



AAUW Poway Penasquitos Branch

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Don't miss these **June Events!**

- Saturday, 6/8 – **General Meeting** and speaker Anne Hoiberg
- Saturday, 6/15 – **Happy Hikers** annual Mission Beach Boardwalk and Breakfast
- Garden Gals visits Blue Sky Preserve 6/7, and Travel Group tries Greek food 6/29

Anne Hoiberg – Inspiring Women from San Diego's History by Harriet Gerza

Enjoy an amazing speaker from our very own AAUW ranks on Saturday, June 8, and get to know the many remarkable women who shaped San Diego: tenacious suffragists, physicians, philanthropists, activists, artists. Anne Hoiberg is currently President of the International Museum of Human Rights at San Diego and La Jolla Pen Women, and she serves on the board of several nonprofit organizations such as AAUW, San Diego branch. (See flyer below)

The meeting will also include:

- Installation of new officers for 2019-20
- Announcement of new appointees to the Board and interest group leaders
- Announcement of the AAUW Funds Honorees
- Announcement of the Tech Trek campers and Scholarship selectees



Tech Trek Update by Heidi Dalvie

The Tech Trek Team, Aresa Toukdarian, Ellen Dillon and Heidi Dalvie, have selected eight girls from three Poway-Penasquitos Middle Schools to attend the week-long Tech Trek camp at UCSD this summer. This one-week, academic, residential camp immerses these seventh grade students (soon to be eighth graders) in Science, Engineering, Technology and Math classes and activities on campus. Girls will learn about careers from women employed in STEM fields and participate in many hands-on activities. Many AAUW volunteers make this camp possible including the dorm Moms. Janice Heather from our branch will be volunteering as a dorm mom this year.

The girls that were chosen are Arina Khalil and Anika Seth from Black Mountain Middle School, Jade Lee and Haven Teudt from Mesa Verde Middle School, and Natalie Calvario, Saysha Love, Tyra Neptune-Lucas and Oriana Castillo from Meadowbrook Middle School.

There are several ways to volunteer and get involved with the camp this year, which takes place at UCSD from June 23-29. The camp needs AAUW members to help with registration of campers on Sunday, June 23rd from about Noon-3:00 p.m. They are also in need of volunteers each day from 8-11:00 a.m. to be the second "adult" in the classroom so the dorm moms can attend the morning staff meeting and get a break. The volunteers would be in the classroom with the 16 students and the teacher. The volunteers are welcome to join the campers for lunch afterwards.

AAUW members can also visit the camp. Visiting days are usually on Thursday and Friday of that week. Members try to go as a group as it makes it easier on the camp staff. **If anyone is interested in visiting the camp either of those days or helping with registration and/or one of the days in the classroom, please contact Heidi Dalvie at 858-774-5108 or hdalvie@san.rr.com.**

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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.

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California AAUW

www.aauw-ca.org

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2020 Dues Reminder by Michelle Blasberg

Many of you have already renewed your membership to AAUW for another year and that is great. I'm sure we all see the value in what AAUW stands for and the support it provides to women.

For those of you who haven't renewed, please take the time to do so today. In early May you received a second email blast from National with the link to easily renew your membership online. Or if you'd prefer, please send a check for the full dues amount, made out to AAUW Poway Penasquitos, directly to Michelle Blasberg, 12509 Montero Ct., San Diego, CA 92128, and she will renew for you.

If you have questions, reach out to Pam Meyer, Jeanni Harrison, or Michelle Blasberg.

President's Note by Joan Thompson

Thank you for allowing me to serve as AAUW-PP President the past two years. It has been an honor.

Please keep up your support of the work our branch and AAUW does to support education and equality for women and girls. With more females in leadership roles, hopefully we will have more collaboration between groups to solve the many common problems that face our families, friends, cities, states, nation and the world.

