

AAUW Poway Penasquitos Branch

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## General Meeting February 12 – Rock the Vote by

Janice Heather

Are You Prepared to Vote on March 3? ✓ This year, for the first time, the California primary election will be the first Tuesday in March (March 3), not in June. That's only a few weeks away!

To help us get ready, Mary Hanson, of the League of Women Voters (LWV), will attend our February 12 general membership meeting to brief us on 5 propositions that will be on our ballots. She'll also tell us about recent changes to election regulations that we should all know to help the election go smoothly. LWV ballot briefings are non-partisan and summarize each measure, including supporters and opponents – everyone is welcome.

Since previous briefings were well-attended, we're holding the meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room at the Rancho Bernardo Campus of Palomar College, 11111 Rancho Bernardo Rd, San Diego, CA 92127.

There will be plenty of space along with light refreshments, so bring a friend, neighbor or spouse for this important pre-election briefing. Please park in the parking structure to the right of the College building.

RSVP to [aauwboard@gmail.com](mailto:aauwboard@gmail.com).

## Membership Matters by Pam Ames

Introducing one of our new members... Rebecca Fontaine. Rebecca and her husband moved to San Diego in 2018 to live near their two grandsons (and their loving parents). Their two other adult children are living their dream, one in Wisconsin and the other in Bay Area. Rebecca is a graduate of UC Berkeley and retired in 2017 following a 30-year career as a Kaiser Permanente psychiatric social worker (LCSW)! She loves to travel, especially in her tiny 19-foot Airstream Bambi, and has visited almost every national park. She's a dual member of the RB and PP branches. Welcome, Rebecca!!!



## Save the Date & Celebrate Our Right to Vote by Janice Heather

Join us on Sunday, March 29, when our branch celebrates the 100th anniversary of women's right to vote at a special concert called "Songs of Suffrage" at the La Jolla Women's Club in La Jolla. This special event is in lieu of a monthly March meeting since March 2020 is the centennial celebration of the 19th amendment of the US Constitution - Women's Right to Vote!

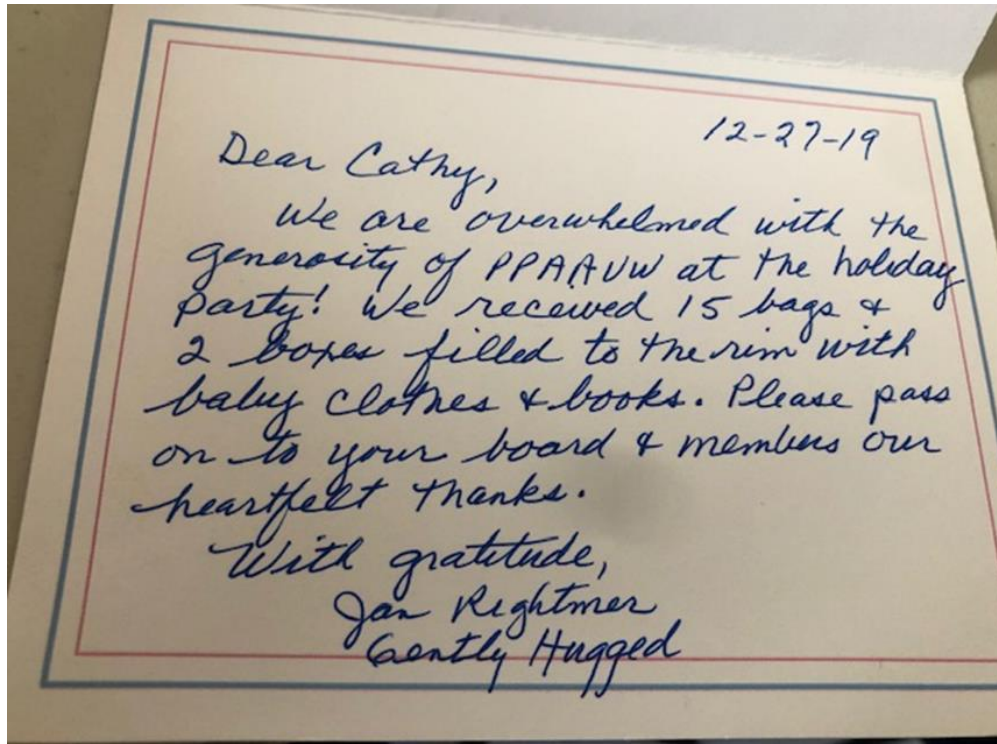
This event, which is part of the Bodhi Tree Concert Series, features songs, history, stories and speeches related to this historic event. Bodhi Tree Concerts' mission is to perform intentional acts of kindness through music. They feature local artists, diverse programming and use concert proceeds to support charitable organizations. See flyer below.

