



AAUW Poway Penasquitos Branch

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What's New in News? by Janice Heather

Do you sometimes wonder why certain stories are covered in the news while others aren't? Do you wonder which news sources to trust or how news organizations vet information from anonymous sources?

Do you wonder who currently owns the San Diego Union Tribune - which has been sold several times since the Copleys got out of the business - and what the paper's current mission is? In these times of 24-hour, real-time news, do you wonder if newspapers will even survive?

To get answers to these and other timely questions, come to our Wednesday, November 13 general membership meeting and hear our speaker, Adrian Vore, who is a section editor and readers' representative at the San Diego Union-Tribune. Vore came to the U-T in 1998 from the North County Times, where he held various editor positions. He worked at the Blade-Citizen in Oceanside and the Daily Breeze in Torrance. He also has a bachelor's degree in mass communication from Cal State Chico, a master's degree in mass communication from SDSU and has taught journalism and mass media at Palomar College for 20 years.

The meeting will begin at 6:30 pm at the Rancho Bernardo Swim & Tennis Club. Join us for light refreshments and an interesting discussion.

The meeting is open to everyone so bring a friend, along with your

questions about where news is at today and where it's headed in the future.

And last but not least, please RSVP to Sheila Walker at sekw@san.rr.com.

What's AAUW Public Policy All About? from Sue Miller, AAUW-CA Public Policy Co-Chair

Since AAUW's founding in 1881, our advocates have taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day – educational, social, economic, and political. Our positions emanate from our Mission, Vision and Values.

Our positions are rooted in our member-approved Public Policy Priorities at both the national and state levels. The AAUW California Public Policy Priorities for 2019-2021 were approved by our members this spring and can be found on the website www.aauw-ca.org. The AAUW CA Public Policy Committee meets early in each legislative session to review bills and determine those on which to take action. In Washington, AAUW staff and volunteer advocates communicate with both Congress and the administration. In California, we employ a part-time lobbyist to represent AAUW CA in the California Legislature.

Economic Security is a critical issue for women of all ages, a foundational aspect of everyday life, and is particularly important to women's ability to support themselves and their families. Many continue to struggle with economic insecurity, wage discrimination, and employment benefits. Legislated solutions could benefit many women.

Real change in federal and state policy, however, will only come about when our elected officials hear from voters, like us! It is so important that branch members be up to date on AAUW positions on federal and state legislation consistent with AAUW's mission and contact elected officials to share our positions. And we must hold those we have elected accountable as they vote on issues affecting women and girls.

Start now! It's not too soon to begin educating yourself about the issues in the important 2020 elections!

<http://www.aauw-ca.org/proposed-aauw-ca-public-policy-action-priorities-2019-2021/>

Assemblyman Maienschein and Palomar STEM Center Coordinator Mireya Gutiérrez-Agüero Draw Large Crowd at the October Meeting by Janice Heather

Over 40 members attended our October 12 monthly meeting at Palomar College's new Rancho Bernardo campus and heard from 77th District Assemblyman Brian Maienschein and Palomar College's STEM Center Coordinator Mireya Gutiérrez-Agüero.

Maienschein provided an update on his efforts to improve education and homelessness programs, and he answered members' questions on a variety of topics. Gutiérrez-Agüero talked about the extensive resources Palomar offers to encourage students to pursue STEM careers. In fact, several members stayed afterward to discuss opportunities for our AAUW-PP Tech Trek camp to collaborate with Palomar College and vice versa.

Finally, a big shout out goes to the Hospitality Committee (Debbie Dye, Debbie Lewis, Mary Alice Rudelich) for their delicious and festive refreshments.



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Diversity Statement

In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization based on gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class

Mission Statement

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

AAUW's Value Promise

By joining AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women and girls have a fair chance.

National AAUW

www.aauw.org

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Happy Hikers at Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve on November 2 by Lyn Johnston

On Saturday, November 2, the AAUW-PP Happy Hikers will be hiking in the Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve in Rancho Penasquitos. There are approximately 12 miles of trails in this 3,700-acre preserve, which also connects to an historic adobe ranch house featuring a museum and community garden.

We will be hiking a new trail, different from trails we have walked in the past. This flat trail will take us into a more wooded area of giant California oaks and groves of sycamore trees. Most of the trail is shaded and away from horses and bikers. We will be walking around 4 miles roundtrip on very easy terrain.

