



AAUW Poway Penasquitos Branch

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### Don't miss these **January Events!**

- Saturday, 1/12 – **AAUW Speech Contest**, 10 a.m. PQ Library
- Saturday, 1/19 – **Women's March** downtown San Diego
- Saturday, 1/26 – **Interbranch Meeting**, 11 a.m – 2 p.m. at The Handlery Hotel
- ...and save the date for a **Wine FUNdraiser** on February 24!

## January 26 Interbranch Council Luncheon

by Harriet Gerza

Once a year, the San Diego Interbranch Council (IBC) hosts a joint luncheon to give all eight branches in San Diego County an opportunity to meet each other and a chance to find out what other branches are doing in their communities for women and girls. This year our meeting is on Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at the Handlery Hotel in Mission Valley and the speaker, author Hannah Cohen, will talk about her book Remarkable Women of San Diego: Pioneers, Visionaries and Innovators. Pam Meyer is handling the reservations and the flyer is at the end of the newsletter.

Please enjoy this opportunity to meet other AAUW members and hear a wonderful speaker!

## President's Matters by Joan Thompson, President

### Dear Fellow Branch Members,

In 2019 please remember why you joined AAUW. Please commit to what you will do to support women's equity. Please decide what you will do to support our branch.

You are invited to the Wednesday, January 9, AAUW-PP Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at my house. Happy New Year!

## Public Policy by Marie Dye

The branch is participating in the **Women's March** on Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, to be held downtown. This will be the third year of our participation. The Women's March is credited with the record number of women running for office nationally and increased voter registration.

While women now make up 24% of Congress, we still have work to do to achieve parity with men. Across the country, women who mobilized around the 2018 midterms are now mobilizing to make sure that the so-called Year of the Woman is not just that — one year. We want the energy that surged with the women's marches to continue until women make up at least the same proportion among lawmakers that they do in the general population (which is just over 50%).

If you are interested in attending the March, please contact Marie Dye at [mdye@san.rr.com](mailto:mdye@san.rr.com). She is arranging the group march and will add you to the distribution list.

**Speech Trek** As of this writing, we have two students signed up for the AAUW speech contest. The topic is "How can we - students, parents, faculty, our communities and organizations such as AAUW - eliminate violence aimed at our schools? What actions can we take to prevent another tragedy from taking place?"

Our local contest is January 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the Rancho Penasquitos Branch library. Branch members are welcome to attend! Local prize money is \$500 for first place and second place is \$250.00. The winner's video will be sent to AAUW California for the semifinal portion of the contest. The top three winners of the semifinals then participate in the AAUW state convention to be held April 6<sup>th</sup> in San Diego.

State prize money:

- 1st Place – \$1,500; 2nd Place – \$1,000; 3rd Place – \$500; 4th Place – \$250; 5th Place – \$150

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ASSOCIATION OF  
UNIVERSITY WOMEN  
POWAY PENASQUITOS  
BRANCH**

***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](http://www.aauw.org)

**California AAUW**

[www.aauw-ca.org](http://www.aauw-ca.org)

**PowayPenasquitos  
AAUW**

[www.powayarea-](http://www.powayarea-ca.aauw.net)

[ca.aauw.net](http://ca.aauw.net)

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**Public Policy:** Marie  
Dye

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## Happy Hikers – Lake Hodges Trail

by Gayle Ziaskas

We're planning to do a 4-mile hike around Lake Hodges starting in Del Dios and ending with lunch at Hernandez Hideaway. This time of year is excellent for birdwatching. Lake Hodges is home to a variety of waterfowl, waders, and raptors. We may see the grebes dancing! The lake is nestled in oak woodlands, coastal sage scrub, and riparian areas. The hike is easy with one moderate section. Hiking sticks are recommended.

We will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the Rancho Bernardo Transit Center to carpool to the trailhead. Contact Janice Heather by email if you want to join the hike [janiceheather@hotmail.com](mailto:janiceheather@hotmail.com).



## Membership Matters Pamela Meyer & Jeanni Harrison, Membership Co-chairs 2019

**Calling all members, especially new and newer members...** It's that time again when we all think about what we'd like to accomplish in the coming year, otherwise known as New Year's Resolutions. Why not plan to make the most of your PP-AAUW membership in 2019?

Have you volunteered to serve on a committee and/or do you participate in one or more of our many interest groups? It's a great way to get to know other members, strengthen our branch, and have some fun, all while furthering our mission of empowering women and girls.

Maybe you're interested in serving on our Board of Directors? Board positions will be opening for the new fiscal year that begins July 1, 2019.