The concert starts at 4 p.m. and tickets are \$20 each. We've reserved 25 tickets for our branch so don't delay! To reserve a ticket, rsvp to Sheila Walker at [sekww@san.rr.com](mailto:sekww@san.rr.com). Additional information regarding carpools and ticket payment will be available in March.

## Gently Hugged Thanks AAUW Members by Janice Heather

Our branch received a heartfelt thanks from Gently Hugged board member and AAUW member, Jan Rightmer, for the 15 bags and two boxes of baby clothes and books donated by our members at the December holiday party.

The items will mean so much to the new moms who receive them. Thank you to all our generous members. For more information on Gently Hugged, visit their website: <http://gentlyhugged.org/contact-us.php>



## Equal Pay Day – Wear Red Public Policy Message from State by Karen Jackle, AAUW-CA Public Policy Committee

The next Equal Pay Day (EPD) is Tuesday, March 31, 2020. This date symbolizes how far into the year women must work to earn what men earned in the previous year. The National Committee on Pay Equity <https://www.pay-equity.org/day.html> reminds us to wear red to symbolize how far women and minorities are “in the red” with their pay. This is a great idea for branch members working EPD tables in their communities or at local colleges.

AAUW’s publication The Simple Truth update is based on the most recently released data from the U.S. Census Bureau. In 2018, women received just 82 cents for every dollar paid to a man. Women of color often face a wider gap: compared to white men, Black women make 62 cents on the dollar, and Latinas make 54 cents on the dollar. The pay gap has only decreased by a nickel in the 21st Century. For more information on the Gender Pay Gap, and ideas for EPD events, check out <https://www.aauw.org/resource/how-to-equal-pay-day/>.

On the National Level, the Paycheck Fairness Act passed in the House of Representatives and languishes in the Senate with no action yet taken. The Equal Pay Act requires that men and women be given equal pay for equal work in the same establishment. The jobs need not be identical, but they must be substantially equal. It is job content, not job titles, that determines whether jobs are substantially equal. Specifically, the EPA provides that employers may not pay unequal wages to men and women who perform jobs that require substantially equal skill, effort and responsibility, and that are performed under similar working conditions within the same establishment.

According to WAGE (Women Are Getting Even), women earn one million less than men in their lifetime. AAUW has facilitated Start Smart and Work Smart Workshops to help close the gap, and you can learn more about these workshops at the website: <https://www.pay-equity.org/day-kit.html>. AAUW now offers an online one-hour Work Smart Workshop accessed from the AAUW.org website, for salary negotiation skills.

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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)

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**Happy Hikers at Lake Hodges, Bernardo Bay on February 1** by  
Gayle Ziaskas

Join Pat Downing, Saturday February 1, for a 4.4-mile hike along Lake Hodges Bernardo Bay Trail and across the bridge to the stream. It's a great time of year to enjoy the birds so bring your binoculars if you want. The trail is mostly flat with only one spot of about 20 yards where you may want a stick.

Meet at the south end of the dirt parking lot across from Casa de Las Campanas at 18655 West Bernardo Dr. at 8:30 a.m. Street parking is available if the lot is full. If anyone has a carpool idea for those coming from the south, please let Pat know and she will publish it to the group. There is a porta potty in the parking lot.

Please RSVP to Pat Downing at [pdsnewmail@gmail.com](mailto:pdsnewmail@gmail.com) or cell 624-321-3955.

**Speech Trek Competition** by Marie Dye

The branch speech competition is scheduled for Saturday, February 1 at the Rancho Penasquitos library from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Branch members are welcome to attend, and we have a limited number of seats so please email me at [aauwboard@gmail.com](mailto:aauwboard@gmail.com) by January 27 so we can reserve a seat for you. Late entries are not allowed so please be on time if planning to attend. The winner of this competition will participate in the state semi-finals with the top three state semi-finalists competing at the AAUW State convention in April.

Thanks to the following members for working at this event: **Jeanni Harrison** and her husband Rene will be videotaping the speeches; **Miriam Lauff** and **Honorine Nocon** will be counting the judges' ballots to determine who wins; and **Michelle Blasberg** is the speech timer. Special thanks to **Sandra Martin** who is coaching one of the students. Come and support the contestants!

