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This Land is Our Land...

Thanks to the Palos Verdes Land Conservancy

March Branch Meeting Hesse Park

Tuesday, March 12, 2-4pm

Josh Weinik and Bob Ford, representatives of the Palos Verdes Land Conservancy, will share history of the Conservancy and plans for the present and future. Their presentation will be first on the program, so be on time to catch all of it.

Pre-Mother's Day Tea & Silent Auction

Saturday, May 4, 2019 2:30 to 5:00 pm



\$40 per person Chado Tea Room

1303 El Prado Ave., Torrance 90501

RSVP by check ("AAUW Torrance") by April 24, 2019 sent to: 5412 W. 123rd St., Del Aire, CA 90250

Tea proceeds to benefit AAUW Economic Security Fund, Silent Auction proceeds to benefit Tech Trek camperships

Please contact Gloria Liu, AAUW Fund VP at GLSB7891@gmail.com Space is limited. NO walk-in registrations.

LACIC

Susan Negrete, Co-Chair

DATE: Sunday, March 10, 2019

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 pm

PLACE: PIH (formerly Presbyterian

Intercommunity Hospital), 12401 Washington Blvd., Lower Level, Conference Rm. F. Whittier, CA.

Panel Discussion: Bridging the Generation Gap

Is your branch looking for ideas to bridge gaps and meet the needs of all ages in your community? LACIC branch members representing Traditionalist, Baby Boomers, Millennials, Generation X and Generation Z will participate in a lively discussion highlighting the traits of their generation. They will discuss what we can learn from each other and how we can work together to forward AAUW's mission.

Join us at this fun, informative and interactive meeting - please encourage all branch members to attend!

The LACIC refreshment plan: **Bring your own drink. Individuals are invited to bring snacks to share.**

WOMEN'S MARCH 2019

AAUW members from the Beach Cities, Torrance and PVP branches marched together at the 2019 Women's March held in Redondo Beach on Saturday, January 19.



Branch members included, L – R; Ann Paour, BC; Kathy Ford, BC & PVP; Gloria Liu, Torrance; Susan Negrete, BC, Torrance & PVP; Ann DuPuy, Alice Matthews & Cami Hamilton, Torrance.

BOOK & AUTHORS LUNCHEON



The Beach Cities Branch Of AAUW will hold their 21st annual Authors Luncheon and Book Signing on May 18 at the Torrance Doubletree Hotel Penthouse.

Status of Women Award 2019

We are seeking suggestions for this year's Status of Women Award.

The award is presented to a woman who is visible in the community and works to better society. She shows leadership and exhibits professional conduct. She is a role model for other women and girls.

There is no requirement that the award rcipient is a member of AAUW, although, of course, she may be a member.

Please submit your suggestions to Nancy Mahr at nlmahr@verizon.net, or leave a phone message at 310-377-0735. Deadline to submit is March 1, 2019.

2019 NCCWSL Project AAUW - Marymount Partnership

It's that time of year again! AAUW in partnership with Marymount California University is in the process of selecting candidates to attend the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL) developed each year by AAUW National. This year it will be held from May 29 through June 1, 2019 in Washington, DC. Ten applications have been evaluated and interviews will be made by the AAUW Marymount Project Committee along with University appointed staff on February 8th to determine who the four final candidates will be. The students selected show intelligence, compassion and leadership skills. The purpose of the conference is to enhance these qualities so that these students become better leaders at the University and in their future careers. A special thanks needs to be given to the Committee Members for all their hard work: Libby Bergen, Susan Negrete, and Nancy Rayner.

Elayne Nahman, Chair NCCWSL Project



RAINBOW SERVICES



Rainbow services, which provides trauma informed services for survivors impacted by the cycle of family domestic violence in the Harbor and the South Bay areas, was originally started by the Harbor YWCA in 1983. Their mission was to help women and children survive domestic violence and build healthy, safe and violence-free lives.

Once again this year, and an offshoot of our branch Freedom From Fear project, we will collect new twin bed size sheets, pillowcases and bath towels for the shelter and the transitional housing units.

Judy Gordon, Director of Education and Volunteers, has informed us they are accepting new, unwrapped gifts for children and teens in the shelter.

Gifts for children 12 and under: Legos, Hot Wheels, Thomas and Friends.

Gifts for teens: board games, basket/soccer balls, wallets/purses.

Gift cards are always appreciated by the shelter.

Please bring your donation items to our March 12, 2019 meeting at Hesse Park. Following the meeting, a coordinator will deliver the items and card to the Rainbow Services offices at 2125 25th Street, San Pedro, CA 90732. The agency's phone number is 310-732-2211. The Director of Communications & Fund Development is Jane Dion.



House and Yard?

Our terrific Membership Team, some of whom are pictured here, have a schedule of upcoming events for our members and guests. One missing piece is a member's house and yard (a.c. would be nice) at which to hold our annual Summer Social on a weekend afternoon in August 2019.

If you can provide this place, we'll do the rest: set-up, invitations, reservations, food, beverages and clean-up.

Please contact Fran Brown or Margery Norris to make your kind offer. Thanks a lot.



Please welcome two new members to our branch, and watch for the next "Getting To Know You" e-blast with brief bios of each. They are Jody Wiggins and Kathryn Sandow.

Tech Trek Treasurer Needed

A new Treasurer is needed for the Tech Trek Camp at UCSD. Joanna Schwend, the current Treasurer will retire in July.

The Treasurer needs to be familiar with Excel, but doesn't need to be an accountant. A very fulfilling job with a great AAUW program.

