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AAUW Poway Penasquitos Branch

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May 14 Brunch Meeting Will Celebrate Speech Trek & New Officers

by Janice Heather

Please mark your calendars for our branch's next monthly meeting on Saturday, May 14 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. You won't want to miss this one! We're having a brunch meeting at Michelle Blasberg's lovely home, 12509 Montero Court in Rancho Bernardo.

We are proud to announce that our Speech Trek Competition winner, Kristine Sy, is one of the three contestants who will move on to the state finals!! The agenda will include a presentation by our Speech Trek team, who will share a video of Kristine's speech and update us on how the program is growing. Our Tech Trek team will preview this summer's camp and ways we can help. And, we'll install our officers for the coming 2022-23 fiscal year.

Approved by the Board on March 19, 2022

President: Michelle Blasberg

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Secretary: Joan Natoli

This will be our branch's last monthly general membership meeting for the 2021-22 year since this year's Interbranch Council (IBC) meeting will be held in June and all members are invited to attend that. The IBC meeting will be held on Saturday, June 25 at the Shadowridge Golf Club in Vista and is a great opportunity to meet fellow AAUW members from the other branches in San Diego County.

Membership Matters

by Michelle Blasberg

Dues Renewal is Coming

It is time to get ready for the renewal season. All members will need to renew their membership by July 1. This renewal will cover Fiscal Year 2023, July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. You will receive notification to process your renewal as soon as the renewal site is open, expected by early May. In anticipation of that, please be aware that the AAUW National Website has been updated and you will need to reset your password. Please review the information below for links and more information.

Managing Memberships with the Community Hub

The long wait is over: the Community Hub has arrived - mostly - replacing the old Member Services Database (MSD). All members will need to reset their password. Go to the AAUW National website at <https://www.aauw.org/membership/> and click "Log In" at the top right corner of the home page. The first time you log in, you'll need to reset your password by clicking the "Forgot Password" link. From there you will be directed to your "Personal Snapshot". Do try it. For instructions and tutorials on how to set up your Personal Snapshot, the new term for your personal AAUW portal, go to: <https://www.aauw.org/new-systems-update/>. (As a current member, you don't need to be concerned about the information in the video on how to add new members.) Once in your Personal Snapshot, you can click on the various links on the left side to add any appropriate information. Check "My Payment Methods" if you want to pay your dues by either your bank account or your credit card. Look for the three dots to the right of each subject to see more options. This is also where you will renew your membership when notified that the renewal process is open and is also the place where you can make donations.

AAUW Sponsors California Legislation by AAUW CA Public Policy Committee

Guided by our member-approved Public Policy Priorities for 2021-2023, the AAUW California Public Policy Committee has selected the bills that we will be supporting as they move through the 2022 Session of the California Legislature. Here are the six highest priority bills:

- AB 92—Creates an equitable sliding scale for family fees to alleviate the burden on working families struggling to pay for childcare and early childhood education services. Co-sponsor
- AB 1666—Enables persons to come from outside California for abortions and not be impacted by laws of other states. Co-sponsor
- AB 1968—Mandates the creation of websites at CSU/UC campuses to assist sexual assault survivors.
- AB 2881—Student parents get priority enrollment, registration, and access to basic needs centers, enabling them to remain in California colleges.
- SB 523—Expands contraceptive coverage by requiring health plans to provide point-of-sale coverage without cost-sharing.
- SB 1375—Updates statutes relating to abortion care to allow nurse practitioners to practice under standard protocols to provide first-trimester abortion care.