Shalom,
Joan Thompson

Speech Trek Update by Marie Dye

Dominique Ruedaflores, the winner of the Poway Penasquitos branch local Speech Trek contest and the winner of the state competition, sent the following thank you note to the branch:

AAUW Poway Penasquitos branch,

Thank you for the opportunity to represent the Poway Pensquitos branch! I am so grateful to have a safe platform to share my thoughts and views on an important topic of gun violence

Sincerely

Dominique Ruedaflores

Happy Hikers – Mission Beach Boardwalk & Breakfast by Michelle Blasberg

Come join us for our annual trek to Mission Beach Boardwalk and Breakfast. The Happy Hiker's event will take place on Saturday, June 15th. We will start the hike at 9 a.m. in front of the Lifeguard tower at the end of W. Mission Bay Drive. Breakfast will be planned for 10 a.m. at World Famous Restaurant midway down the Boardwalk. If you'd like to carpool, we will meet at the Scripps Ranch Park-n-Ride at 8:30 a.m.

Please call or email Michelle Blasberg, 858 774-2474, michblas09@gmail.com, to let her know that you will joining us, and whether you will be carpooling and/or joining us for breakfast.

Looking forward to ending the Happy Hikers season with a great walk and breakfast.

Public Policy – The Status of Women and Girls in CA ~ 2019 by State Public Policy committee member, Ginny Hatfield

For the past eight years Mt. St. Mary's University in Los Angeles (the only all-women's higher educational institution in the area) has published a report assessing the status of women and girls in the state of California. It is an impressive document and I would encourage members to log on to: www.msmu.edu/media/website/content-assets/msmuedu/home/status-of-women-and-girls-in-california/documents/RSWG-2019-ReportFull.pdf [see below] and review the findings – they may surprise you.

This year's report entitled, *Intersections: Identity, Access and Equity*, "...celebrates the gains women have made and the challenges they continue to confront in areas like economic well-being, health and wellness, workforce factors and safety." It presents an overview of how women of different races and ethnicities are faring in CA. The following bills passed during the last legislative session were significant in making strides toward greater equity for California's women and girls; you may recognize some of them.*

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Mandates a baseline representation of female identified persons on the board of directors of each publicly held corporation whose principal executive offices are in California. (SENATE BILL 826, JACKSON)

DISCLOSURE OF SALARY HISTORY: Prohibits employers from seeking salary history information and making a subsequent salary determination for applicants, thereby improving pay equity. (ASSEMBLY BILL 168, EGGMAN)

LACTATION ACCOMMODATION: Requires employers to designate an area close to the workspace — excluding bathrooms — for employees who wish to express breast milk. (ASSEMBLY BILL 1976, LIMÓN)

MARRIAGE AND DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP: MINORS: Ensures additional levels of protection before a youth may marry or establish a domestic partnership by 1) providing information about their rights of termination and dissolution directly to children and 2) requiring involved parties to participate in premarital counseling. (SENATE BILL 273, HILL)

EXTORTION: Expands the crime of extortion to include consideration of sexual conduct or images of intimate body parts. (SENATE BILL 500, LEYVA)

CALWORKS MODIFICATIONS: Authorizes domestic violence survivors who are recipients of California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) benefits to be eligible for CalWORKs homeless assistance. (ASSEMBLY BILL 557, RUBIO)

FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS' RESTROOMS: Requires public schools serving students in grades six to 12 that meet the 40 percent pupil poverty threshold required to operate a federal Title I school wide program to always stock at least 50 percent of the school's restrooms with no-cost feminine hygiene products. (ASSEMBLY BILL 10, GARCIA)