We will meet by the Rancho Penasquitos Adobe Ranch House and return there for a tour of the house for those interested. Years ago, our hiking group took a different trail and ended up at the Adobe for a 30-40 minute tour. Since we have a number of new hikers since then, I thought some members would be interested in staying for the Adobe tour after our hike.

We will meet at 9 a.m. in front of the Adobe Ranch House. There is a parking lot in front of the house by community gardens. The address is 12122 Canyonside Park Drive, off of Black Mountain Road. After turning into Canyonside Park, drive past the soccer and baseball fields all the way to the end where you will see a Ranch House sign showing where to park.

Please let me know if you can join us for the hike and/or tour by emailing me at lynjohn@san.rr.com. If you have any questions, call me at 858-831-0052 home or 858-254-7621 cell.

Membership Matters from Pam Ames

The following are new members that have joined our branch in the past few months:

Carla Brown
Sandra Brown
Tracey Whitney

If you should meet them at a General Meeting, or at an Interest Group event, please introduce yourself and make a new friend. We're so glad they have joined us and support our AAUW mission.

Mark your calendars for Friendship Gatherings by Debbie Boyd

Oscar Night at Harriet's
Sunday February 9th, 2020
Time - TBD

Enjoy appetizers & drinks in your Red Carpet BEST while watching the winners. Cost \$20 per person or \$30 per couple- spouses/partners are welcome More details will follow.

If you would like to hostess a Friendship Gathering please e-mail Debbie Boyd at travelstardebbie@yahoo.com or call her at (858) 486-4390.

AAUW-PP Annual Retreat, January 17-19, 2020 by Pamela Meyer

Join us for a relaxing weekend at Camp Stevens in Julian, CA. Meet new friends, renew old friendships and have a great time at the "Best Slumber Party in Town!" Take hikes, shop in Julian, listen to an educationally fun program, enjoy games and just take pleasure in the tranquil and peaceful atmosphere of Volcan Mountain. The Retreat flyer is attached to this newsletter. First deposit is due November 15.

Pamela Meyer, 619-855-4071, pamela.me4@gmail.com


AAUW POWAY PENASQUITOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS



November



November 2nd Saturday 9 a.m.	Hikers Leader: Gayle Ziaskas 858-484-7596 gzi@aol.com	Los Penasquitos Canyon Preserve Meet at 9 a.m. in front of the Adobe Ranch House, 12122 Canyonside Park Drive, off Black Mountain Road. Drive past soccer and baseball fields.	RSVP by Oct. 31st Lyn Johnston 858-831-0052/ 858-254-7621 cell lynjohn@san.rr.com
November 7th Thursday 7:00 pm	Great Decisions – Leader: Marie Dye 858-538-1689 mdye@san.rr.com	Great Decisions Topic: <i>State of the State Department and Diplomacy</i> Leader: Barbara Fisher Hostess: Marie Dye	RSVP: Marie Dye 8778 Sparren Way in Rancho Penasquitos 858-733-2850 mdye@san.rr.com
November 12th Tuesday 1:30 p.m.	2nd Tuesdays with Books Leader: Donna Lucansky 760-741-5000 lonestardonna@gmail.com	2nd Tuesdays with Book <i>The Winter Soldier</i> by Daniel Mason Set in 1914 Vienna, it tells the story of Lucius, a 22-year-old medical student, and a field hospital nurse following the outbreak of World War I. Discussion leader: Pam Coon Hostess: Carlyn Bowls	RSVP: Carlyn Bowls 16336 -C Avenida Venusto, San Diego, CA., 92128 858-674-6535 cbowls@roadrunner.com
November 13th Wednesday 6:30-8:30 pm	General Meeting – Program Co-chairs Janice Heather 360-982-9719 janiceheather@hotmail.com Sheila Walker 858-722-3761 sekw@san.rr.com	General meeting RB Swim and Tennis Club 16955 Bernardo Oaks Dr Rancho Bernardo Program: <i>What's New in News?</i> Speaker: Adrian Vore, San Diego Union Tribune Editor and Reader Representative Wine and snacks will be served	RSVP: aauwboard@gmail.com To let us know you are coming! Questions: sekw@san.rr.com
November 16th Saturday 11:00 a.m.	Travel Group Leader: Pam Ames 858-578-4283, 619-889-6229 (cell) pamames123@gmail.com	Travel Group Nutmeg Bakery and Café 10755 Scripps Poway Parkway	RSVP: by November 15th Pam Ames 619-889-6229 (cell) pamames123@gmail.com
November 18th Monday 7 p.m.	Games Group Leader: Lyn Johnston 858-831-0052 lynjohn@san.rr.com	Games Group Play board games and test your intelligence and quick wit. We usually play in teams, so it is more fun than being in heavy competition! Hostess: Lyn Johnston	RSVP: by November 15th Lyn Johnston 9330 Chabola Road Rancho Penasquitos 858-831-0052 lynjohn@san.rr.com
November 19th Tuesday 1:30 p.m.	3rd Tuesdays with Books Leader: Pam Ames 858-578-4283 619-889-6229 (cell) pamames123@gmail.com	3rd Tuesdays With Books <i>The Winter Soldier</i> by Daniel Mason Set in 1914 Vienna, it tells the story of Lucius, a 22-year-old medical student, and a field hospital nurse following the outbreak of World War I. Discussion leader: Karen Lust Hostess: Carol Wigent	RSVP: Carol Wigent 1318 Lewiston SD 858-674-1521 cwignet@san.rr.com

