RIVERSIDE PIPELINE

AAUW

JANUARY 2012

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

MEETINGS

January 5, Thursday <u>Book Group</u> at 1:00 pm at Stella's. *River of Red Gold* by Naida West

- January 5, Thursday <u>Book Group</u> at 7:00 pm at Erika's. *A Secret Kept* by Tatiana De Rosanay
- January 9, Saturday <u>Board Meeting</u> at 10:00 at Jo's..
- January 14, Saturday <u>LAF Meeting Katie</u> <u>Greene</u> at 11:30 AM at Habitat for Humanity
- January 19, Thursday, <u>Human Trafficking</u> <u>Meeting</u> from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon at 4080 Lemon St.
- January 20, Friday, <u>Healthy Hearts</u> at noon At Marilyn Puckett's.
- January 23, Monday, <u>Currrent Affairs</u> at 1:00 PM at Bessie's.
- January 28, Saturday, SEIBC <u>Meeting with</u> <u>Dr. Timothy White, Chancellor of UCR</u> at 9:30 AM at Habitat for Humanity, 2180 Iowa Avenue, near corner of Spruce.

January 30, Monday, <u>Bridge Group</u> at 7:00 PM at Florine's

LAF Luncheon

The AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) works to combat sex discrimination in higher education and the workplace. LAF initiatives include community and campus outreach programs, a resource library and online advocacy tools, a Legal Referral Network, and various research reports. LAF also provides support to workplace sex discrimination cases that have the potential to make a difference for all women.

The Riverside Branch will be holding its LAF luncheon on Saturday, January 14, 2012, at the Community Room at Habitat for Humanity, Riverside, at 2180 Iowa Avenue in Riverside. The meeting will start at 11:30 am with our speaker, Katie Greene.

Katie Greene is a very active community advocate, an attorney, a retired nurse practitioner, and a new member of AAUW. Katie was admitted to practice before the California State Bar in June 1993 and gives freely of her time at the clinics offering free services to the low income residents of the community. She received an AA in Nursing from RCC, a BS in Health Services from Chapman University, and a Juris Doctorate from the California Southern Law School (formerly known as Citrus Belt Law School).

Lunch will be provided for a nominal charge of \$10. The public is welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Barbara at (951) 352-8711 or <u>PurvisBarb@aol.com</u> by January 12th.

You may donate to the LAF by checks made payable to *AAUW Funds* with the notation "*LAF*" or "*Legal Advocacy Fund*" on the memo line of the check.

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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 Barb Ryon Ann Kasper Lisa Newhall Adrienne Sims



January 2012

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



At a recent Board meeting, Carlease Chandler suggested that we provide books for the kindergarten and first grades classes at Fremont Elementary School. With the Board's blessings, Carlease contacted the school's princi-

pal who said that the books would be most welcome and would best serve the students in the school library. The members were asked about this project at the General Meeting held in November. No objections were voiced and members were asked in the next Pipeline to make donations of books to meet the December 14th delivery date. As one can tell from the following article, members stepped forward and the book drive was a success. Many thanks to the members who donated books or money. Thanks also go to Carlease for suggesting the idea and carrying it out; and to Stephanie Dingman and Jo Turner for assisting in the delivery of the books.

The next question is whether we should make this an annual project. The principal at Fremont indicated that they currently have no funds to purchase books for the library. As, unfortunately, the funding for education will not be improving substantially in the near future, I would like to see us donate books and/or money for the library of another elementary school in a less than affluent neighborhood. Please let me have your thoughts on this.

At our November General Meeting, we were informed of the human trafficking problem in this area. On January 19, 2012, the County of Riverside Commission for Women will be presenting: *In Our Backyards: Human Trafficking Panel.* The panel discussion will be from 9 am to noon at the Robert T. Anderson County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street in downtown Riverside. The public is invited. AAUW will have a table at the event and volunteers are most welcome.

"If you always do what interests you, at least one person is pleased." -- Katharine Hepburn

LIBRARY BOOKS

Thanks go to all members who donated books to Fremont's kindergarten and first grade classes.



There were over 60 books

donated. 90 % were new, while 10% were "gently used." The total cost of the books was over \$350.



Mrs. Patty Popovich said that the books will be placed in the library. She gave her "thanks" to Stephanie Dingman, Barbara Purvis, and Jo Turner who took the books to Fremont on Wednesday, December 14th.

By Carlease Chandler



SEIBC MEETING

Dr. Timothy White, Chancellor of UCR, Will be speaking at the South East Inter Branch Council Meeting

WHEN:

Saturday, January 28, 2012

WHAT TIME: 9:30 AM

WHERE: Habitat for Humanity 2180 Iowa near Spruce

DON'T MISS THIS !!!

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DR. G. RICHARD OLDS SPEAKS TO SEIBC



Here is the crowd



Our hostess, Karin Roberts, head of Habitat for Humanity and Dr. Olds before he speaks



Dr. G. Richard Olds



Guests Jane Block and Marcia Gilman and AAUW member Sylvia Andrade



Tad and Marilyn Dunagan



Ruth Wilson and Taffy Geith

By Taffy Geith

On Saturday, December 10, at 9:30 AM, members of the South East Inter-Branch Council of AAUW met in the Community Room of Habitat for Humanity, 2180 Iowa Ave.