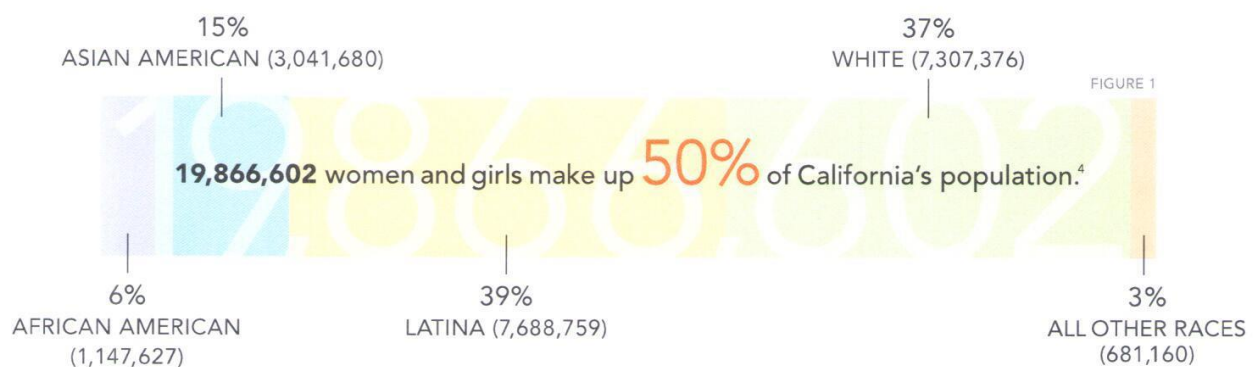
*Above material referenced from Mt. St. Mary's University annual The Status of Women and Girls in CA 2019. Attached below are two pages of graphic statistics that pretty much summed up the report's findings. The intent this year was to contrast how women of different ethnicities and race, socio-economic status, age, sexual identification and orientation are faring and their ability to respond to different sets of opportunities and challenges.

A SNAPSHOT OF WOMEN & GIRLS IN CALIFORNIA

