



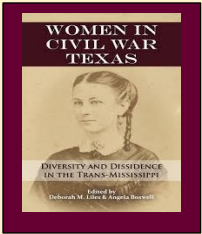
**President's Message:** Thank you all for making 2016 a successful year. I am looking forward to another year of good works, and projects to enhance our branch & community. I want to wish everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year. If you have suggestions for projects, please let me know. **NO JANUARY BRANCH MEETING.** Carla

**Executive Board Meeting - January 7<sup>th</sup>, 1:30PM at YWCA on Corona Drive- chaired by Carla Boisvenue. Executive Board Members please email/text Carla with topic/issue suggestions be added to the agenda & mark your calendar. (J Ferraro)**



**The perfect gift for women of all ages!**

**WOMEN IN CIVIL WAR TEXAS: Diversity and Dissidence in the Trans-Mississippi,** edited by D. Liles and A. Boswell- a newly published book from the University of North Texas Press; a collection of writings concerning the status of women during the late 1800s. **(Chapter 2- researched and written by Dorothy (Dottie) Ewing).**




First year art instructor, Elizabeth Figueroa, would like to thank our wonderful **Community Outreach** who graciously purchased 20 easels for her students in the newly formed Woodlawn Elementary Art Club. Below is a sampling of the incredible artwork completed by her very grateful students. (Annie Huckabee)



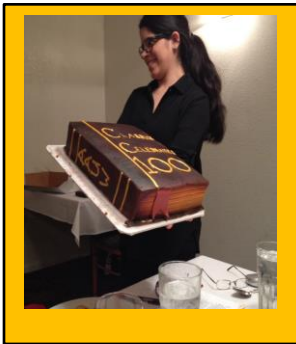
**PLEASE RSVP your CHAIRPERSON**

**Book Finders Chair - Betty Maroney**  
 Every Tues. @ 1:30, Neyland Library. Next Book Sale will be in February. Please give Betty a call to set up your volunteer time.  
**Bookfinders is AAUW CC Branch's major Scholarship Sponsor.**

**Bridge Chair- Joanna Huckabee:**

**Classics Book Group** – Chair: Irene O'Connor . Next Meeting: January 25<sup>th</sup>, The Brothers Karamazov (1880) by Fyodor Dostoevsky.

Thank you to all who made the Classics 100<sup>th</sup> Book meeting a special one. (Pics of the event below)



**Community Outreach** – Chair- Kelly Gonzalez;  
Next Meeting Event: Monday, Jan 9<sup>th</sup> at 6PM at YWCA. Join us to prepare our next projects.

**Evening Contemporary Literature** Chair- Nancy Horsley  
Next Meeting: Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 7PM; Hosted by Nancy Horsley & Olivia Mc Donald with Cynthia Herin as the reviewer.

**Out-to-Lunch Bunch** – Chair: Margaret DeVille,  
. Contact Margaret for restaurant information  
Next Meeting: January 10<sup>th</sup> 11:30AM

**PLAYgoers** – Chair: Michelle Balis,  
TBA by email or newsletter.

**Poetry Appreciation** – Chair: Pam Davis,  
Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM; Glass Pavilion, Omni Bayfront. William Shakespeare

**Reader's Round Table** - Chairs: Dottie Ewing- & Betty Maroney  
NO JANUARY MEETING. Next Meeting: February 6<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at Dottie Ewing-  
. Judy Sykes will review.

**Wine & Cheese**- Chair: Agnes Hamilton,  
Next Meeting: Dottie Ewing, Katherine Kearley and Janis Wood will host a festive Wine & Cheese gathering on Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 7 at Janis' home  
. Please RSVP Janis:

. **Reminder of Hostess Change for April and May: April 9 - Debbie Wilkins / Agnes Hamilton hosting at & May 14 - Nancy Horsley & Josefina Villarreal hosting at**

**+++++ Visit the National AAUW website at link below to sign-up and to read about the upcoming Event.**  
<http://www.aauw.org/event/2017/03/adelante-book-discussion-sisters-in-law/>

Join Our Online Chat with the Author of a New Book on Justices O'Connor and Ginsburg

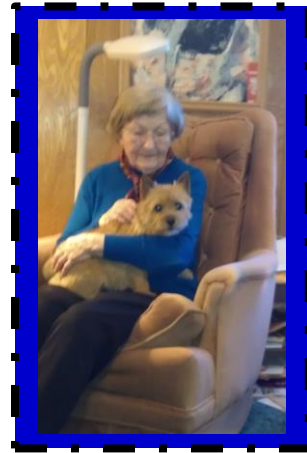
A screenshot of a registration page for an online chat event. The title is "SISTERS IN LAW". The date is "March 28, 2017", the time is "8:00 p.m. ET", and the location is "Online (You just need to register.)". The cost is "Free". There is a green "Register" button with a downward arrow icon. Below the text is a small image of two women, one in a dark suit and one in a brown jacket, standing together.

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**Event Description** Calling all AAUW members! Join AAUW's ¡Adelante! Book of the Month Club in **celebrating Women's History Month** by reading *Sisters in Law*, **Linda Hirshman's dual biography of Sandra Day O'Connor and Ruth Bader Ginsburg.**

The book not only "tells the life stories of the nation's first female justices, but it is as much about how we got to the present juncture with respect to women's legal rights." Sandra Day O'Connor and Ruth Bader Ginsburg — "Republican and Democrat, Christian and Jew, western rancher's daughter and Brooklyn girl" — prove that there is tremendous strength in difference. As the publisher describes it, these justices "have transformed the United States itself, making it a more equal place for all women. Hirshman's dual biography combines legal detail with warm personal anecdotes that bring these very different women into focus as never before. Meticulously researched and compellingly told, it is an authoritative account of our changing law and culture and a moving story of a remarkable friendship." The book is more relevant than ever as we urge the president and the Senate to fill the current vacancy on the Supreme Court and prepare for rulings in pivotal cases affecting women and girls.

**Mark your Calendars & bring a guest** to our Next AAUW CC Branch meeting and Luncheon will be **February 4<sup>th</sup> at Del Mar Library, Room 416.** **Crystal Ballard**, our last year A & M Scholarship recipient, will provide our program "Scenes of Dixie". More information later this month.



Kristin Conlan, Little Audrey's owner and Audrey Jones' name sake, visiting together and sharing Little Audrey's dog show experiences and awards.



*Published by Jeanne Ferraro*

*AAUW Friendship Committee- Please contact Audrey Jones at when you know of an AAUW member who is sick or hurt in the hospital or*