Jo Turner, President of SEIBC, thanked everyone for attending. She gave a brief overview of AAUW --130 years of trying to improve the lives of girls and women. She included AAUW's work in education, legal advocacy, and their credible work in research. She cited the recent study of sexual harassment of Junior High and High School students. She concluded with the support AAUW gives to the Tech Trek program where eighth grade girls go to summer camp at a college or university to experience one week of learning in the STEM subjects. AAUW members are very pleased with Tech Trek and its success.

Karin Roberts, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity, welcomed us and proudly spoke of the homes that they have built. Ninety-nine percent of donations go into building homes. She invited us to leave through the Restore section and check out the items for sale.

Jo introduced our guest speaker, Dr. Richard Olds. She listed a resume of universities where he was a professor of medicine (five) and where he won the outstanding teaching award at each of the latter. In 2010 he became vice chancellor of health affairs and founding Dean of the UCR School of Medicine.

Starting a Medical School provides an opportunity to look at the way Medical Schools are run and the way medical students are selected and trained. In 1908 a study of Medical Schools in the U.S. was made and it lasted until 1954. In that year, the leading medical school, Cleveland, integrated the curriculum around "organ study." California Medical Schools haven't changed in twenty-five years. There are nine candidates for every slot in Medical School, and those candidates are accepted on the basis of test scores. Dr. Olds believes we need to re-think "who" becomes a doctor. Most doctors train in a hospital and in a big academic setting, -- we need to train them in a different setting and select students for their humanistic and personal qualities as well as academic excellence. (Dr. Olds continued)

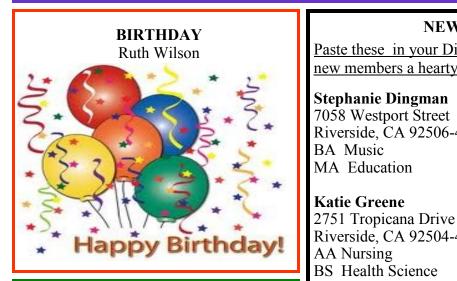
Dr. Olds asks: Why do we need a Medical School here? California doesn't have enough Primary Care doctors. There's a deficit of three thousand Primary Care doctors in our state. If there are too few Primary Care doctors, the Urgent Care sections and emergency rooms become over loaded. The answer to this dilemma is a Medical School at UC Riverside with its cultural diversity and its Hispanic population. It will bring more doctors who will stay here to practice. Dr. Olds believes we have to build a continuum which begins with more enrichment in local schools, a Medical School that trains students in wellness, prevention, and in clinic areas. Too, we must select the right students --those who have a sense of altruism (such as service in the Peace Corps), and make Primary Care interesting to them. We can offer students "a deal" -- If they go into Primary Care, their tuition will be paid and they can graduate debt free. Finally, integrate students into the community and they will stay here to practice.

The U.S. does not have the best health care. We spend two and one-half times more on health care than any other country. We are dead last in every metric in medicine: Infant mortality, aging, prevention, etc. Costa Rica rates as the best in medical care.

It will cost about one hundred million dollars to build a Medical School here, and he has raised forty million so far. Every legislator wants a Medical School at UCR, but they will not vote for it -- it's a political football. However, Dr. Olds is optimistic and seemed positive about achieving his goal.

Dr. Olds took time for a question and answer session. Those in attendance posed many questions and he responded to everyone. He even continued the session out into the foyer and many followed there seeming to enjoy the spontaneity of it. He continued for another hour. Dr. Olds has an engaging way in conversation. It was obvious that a Medical School at UCR is a "hot" topic and that people are very interested in it.

The SEIBC meeting was timely and informative "to the max." Dr. Olds was a perfect choice to lead in this endeavor for a Medical School at UCR -- he's "been there" and is so knowledgeable. SEIBC members came away sharing his enthusiasm and positive outlook. UCR and the citizens of Riverside are fortunate to have a Dean like Dr. Olds.



MEMBERSHIP

January 1 through March 15, new members joining a branch for the current fiscal year pay only half of the national dues.

NEW MEMBERS —

Paste these in your Directory and be sure to give our new members a hearty welcome

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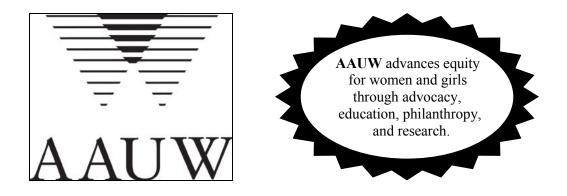
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TECH TREK

Now is the time for Tech Trek behind the scenes to begin! Once school starts back up, the teacher nomination forms will be given to the 7th grade teachers. In the past, each teacher has been limited to 5 nominations; this year the limitation has been removed and they may nominate as many worthy candidates as they would like! Applications and essay requests will be sent to those girls who are nominated. A committee will then sort through the essays and interview the finalists. If you are interested in being on the committee to select our finalists, please contact Lisa Newhall at lnewhall30@charter.net or 951-323-3836.

This is the 8th year that we have participated in Tech Trek, and thanks to your generous donations, we have sent 22 girls - plus 6 this coming summer! Five of our Tech Trek girls are already in college; 4 are pursuing degrees in math/science!!

Since 1998 AAUW Tech Trek has worked to help girls continue their interests in science, math, engineering & technology (STEM) exploration and learning, through the tricky years when new distractions enter their lives. Studies have shown that girls' interests can be sustained if they are exposed to the careers available to women in science today. Tech Trek provides some of that exposure. There are 10 camps throughout California - Davis, Santa Barbara, San Diego, Fresno, Irvine, Stanford, Whittier and Sonoma.

Members and guests are invited any time to all meetings!