5% of California's women identify as **lesbian, bisexual, or transgender**.¹

11% of all California women are **differently-abled**, with more than one-third (36%) of women 65 years and over being differently-abled.²

8% of California veterans are women; **women veterans** account for less than one percent of California's women.³



California's **undocumented population** is estimated to be **2.5–3 MILLION** people, roughly half of whom (48%) are women.⁵

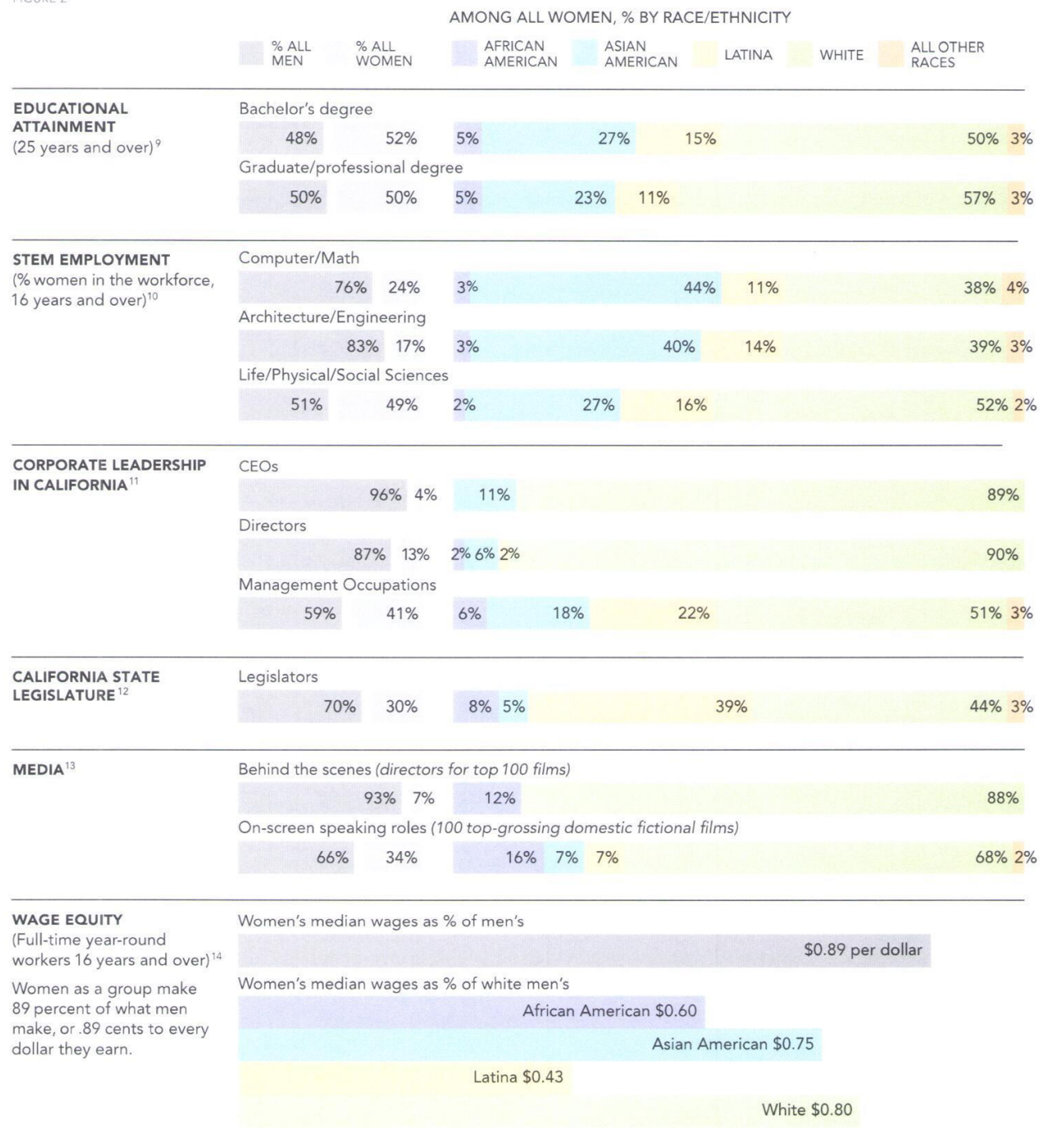
34% of all California women have **never been married**.⁶

