

# Adelante



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 - 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Presidents:  
     Janice Heather  
     Sheila Walker  
 Membership - 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto: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.

<b>Operating Budget</b>		<b>2020 – 2021</b>
Income	Renewals (128)	\$ 2,176.00
	Directory advertising	\$ 350.00
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$2,526.00</b>
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
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 2,495.00</b>

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

**California AAUW**

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

**PowayPenasquitos  
AAUW**

[www.powayarea-](http://www.powayarea-)

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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](mailto: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



<b>September 3<sup>rd</sup></b> Thursday 6.30 pm	<b>Great Decisions</b> Marie Dye 858-538-1689 <a href="mailto:mdye@san.rr.com">mdye@san.rr.com</a>	<b>Great Decisions</b> <b>Topic:</b> <i>China's road into Latin America</i> <b>Leader:</b> Marilyn Scheininger <b>Hostess:</b> <b>ZOOM</b>	<b>RSVP: By Monday August 31<sup>st</sup></b> If interested, contact Marie Dye for an invite to the discussion. She will send you a <b>ZOOM</b> invitation.
<b>September 12<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Saturday</b> <b>GENERAL MEETING</b> 10:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.	<b>General Meeting</b> <b>Program Co-chairs</b> <b>Janice Heather</b> <a href="mailto:janiceheather@hotmail.com">janiceheather@hotmail.com</a> <b>Sheila Walker</b> <a href="mailto:sekw@san.rr.com">sekw@san.rr.com</a>	<b>General Meeting</b> 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. <b>Hostess:</b> <b>ZOOM</b>	<b>The ZOOM link invitation will be sent to the whole membership on September 8<sup>th</sup>. Look for it!</b>  For more information email: <a href="mailto:aauwboard@gmail.com">aauwboard@gmail.com</a>
<b>September 15<sup>th</sup></b> Tuesday 1:30 p.m.	<b>3rd Tuesdays with Books</b> Pam Ames 858-578-4283 619-889-6229 (cell) <a href="mailto:pamames123@gmail.com">pamames123@gmail.com</a>	<b>Tuesdays with Book</b> <b><i>The Overstory</i></b> 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> <b>Discussion leader: Janice Schock</b>	<b>Pam Ames</b> will send the <b>ZOOM</b> invitation.  You want to read the book and join the group? Email Pam by Sept 13 <sup>th</sup> .
<b>September 26<sup>th</sup></b> Thursday 7 pm	<b>Thursday Evening Book Grp</b> Ann Morgan 858-484-5290 <a href="mailto:annmorgansd@yahoo.com">annmorgansd@yahoo.com</a>	<b>Thursday Evening Book Group</b> <b><i>Little Fires Everywhere</i></b> 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> <b>Discussion Leader: Jan Rightmer</b>	<b>Ann Morgan</b> will send the <b>ZOOM</b> invitation.  You have read the book and want to join the group? Email Ann by Sept 24 <sup>th</sup> .
<b>September 28<sup>th</sup></b> Monday 1:30 p.m.	<b>Mystery Book Group</b> Cathy Burciaga 858-449-5096 <a href="mailto:cburciaga@san.rr.com">cburciaga@san.rr.com</a>	<b><i>November Road</i></b> 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> <b>Discussion Leader: Ann Morgan</b>	<b>Cathy Burciaga</b> will send the <b>ZOOM</b> invitation.  You have read the book and want to join the group? Email Cathy by Sept 26 <sup>th</sup> .
<b>September</b> Different Saturdays	<b>Hikers</b> Gayle Ziaskas 858-484-7596 <a href="mailto:gzia@aol.com">gzia@aol.com</a>	<b>Happy Hikers</b> <i>Right now, the Happy Hikers are continuing to follow COVID-19 restrictions related to group gatherings.</i>	<b>Gayle Ziaskas</b> <i>I hope the hikers are continuing to walk either on their or with family members or close friends.</i>
<b>September</b> Mondays 7 p.m.	<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> <i>Right now, the Games interest group is continuing to follow COVID-19 restrictions related to group gatherings.</i>	<b>Lyn Johnston</b> <i>Hopefully, you are playing games with your family and friends.</i>
<b>September</b> Fridays 11:30 a.m.	<b>Travel Group</b> Pam Ames 619-889-6229 (cell) <a href="mailto:pamames123@gmail.com">pamames123@gmail.com</a>	<b>Travel Group</b> <i>Right now, the Travel interest group is continuing to follow COVID-19 restrictions related to group gatherings.</i>	<b>Pam Ames</b> <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

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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**

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