

AAUW Poway Penasquitos Branch

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Join us On-Line September 12 to Honor Scholarship Winners & Reconnect with AAUW

Friends by Janice Heather

Get out your calendars because our AAUW branch is ready to kick off our fall activities, continue our good work in the community and keep us connected - which is so important this year!!

Given the concerns about Coronavirus and meeting in enclosed spaces, we're offering our first fall programs online using Zoom. (Hopefully, most everyone has become familiar with Zoom this year and has used it to stay connected during this challenging time.)

On Saturday, September 12 at 10 a.m., we're going to gather (virtually, via Zoom), as we do each year, to recognize our 2020 scholarship winners, honor branch members who've made outstanding contributions to AAUW, swear in our 2020-2021 officers and approve the coming year's budget, which is in this newsletter for your review. As a special treat, we'll show a video of our 2020 Speech Trek winner Jay Wang who spoke on the topic: "Are men and women truly equal today, or are the Suffragettes of 1920 still suffering in 2020?"

It's a great opportunity to see the good work we're doing in our community. And, it's a fun opportunity to see AAUW friends you haven't seen in a while, so please plan to join us!

Watch your email inbox for the message that will contain the September 12 meeting Zoom link. You won't want to miss this important session.

Elected Officers for AAUW-PP 2020-2021

 by Joan Thompson

The email election votes have been tallied and the elected officers for AAUW-PP 2020-2021 are:

President: Cathy Burciaga
 Programs - 1st Vice Presidents:
 Janice Heather
 Sheila Walker
 Membership - 2nd Vice President:
 Pam Ames
 Secretary: Karen McGurk
 Treasurer: Michelle Blasberg

Membership Matters

 by Pam Ames, Membership Chair

Our renewal period is just about finished and our branch Membership Directory will be published in September. We would really like a facial photo for each member in our directory. If you want to submit a photo that can be cropped, please send it to Michele Michaels at mmichaels@san.rr.com.

This year our Membership Directory will be mailed since we will not have an in-person General Meeting in September where in the past they have been distributed.

We have a few new members which I hope to profile in future issues of the Adelante.

Congratulations to Our Re-entry Scholarship Winners by Joan Natoli & Jeanni Harrison, Scholarship Co-chairs

These bright and determined young women have overcome significant obstacles, including homelessness in some cases, to continue their education and improve the future for themselves and their families. You'll hear more about them at our general meeting on Saturday, September 12, 10 a.m. to Noon.

\$2,000 Winners

Breanne Hicks
Aryal Jardines
Miriam Leon

Thanks to our Board who approved an additional \$2,000 for scholarships this year.

\$1,000 Winners

Berenice Almaguer
Tatiana Kuznetsova

Treasurer Update by Michelle Blasberg, Treasurer

Welcome to FY2021! The new fiscal year has begun and in alignment with our By-Laws, we are submitting the FY21 budget, below, to the membership for review and approval. We are submitting a very conservative budget for FY21 due to the unknowns we are faced with for the coming year. Please join us virtually for the September 12 meeting during which we will approve the budget.

Operating Budget		2020 – 2021
Income	Renewals (128)	\$ 2,176.00
	Directory advertising	\$ 350.00
Total Income		\$2,526.00
Expenses	Communications	20.00
	Directory Expenses	425.00
	IBC	100.00
	Insurance & Fees	600.00
	Office Expenses	100.00
	Conferences & Travel	0.00
	Membership	200.00
	Collegiate Partnership	0.00
	Public Policy	50.00
	Program & Hospitality	1000.00
Total Expenses		\$ 2,495.00

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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

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Buriaga

Programs/1st Vice

Presidents: Janice
Heather & Sheila
Walker

Membership: Pam
Ames

Secretary: Karen
McGurk

Treasurer: Michelle
Blasberg

Garden Gals by Pam Kirpilani

Garden Gals outings are on hiatus right now due to the COVID-19 situation.

Public Policy Updates by Harriet Gerza

AAUW California is committed to being an ally in the fight against racial injustice. In this webinar, **Racial Injustice: Understanding It, Recognizing It, Talking About It**, important discussion will help participants understand why this issue is critical to our organization, how implicit bias affects our ability to diversify, and how to have difficult conversations around this timely issue. Join us August 26, 2020 @ 7- 8:30 p.m.

Register on the CA website: <https://www.aauw-ca.org/event/racial-injustice-understanding-it-recognizing-it-talking-about-it/>

In celebration of the 100-year anniversary of Women's Vote, the Women's Museum will host **Suffragette Stories** and a parade on August 26, 2020 at 5 p.m. In this live video premier, suffragist reenactors portraying Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B Anthony, Sojourner Truth, Ida B Wells, Dr. Charlotte Baker, Carrie Chapman Catt, and Alice Paul share their stories about their lives and the Suffrage Movement. Register at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/suffragists-share-their-stories-tickets-115393167069?utm-medium=discovery&utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&aff=escb&utm-source=cp&utm-term=listing>

Learn more about the **November General Election** at the October general meeting when the League of Women Voters will review all the CA propositions on the ballot. This will be a Zoom event and more information will be coming soon. Official Voter Information Guide <https://voterguide.sos.ca.gov/>.

All California registered voters will be mailed a **vote-by-mail ballot** for the November General Election. Please remember to vote early and mail in early! We had a hard-fought battle to have the right to vote so let's make sure it counts! Make sure you remind everyone you know to vote early and mail in early too!

