seventh graders Royaltii Ross, Maria Hernandez, and Yenifer Lopez have been selected to represent AAUW-Stockton at the weeklong **Tech Trek Math and Science Camp** at CSU Fresno on June 17th-23rd.

Each girl was nominated by her seventh-grade science/math teacher and went through a selection process that included a written essay plus a face-to-face interview for the finalists. Royaltii is a student at Hong Kingston Elementary School and was nominated by teacher Mr. Cayton. Maria and Yenifer were nominated by teacher Mr. Vu Tran at Dolores Huerta Elementary School.

Alternate Jasmine Bariajas was selected as an alternate to attend if one of the three campers is unable to go. She was also nominated by Mr. Tran at Dolores Huerta Elementary. Congratulations to all!

The three campers and their parents have been invited to attend an Ice Cream Social at the home of Paula Almaas on June 8th. They will have a chance to meet Tech Trek campers from past years and ask any questions they may have about the camp experience.

Many thanks to the other selection committee members Bette Outlaw, Alice Tolliver, Paula Almaas, and Blanca Aguirre.

And we thank all the branch members who made donations to our Tech Trek program throughout the year. A very special thank-you goes to Alice Tolliver and Patricia Voss for their continuing support of the program.

You will all get a chance to meet the three Tech Trek campers at one of our branch meetings next fall.

Mina Martinez,
Stockton Tech Trek Coordinator

BOUDIN BRUNCH BUNCH

Sat., May 12th - 9:30am
5615 Pacific Ave., Stockton

Coming soon: AAUW members and guests gather for Food, Fun and Lively discussions!

Also collecting items for 3 homeless shelters run by Women's Center Youth & Family Services at 650 San Joaquin St. Stockton. Items needed include cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, tooth brushes, light bulbs, disposable diapers, kitchen items, hair brushes, combs, shampoos or whatever you hate to run out of.

Gift cards from Target, WalMart, Ross, Kohl's Grocery stores and Payless Shoes are greatly appreciated.

Please RSVP by Friday, May 11th, 2018 Noon.
Bobbie Landau
Email: Bobbiej49@aol.com or (209) 334-5711.



Coming Soon

Not just another fundraiser but.....a special cookbook fundraiser to support the STEM program.

STEM has typically been a self-supporting program, through garage sales, Applebee's Pancake Breakfasts and private donations, so now is the time to supplement their budget in a different direction.

This fundraiser includes you and you and you. We're focusing on a historical cookbook where everyone will want a copy.

Ideas include: an artistic cover, brief history of AAUW Stockton, photos of branch community events and of course, STEM activities.

Now comes the fun part: Send in your favorite recipes, your mother/grandmother's recipes, and invite friends to send their recipes **ALONG** with a small photo of the sender, to me.

The cut-off date will be September 1st to ensure the cookbook is completed and ready for sale at the Home Tour, Sunday, November 4th, 2018.

Please lend your support for this fundraiser and start sending in those recipes, Send to bou82235@aol.com or mail to P.O. Box 690663, Stockton, 95269.



AAUW Awards 2018 Scholarships to Three Delta College Students

Each year, the Stockton Branch of AAUW awards three scholarships to Delta College students who have attended for two years and are transferring to a 4-year university in the fall. For the second year in a row, the scholarship amount is \$2,000 per recipient (previously \$1,000) and this is due to the generosity of our branch and the hard work of our members. A HUGE thank you again to Carolyn Wischhusen and Jo Wagner who assisted me over the past several years in choosing our scholarship recipients! A great deal of time and thoughtful consideration is taken to review numerous

online applications and narrow it down to just three recipients.

Congratulations to the following 2018 AAUW Scholarship Recipients:

- **Berkeley Anderson**, a transfer student, will attend either UC Davis or Cal Poly, major in Engineering, and pursue a career in Environmental Engineering.
- **Rebecca Rafique**, a transfer student, will attend UC Davis, major in Pharmacology Chemistry, and pursue a career as a Dentist.
- **Denise Chacon**, a re-entry student, will attend CSU Sacramento, major in Nursing, and pursue a career as a Critical Care Nurse and obtain a MS in Nursing Education.

The three scholarship recipients will attend the AAUW June 9th Branch meeting. Please plan to join us to welcome these amazing women. and hear their inspiring stories. The AAUW scholarship recipients will be announced formally at the Delta College Scholarship ceremony and reception on August 22nd.

(Note: the scholarship funds are awarded by Delta College after receiving a confirmation from the universities that the recipients have been accepted and are attending in the fall).

Beverley Dierking
AAUW Scholarship Chairperson





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And the Winner Is...



*The RIF Bird has sung you a sweet invitation
In Steamer and letter, and now there's elation!
77 in our branch sent amounts low and high,
Allowing us hundreds of fine books to buy.*

*Kids' literacy's the main winner,
Plus all of you givers;
With one, Kathy White,
Feeling the Trader Joe's "shivers."*

The RIF Bird sings gratefully to 77 AAUW members for their generous donations to the RIF spring fundraiser in which there were **several winners**: the students who will benefit from improving their literacy; the donors who felt satisfaction from providing almost 1,500 free books; and one AAUW sister in particular, Kathy White, who won the Early Bird Drawing prize—a \$25 Trader Joe's gift card—at our April meeting.

