



#### CITRUS HEIGHTS-AMERICAN RIVER

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## **Annual Holiday Social**

Saturday, December 10th—10:00 AM Christ Community Church 5025 Manzanita Ave., Carmichael, CA

(Park in the back of the church complex. Stairs or elevator to 2nd floor)

Mustard Seed School
Of Loaves and Fishes will be our charity.

See page 3 for suggestions on gift donations.

Bring a savory holiday treat to share: Veggies, tea sandwiches, roll ups, etc.



Guests are welcome!



Victorian Noel, a Dickens style vocal quartet, will be our holiday entertainment.



SAVE THE DATE—SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2017 Inter-Branch Council Luncheon (see page 5 for menu and reservation) Plates Café 14 Business Park Way, Sacramento

#### MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

This election has shown us how much more work we have to do to ensure that women and girls receive equal opportunities in our country, and that the rights and freedoms we have fought for, and won, are not lost. We have a long fight ahead of us; we cannot be complacent. As our Senator-Elect Kamala Harris declared, "We must fight to protect civil liberties and preserve progressive values."

**Supporting women and girls** by helping them with their education through scholarships is one place to start. We can be rightly proud of the work we do every year supporting scholarships for women and girls attending American River College.

**But we can't stop there**. Let's support all AAUW Public Policy Priorities. As Hillary Clinton said, "Women's rights are human rights."

#### Patricia Missman, President

#### **Title IX Moment**

Title IX prohibits sex discrimination in U.S. schools and ensures all students have access to education. Unfortunately, its work is not done.



Around 28 percent of women are targets of attempted or completed sexu-

al assault while they are college students. Pregnant and parenting students are often steered toward separate and less rigorous schools. Women's teams receive only 36 percent of athletic operating dollars. Nearly half of students in grades 7-12 report facing sexual harassment. Women and girls are still underrepresented in STEM clases at all levels.

One thing you can do to ensure equal rights for women and girls is to call your local school and check with the Title IX campus monitor. Find out if there is someone on campus who is really, truly protecting our students from sexual harassment and gender bias. See if they can use some help and find out what you can do.

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Reminder of Board Meeting Mon. December 5, 2016 Raleys Community Room Sunset and San Juan Aves. Fair Oaks 10:00 AM



Deadline for Jan. 2017 Ripples
Wed. December 10th
Esther Leal
emleal@comcast.net

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## **BOOK CORNER**

**3rd Thursday Book Group** 

Date: Thurs., December 15, 2016

**Time:** 1:15 PM

**Place:** Lemon Grass Restaurant 601 Munroe Street, Sacramento

Hostess: Gwen Houk

**RSVP:** by Sunday, Dec. 11th

Book: Orphan Train by Christian Baker Kline

Discussion leader: Fran Clarke

#### **More Than Books**

No meeting in December. See you January 18th.—Pat Arthur

#### **Great Decisions**

Meetings start in February. Contact Virginia Sturdevant for more information.

## LET'S EAT!

**Lunch Bunch** 

Date: Wed., Dec. 14, 2016

Time: 12 Noon

Place: Dianda's Italian Bakery & Cafe

10131 Fair Oaks Blvd., Fair Oaks

Located in the Fair Oaks Village next to the quilt shop. We are returning to Dianda's as everyone enjoyed it last year. It was fun after lunch strolling down the street to visit the charming "Simpler Times" shop filled with beautiful Christmas items.

**RSVP** to Clydene Leslie or Virginia Dunstan by Friday, December 9th.

**Hungry Ladies Eating Out** 

**Date:** Thurs. Dec. 1, 2016

**Time:** 6:00 PM

Place: Grange Restaurant and Bar

926 J Street, Sacramento **Hostess**: Corrine Laing

This is our Holiday Dinner. For more infor-

mation please call Corrine Laing.



#### **Mustard Seed Donation Suggestions**



New and unwrapped gifts suitable for various age groups. Boys & Girls ages 9 mos. To 2 years, 3-5 years, 6-7 years, 8-9 years, 9-11 years, etc.