Have you heard about our Buddy System? We're pairing new/newer members with established members to help you get acquainted with more people and all the activities our branch has to offer. Please let us know if you would like to have a buddy or be a buddy.

Want to know more about any of these opportunities, or have an idea that could improve your membership experience? Please email us at [aauwboard@gmail.com](mailto:aauwboard@gmail.com). You can also contact us at the email addresses and phone numbers below.

Happy New Year from your Membership Co-chairs!

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## Save the Date – Wine Tasting FUNdraiser, February 24 by Joan Thompson

Save the date for a wine tasting fundraiser at the fabulous Koi Zen Cellars Craft Winery! \$20 per person, includes tasting flight of 5 craft wines. Enjoy light refreshments. \$14 of every ticket + 20% of wine sales will go to AAUW-PP.

## Holiday Fun! by Harriet Gerza

It was a very good time at our annual holiday bash at Michelle's house. As always, Michelle was a gracious host with a house decorated festively for the season. Thanks to all who contributed to the food fest and participated in the games. Here are some pics from our party. Happy Holidays and looking forward to another great New Year with my AAUW sisters!

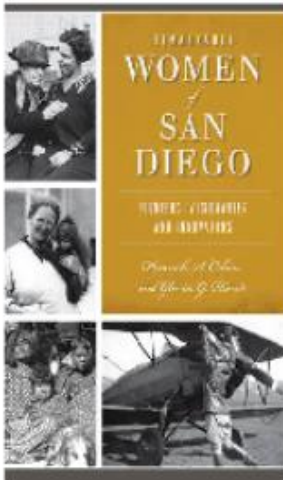


## AAUW Poway Penasquitos Calendar of Events January 2019

Date	Group & Leader	Meeting Description, Place & Time	Meeting Host Info.
Jan 5 Sat 8:30 am carpool	<b>Happy Hikers</b> Gayle Ziaskas <a href="mailto:gzia@aol.com">gzia@aol.com</a> Carpool – RB Transit Center	<b>Happy Hikers</b> 4-mile hike around Lake Hodges, starting Del Dios & ending w/lunch at Hernandez Hideaway. Great birdwatching. Easy w/one moderate section. Bring hiking sticks.	<b>RSVP:</b> Janice Heather <a href="mailto:janiceheather@hotmail.com">janiceheather@hotmail.com</a> to join carpool
Jan 8 Tue 1:30pm --OR--	<b>Tuesdays with Books</b> Donna Lucansky 760-741-5000 <a href="mailto:lonestardonna@gmail.com">lonestardonna@gmail.com</a>	<b>Tuesdays with Books</b> <u>The Creation of Anne Boleyn</u> , by Susan Bordo Assisting: Rosalie Mikelson	<b>RSVP:</b> Sharon Watkins, 8505 Adobe Bluffs Dr, SD 92120 <a href="mailto:sewatkins@aol.com">sewatkins@aol.com</a> 858-484-1683 858-663-7250 (cell)
Jan 15 Tue 1:30pm	<b>Tuesdays with Books</b> Pam Ames 858-578-4283 619-889-6229 c <a href="mailto:pamames123@gmail.com">pamames123@gmail.com</a>	<b>Tuesdays with Books</b> <u>The Creation of Anne Boleyn</u> , by Susan Bordo Assisting: Georgia Chagala	<b>RSVP:</b> Carol Wigent 13816 Lewiston St, SD 92128 858-674-1521 <a href="mailto:cwigent@san.rr.com">cwigent@san.rr.com</a>
Jan 21 Mon 7:00pm	<b>Games Group</b> Lyn Johnston 858-831-0052 <a href="mailto:lynjohn@san.rr.com">lynjohn@san.rr.com</a>	<b>Games Group</b> Hosted by Lyn Johnston	<b>RSVP:</b> Lyn Johnston 9330 Chabola Rd, SD 92129 <a href="mailto:lynjohn@san.rr.com">lynjohn@san.rr.com</a> 858-831-0052
Jan 22 Tue 12:30pm	<b>Daytime Bridge</b> Carlyn Bowls 858-674-6535 or 858-472-4865 <a href="mailto:cbowls@roadrunner.com">cbowls@roadrunner.com</a>	<b>Bridge</b>	<b>RSVP:</b> For info contact Carlyn Bowls 858-674-6535 or 858-472-4865 <a href="mailto:cbowls@roadrunner.com">cbowls@roadrunner.com</a>
Jan 24 Thu 7:00pm	<b>Thursday Evening Book Club</b> Ann Morgan 858-484-5290 <a href="mailto:annmmorgan@aol.com">annmmorgan@aol.com</a>	<b>Thursday Eve Book Club</b> <b>Book:</b> <u>Notorious RGB</u> , Irin Carmon & Shana Knizhnik <b>Leader:</b> Barbara Fisher	<b>RSVP:</b> Jan Rightmer <a href="mailto:janrightmer@hotmail.com">janrightmer@hotmail.com</a> 858-592-9839 18617 Lancashire Way San Diego, CA 92128
Jan 26 Sat 11am-2pm	<b>General Meeting</b> Interbranch Luncheon Handlery Hotel San Diego 950 Hotel Cir N, SD 92108	<b>Program:</b> <u>Remarkable Women of San Diego: Pioneers, Visionaries and Innovators</u> <b>Speaker:</b> Hannah Cohen	<b>RSVP:</b> <a href="mailto:aauwboard@gmail.com">aauwboard@gmail.com</a> Reservations to Pamela Meyer, \$38
Jan 28 Mon 1:30pm	<b>Mystery Book Group</b> Beate Evey <a href="mailto:beateellinore@gmail.com">beateellinore@gmail.com</a> 858-538-5395	<b>Mystery Book Group</b> <b>Book:</b> <u>Blue Monday</u> , by Nilci French <b>Leader:</b> Harriet Gerza <b>Host:</b> ?	<b>RSVP:</b> Beate Every 7683 Marker Rd, SD 92130 858-538-5395 <a href="mailto:beateellinore@gmail.com">beateellinore@gmail.com</a>
Jan No Meeting	<b>Garden Gals</b> Pam Kirpalani <a href="mailto:Pamkirpalani@gmail.com">Pamkirpalani@gmail.com</a> 858-592-0377	<b>Garden Gals</b> NO MEETING IN JANUARY Hold the date for next meeting on February 8	<b>RSVP:</b> Pam Kirpalani <a href="mailto:Pamkirpalani@gmail.com">Pamkirpalani@gmail.com</a> 858-592-0377
Jan No Meeting	<b>Great Decisions</b> Marie Dye <a href="mailto:mdye@san.rr.com">mdye@san.rr.com</a>	<b>Great Decisions</b> NO MEETING IN JANUARY Next meeting is Feb 7 and the topic is "Refugees and Global Migration."	<b>RSVP:</b> Marie Dye 8778 Sparren Way SD 92129 <a href="mailto:mdye@san.rr.com">mdye@san.rr.com</a> 858-538-1689
Jan No Meeting	<b>Travel Group</b> Pam Ames	<b>Travel Group</b> NO MEETING IN JANUARY	<b>RSVP:</b> Pam Ames <a href="mailto:pamames123@gmail.com">pamames123@gmail.com</a>

