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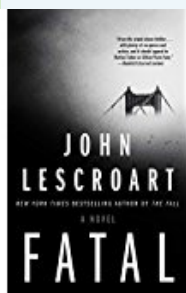
Author's Luncheon—John Lescroart

(NY Times Best Selling Author)

Friday, April 7, 2017 11:00 AM

North Ridge Country Club

7600 Madison Ave. Fair Oaks



There will also be a Book Fair, handled by Barnes and Noble, in which 10% of our sales will be evenly divided between Tech Trek and our CHAR Endowment.

Eligible purchases made during a determined time period at all Barnes and Noble Stores by members holding vouchers (or telling clerks of our Book Sale) may be added to our sale total as well.

Mr. Lescroart will autograph his books and he enjoys answering questions following his talk, so all you mystery lovers be prepared!

This delightful event is open to the public and guests are welcome!

Menu Choices

Chicken Piccata with seasonal vegetables and roasted potatoes
or **Vegetable Risotto** with grilled whole vegetables

The luncheon will include rolls, coffee, tea,
and Chocolate Lava Cake.



Make check payable to CHAR / AAUW for \$25.

Send to Pat Boyd
Deadline for reservation is Monday, April 3rd.
Write your menu choice on check.

Save the Date: Saturday, May 20th

May Monthly Meeting and Officer Installation

Come join us for lunch at the Marriott Hotel at Sunrise and Folsom Blvd.,
in Rancho Cordova as we install our new officers for the coming year.

Officers will be voted on at the April Meeting.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

March was Women's History Month. Look back and think about one thing you may have done during the month to observe or advocate for women's issues.

April, too, has a very important date for us to observe. Equal Pay Day falls on April 12 this year. The date changes from year to year. It also changes from country to country. This year April 12, 2017 is the day that marks when American women's pay for the year, starting in January of 2016, catches up with the amount that men earned, ending in December of 2016.

This pay gap has many repercussions that go beyond just fairness or equality. The lower wages make it much more difficult for women to pay back student loans. This diminishes the reward that is promised for working hard to achieve a higher level education. Women have a much harder time achieving a comfortable lifestyle. Women have a harder time paying for health insurance and enjoying a healthy life. Women have a much harder time dealing with transportation to work and finding, and paying for, child care. The pay gap means that many more women than men live in poverty.

These are all issues that AAUW advocates for. Women's rights are human rights, and it starts with equal pay. We can be proud of our state for passing the California Equal Pay Act, but we need to be vigilant in our support of AAUW's daily fight for equal pay across the nation. Go to the AAUW.org website and see what you can do to help. Let's see if we can get Equal Pay Day to come earlier next year!

I want to thank our nominating committee for giving their time and energy this year. Thank you to Clydene Leslie, Pam Bone, and Shirley Chang. Please consider taking on a position with CHAR AAUW next year. Our branch would benefit, you would benefit, and AAUW would benefit!

-PJ Missman

March Board Minutes are available as an attachment to the April Ripples by email. If you receive your Ripples by snail mail, please ask a friend to print you a copy.



2016-2017 Officers

President
Patricia Missman

VP Program
Joyce Farruggia

VP Membership
Hospitality
Therese Favro
Finance
Esther Leal

VP AAUW Funds
Elaine Bemis
MaryGene Page

Secretary
Judy Bell

Treasurer
Lee Battershell-Baird

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Editor
Esther Leal
Distribution
Evelyn Fedler

**REMINDER OF BOARD MEETING
April 3rd— 10:00 AM
Raley's Meeting Room
San Juan at Sunset
Fair Oaks**

NO MAY RIPPLES



BOOK CORNER



3rd Thursday Book Group

Date: Thurs., April 20, 2017

Time: 1:00 PM

Hostess: Celine Walker

RSVP: by April 17th.

Book: *The Ophelia Cut* by John Lescroart

Discussion Leader: Aggie Vawter

Date: Wed., May 17, 2017

Time: 1:00 PM

Hostess: Jan Bessette

RSVP: by May 15th.

Book: *The Color of Water* by James McBride

Discussion Leader: Celine Walker

Great Decisions

Date: April 4th & 18th and May 2nd & 16th.
(1st & 3rd Tues.)

Time: 1:00 PM—3:00 PM

Place: Raley's Event Center—San Juan at
Sunset, Fair Oaks

Contact Virginia Sturdevant for more information

More Than Books

Date: Wed., April 19, 2017

Hostess: Judy Allen—Seasons

Date: Wed. May 17, 2017—Decades

Hostess: Charlene Eberwine—Decades

Whodunits

2nd Tuesday, April 11th and May 9th.

1:00—2:30 PM Carmichael Library Meeting
Room.

LET'S EAT!

Lunch Bunch

Date: Wed. April 12, 2017

Time: 12:00 Noon

Place: Takieng Thai
Cuisine
4400 San Juan Ave.,
Fair Oaks
(San Juan & Winding
Way—next to Round
Table Pizza)



Date: Wed. May 10, 2017

Time: 12:00 noon

Place: Elephant Bar
6063 Sunrise Mall, Citrus Heights)

Reservations: Call Clydene Leslie,
or Virginia Dunstan

Hungry Ladies Eating Out

Date: Thurs., April 6, 2017

Time: 6:00 PM

Place: : Mandarin Restaurant
4321 Arden Way, Sacramento, next to Whole
Foods Market

Hostess: Linda Marren

Check with Corrine Laing for May info.