**Oscar Night at Harriet's – Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>** by Debbie Boyd

Oscar Night at Harriet's  
Sunday February 9th, 2020  
Time – 5 p.m.

Enjoy appetizers & drinks in your Red Carpet BEST while watching the winners. Cost \$20 per person or \$30 per couple- spouses/partners are welcome. See flyer below for RSVP details.

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

**AAUW Travel Group** by Pam Ames

We'll meet on Saturday, February 22 at Bua Thai in Poway to once again support a Poway eatery that was shut down during the "Boil Water Advisory." Several members recommended this place. Come join us and support our Poway community.  
<https://www.powaybuathai.com/>

Bring your travel tips or share your travel experiences. More details listed on February calendar.





### 2020 CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

The 100th anniversary, 1920 - 2020, of the 19th Amendment  
Wednesday, January 29, 5 pm

Welcome the Centennial Celebration  
Honorary Chair, Congresswoman Susan Davis.



Meet the many members of the Centennial Coalition Celebration and discover the events that are planned throughout our community this year.



Welcome Felicia Shaw, the new Executive Director of the Women's Museum.



Celebrate women's suffrage, the 100th anniversary of the League of Women Voters, the 50th anniversary of the SDSU Department of Women's Studies, and the 25th anniversary of the 4th World Conference on Women!

Invited guests: Senator Kamala Harris, Assembly Members Toni Atkins and Todd Gloria, City Council Members Barbara Bry and Jennifer Campbell.

- Explore the "Springboard to Suffrage: The Power of the Ballot Box" exhibit
- Enjoy musical entertainment by Lady Brain Trust
- Share Refreshments and Ideas

## Celebrating 100th Anniversary of the Women's Vote by Harriet Gerza

This year will mark the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote. The League of Women Voters has gathered the many women's organizations in the county to coordinate all the celebrations this year, and I will be announcing these events as they come up each month. In February, our AAUW sister branch in Carlsbad-Oceanside-Vista will be sponsoring a Suffragette Tea, and our own branch will be dedicating our March meeting to a Suffragette event. Keep watch for more information about upcoming events!

LWV LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS



## They Were Here Before Us

A Teaching Toolkit and Play Celebrating the Centennial of the 19th Amendment



Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of women's suffrage with our curriculum materials, specifically designed to be used in conjunction with high school history and civics classes.