Contributions totaled \$3,334. This money will fund ALL the books for ALL four Stockton RIF schools in the upcoming fall 2018 distribution, with money left to go toward the spring 2019 book purchase.

The impact of your donations is summed up by Sara Garfield, Executive Director of the One.TLC School Foundation: *"Thank you so much for your generous donation of all the RIF books. Your gift will make an immediate impact on the lives of our students."*

Contributors' names are listed below in the order of arrival at the RIF Bird's nest:

Pat Davis	Linda Christensen
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Peggy Guttieri	Nancy McPherson
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Conni Bock	Pam Mallett-Jones
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Schools and Communities First – Ballot Measure

Restores over \$11 billion a year for our Schools' and Communities' services by closing a Prop 13 Corporate Loophole by supporting the California Schools and Local Communities Funding Act of 2018.

The League of Women Voters of California and other interested California organizations have submitted a ballot measure for November's voting. This measure is designed to protect California from Trumps federal tax giveaway for millionaire, billionaire, and corporate landowners like himself.

The Funding Act will:

1. Will close Prop 13 Loophole
2. Not raise taxes on homeowners, renters, or small businesses
3. Help small business by eliminating personal property tax while leveling the playing field for new businesses.
4. Mandate full transparency and accountability for all revenue restored to schools and local communities.

"Trump's federal tax bill is a massive tax giveaway to large corporations paid for by raising taxes on Californians and slashing funding for our schools and vital community services. In California we have our own massive tax giveaway that benefits the same large corporations at the expense of the homeowner, renters, and small businesses."

"The Loophole" allows large property owners and corporations to avoid reassessment of real estate they have held continuously since 1978 when Prop 13 went into effect. Since that time of course property assessments for both business and residential properties have soared. As a result of the Prop 13 freeze on business and commercial properties held in continuous single ownership since 1978, residential property now provides a far larger share of the state's property tax revenue. When Prop 13 went into effect in 1978, commercial and industrial property provided 45 per cent of property tax revenue and residential properties provided 55 per cent of property tax revenue. Today commercial and industry properties provide 28 per cent of property tax revenue and residential properties

provide 72 per cent. As a consequence a small number of large commercial property owners avoid paying \$11 billion in property taxes each year. In fact, only 8% of commercial properties get 77% of the benefit from this loophole."

Trump's massive corporate tax cuts will hurt Californians. Education, first responders, healthcare, and community services will be threatened. The California Funding Act of 2018 will make large property owners pay their fair share and \$11 billion in funding to California.

Funding will be restored to schools and community colleges, parks, roads and bridges, firefighters and first responders, affordable housing and homeless services, libraries, public transportation, and health clinics and trauma centers.

Look for the measure on your November ballot and join the statewide coalition of 250 community groups and organizations that are supporting this commonsense and desperately needed reform.

SchoolsandCommunitiesFirst.org
info@schoolsandcommunitiesfirst.org

Marilyn Wylie
Public Policy Chair

Reminder: You will be voting on the AAUW 18/19 slate of officers at the May meeting.
Co-Presidents: Donna Hammel and Van Ha To-Cowell
Program VP's: Sandra Mazzuola (2nd term) and Ronda Sanders
Financial VP: Bette Outlaw (3rd term)
Director at Large: Kendra Hall



Long-time AAUW sister **Yvonne Brown** recently passed away. She spent her last days at Meadow Wood. We extend our deepest sympathy to her family and friends.

Also, member **Irene Case** passed away on March 20th. Our sincere condolences to the family.

Inspired Students, Inspiring Women!



First place winner Emily Stenzler stands with the subject of her essay, her mother Nancy Stenzler, at the April 14th AAUW meeting. Emily missed the March meeting because she was taking her SAT that day!

The winners of AAUW's 2018 Inspirational Woman Writing Contest shared their essays and tugged at the hearts of listeners at Stockton Branch's March 10th and April 14th meetings at Central Methodist Church. Open to San Joaquin County students in grades 9-12, the competition required young authors to interview a female family member, teacher, or friend about her background, struggles, and contributions, then to share her story in a 500 word essay.

Contest Chair Erica DeiRossi, herself a past winner of the contest, says that the over 90 entrants "not only honored the inspirational women in their lives, they were like social activists themselves—shedding light on the stories of forgotten women calling for more women's stories to be included in history."

After much deliberation, judges Sandy Mazzuola, Diane Oren, Michelle Zachlod, and Cindy Milford selected three essays that are special indeed. All authors happen to be junior year advanced placement students at Lincoln

High School. All blend extra-curricular activities, such as sports, music, leadership, community service, with attention to their academic work. Fran Bott is the teacher of the second and third place winners while Karen Meredith is the first place winner's instructor. Pam Mallett-Jones coached the winners in reading their essays aloud at our branch meetings.