November No outing planned for this month	Garden Gals Different trips and visits to gardens throughout San Diego County	Garden Gals Next field trip planned for February 	RSVP:
November 21st Thursday 7 pm	Thursday Evening Book Grp Leaders: Ann Morgan/Berina Pennington 858-484-5290 annmmorgansd@yahoo.com	Thursday Evening Book Group <i>Beartown</i> by Fredrick Backman A seemingly straightforward story about a small town's hope for its youth hockey team evolves into something much more complex in "Beartown." Leader: Terry Humphrey Hostess: Jan Behrhorst	RSVP: Jan Behrhorst 14924 Crocker Road Poway 858 486-1945 janbehrhorst@gmail.com
December 2nd Monday 1:30 p.m. Please note different date.	Mystery Book Group Leader: Beate Evey 858-538-5395 beateellinore@gmail.com	Mystery Book Group <i>Everything I Never Told You</i> by Celeste Ng – A beautifully crafted study of dysfunction and grief. "Lydia is dead. But they don't know this yet." So begins this exquisite novel about a Chinese American family living in 1970s small-town Ohio. Discussion leader: Harriet Gerza Hostess: Honorine Nocon	RSVP: Honorine Nocon 9587 Paseo Montril, 92129 303-521-0138 honorinenocn@gmail.com

Happy Hikers Enjoyed Raptor Ridge on October 5th!



Poway Penasquitos AAUW Retreat

A Workout for your brain: Drumming

When: January 17, 18 and 19, 2020
Where: Camp Stevens in Julian – Lax-Sadler Lodge
Time: From 3:00 p.m. Friday, January 17th
Through 12:00 noon Sunday, January 19th

Reservation: \$210.00 (includes cabin lodging, five (5) meals (Program will be extra)

Weekend Activities

Wine Tasting, Relaxing Games, Videos, Puzzles

Hiking in the mountains or shopping in Julian

Book discussions, cooking with CHEF in the kitchen- maybe?

Friday – Ice Breaker

Saturday Drumming (I hope!) If not, something really good! Promise!

Bring a friend or your sister for a weekend away from the routines of the day...

Get away for the weekend, enjoy your time, no cooking, make new friends and learn new things,

OR just relax, relax, relax.....The only rule is that there are no rules!!

Please note that we are limited to 28 women, so reserve early!

QUESTIONS? Email Pam Meyer: pamela.me4@gmail.com or call her at: 619-855-4071

Send form below with your check Cut here

(Reservation for the Retreat includes lodging and meals) Drumming fees are included.

First deposit due by **November 15, 2019** Final deposit due by **January 1, 2020**

_____ \$110.00 first deposit

_____ \$100.00 second deposit

_____ \$210.00 Full amount (checks will be deposited right away)

Please note, balance of \$100.00 is due by January 1, 2020

All money is non-refundable after January 1, 2019

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: PP/AAUW

SEND CHECK TO: PAM MEYER, 11894 Caminito Corriente, SD, CA 92128

Name _____ Cell Phone _____

Mailing address _____

E-mail address _____ All notices will be via e-mail