



**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN  
CLAYTON BRANCH AAUW  
March 2022 NEWSLETTER**

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Proposed AAUW Board for 2022-2023

We will be meeting at JoAnn Caspar's for the April general meeting. At that time, all members will be asked to vote for next year's board. If you are not able to attend, an email or text to Linda Pinder will suffice. Below you will find the Slate of Officers.

Linda's email is [lpinder@comcast.net](mailto:lpinder@comcast.net) or call or text her at: (510) 246-1190 with your vote of Yea or Nay.

Co-Presidents: Linda Pinder & Diana Bauer

President-Elect: N/A

Vice President Membership: Lola Rohrs

Vice President Program: No Volunteers

Vice President Funds: Jan Hester

Secretary: Joan Chesterman

Treasurer: Carol Wolfe

## **AAUW PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE**

### **Linda Pinder & Dana McDaniel**

The Concord and Clayton Funds Committees put on an excellent program in February with a presentation by Aliannea Sherman, an AAUW Selected Professions Fellow. Aliannea talked about her work on creating a virtual-reality development pipeline for nursing simulation training that aims to address diversity concerns in training simulations, as well as rapport-building with virtual characters. We had 17 Clayton members and 11 Concord members signing into the Zoom program. Our fundraising efforts for this year's Funds event raised \$2,208. Thank you to everyone who gave so generously. Let us all hope that by next February we can all meet in person again for our usual Funds luncheon.

We have put together a slate of officers. Every year it seems to get harder to get volunteers to run for officer positions. Our Bylaws state that you can only serve 2 consecutive terms in the same office, however Article VI, Section 1 (c) states: *"Officers shall serve for a term of one year or until their successors have been elected or appointed and assume office."* At this point, we will probably need to rely in this loop-hole to fill certain board positions when we are unable to get anyone new willing to serve; however, if any of you would like to put your name forward for an elected position, please let Linda Pinder know prior to March 28<sup>th</sup>. The slate of officers must be presented to the membership no later than March 30<sup>th</sup> so that we can vote on it at the April 30<sup>th</sup> general meeting.

*Please visit the AAUW website for information regarding current events for AAUW Action Alerts and the bills in Congress that AAUW takes a stand on. You can also view current and archived articles, and see Webinars that are available for members.*

<https://www.aauw-ca.org>

We look forward to being able to see as many of you as possible at JoAnn Caspar's house on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Welcome to our new dual member Carlyn Obringer. She has spearheaded many events for Concord AAUW. She is a very active person in the community, having served on the Concord City Council periodically since 2016, was Vice-Mayor in 2018, and Mayor in 2020 and was a member of other community committees, boards, and commissions.

Carlyn holds a Masters of Business Administration from the Monterey Institute of International Studies and resides near downtown Concord with her husband, Justin, and their dog, Coco. In her free time, Obringer enjoys hiking, bowling, learning other languages, and traveling. She is currently seeking the opportunity to serve on the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors to focus on health, safety resiliency, roads, housing, and local economy.

Carlyn, we are happy to have you as a new member.

**General Meeting at JoAnn Caspar's  
April 30, 2022 from 2:00 - 4:00**

Please join us on April 30<sup>th</sup> to tour the wonderful Aviary at JoAnn Caspar's house to see the dozens of exotic ducks and Koi fish. Refreshments will be served.

JoAnn's address is 945 Oak Street in Clayton



## USED BOOK SALE

Sat., April 2<sup>nd</sup> 10-6  
Sun., April 3<sup>rd</sup>, Noon-4

Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup> 4-7  
(CCLF member only preview  
(Membership available at the door.)

Clayton Community Library  
6125 Clayton Rd.  
Old Town Clayton

***Most Books \$1***

***Most Children's***

**Books 50¢**

Half off most  
Remaining books  
Sunday 12-2

"5 bucks a bag" from 2-4  
Bags provided

**Cash, checks and credit cards accepted.**

## Annual Dues Renewal

It's that time of year again. It is time for everyone to renew their membership in Clayton Branch.

As you may recall, the branch voted to increase dues yearly to take into account an increase in Association Dues, so please send a check in the amount of \$108(made payable to Clayton Branch AAUW) to: Carol Wolfe, 5650 Lewis Way, Concord, CA 94521.

The breakdown is as follows:

Association Dues	\$ 67.00
State Dues	20.00
Branch Dues	<u>21.00</u>
Total	\$108.00

Dual branch members who pay their Association and State dues to another branch need only submit the Branch dues portion of \$21.

Thank you.

Carol Wolfe



## The Book Group meets at Priscilla Schmalzel's house on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 2:30 pm

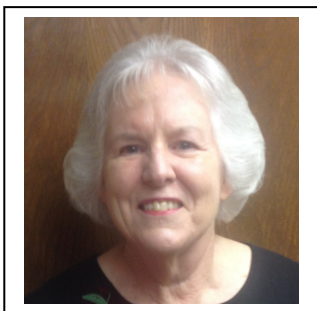
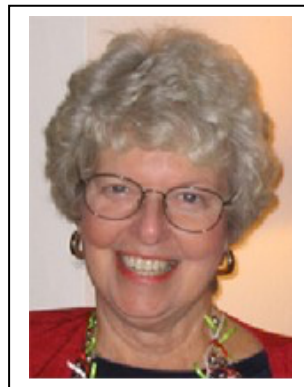
- March 23<sup>rd</sup> - *The Girl Who Wrote in Silk* by Kelli Estes
- April 27<sup>th</sup> - *The Girl with the Louding Voice* by Abi Dare
- May 25<sup>th</sup> - *The Paris Library* by Janet Skeslien Charles
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> - *We Are Not Free* by Traci Chee
- July 27<sup>th</sup> - *Eleanor* by David Michaelis



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Wednesday evening bridge has been postponed  
until further notice.

Call Joyce Atkinson for more information when  
it starts again.

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For more information, contact Carol Wolfe at 672-1303.