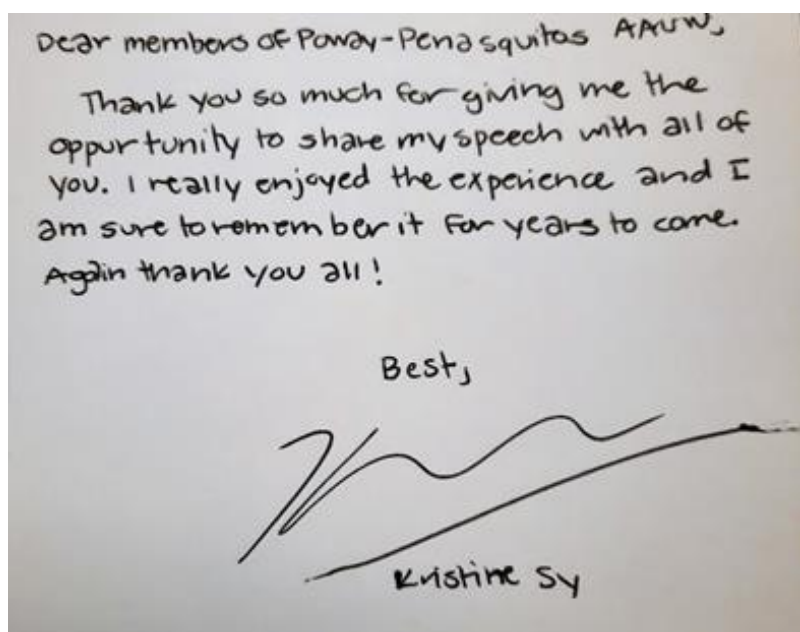
Happy Healthy Hikers to Visit Mission Beach Boardwalk by Mary Alice Rudelich

Come join us for our annual trek to the Mission Beach Boardwalk for a hike and breakfast. The Happy Healthy Hiker's event will take place on Saturday, May 21, and we will start the hike at 9:00 a.m. in front of the Lifeguard Tower at the end of W. Mission Bay Drive. Breakfast will be planned for 10:00 a.m. at World Famous Restaurant mid-way down the Boardwalk. If you would like to carpool, we will meet at the Scripps Ranch Park and Ride at 8:30 a.m. Please call or email Michelle Blasberg to let her know that you will be joining us: 858-774-2474 or michblas09@gmail.com. Please also let her know if you will be carpooling and/or joining us for breakfast. I hope all the Happy Healthy Hikers will be there.

Thank you from Speech Trek Winner by Karen McGurk

Our Speech Trek Competition winner, Kristine Sy, is one of the three contestants who will move on to the state finals!! Her video will be viewed by a panel of judges who will rank 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. The three videos will be showcased at the April 30th annual meeting, and then the first, second, and third place rankings will be announced at the end of the meeting. Be sure to register at www.aauw-ca.org for this amazing virtual event!

We also received a lovely thank your card from our first place Speech Trek winner, Kristine Sy.



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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.

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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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Travel Group *Travel Chat In-person!*

by Pam Ames

On Saturday, May 21 we'll be having lunch at Golden Island Dim Sum, located at 10660 Camino Ruiz, in the Mira Mesa Target Center near Pollo Loco. No carpool this month. Lunch will be at 11:30 a.m. Be sure to rsvp by noon on 5/20 so that reservations can be made for our group pamames123@gmail.com. Their website is <https://www.goldenislanddimsum.com/>

Gardens and More by Joan Natoli, Coordinator

On Friday, May 6 we'll have a Succulent Planting Party at Ilene Buchenau's home at 9080 Gainsborough Ave in Rancho Peñasquitos. Ilene will provide 5" pots and succulent soil for \$5, or you may bring your own pot and buy soil from Ilene. The fee for lunch from Jersey Mike's will be \$10, which includes a sandwich, chips, and cookie. Bring your own drinks. Ilene has lots of succulents, but please bring any succulent cuttings you might have. Also bring garden gloves and a garden trowel if you can. Please rsvp to Ilene by May 2 at ilenemb1@gmail.com or 858-484-0668.

Tech Trek Update by Heidi Dalvie, Ellen Dillon, Debbie Lewis, Co-Coordinators

The interviews and selection of campers for Tech Trek 2022 have just been completed. It's always a pleasure to meet these girls and see their enthusiasm for STEM programs. Our branch will be sending seven girls to the camp this year and the cost is \$500 per student. The families pay \$50 toward the cost and this year we had one family request that the fee be waived, which our AAUW-PP Board has approved.

We did not receive as many applications as in previous years. Most likely this is because the girls are weary from the pandemic and, having already had so many classes on Zoom, they are less enthusiastic about Tech Trek at UCSD being a virtual camp this year. There will be two options for virtual Tech Trek camp this year and they are June 19 – 24 and July 24 – 29.

Joan Fisher and Marsha Swails will be the Co-Directors at UCSD for Tech Trek this year, and Mary Isaac will run the virtual camp for the entire state of California.

Grape Expectations Sets May and June Dates & Destinations

by Janice Heather

If you're interested, mark your calendars for our branch's next two wine tasting outings.