Miscellaneous wrapping paper, ribbons, bows, gift bags, scotch tape, etc.

Stocking stuffers, batteries for toys, age appropriate games and puzzles, etc.

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## EXPANDING OUR HORIZONS

**Bird Watchers** 

Date: Tuesday Dec. 6, 2016

**Time**: 7:30 AM

Place: Sacramento Wildlife Refuge

1 1/2 hr. drive north on I-5.

Meet in front of Petco at 7:30 am in the shopping center on the northeast corner of Greenback & Auburn, behind Jack-in-the-box. More than **300 species of birds and mammals**, both resident and migratory birds on the Pacific Flyway, use the refuges. It is mostly car birding with observation platforms. See the following link for more information. <a href="http://www.fws.gov/sacramentovalleyrefuges/">http://www.fws.gov/sacramentovalleyrefuges/</a>

If you need binoculars or have questions call Charlene Eberwine Tuesday morning of the 6<sup>th</sup> call Charlene's cell if you need to cancel.

Gadabouts

Date: Thursday, December 8, 2016

**Time:** 10:15 to carpool

Event: Crocker Art Museum, 216 O Street,

Sacramento

RSVP: By November 23rd to Linda Mar-

ren or Carolynn Michaels **Lunch**: Crocker Café

**Carpool**: From Carolynn Michaels' house

at 10:15 AM

1836 Wayside Lane, Sacramento 95864. Drivers will be needed.



#### **World Country Study Group**

**Date:** Wed., Dec. 14, 2016 **Time**: 10:15 AM to 12 Noon

Place: Carmichael Regional Library meeting room, 5605 Marconi

Ave, Carmichael, CA 95608

**Note**: This is a combined Nov. and Dec. Meeting. Date change

is due to the holidays.

Carol Stieger will be presenting on the History from the Romans

to the Collapse of the Austro-Hungarian Empire in 1918.

If you would RSVP to Janice it would be appreciated.



Please send me 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.

#### **Movie Mavens**



**Date**: Wed., Dec. 7, 2016

**Contact:** Mary Duval for the name of the movie, time and

place.

#### **Mah Jong**

**Date:** Thurs., December 8, 2016 **Place:** Darlene Houston's Club House, 5688 Spyglass Lane, Citrus Heights

**Time:** 1:00 PM

**AAUW** fundraiser: \$5.00 to play

**RSVP:** Elaine Bemis

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## AAUW EF Funds (IBC) Luncheon 11:30 AM Saturday, January 28 2017

Plates Café and Catering

Depot Park—14 Business Park Way, Bldg. 149, Sacramento, CA 95828

- #1 Garlic Cilantro Chicken Breast served with wild rice and roasted asparagus, side Mexican Caesar Salad with cotija cheese, pepitos and tortilla strips
- #2 Fettuccini with roasted vegetables in basil cream sauce served with toasted crostinis, side Mexican Caesar Salad with cotija cheese, pepitos and tortilla strips
- #3 Entrée Mexican Caesar Salad with grilled chicken, cotija cheese, pepitos and tortilla strips

Dessert—Apple Cranberry Crisp a la mode Rolls and Butter Coffee—Iced Tea- Lemonade



EF Funds	Luncheon-\$30 per person,	which includes tax and tip.	Make check payable
to:	AAUW Interbranch Council	. Check due with reservatio	n.

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

Branch:\_\_\_\_\_ Entrée Choice(s) #\_\_\_\_\_

RSVP by January 18, 2017 to: Barbara Durst, 874 Purdue Dr., Woodland, CA 95695

For questions: Barbara Durst at bdurst@mac.com or

phone 530-666-3104

# SAVE THE DATE - Feb. 11, 2017

Bridge Party at Eskaton (Also, Mah Jong, and whatever else you'd like to play!)

We'll have games in the morning, lunch at noon, more games in the afternoon.

Come and enjoy the day!







