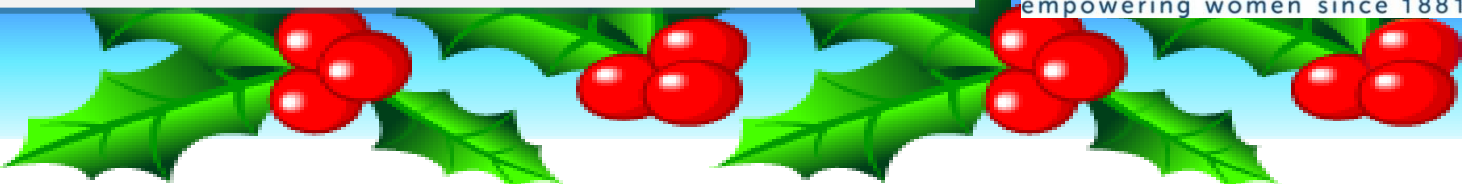


COAST LINES



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COUNCIL CHAIR'S MESSAGE

When you sign your check for your annual AAUW dues, do you ever wonder what the \$49 for national dues goes for? Or that \$2 from local dues that goes to national for AAUW Funds?

For several members who attended the Southern California AAUW Funds Luncheon in Buena Park in October the answer is clear.

We heard Janell Moore speak. After earning a degree in medical anthropology, working as a medical assistant in free clinics in San Francisco and Hollywood, and Volunteering in Guatemala, Ghana and Uganda, she decided to pursue a master's degree in public health and work on women's health issues internationally. "Women who have control of their reproductive lives are empowered to take control in other aspects of their lives" she told us.

Janell was one of seven vibrant, inspiring young recipients of AAUW fellowships and career development grants who spoke at the luncheon. Fields ranged from applied Math and Chemistry to English, Business Administration, and Public Health.

Since AAUW awarded our first fellowship of \$350 to Ida Street in 1888 we have awarded nearly \$100 million to 12,000 fellowship, grant and award recipients from more than 130 countries. In 2012, 278 awards, amounting to \$4.3 million were given.

WELCOME IN THE NEW YEAR

With AAUW friends and acquaintances

The Annual Holiday Social Gathering

Saturday January 11 2pm to 4pm

At the home of Eileen Edelson

Please bring an appetizer or dessert to serve 8

No reservation is required but would be appreciated.

eileenedelson@cox.net or 310-541-1969

"STATE OF PENINSULA SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES"

Followed by a behind-the-scenes tour of Peninsula Center Library

Speakers: Walker Williams, PVPUSD Superintendent
Kathy Gould, Director, PV Library District

PV Peninsula Coordinating Council Meeting

Thursday January 23, 2014, Noon

Peninsula Center Library, Community Room

For optional Bristol Farms box lunch reservations call 541-4380 or e-mail cdavenport@pvld.org by Noon Monday Jan 20, \$10, payable at the door.

Don't toss that request for AAUW Funds. Consider supporting the many Janells who need our help. Check out the www.aauw.org website for more information.

Sherry

PVP BRANCH NEW MEMBER EVENT

On October 26, the membership committee and other volunteers hosted an informal gathering at Cordelia Hwang's home to welcome 12 of our new members. The morning began with name tags, bagels/scones and time to socialize. The get-together provided an opportunity for our new members to hear about our organizational structure, mission, projects and activities. The new members had a chance to tell a little about themselves and why they joined AAUW. Sherry May and Judy Purvis made more formal presentations about our organization. Thanks go to Judy Purvis, Sherry May, Muriel Blatt and Trish Dilligan for organizing the program, Margery Norris for lovely handwritten invitations, and to Judy Purvis and Carol Torelli for preparing the delicious "eats and drinks" and Patty Dilks for taking the photos.



Susan Negrete, Holly Cain, JoAnn DeFlon



Carol Torelli, Louise Chao, Cordelia Hwang

EXPLORING AGING IN YOUR OWN HOME

After Helen Dennis's talk to the branch and the community in March 2013, the idea was formed to study "The Village Concept" to see if it could be applied to aging in our own homes in Palos Verdes.

♦ A community program is scheduled for May 3 at the Peninsula Center Library Community Room. Helen Dennis will begin with an overview of the Village concept, with other speakers from

established southern California "Villages," an interest survey and discussion of "next steps." We hope that this meeting will result in a steering group of community members.

♦ If you want to join in this planning, please ask to be on the distribution list by e-mailing cdavenport@pvld.org. The next meeting will be Friday January 24, 10am, Susan Wallace's home.

THE LATER CHAPTERS OF LIFE - A LIVING ROOM DISCUSSION

Will meet three times beginning in January to explore the formation of an on-going group designed to explore later life issues. The continuation and structure of the group will be determined by those attending.

All members are invited.

The first meeting will be Thursday, January 23, 10am-12pm, Maria Ashla's home. Please RSVP mariaashla@cox.net or (310) 541-5234

TECH TREK UPDATE

We had a very successful fundraising effort this year. As a result, we are able to send **15** girls to Tech Trek camp in 2014. Thank you to all who contributed.

We are now in the process of selecting the potential campers from Wilmington Middle School and Dana (San Pedro) Middle School.

The teacher recommendations will be collected from the School Coordinators in late November. Essay writing workshops for the recommended students will be conducted at both schools in December.

The applications and essays will be submitted to us in mid-January. Members of the Tech Trek Committee will review the essays and students will be selected for interviews. Interviews, conducted by members of the committee, are scheduled at Wilmington on Tuesday, February 4th and at Dana on Wednesday, February 12th. At that point the 15 campers and several alternates will be selected. This is an exciting and rewarding project.