- Friday, May 27, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. at Koi Zen Cellars in Carmel Mountain, 12225 World Trade Drive, Suite P
- Friday, June 24, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. at Grant James Winery in Ramona, 25260 East Old Julian Highway.

For more information on carpooling or to reserve a spot, rsvp to Janice Heather at janiceheather@hotmail.com.

Joint IBC Meeting on June 25, 2022 - SAVE THE DATE! by Harriet Gerza

Our joint IBC Luncheon Meeting will be Saturday, June 25 at 11 a.m. It's been awhile since we have all gathered to share with other branches and catch up on what's been happening! We are looking forward to seeing members from all the branches at the Shadowridge Country Club in Vista. Harriet Gerza will be coordinating any carpools if you are interested in attending. We have a great speaker, Erica M Pinto, Chair for Jamul Indian Village of California, who will give us an overview of her tribe's background and current activities. Please mark your calendars and join us!

April 6 Presentation Inspires and Delights by Janice Heather

Branch members who attended the April 6 general membership meeting were fascinated and inspired by a presentation by Christine Paik, chief communications officer for Poway Unified School District (PUSD) and a Korean American children's book author.

Ms. Paik described her journey in broadcasting and communications as a first-generation Korean American woman and shared her passion for creating internships and real-world experiences for PUSD students. She also discussed her book The Girl in the Gold Dress and how she came to write it with her artist mother during the pandemic.

What a treat it was to have her as our guest!



AAUW POWAY PENASQUITOS CALENDAR OF EVENTS



May 2022



<p>May 5th 1st Thursday 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Great Decisions Marie Dye 858-538-1689 mdye@san.rr.com</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">“Climate Change”</p> <p>Home of Karen McGurk Rsvp to Karen at kmcgurkrn@sbcglobal.net if you plan to attend.</p> <p>Discussion leader: Janice Heather</p>	<p>RSVP to Marie Dye for the ZOOM link 858-733-2850 mdye@san.rr.com</p> <p>Interested in joining the group? Email Marie Dye by May 4th to receive an invite to the discussion.</p>
<p>May 6th Friday 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Gardens and More Joan Natoli 559-303-2382 itolanij@sbcglobal.net</p>	<p>Succulent Planting Party at Ilene Buchenau’s home in Rancho Pen. For a small fee she will provide 5” pots. She has lots of succulents! Sandwiches from Jersey’s Mikes for lunch!</p>	<p>RSVP to Ilene Buchenau to let her know you are coming by May 4th 858-484-0668 ilenemb1@gmail.com</p>
<p>May 14th Saturday 10 a.m. to noon</p>	<p>Program Co-chairs Janice Heather 360-982-9719 janiceheather@hotmail.com Sheila Walker 858-722-3761 sekw@san.rr.com</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Monthly general meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Michelle Blasberg’s home, 12509 Montero Ct, Rancho Bernardo</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Brunch and updates on speech trek and tech trek</p>	<p>Please RSVP to let us know you are coming !</p> <p>aauwboard@gmail.com</p>
<p>May 16th Monday Different time 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Games Group Debbie Boyd 858-485-4390 travelstardebbie@yahoo.com</p>	<p>A host is needed for afternoon or evening. If you wish to host, call Debbie.</p>	<p>RSVP to Debbie Boyd travelstardebbie@yahoo.com 858-486-4390</p>
<p>May 17th 3rd Tuesday 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>3rd Tuesdays with Books Pam Ames 619-889-6229 (cell) pamames123@gmail.com</p>	<p>Midnight Library by Matt Haig <i>Somewhere out beyond the edge of the universe there is a library that contains an infinite number of books, each one the story of another reality. One tells the story of your life as it is, along with another book for the other life you could have lived if you had made a different choice at any point in your life.</i> <i>Nora Seed finds herself faced with this decision. Faced with the possibility of changing her life for a new one, following a different career, undoing old breakups, realizing her dreams of becoming a glaciologist; she must search within herself as she travels through the Midnight Library to decide what is truly</i></p>	<p>RSVP to Pam Ames for the ZOOM invitation</p> <p>pamames123@gmail.com</p> <p>You want to read the book and join the group? Email Pam Ames by May 16th</p>