EXPANDING OUR HORIZONS



Gadabouts

Date: Friday, April 21st

Time: 11:00 AM to carpool from Raley's parking lot, San Juan Ave., Fair Oaks.

Lunch: first—at Awful Annie's in Lincoln

Event: 2:00 PM tour of the Rogers Family Coffee Plant in Lincoln.

Tours are only on Fridays and only at that time. We will have to cancel our reservation if there are not at least eight interested participants.

Please contact Pat Boyd or Charlene Eberwine if you are planning to attend.



**Rogers Family
Company**

World Country Study Group

Date: Wed. April 26, 2017 (4th Wed.)

Time: 10:15 –12:00 Noon

Place: Joyce Farruggia's,
Joyce will be presenting on the cinema of Croatia. Janice will present on Croatian Holidays and Festivals.

RSVP to Janice Chung or Joyce Farruggia would be appreciated.

Please send me— Janice Chung -an email, if you think you might like to come to any of our meetings. That way I can add you to my email distribution list and keep you up-to-date on the latest information.

Mah Jong

Date: Thurs., April 13th and May 11th

Time: 1:00 PM

Place: Darlene Houston's clubhouse.

Contact Elaine Bemis for more info.

Movie Mavens

Movie Mavens will disband unless someone takes over the duties to chair for next year. The chairman puts out a sign-up at the Sept. luncheon for each month, and puts an article in the Ripples each month.

Contact Elaine Bemis for more information.

Calif Water Issues

Date: Monday, April 24th

Time: 10:15 Am

Place: Raley's Meeting Room, San Juan and Sunset, Fair Oaks

Topic: TBA. Lee Battershell will chair the program.

Date: May 22- Guest speaker Tio Zasso rescheduled from Feb.
Same time, same place.



Bird Watching

Date: Tues., April 4, 2017

Time: 8:00 AM

TBA: Charlene will email the group a few days ahead. The weather has been too unpredictable to predict the next trip location. Stay tuned!

Summer Ping Pong for this summer will be back if there is enough interest, in Lois Wrens' backyard starting Tuesday, June 13 at 9:00 a.m. We socialize, play a little, and have never kept score! Please let me know with updated emails and phones if you want to join—summer guests, friends and neighbors are welcome. We just wanna have fun!!!! Lois Wren



Public Policy Equal Pay Day is the symbolic day dedicated to raising awareness of the gender pay gap. It was last celebrated on April 12, 2016; since this date symbolizes how far into the year women must work to earn what men earned in the previous year, the exact day differs both by year and by country.

Women do the same work as men...



...we just do it in heels.

EQUAL PAY DAY

The Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, signed on January 29, 2009, is the very first piece of legislation that President Obama signed into law. The law, named after a woman who discovered her employer was paying less than men doing the same job, makes it easier for women to effectively challenge unequal pay. The law amended the Civil Rights Act of 1964 so that unfair pay complaints can be filed within 180 days of a discriminatory paycheck -- and that 180 days resets after each paycheck.

Mary Toutonghi, Public Policy

The CHAR Nominating Committee presents the proposed slate of officers for the coming year:

President: PJ Missman,
VP—Program—Mary Duval (with committee)
VP Membership—Therese Favro and Esther Leal
Secretary—Lee Battershell-Baird
Treasurer—Roberta Schmalz
AAUW Funds—Elaine Bemis

Renewing Your Membership Online—How to do it!

1) SETTING UP YOUR ONLINE ACCOUNT—if you haven't done that yet

<http://citrusheights-ca.aauw.net/join/> (Click on the website)

- 1) Scroll down page under **Membership** to **join now** category.
- 2) Click link to "Register." Fill out info as instructed.
- 3) National will then send you an email with your member number and instructions on creating a password.

2) THEN - RENEWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP or if you already have an online account—start here:

<http://citrusheights-ca.aauw.net/join/> (Click on the website)

- 1) Right side of page: "Renew your branch membership"
- 2) Click "Enter Member Services Database" button
- 3) Click on "Log into the MSD now"
- 4) Complete credit card details (including security code)
Click Next / Click Submit



(This is quite do-able. Eighteen of our members renewed online last year!)



It has been my honor to be the Tech Trek Coordinator the past three years. I'd like to leave the post with one last piece of great news: we've received a \$1,000 grant from the Aerojet Rocketdyne Foundation.

Thank you to my invaluable 2017 teammates in this endeavor: Susan Wheeler, Michelle Favro-Farruggia, Therese Favro, Elaine Bemis, Mary Duval and PJ Missman. Thank you to all of our branch members who have financially and emotionally supported the Tech Trek program: your goodwill truly makes a difference in the students' lives.

To the future Tech Trek Coordinator: I'm happy to be available for 'Trek' support next year!