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Public Policy Lisa M. Maatz, Vice President of Governmental Relations and Advocacy has forwarded this (edited) letter to us as part of the "AAUW Washington Update."

**Voters made history** November 8th by electing political outsider Donald J. Trump to the White House. AAUW intends to approach our work with both the new administration and Congress with our mission in mind. AAUW's non-partisan leadership and research based advocacy is needed now more than ever.

It is now that the real work begins. AAUW will find common ground with the Trump administration and the new Congress on issues that are important to women and working families. Women want progress on issues that affect them, and AAUW intends to be a valued ally and fierce critic, depending on what is warranted. Most importantly, in true AAUW fashion, we will not hesitate to speak truth to power.

**Election 2016 touched on many issues** that affect women and families at every level. We still face congressional gridlock over the Paycheck Fairness Act. Students are still waiting for real action on college affordability, student debt, and commitment to combating campus sexual assault. Working families are still looking for good jobs with paid family and medical leave and other workplace equity policies. And Americans still don't have the basic necessity of a full Supreme Court.

**Members of AAUW worked hard** to get out the women's vote on Election Day. Candidates must now work to deliver on their promises. Women voters expect our newly elected officials to work together on solutions. Women voters are watching. We've laid out our priorities and we will hold each and every candidate accountable.

**Now -----**what are your thoughts and comments in response to Liza's letter? Watch this spot!!!

Mary Toutonghi, Public Policy Chair

#### **Mah Jong**

For our first meeting on November 10th, Shirley Chang graciously opened her home to 23 people, with five tables and three teachers, learning the game of Mah Jong

This was a fundraiser for AAUW at \$5 per person.

See Page 4 for next month's meeting information.



#### **Sunshine Committee**

Do you know of a member who is ill, had surgery, or suffered an accident, etc.? Please contact

Noreen Rademacher



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## MINUTES OF REGULAR CHAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING RALEY'S COMMUNITY ROOM, MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2016

**Call to Order**: The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by President, P.J. Missman. **Finance:** Lee Battershell submitted a written report for the Operations to Budget for September 2016.

**Membership:** Esther Leal reported that there are two new members.

**AAUW Funds**: Elaine Bemis

Mahjong - First meeting will be November 10. Mahjong will be played with \$5 contributed per player per meeting.

Game day - In February. There will be multiple kinds of games available.

**Local Scholarships/Scholarship Endowment**: Lee Battershell clarified that Local Scholarships and the Endowment will work together to provide for the scholarships at American River College. The money raised will be kept track of separately but will work together to provide the yearly scholarships.

**Communications:** Joyce Farruggia suggested photos be taken at general membership meetings and used on the website and in the newsletter.

**Newsletter**: Esther Leal will be out of town the month of April 2017 so there will be no May newsletter. This will put the Installation meeting in June so it can be publicized in the June newsletter. Special interest groups will need to do their own emailing about May activities. It will have to be decided whether to have a May general membership meeting.

**STEM**: Joyce Farruggia reported that Giuliana Favro-Farrruggia will not be doing Tech Trek next year. She has done it two years and is not getting enough help. P.J. Missman will ask Giulia what areas she needs help with this year.

**Adjournment**: The meeting was adjourned by President P.J. Missman at 11:40 AM.

Submitted by Judy Bell, Secretary October 31, 2016

## Tech Trek Fundraiser

Wine Tasting and Poker Run\*
Saturday, February 4th, 2017

\$50 includes transportation, gift bag and a day of fun!

In order to reserve the correct number of vans, please be prepared to **sign up with your donation at the December meeting.** Twelve people have already made reservations and we would love to have YOU join us! Friends and family members are welcome!

\*You will receive a playing card at each winery, and at the end we will reveal our hands!



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#### **CHAR-AAUW Ripples**



Deadline for Jan. 2017 Ripples

Dec. 10th

See page 2 for address Our CHAR website:

http://citrusheights-ca.aauw.net

# December 2016



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American Association of University Women Mission Statement AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

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