Anyone who needs to register to vote or has moved or changed your status, please contact Harriet Gerza for voter registration applications. Harriet.gerza@gmail.com Or, visit: <https://registertovote.ca.gov/>.

AAUW Fund Honorees by Pam Ames

Congratulations! We have four Named Honorees for the 2019-20 year. The committee chose the following names to be honored at the September 12, 2020 general meeting. All four women have demonstrated above and beyond support of the projects and mission of Poway Penasquitos AAUW.

Mary Agne – Mary, with her committee, has helped find the authors for our Cover to Cover Author's Luncheon for the last five years. With Mary's guiding hand we have had amazing authors who have presented at these events.

Carlyn Bowls – Carlyn has been a part of Cover to Cover for the last 10+ years. She has given freely of her time and has taught us all how to tie a bow!

Berina Pennington – Berina has graciously accepted the job of receiving the donation letters from our branch members for the Fall Campaign. She records and tallies the checks and then mails them to the proper person for deposit.

Marie Dye – Marie had a dream, which finally came true two years ago. She wanted our branch to sponsor a California Speech Trek for local high school students. The first year our branch sent someone to State convention, our contestant won the State finals!

AAUW POWAY PENASQUITOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

LABOR DAY



September 2020



September 3rd Thursday 6.30 pm	Great Decisions Marie Dye 858-538-1689 mdye@san.rr.com	Great Decisions Topic: <i>China's road into Latin America</i> Leader: Marilyn Scheininger Hostess: ZOOM	RSVP: By Monday August 31st If interested, contact Marie Dye for an invite to the discussion. She will send you a ZOOM invitation.
September 12th Saturday GENERAL MEETING 10:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.	General Meeting Program Co-chairs Janice Heather janiceheather@hotmail.com Sheila Walker sekw@san.rr.com	General Meeting We will swear in new officers, present Re-entry Woman Scholarships to winners, recognize our five branch honorees and hear the Speech Trek winner for 2020. Hostess: ZOOM	The ZOOM link invitation will be sent to the whole membership on September 8th. Look for it! For more information email: aauwboard@gmail.com
September 15th Tuesday 1:30 p.m.	3rd Tuesdays with Books Pam Ames 858-578-4283 619-889-6229 (cell) pamames123@gmail.com	Tuesdays with Book <i>The Overstory</i> by Richard Powers <i>is a sweeping, impassioned work of activism and resistance that is also a stunning evocation of—and paean to—the natural world. This is the story of a handful of people who learn how to see that world and who are drawn up into its unfolding catastrophe.</i> Discussion leader: Janice Schock	Pam Ames will send the ZOOM invitation. You want to read the book and join the group? Email Pam by Sept 13 th .
September 26th Thursday 7 pm	Thursday Evening Book Grp Ann Morgan 858-484-5290 annmorgansd@yahoo.com	Thursday Evening Book Group <i>Little Fires Everywhere</i> by Celeste Ng <i>Explores the weight of secrets, the nature of art and identity, and the ferocious pull of motherhood – and the danger of believing that following the rules can avert disaster.</i> Discussion Leader: Jan Rightmer	Ann Morgan will send the ZOOM invitation. You have read the book and want to join the group? Email Ann by Sept 24 th .
September 28th Monday 1:30 p.m.	Mystery Book Group Cathy Burciaga 858-449-5096 cburciaga@san.rr.com	<i>November Road</i> by Lou Berney – <i>In the weeks after the Kennedy assassination, a targeted hitman meets an unlikely woman and her girl who touch his humanity and his heart. Can he save them and save himself?</i> Discussion Leader: Ann Morgan	Cathy Burciaga will send the ZOOM invitation. You have read the book and want to join the group? Email Cathy by Sept 26 th .
September Different Saturdays	Hikers Gayle Ziaskas 858-484-7596 gzia@aol.com	Happy Hikers <i>Right now, the Happy Hikers are continuing to follow COVID-19 restrictions related to group gatherings.</i>	Gayle Ziaskas <i>I hope the hikers are continuing to walk either on their or with family members or close friends.</i>
September Mondays 7 p.m.	Games Group Lyn Johnston 858-831-0052 lynjohn@san.rr.com	Games Group <i>Right now, the Games interest group is continuing to follow COVID-19 restrictions related to group gatherings.</i>	Lyn Johnston <i>Hopefully, you are playing games with your family and friends.</i>
September Fridays 11:30 a.m.	Travel Group Pam Ames 619-889-6229 (cell) pamames123@gmail.com	Travel Group <i>Right now, the Travel interest group is continuing to follow COVID-19 restrictions related to group gatherings.</i>	Pam Ames <i>At this time, the Travel group is taking a vacation from meeting at local, exotic restaurants.</i>



Poway – Penasquitos Branch

The AAUW Board

WELCOMES YOU TO 2020 -2021

Please join our Zoom Meeting and see your friends!

Saturday, September 12th at 10 am

Hear from our President, **Cathy Burciaga**

Join **Joan Thompson** to swear in the Officers

Meet the Scholarship awardees with **Joan Natoli**

Hear about the Tech Trek Robotics Camp from **Heidi Dalvie**

Listen to the Speech Trek winner with **Marie Dye**

Celebrate the Branch Honorees with **Pam Meyer**

Pass the Budget with **Michelle Blasberg**

**An email with a link to the meeting will be sent on
Tuesday, September 8th**