**WATCH FOR OUR SHOWCASE INVITATION...**

*...to an excerpt of the play presented at the Moxie Theater!*

# AAUW POWAY PENASQUITOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS



# February



<p><b>February 1<sup>st</sup></b> 10 a.m.</p> <p><b>You must arrive before 10 a.m.</b></p>		<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Poway Penasquitos Speech Trek</b></p> <p>Come show your support and listen to some awesome speeches!</p>	<p><b>Location:</b> <b>Rancho Penasquitos Library</b> 13330 Salmon River Rd, San Diego, CA 92129</p> <p><b>Questions:</b> Marie Dye 858-733-2850</p>
<p><b>February 1<sup>st</sup></b></p> <p>Saturdays-varies 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Hikers</b> <b>Leader: Gayle Ziaskas</b> 858-484-7596 <a href="mailto:gzia@aol.com">gzia@aol.com</a></p>	<p><b>Happy Hikers</b></p> <p>Lake Hodges, Bernardo Bay- 4.4-mile hike along Lake Hodges Bernardo Bay Trail and across the bridge to the stream. Meet at the south end of the dirt parking lot across from Casa de Las Campanas.</p>	<p><b>RSVP :</b> <b>Pat Downing</b> <a href="mailto:pdsnewmail@gmail.com">pdsnewmail@gmail.com</a> Cell - 624 321-3955 Porta potty at the parking lot. See <i>Adelante!</i> article for more information.</p>
<p><b>February 6<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 6:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Great Decisions –</b> <b>Leader: Marie Dye</b> 858-538-1689 <a href="mailto:mdye@san.rr.com">mdye@san.rr.com</a></p>	<p><b>Great Decisions</b> <i>“Climate Change and the Global Order”</i> <b>Discussion leader:</b> Janice Heather <b>Hostess:</b> Marie Dye 8778 Sparren Way, SD 92129</p>	<p><b>RSVP:</b> <b>Marie Dye</b> 858-733-2850 <a href="mailto:mdye@san.rr.com">mdye@san.rr.com</a></p>
<p><b>February 11<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays with Books</b> <b>Leader: Donna Lucansky</b> 760-741-5000 <a href="mailto:lonestardonna@gmail.com">lonestardonna@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>There There</b> by Tommy Orange As we learn the reasons that each person is attending the Big Oakland Powwow, momentum builds toward a shocking yet inevitable conclusion that changes everything <b>Discussion Leader:</b> Mary Agne <b>Hostess:</b> Honorine Nocon</p>	<p><b>RSVP:</b> <b>Honorine Nocon</b> 9587 Paseo Montril, SD 92129 303-521-0138 <a href="mailto:honorinenocon@gmail.com">honorinenocon@gmail.com</a></p>
<p><b>February 12<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p>6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>General Meeting –</b> <b>Program Co-chairs</b> <b>Janice Heather</b> 360-982-9719 <a href="mailto:janiceheather@hotmail.com">janiceheather@hotmail.com</a> <b>Sheila Walker</b> 858-722-3761 <a href="mailto:sekw@san.rr.com">sekw@san.rr.com</a></p>	<p><b>GENERAL MEETING</b></p> <p><b>Program:</b> League of Women Voters <i>Are you ready for the March 3 election?</i></p> <p><b>Location:</b> Palomar College Rancho Bernardo Education Center 11111 Rancho Bernardo Rd San Diego, CA 92127</p>	<p><b>RSVP:</b></p> <p>So we know how many are coming!</p> <p><a href="mailto:aauwboard@gmail.com">aauwboard@gmail.com</a></p> <p>Light refreshments served</p>
<p><b>February 17<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 7 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Games Group</b> <b>Leader: Lyn Johnston</b> 858-831-0052 <a href="mailto:lynjohn@san.rr.com">lynjohn@san.rr.com</a></p>	<p><b>Games Group</b></p> <p>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! <b>Hostess:</b> Ilene Buchenau</p>	<p><b>RSVP:</b> <b>Ilene Buchenau</b> 9080 Gainsborough Avenue, San Diego 92129 <a href="mailto:ilenemb1@gmail.com">ilenemb1@gmail.com</a> 858-484-0668</p>
<p><b>February 18<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays with Books</b> <b>Leader: Pam Ames</b> 858-578-4283 619-889-6229 (cell) <a href="mailto:pamames123@gmail.com">pamames123@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>There There</b> by Tommy Orange As we learn the reasons that each person is attending the Big Oakland Powwow, momentum builds toward a shocking yet inevitable conclusion that changes everything <b>Discussion Leader:</b> Georgia Chagala <b>Hostess:</b> Karen Lust</p>	<p><b>RSVP:</b> <b>Karen Lust</b> 14761 Poway Mesa Dr, Poway 858-486-1067 <a href="mailto:klust@prodigy.net">klust@prodigy.net</a></p>



AAUW-Poway-Penasquitos Presents

## Oscar Party!

Sunday, February 9, 2020 @ 5:00 pm

14227 Bernabe Court, SD 92129



Come Celebrate with fellow movie fans to watch the Oscars!

- Dress up as your favorite movie star (or not)
- Walk the Red Carpet
- Be interviewed and photographed
- Vote for Best Actor, Actress, Movie....
- Critique Best/Worst Dressed
- Feast on "fine food" and wine
- Play Oscar games



## AND THE OSCAR GOES TO...

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 ☆ Limited spaces! ☆  
 ☆ \$20/person or \$30/couple Reserve a spot, send a check! ☆  
 ☆ Write check to **AAUW-PP** ☆  
 ☆ Memo line: Oscars ☆  
 ☆ Send to: Debbie Boyd, 13612 El Mar Ave, Poway 92064 ☆  
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**Poway – Penasquitos Branch**

# **ROCK THE VOTE**

**Please join us to hear**

**Mary Hanson, League of Women Voters**

**talk about the propositions on the March ballot.**

**Wednesday, February 12th at 6:30 pm**

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**Community Room,**

**Rancho Bernardo Campus of Palomar College**

**Park in the Parking Structure to the right of the college building**

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**RSVP to [aauwboard@gmail.com](mailto:aauwboard@gmail.com)**

**This is an open meeting, please invite friends to join us.**





**Poway – Penasquitos Branch**

## **SAVE THE DATE**

**Celebrate a Woman's Right to Vote**

**"Songs of Suffrage"**

**produced by**

**Bodhi Tree Concerts**

**at the La Jolla Women's Club**

**Sunday, March 29 at 4 pm**

**See Adelante article for more information**

**Tickets \$20**

**To reserve a ticket please email**

**Sheila Walker [sekw@san.rr.com](mailto:sekw@san.rr.com)**