

## AAUW RIVERSIDE PIPELINE

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

## FEBRUARY, 2013

#### **MEETINGS**

February 4th, Monday — **Board Meeting** at 10:00 AM at Jo's

February 7th, Thursday — **Book Group** at 1:00 PM at Stella's—Wanting by Richard Flanning

February 7th, Thursday — **Book Group** at 7:00 PM at Erika's - The Life of Pi by Yann Martel.

February 13th, Wednesday — Jane Moore at 9:30 AM at Habitat for Humanity

February 15th, Friday — Healthy Hearts at Noon at Janet's.

February 21st, Thursday — Out & About — **Tour of the Center For Social Justice** and Civil Liberties at 10:00 AM

February 21, Saturday — SEIBC Meeting **Tour of the Lincoln Memorial Shrine** In Redlands at 10:00 AM

February 25, Monday — Current Affairs at Stella's at 1:00 PM

February 25, Monday — Bridge Group At Muriel's at 7:00 PM

#### **JANE MOORE**

A Pencil and A Dream Will Take You Anywhere

Jane Moore, retired director in educational services for the Riverside County Office of Education, went on a safari in Africa seven years ago with her husband, Dale Bell. While in Tanzania, they saw children begging for pencils which were a symbol of the education they wanted. Jane and Dale fell in love with the kids and in the last few years have raised \$44,000.00 to build two primary classrooms in the village of Karatu. In August of 2012, Jane and her husband went to Avalabe School dedicate classrooms to the

While in Africa Dale completed an eight day climb to the peak of Mt. Killimanjaro to raise money for a girls' dormitory in Karatu.

Jane is an enthusiastic and dedicated supporter of her cause. She will speak about her African experiences and hopefully inspire us all!

Wednesday, February 13th 9:30 AM Coffee; 10:00 AM Speaker Habitat for Humanity, 2180 Iowa Lunch at Culinary Arts — for those who wish

### **Board Members**

Co-Presidents AAUW Funds VP Membership VP Secretary Treasurer Communications Parliamentarian

Barb Ryon Barbara Purvis Stephanie Dingman Carlease Chandler Co Marilyn Puckett Stephanie Dingman Taffy Geith Bessie Ridley

#### **Interest groups & Others**

Book Group—1st Thursday at 1 PM Book Group - 1st Thursday at 7 PM Bridge Group - 4th Saturday at 7 PM Current Affairs - 4th Monday at 1: PM

Healthy Hearts - 3rd Friday at Noon Out & About - dates & times very International Affairs Chair Public Policy Chair Tech Trek Coordinator **UCR** Coordinator

Stella Fife Lisa Newhall Mary Lou Morales Marilyn Dunagan **Dorothy Andruss** Bessie Ridley Jo Turner Carrie Garret Ann Kasper Lisa Newhall Adrienne Sims



# February 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	Board Meeting 10:00 am	5	6	7 Book Group 1:00 pm Book Group 7:00 pm	8	9 Beth Miller
Chinese New Year	11	12	Jane Moore 9:30am	14 LOVE Happy Valenting's Day	Healthy Hearts Noon	16
17	18 Presidents Day	19	20	21 Out & About Tour of the Center For Social Justice 10:00 am	22	23 SEIBC Meeting 10:00 am
24	25 Current Affairs 1:00 pm  Bridge Group 7:00 pm	26	27	28		

#### PRESIDENT'S CORNER



By Barbara Purvis Barb Ryon Co-presidents



Your co-presidents wish on behalf of the Riverside Branch of AAUW, as well as the other nonprofits and community groups, to thank Habitat for graciously allowing our organizations to meet in the Community Room without charge. Special thanks to Karin Roberts, the Executive Director of Habitat, whose idea it was to allow the Community Room to be used by the various community organizations. In addition, the staff of Habitat has spent their time and energy in setting up the chairs and tables for our meetings and has offered the use of equipment. Free!