Giulia Favro-Farruggia

Marathon Bridge—End of the Year Luncheon

Thursday, May 11, 2017 10:00 AM
Eskaton Village, 3939 Walnut Ave., Carmichael, CA



Menu: Chicken Saltimbocca (chicken breast stuffed with ham and spinach)
with rice pilaf, seasonal vegetables
Or Cobb Salad with assorted dressings

Both entrees served with soup, rolls & butter, crème brule cheesecake, coffee & iced tea

Cost: \$22. Make check payable to Jean Bayless and mail to Jean Bayless. Write your meal choice on your check.

Checks must be received no later than May 5th.

All marathon games should be completed and scores sent to Louise Lockhart by May 5th.

Marathon Bridge



CHAR's Marathon Bridge has been for years both an enjoyable activity for bridge players and a good fundraiser for local scholarships and Tech Trek. Partners play a different team each month from September through April, and there is a luncheon/bridge party in May. Linda West and Margaret Lawston are willing to chair Marathon Bridge in 2017-2018, but we need to assess the interest in continuing the program.

Current team members will have an opportunity to give their input at the luncheon on May 11th. To get more information about Marathon Bridge and/or to express an interest in playing in 2017-2018, contact Margaret or Linda.

In Memoriam

We are sad to report the passing of Alice Ainsworth, a CHAR past president and a 50 year honorary member of AAUW. Alice was a retired 1st grade teacher at McClellan Elementary School in North Highlands, active in Retired Teachers and a member of Renaissance. She is fondly remembered as being intelligent, funny, warm hearted, liked by everyone and loyal to CHAR. She loved to travel, lived at one time in Panama, went to Stanford and raised four children. She lived a full life and will be missed by all who knew her.



CHAR Membership Renewal Form Deadline June 15, 2017

CHAR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

☐ Check here if any information is different from last year's directory. Highlight changed information. Please complete the following information as you wish it to appear in the branch directory:
Please print.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone: _____
Home _____

Cell _____
(Include area code with all phone nos.)

E-mail address: _____

Ripples Newsletter, emailed ____yes

____Mailed through Post Office*

* \$10 covers annual printing and mailing costs of your Ripples. If you choose the mailing option, adding \$10 allows the branch to use general membership dues to benefit all members.

The due date for renewing your membership is June 15th.

Make check payable to CHAR/AAUW

Send Form and Payment to:

Esther Leal

Please send in the entire page with your membership renewal.



If you're paying online, you may designate contributions there.

Otherwise, Look for contribution opportunities in the September 2017 Ripples and at the Membership Luncheon in September. Please don't send any with this renewal, except adding \$10 if you're requesting the printed Ripples newsletter.

CHAR Membership Fees

Circle appropriate category:

Regular Dual Honorary

1) Regular Member Category

Breakdown of dues:

AAUW National Dues	\$49
(\$46 of this is tax deductible)	
CA State Dues	\$20
CHAR Dues (Branch)	<u>\$15</u>
Regular Member—Total	\$84

Note: If you are a Paid Life Member your total fee is \$35. (Total of State and CHAR fees. You do not pay National Fees.)

Paid Life Member—Total \$35.

2) Dual Member Category

My Primary Branch is:

If you are a dual member, and CHAR is not your primary branch, **your total fee is \$15** (our CHAR branch fee.) You do not pay the State and National fees twice! If this is your primary branch, total fees of \$84 apply.

3) Honorary Life Member Category

If you are an Honorary Life Member, you only pay \$15.

Honorary Life Member- Total: \$15 fee

Renew Online!

If you prefer, you may renew online and pay by credit card by going to our website:
www.citrusheights-ca.aauw.net
(See page 5 for instructions.)



You don't have to fill out the renewal form if renewing online!

The 45th annual Home Tour sponsored by AAUW Amador Branch will take place in the historic Gold Rush town of Sutter Creek. The Tour, "Strolling Sutter Creek," will be held on **Saturday, April 22, 2017 from 11 AM to 4 PM** and will feature five fantastic historic homes that have been remodeled and restored to incorporate respect for the past with the need for updated comfort and style. In addition, docents will guide ticket holders through five living history sites including: the Sutter Creek Fire Museum; the Catholic Cemetery with headstones from the 1850s; and a General Store Museum preserved from the turn of the century. Also, the first two living history projects undertaken by the Sutter Creek Community Benefit Foundation (SCCBF) will be available for touring: Miners' Bend Park; and the Sutter Creek Grammar School. Tea and homemade cookies will be served in the social hall of the historic Methodist Church while live music plays and the 2017 Opportunity Quilt is proudly displayed until raffled off at 3:30 PM.

Tickets are \$25.00 in advance or \$28.00 on Tour day at local outlets or Creekside Methodist Church. Local outlets: Claypool's Gift & Home, Pine Cone Drug, Amador 360, and Ione Pharmacy. By April 14th, tickets may be ordered by mail. Send check to AAUW Home Tour, PO Box 611, Sutter Creek, CA 95685. For more info, call (209) 245-6052 or chapman@volcano.net.

This is Amador Branch's only fundraiser of the year and benefits Tech Trek and local women.

April 2017



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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN MISSION STATEMENT:

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