Please email or call Joanna if you are interested: jwschwend@yahoo.com, cell 619-203-1476

A TRIBUTE TO JACKY MASON

We lost a powerful force for good in our community when longtime AAUW member and director of Readers Theater Jacky Mason, passed away peacefully last December 18 after a short illness. When Jacky retired, she started directing Readers Theater and began writing original plays beginning with *The Select* Sorority (with Pam Gershkoff), an insightful look into the lives of eight American first ladies. This was followed by An Interview with Queen Victoria, My Mother Marie (about Marie Curie), Radio KPVP - an old-time radio show for the 50th anniversary of the AAUW PVP branch, Athletes in Skirts, and most recently, Three Katherines, two Annes and Jane, the story of the six wives of Henry VIII, among others. Her intent was to produce plays that showed the personal side of history from the women's perspective, and to this end she wrote, directed, costumed and publicized all the group's appearances, whose proceeds supported AAUW Tech Trek scholarships. Readers Theater remembers her as smart, warm, funny and demanding, always challenging the group to do their best, to learn and to improve in each performance. She stayed involved and interested in Readers Theater and our future productions to the end. When she was no longer was able to leave home, she insisted we move our December meeting and holiday party to her home, so she could speak to every member and enjoy the company, fellowship, and music, saying, "If you don't come here, I might miss something!" After the meeting, she heard excerpts from the play we are planning for May and approved both the concept and the writing.



Submitted by Cecilia Rogers, Readers Theater

An Arts Adventure with AAUW





Fran Brown and Elayne Nahman enjoying the fabulous art of the Chinese dissident artist, Wei Wei at Marciano Art Foundation on an Arts Appreciation Interest Group Field Trip in mid-January followed by lunch at Twist Café. Food for mind, heart and body!

WINTER SOCIAL

On January 26, twenty-three of our members attended a delightful Winter Social hosted by the Membership Committee. The setting was JoAnn DeFlon's beautiful home where we could choose between sitting indoors surrounded by beautiful art or outdoors in the magnificent garden designed by JoAnn's husband who is an accomplished landscape architect and sculptor. Our thanks go to everyone who made the occasion possible.



Elayne Nahman, Ruth Bloland, Fran Wielen, Dale *Richards* and hostess JoAnn DeFlon



Joanie Gale, Margery Norris, Maria Ashla, Fran Wielin, Eileen Edelson, Leslie Criswell,, Susan Wallace and Nancy Rayner



Donna Day, Connie Davenport, Pilar Hale and Nancy Bell



Nancy Rayner, Susan Wallace and Leslie Criswell



Mary Shackle, Leslie Criswell, Barbara Todd and Holly Cain

INTEREST GROUPS-MARCH/APRIL 2019

ART APPRECIATION

Chair: Nancy Rayner nrayner777@gmail.com 3rd Wednesday 2-4pm

March 20: *Impressions in the Countryside*

April 17: Paris Under Siege

READERS THEATER

Chair: Jacky Mason 310-377-3896 2nd Monday 7pm

For information contact Cecilia Rogers 310-293-7071

Location-TBD

CONTEMPORARY LITERAURE

Chair: JoAnn DeFlon 310-508-3581 2nd Monday 9:30am

March 11: home of Kathleen Fitzgerald *Warlight* by Michael Ondaatje

April 8: home of Anna May Labbe

ECLECTIC READERS

Chair Jan Cofer 310-791-8337 3rd Thursday 2pm

March 21: home of Fran Brown Educated by Tara Westover

April 18: home of Margery Norris *There, There* by Tommy Orange

NIGHT BOOKS

Chair Rowie Wolf 310-373-5970 2nd Monday 7pm

March 11, 2019: home of Fran Wielin *Educated* by Tara Westover

April 8, 2019: home of Wendy Walker

In Your Hands by Ines Pedrosa (translated by Andrea Rosenbe)

BRIDGE-ETTES

Chair Margery Norris 310-514-3980 3rd Tuesday 1pm

March 19: home of Jan Cofer

April 16; home of Fran Wielin

GRAND SLAMMERS

Chair Sara Bowlus 310-541-2767 2nd Thursday 1pm

March 14: TBD

April 11: TBD

PINOCHLE

Chair Elayne Nahman 310-541-6839 1st and 3rd Tuesday amd of there is a fifth Tuesday the group plays then.

March 5 amd 19

April 2, 16 and 30

Palos Verdes Shores Club House

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GREAT DECISIONS

Chair Sharon Andrade 310-541-2417 3rd Monday 9:30 am, PV Shores Club House

March 18: *Nuclear negotiations:* back to the future

April 15: The Middle East: regional disorder

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Chair Kathleen Fitzgerald 3rd Monday 10am, Northside

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April 15: *Nuclear negotiations:* back to the future

WOMEN IN TRANSITION

Chair Susan Negrete 310-377-0642 susimone@aol.com 1st Wednesday 7:00-9:00pm 708 Yarmouth Rd, Lunada Bay

March 06: TBD April 03: TBD

FIRST FRIDAY
TEA and CONVERSATION
Chair: JoAnn DeFlon

1st Friday 2-4pm

RSVP: JoAnn Deflon 310-508-3581 ij.deflon@gmail.com

Fran Brown 310-377-5252 franbrown5@cox.net

SCRABBLE

Chair Kathleen Fitzgerald 310-373-0946 1st Monday 7– 9 pm

January 7: home of Kathleen Fitzgerald February 4: location TBD







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AAUW Mission Statement

AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

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Deadline for May/Jun Coast-Lines articles, March 30, 2019

BRANCH CALENDAR MAR/APR 2019

March 10, Sun. LACIC, 2-4 pm, PIH (formerly known as

Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital), 12401 Washington Boulevard, Whittier

March 12, Tues Branch meeting, 2-4pm, Hesse Park

(brings sheets & towels for Rainbow Services)

May 04, Sat. Torrance Branch Pre-Mother's Day Tea,

2:30-5pm, Chado Tea Room