Third place winner Joshua Kearns honored his mother Kelly, whom he admires for raising three children alone, in his essay "Being Raised by a Modern Day Wonder Woman". Miranda Standing's essay "You Have to Make It Happen" related how her mother Teresa changed careers and worked hard to attain her goal: becoming a school nurse. Emily Stenzler took first place with "Determinazione", the story of her Italian immigrant mother who spoke no English till she was ten but with determination overcame many obstacles to become a teacher.

In showcasing the exceptional women who inspired them, these three students have revealed their own powerful gift of the pen which brought them beautiful plaques and cash awards. Congratulations go to them, to their teachers, and to all student authors and educators who participated in this important event.

Cindy Milford, an Essay Contest Judge



Second and third place essayists, respectively, and the mothers who inspired their writings are Teresa Standing with daughter Miranda and Joshua Kearns with mother Kelly at the March 10th AAUW meeting.

Dues are Due!



AAUW has a fiscal year of July 1st through June 30th.

Therefore, to keep you in good membership standing, please send your dues to Monica Frischkorn, *your Membership Treasurer*, no later than June 30th, 2018.

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You can also turn in your dues at May's Branch Meeting,

Make your check payable to AAUW.

✂ Directory updates

Please make the following changes to your Directory:

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University of CA Berkeley,

June 1957 BA Social Worker Degree

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USC Public Administration, Doctorate of Public Administration, 1979

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Coralita Rathhaus

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Please make these changes to keep your Directory current. If there are additional corrections, please let Bette Outlaw know.

AAUW Book Group

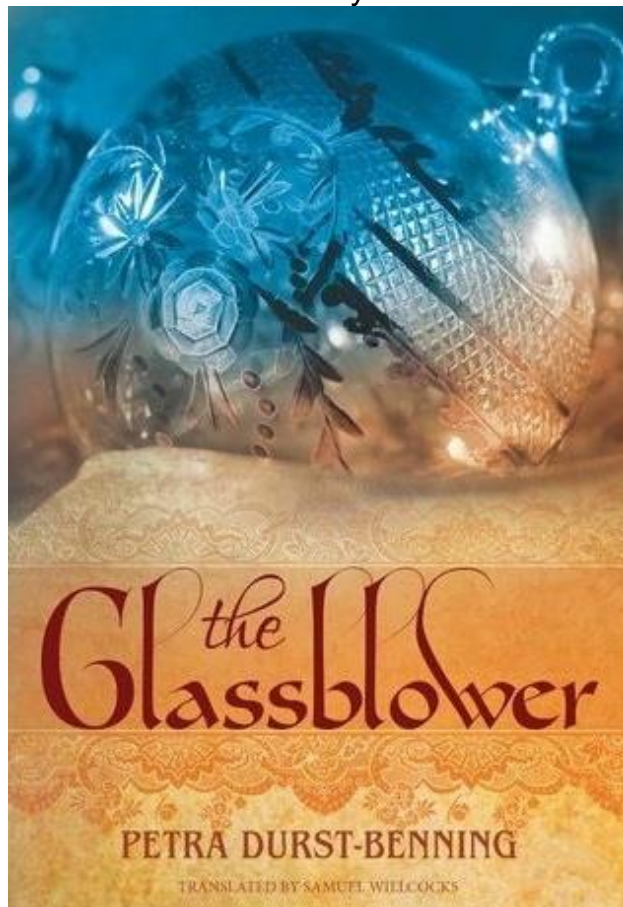
Tuesday, May 15th, 7pm

The Glassblower

by Petra Durst-Benning

Reviewer: Pam Mallett-Jones

Hostess: Betty Parsons



The Glassblower (first book in a trilogy) - In the village of Lauscha in Germany, things have been done the same way for centuries. The men blow the glass, and the women decorate and pack it. But when Joost Steinmann passes away unexpectedly one September night, his three daughters must learn to fend for themselves. While feisty Johanna takes a practical approach to looking for work, Ruth follows her heart, aiming to catch the eye of a handsome young villager. But it is dreamy, quiet Marie who has always been the most captivated by the magic—and sparkling possibilities—of the craft of glassblowing. As the spirited sisters work together to forge a brighter future for themselves on their own terms, they learn not only how to thrive in a man's world, but how to remain true to themselves—and their hearts—in the process.

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

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

May Calendar

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location/Contact
		Online Anytime	Submission of Articles/Pictures for stockton-ca.aauw.net Web Page	ronsan3628@sbcglobal.net
Sat	12	9:30am	Boudin Brunch Bunch	Bobbiej49@aol.com
Sun	13	6:00pm	Reservation Deadline	Joan Erreca – 478-1457
Mon	14	6:00pm	Board Meeting	Home of Ronda Sanders 3628 Mill Springs Drive
Tue	15	7:00pm	AAUW Book Group – “The Glassblower” By Petra Durst-Benning	Reviewer: Pam Mallett-Jones Hostess: Betty Parsons
Wed	16	5:30pm	Program – “Welcome New Members!”	Angelina’s Spaghetti House