38 is the **median age** of California women.⁷

California registers as **1 of 5** states with the **greatest degree of religious diversity** in the nation.⁸

GENDER PARITY & INCLUSION IN CALIFORNIA

FIGURE 2



Photos from Cover to Cover – Authors Luncheon & Fundraiser by Cathy Burciaga

From left to right, top to bottom:

Photo #1 – We had a full house – over 150 attended.

Photo #2 – Our three authors – (L to R) Marlene Wagman Geller, Huda Al-Marashi, Barbara McNally

Photo #3 – Our authors and members

Photo #4 – Harriet Gerza's table included Debby Boyd in full Wonder Woman regalia

Photo #5 – Mystery Book Group members



April Friendship Gatherings: Grand Tea Room & Beer Tasting by Harriet Gerza



AAUW Poway Penasquitos Calendar of Events June 2019

Date	Group & Leader	Meeting Description, Place & Time	Meeting Host Info.
Jun 6 Thu 7pm	Great Decisions Marie Dye mdye@san.rr.com	Great Decisions Topic: "Decoding U.S.-China Trade" Leader: Marie Dye	RSVP: Janice Heather 17796 Bellechase Circle, RB janiceheather@hotmail.com
Jun 7 Sat 10am	Garden Gals Pam Kirpalani pamkirpalani@gmail.com 858-592-0377	Garden Gals Blue Sky Reserve Docent lead hike/tour will discuss native plants and how Native Americans used them in daily life. Meet at trail head. Approximately one hour. Lunch to follow @ Miguel's, 4S Ranch	RSVP: Pam Kirpalani 858-592-0377 pamkirpalani@gmail.com
Jun 8 Sat 10:30am-1pm	General Meeting Harriet Gerza 858-672-3314 harriet.gerza@gmail.com	General Meeting Installation of new officers, etc. and speaker, Anne Hoiberg, "Inspiring Women of San Diego History" Mainstream Grill at Poway/Community Road \$17 meal (breakfast/lunch)	Reservations: Mail \$17 check to Harriet Gerza, 14227 Bernabe Ct, SD 92129 Check payable to PP/AAUW aauwboard@gmail.com
Jun 11 Tue 1:30pm	Tuesdays with Books Donna Lucansky 760-741-5000 lonestardonna@gmail.com	Tuesdays with Books Potluck & Pick books for next 12 months. Location TBD	RSVP: Donna Lucansky 760-741-5000 lonestardonna@gmail.com
Jun 11 Tue 1:30pm	Tuesdays with Books Pam Ames 858-578-4283 619-889-6229 (cell) pamames123@gmail.com	Tuesdays with Books Potluck & Pick books for next 12 months. Location TBD	RSVP: Pam Ames 858-578-4283 619-889-6229 (cell) pamames123@gmail.com
Jun 15 Sat 9am 8:30am/ carpool	Happy Hikers Gayle Ziaskas gzia@aol.com Carpool 8:30am P&R Scripps Poway Pkwy	Happy Hikers Mission Beach Boardwalk and Breakfast. Meet in front of lifeguard tower end of W. Mission Bay Drive. Breakfast at 10am at World Famous Restaurant midway down the Boardwalk.	RSVP: Michelle Blasberg 858-774-2474 michblas09@gmail.com Let her know if carpooling and/or staying for breakfast.
Jun 17 Mon 7:00pm	Games Group Lyn Johnston 858-831-0052 lynjohn@san.rr.com	Games Group Home of Lyn Johnston, 9330 Chabola Road, San Diego 92129	RSVP: Lyn Johnston 858-831-0052 lynjohn@san.rr.com
Jun 24 Mon 1:30pm	Mystery Book Group Beate Evey beateellinore@gmail.com 858-538-5395	Mystery Book Group Book: <u>The Woman in the Window</u> , by A.J. Finn. Leader: Amanda Roth	RSVP: Benay Berl 3976 Santa Nella Pl. SD 92130 858-945-2024 benayberl@san.rr.com
Jun 25 Tue 12:30pm	Daytime Bridge Carlyn Bowls 858-674-6535 or 858-472-4865 cbowls@roadrunner.com	Bridge	RSVP: For info contact Carlyn Bowls 858-674-6535 or 858-472-4865 cbowls@roadrunner.com

Jun 27 Thu 7:00pm	Thursday Evening Book Club Ann Morgan 858-484-5290 annmmorgan@aol.com	Thursday Eve Book Club Book: <u>The Patriots</u> , by Sandra Krasikov Leader: TBD	RSVP/Host: TBD
Jun 29 Sat 11:30am	Travel Group Pam Ames 858-578-4283 619-889-6229 pamames123@gmail.com	Travel Group Santorini Greek Grill 10545 Scripps Poway Pkwy	RSVP: Pam Ames pamames123@gmail.com



The American Association of University Women (AAUW)
Poway-Penasquitos Branch presents

Anne Hoiberg
"Inspiring Women from San Diego's History"

Saturday, June 8 @ 10:30am-1:30pm
Check-in starts 10:00am to socialize and eat

Mainstream Grill, 13385 Poway Road, Poway 92064
(Corner of Community and Poway Rd)
<https://www.mainstreampoway.net/>

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- Amazing Speaker from our very own AAUW ranks!

Do you know who was the first woman physician who delivered more than 1,000 babies without the loss of a mother? Who was the first female major philanthropist? Who was the first woman attorney in California who was a gubernatorial candidate in 1930? Who "constructed" the first public library in 1903? Let's get to know the many amazing women who shaped San Diego: tenacious suffragists, physicians, philanthropists, activists, artists.

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\$17 includes one of the following choices: 1) 3 Eggs/Bacon/Hashbrowns or 2) 1/2 lb Angus CheeseBurger/Fries or 3) Fiesta Salad w/ Grilled chicken, avocado, beans, etc in chipotle dressing (includes beverage, tax and tip too!)

Please RSVP with your meal choice: aauwboard@gmail.com and
Send check for \$17 to Harriet Gerza, 14227 Bernabe Ct., SD, CA 92129