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Save February 16 for the  
next meeting



**AAUW San Diego Interbranch Council**  
**Annual Interbranch Luncheon**

*Remarkable Women of San Diego:*  
*Pioneers, Visionaries and*  
*Innovators*  
*Speaker: Hannah Cohen*

*Saturday*  
*January 26, 2019*  
*Handlery Hotel San Diego*

950 Hotel Cir N, San Diego, CA 92108

*Presidio Room*  
*11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.*  
*Cost \$38*

*Meal includes ~ Fruit Salad, Rolls & Butter,*  
*Chicken Piccata, Garlic & Parsley Potatoes, Market Vegetables*  
*Carrot Cake, Coffee, Hot Tea and Iced Tea*  
*or*  
*Chief's choice for Vegetarian*

**Discounted parking cost: \$3.00**

**Tell them you are there for the SDIBC luncheon**

**Reservation deadline: Jan 22, 2019**

Send reservations to: Pamela Meyer, SDIBC Treasurer

Questions? Call 619-855-4071

See reservation form next page



**Print this page and fill out for reservations**

Mail this reservation **form to:**

Pamela Meyer, SDIBC Treasurer  
11894 Caminito Corriente  
San Diego, CA 92128

**Make check out to: AAUW/SDIBC**

Please submit **one form** for each member of the branch.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ and non AAUW guest's names:

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Branch \_\_\_\_\_

Branch position \_\_\_\_\_

State Position \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

(in case we need to contact you)

Number of reservations: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

# Wine Tasting FUNdraiser & Social



empowering women since 1881

## Sun Feb. 24, 2019 2-5pm

\$20 per person

Includes tasting flight of 5 craft wines

Enjoy light refreshments

\$14 of every ticket + 20% of wine sales  
will go to AAUW

for more info contact:  
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