		<p><i>fulfilling in life, and what makes it worth living in the first place.</i></p> <p>Discussion Leader: Barbara Fisher</p>	
<p>May 21st Friday 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Travel Group Pam Ames 619-889-6229 (cell) pamames123@gmail.com</p>	<p>TIME: 11:30 AM LOCATION: Garden Island Dim sum 10660 Camino Ruiz (Mira Mesa) Located in Target Center near Pollo Loco No carpools this time</p>	<p>RSVP to Pam Ames to let her know you are coming 619-889-6229 pamames123@gmail.com</p>
<p>May 21st Different Saturdays 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>Happy, Healthy Hikers Mary Alice Rudelich Mary.rudelich@aol.com 801-440-2601</p>	<p>Mission Bay Boardwalk hike and breakfast. Hike starts at 9:00 a.m. Carpool from Scripps Ranch Park and Ride at 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p>RSVP to Michelle Blasberg to let her know you are coming. 858-774-2474 michblas09@gmail.com</p>
<p>May 23rd 4th Monday 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Mystery Book Group Pamela Meyer 619-855-4071 pamela.me4@gmail.com</p>	<p>The Last Thing He Told Me by Laura Dave <i>We all have stories we never tell. Before Owen Michaels disappears, he manages to smuggle a note to his beloved wife of one year: Protect her.</i> <i>Despite her confusion and fear, Hannah Hall knows exactly to whom the note refers: Owen's sixteen-year-old daughter, Bailey. Bailey, who lost her mother tragically as a child. Bailey, who wants absolutely nothing to do with her new stepmother.</i></p> <p>Discussion leader: Janine Reeder</p>	<p>RSVP to Pamela Meyer for the ZOOM invitation 619-889-6229 pamames123@gmail.com</p> <p>You have read the book and want to join the group? Email Pam Meyer by May 21st</p>
<p>May 26th 4th Thursday 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Thursday Evening Book Group Leaders: Ann Morgan 858-484-5290 annmorgansd@yahoo.com Marilyn Scheininger 858-232-0678 marilynrs@att.net</p>	<p>Commonwealth by Ann Patchett <i>One Sunday afternoon in Southern California, Bert Cousins shows up at Franny Keating's christening party uninvited. Before evening falls, he has kissed Franny's mother, Beverly—thus setting in motion the dissolution of their marriages and the joining of two families. Spanning five decades, Commonwealth explores how this chance encounter reverberates through the lives of the four parents and six children involved.</i></p> <p>Discussion Leader: Harriet Gerza</p>	<p>RSVP to Ann Morgan for the ZOOM invitation 858-484-5290 annmmorgansd@yahoo.com</p> <p>You have read the book and want to join the group? Email Ann by May 25th</p>
<p>May 27th Friday 3-5 pm.</p>	<p>Grape Expectations Janice Heather janiceheather@hotmail.com</p>	<p>Grape Expectations wine tasting Koi Zen Cellars, 12225 World Trade Center Dr</p>	<p>RSVP to Janice to let her know you are coming janiceheather@hotmail.com</p>

San Diego County InterBranch Council (SDC-IBC)

Annual All-Branch Luncheon

Saturday, June 25, 11:00am



Shadowridge Golf Club
1980 Gateway Drive, Vista 92081



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The Carlsbad-Oceanside-Vista and Poway-Peñasquitos Branches cordially invite you

Our Special Guest Speaker:

We are excited to hear Ms. Pinto tell us about the fascinating work she has been doing since joining the tribal council at the tender age of only 21 – creating jobs, promoting economic growth, health, fitness and technology, all while protecting and promoting the tribe’s native culture and heritage.



*Erica M. Pinto, Chairwoman
Jamul Indian Village of California*

to join us for lunch and a rousing good time together after two years of you-know-what! Renew old friendships and meet new friends, bid on enticing silent auction items to take home, and hear what the other members have been up to. See you at lovely Shadowridge!

Questions? Call or text Cathy at (858) 449-5096, or e-mail cburciaga@san.rr.com

RSVPs are a Must - by June 18 please!

Yes, (name) _____ will be there.

And, I am bringing _____ guests: _____

Select Your Entrée(s): Artichoke Chicken Butternut Squash Ravioli (Veg)
 Pan-seared Salmon with Lemon Dill Sauce

Cost: \$40. Enclosed is my check payable to "SDC-IBC".

Tear off this reply & mail to: AAUW IBC Luncheon, PO Box 262012, San Diego, CA 92196