During the last several years, most of our general meetings have been held at Habitat. This includes the general meeting to be held on February 13<sup>th</sup> to hear Jane Moore on Africa and pencils. In addition, the Southeast Interbranch Council has held programs at Habitat including the marvelous program with Dr. Olds of the UCR Medical School.

Since Habitat is allowing us to use the facility without charge we are able to husband our funds for other purposes. But there is one way to thank Habitat for the use of the Community Room. Visit the ReStore and see the wonderful and inexpensive items they have for sale. The items in the ReStore have been donated by many of the local businesses and members of the public. There are tremendous bargains to be found. The funds raised in the ReStore go directly to the functioning of Habitat for Humanity Riverside.

Come to our general membership meetings and visit the ReStore.

Visit our website: http://riverside-ca.aauw.net/

#### **OUT & ABOUT**

## THE CENTER FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND CIVIL LIBERTIES

We will meet at **10:00 AM on Thursday**, **February 21st** at 2372 Magnolia for a tour. There is parking at the back.

We will learn about the history of the building and the future plans for the Center. We will also view the collection of Miné Okubo who was a Japanese American and a native of Riverside. She graduated from RCC and transeferred to UC Berkeley to pursue a degree in fine arts. She began to gain recognition as an artist when she was interred in a Japanese camp during World War II. She published a memoir, *Citizen 13660* about her experiences in the internment camp

After the War Miné moved to New York where she worked as an illustrator for *Fortune, Time, Life*, and *The New Yorker*.

After the tour, those who wish may go to lunch together.

#### **CURRENT AFFAIRS**

Beth Miller is providing us with a real treat this month for Current Affairs on Monday, February 25th at Stella's. Stella lives at 4183 Brentwood Avenue.

Rob McMurray will be the guest speaker. He retired from the San Bernardino County office as a public administrator and his job was to investigate the lives of people who passed away without clear instructions on

**inheritance.** He is a very good presenter with lots of humor and good information.

You should have recently received your 2012 AAUW Member Survey in the mail with the latest Outlook Magazine. Please remember to fill out the survey and return in the enveloped provided by 4/2/13.

#### Ruthee Goldkorn — Women and DisAbilities

#### By Taffy Geith

The Riverside Branch of AAUW had its first meeting of the New Year at the Community Room at Habitat for Humanity, 2180 Iowa, on Wednesday, January 9, at 9:30 AM.

Barb Ryon, Co-President, made two brief announcements: the AAUW business meeting would be held at the end of the session, and Stephanie Dingman, AAUW Branch treasurer, who is also a Facilitator of Literacy at the Riverside Public Library, invited those interested in that endeavor to a meeting that night at the Library.

Co-President, Barb, then called on Ruthann, who had arranged the meeting to introduce our featured speaker, Ruthee Goldkorn, former Ms. Wheelchair California 200l, and an avowed advocate for the disabled. Ms. Goldkorn described the pageant when she received the tiara, and, although she used a lot of humor, she emphasized the respect and the acclaim that a tiara represents for disabled women and the recognition and honor it brings when it is made public. The tiara symbolizes, in a sense, that disabled women are not a nuisance, not "the other people" but that they have value and that all people are important. She stated that one in seven people are disabled. The Miss Wheelchair pageants continue.

After receiving her title, Ms Goldkorn used the "power of her tiara" to develop a mission statement to expand the interest in women with disabilities. She went to Sacramento since socioeconomic interests are just as critical for women with disabilities —education, health care, access to buildings, and inclusion in public activities. She contacted the Tournament of Roses,--girls with disabilities had never been included, but Ms Goldkorn wanted them to be in the parade. In 2009 the Kiwanis Club sponsored a float where parade viewers could see a disabled girl ---though the wheelchair was not visible. This brought coverage from local newspapers, TV and other media --disabled girls are part of our society. (Transporting wheelchairs and disabled people on and off parade floats requires much cooperation and hard work.)