New committee members are always welcome. If you are interested in joining the Tech Trek Committee, please contact one of the Tech Trek Committee Co-Chairs: Dale Richards or Denise DeVenuto.

Interest Groups December 2013 – January 2014

AAUW – WHO ARE WE ANYWAY? (WAWA)

3rd Thursday 10am-12pm

December- No Meeting

Jan 16: 10am-12pm, Home of Judy Purvis
375-8578

ARTS & ARTISTS 3rd Tuesday 1pm

Chair Nancy Leonard 519-1606

Dec.17: home of Kathleen Fitzgerald-
Michelangelo

Jan.21: home of Kathleen Fitzgerald-*Albrecht
Dürer*

BRIDGE-ETTES 3rd Tuesday 1pm

Chair Margery Norris 514-3980

Dec 4: All-Bridge party, Seaview Villas

Jan 21 home of Margery Norris

CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE 2nd Mon.

9:30am

Chair Barbara Prassas 519-8044

Dec 9: Holiday luncheon at Trumps, 11:30am

Jan 13: home of Kathleen Fitzgerald *Something
I've Been Going to Tell You* by Alice Munro

ECLECTIC READERS 3rd Thursday 2pm

Chair Jan Cofer 791-8337

Dec 19 – no meeting

Jan 16: home of Ellen Alkon *The President's
Club* by Nancy Gibbs & Michael Duffy

GREAT DECISIONS Northside 3rd Monday

10am

Chair Kathleen Fitzgerald 373-0946

December – no meeting

Jan 20: Home of Susan Wallace *Topic: China In
Africa*

GREAT DECISIONS PV Shores 3rd Monday

10am

Chair Sharon Andrade 541-2417

December – No meeting

Jan 20: South Shores Clubhouse *Topic: China in
Africa* Facilitator Eileen Edelson

GRAND SLAMMERS 2nd Tuesday 1pm

Chair Sara Bowlus 541-2767

Dec 4: All-Bridge party, Seaview Villas

Jan 14: Home of Carol Torelli

LATER CHAPTERS OF LIFE – LIVING ROOM

Chair Maria Ashla

Jan 23: Thurs 10am-12pm; home of Maria Ashla, Exploration
– 3 meetings TBD: Maria, 541-5234

LUNCH BUNCH 4th Wednesday Noon

Chair Nancy Kellogg 377-2427

Dec: No meeting

Jan 22: PV Golf Club

Call Nancy to confirm

NIGHT BOOKS 2nd Monday 7pm

Chair Rowie Wolf, 373-5970

Dec 9: Dinner Out, *Szechwan*, Lomita

Jan 13: Home of Leann Roque *The President's Club* by
Nancy Gibbs & Michael Duffy

READERS THEATER 2nd Monday 7pm

Chair Jacky Mason 377-3896

Dec 9: annual holiday party at home Kathleen Fitzgerald; call
Jacky or Kathleen

Jan 13: Home of Pilar Hale; call Jacky

WALKERS Every Thursday 7:30am

Chairs Kathleen 373-0947, Cordelia 541-3261

Cliffs at the south end of Hawthorne Blvd. Call Kathleen to
confirm walk is on.

WOMEN IN TRANSITION (WIT) 1st Wed 7pm

Chair Susan Negrete 374-2116

Dec 4: Holiday get together, 7pm-8:30pm,

Conference Room, 3625 Del Amo Blvd, Ste 360

For meeting access problems on the night call Athena's cell
310-218-6855.

Jan 8: Business meeting for the year.

We want to give special thanks to Marion Martelli , who for years has done a superb job as editor of *CoastLines*. Marion is taking a leave of absence for health reasons. We wish her the very best.



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CoastLines

CoastLines is the monthly newsletter of the AAUW Palos Verdes Branch. Editor Marion Martelli is taking a temporary leave; this issue and the next issue will be edited by Fran Wielin. Deadline for copy and photos is January 15 sent to fwielin@cox.net.

CoastLines is sent via e-mail as a PDF file. For members receiving *CoastLines* via postal delivery, please notify Faith Morrow morrows@verizon.net of any changes.

Branch Calendar 2014

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| January 8 | International Women Study Group at Sherry May's, 10am |
| January 11 | Annual Branch Social Gathering at the home of Eileen Edelson |
| January 12 | LACIC Meeting, Arcadia – contact Sherry May to attend |
| January 14 | Council Meeting, Hesse Park, 2pm-4pm, All members are encouraged and welcome to attend. |
| January 23 | “Get to know your Community: PVPUSD and Library District” joint meeting with the PVP Coordinating Council, Noon-1pm, Pen Center Library Community Room, Tour. |
| January 24 | The Village Group meets at the home of Susan Wallace 10am |
| March 11 | Council Meeting, Hesse Park, 2pm-4pm. Candidates for Branch elected office will be announced. All members are encouraged and welcome to attend. |
| April 10-13 | AAUW-California State Convention, LAX Marriott Hotel |
| May 3 | “Exploring the Village Concept – Aging in Our Own Homes in Palos Verdes” 1pm-3pm, Branch and Community Invited, Peninsula Center Library Community Room |
| May 13 | Annual Branch Meeting, Hesse Park, 2pm-4pm. Election of Officers. All members are encouraged and welcome to attend. |
| June 7 | Awards Luncheon – Tentative |

Activities of Other Branches

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| January 18 | Beach Cities, 10an-Noon, the Lakes in El Segundo, AAUW Funds Speaker: Casey Knifsend, an American Fellowship Recipient |
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