Ms Goldkorn is disabled and in a wheelchair, and she has had Multiple Sclerosis since the age of 16, but she is much accomplished. She has worked in Orthopedic Medicine for seventeen years, worked at Central Casting for movies and TV, organized a group to have a synagogue in Moreno Valley, and wrote a curriculum about the Holocaust to be used in Moreno Valley Schools. She also has her own firm, "No Barriers Disabled Access Consulting and Advocacy Services".

She is currently concerned with Senate Bill 1186 because she feels it undermines the Civil Rights Act for People with Disabilities. She is vice-president of California for Disability Rights Foundation and believes that California has taken a step backward.

As Barb Ryon, co-president, stated at the end of Ms Goldkorn's presentation, "We have learned a lot". Ms Goldkorn has the passion and dedication of a true advocate with a mission. Her slogan, "Gender Equity for girls with Disabilities" resonated with members of AAUW. All those in attendance are sure to be more sensitive to the fairness in both the attitudes and the treatments of people with disabilities. Too, our interest in Civil Rights legislation was stimulated.

A brief business meeting followed. Barb, co-president, stated that our Branch has enough funds on hand to send seven girls to Tech Trek Camp this summer, --in fact we have extra funds to save for next year. Applications will go out to eight different schools, and six teachers at each school will nominate only five students for the program. A committee has been formed to help Lisa Newhall with the tasks involved in selection. This was good news for all members to hear —Tech Trek is a program for which our Branch is proud.

The meeting ended with finding the lucky winner of the basket of goodies for which many had purchased a raffle ticket. Jo Turner donated the basket.

This was our first meeting of 2013. Riverside Branch of AAUW is off to a positive start.



#### SPEECH TREK

Speech Trek is a statewide program of AAUW CA. The topic in 2012 was "Bullying -- So What? You can now see the videos of the Speech Trek finalists, which are posted on the AAUW CA website.

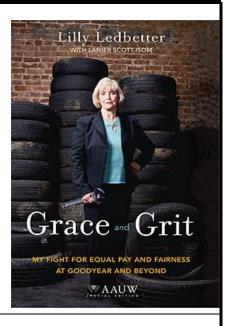
"Sexual Harassment in Schools -- Big Deal?" is

the topic for this year. The finalists will be presenting their speeches at the **AAUW CA Annual Meeting in Sacramento on April 20**. It's yet another good reason to attend the Annual Meeting: to give the students finalists an appreciative audience. Mark your calendar.

# Lilly Ledbetter Tuesday, March5,2013

Memorial Chapel, University of Redlands

Hear the courageous woman whose discrimination battle Inspired the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Restoration Act

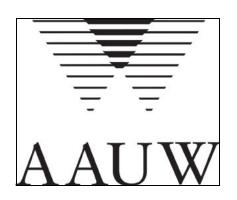


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## Riverside Pipeline

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#### SOUTHEAST INTERBRANCH COUNCIL

The Southeast IBC Meeting will be held in Redlands on Saturday, February 23rd at the Lincoln Memorial Shrine in Redlands, 125 West Vine Street at 10:00 AM. The Curator of the Shrine, Don McCue, will give us a guided tour and presentation. This Lincoln Memorial has the best collection of Lincoln material west of the Mississippi. It will be very enjoyable and instructive.

Built in 1932, The Lincoln Memorial Shrine's ongoing commemoration of the Sesquicentennial of the Civil War will continue with the unveiling of a special exhibit in Early February entitled "1863, The Turning Point." The Exhibit will focus on the important events such as the Gettysburg Address, the final version of the Emancipation Proclamation and passage of the Conscription Act through the use of manuscripts and art work.

After the presentation we will adjourn to the Smiley Library for our SEIBC Meeting. We will discuss what we would like to feature in our Training Session in the Summer.

I plan on living forever. So far, so good.

Members and guests are invited any time to all meetings!