

AAUW CoastLines

Palos Verdes Peninsula Branch, Summer 2019



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SUMMER GATHERING



Join us for a relaxed summer afternoon with friends at Joanie Gale's beautiful home and patio.

No program—just refreshments and fun! Introduce a friend, if you like.

Saturday, August 17, 2019....2 to 4 P.M.
2405 Via Sobrante, P.V.E. 90275

RSVP: mnorris@ca.rr.com



BRANCH PLANNING MEETING

Tuesday, July 09. 2pm-4pm

Hesse Park



The Branch Planning Meeting on July 9th is a critical date for the branch! It is the time when we not only outline the coming year's activities, but when we take stock of what is working, what we can do better and what we need to concentrate on. We need a broad representation! New or newer member are especially welcome!



Save the date for a visit to one of the college campuses hosting our Tech Trek campers:

UCSD: June 26 or 27, arrive 8:00-8:30 a.m. or after 10:00 a.m.

Whittier College: June 27, 9:00 -11:00 a.m.
Reserve by June 15

UCI: July 10, arrive by 9:30 a.m

UCSB: July 18 and July 25 (there are two sessions)

Please contact Denise DeVenuto at dendev88@gmail.com for detailed information. The camp directors request that you inform them that you will be visiting. Lunch is available at your cost in the campus dining hall with campers.



AAUW California 2019 Nominations & Elections

State Nominations and Elections Chair Susan Negrete is pleased to announce the election of PVP member KIMBERLY HERNANDEZ, as an AAUW-CA Board Director for the 2019 -2021 term. In addition to being an AAUW/PVP Member, Kimberly participated in the 2015 NCCWSL program as a Marymount California University (MCU) student and has co-managed AAUW's national leadership project for young women—NCCWSL—for the last 3 years in her role as MCU's Co-Director of Student Life. Congratulations Kimberly - and thank you for stepping up to serve AAUW in our organization! Visit AAUW-California's website for more information on the new board members: www.aauw-ca.org

Susan Negrete and Alice Hill have been appointed as State Coordinators for the AAUW-California Tech Trek Program for the 2019—2020 term by CA Co-Presidents Jane Niemeier and Cathy Foxhaven.

AAUW - Los Angeles Interbranch Council (LACIC)

The incoming Los Angeles County Interbranch Council Board for the 2019-2020 term was installed on May 19, 2019.

Kay Odgers, Chair

Patricia Cuocco, Treasurer and Communications Chair

Virginia Hatfield & Cathy Zitnick, Co-VPs, Program

Deanna Arthur, Secretary



Dues are Due!

It's time to renew your membership for 2019-2020! Our membership year runs from July 1 to June 30 and annual dues are \$101. The \$101 includes National AAUW dues of \$59, AAUW CA dues of \$20 and our Palos Verdes Branch dues of \$22.

Please use the Renewal Form on the last page of this newsletter and send it together with your check payable to AAUW-PVP to:

AAUW-PVP

P.O. Box 2443 Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274

MEMBERSHIP

Chairs: Fran Brown and Leann Roque

Fran Brown and Leann Roque are delighted to introduce two new members to the 2019 class.

Helen Vakil, educated in India, with additional degrees from Saddleback College in Computer Science and Accounting.

Keri Gilbert, a dual member active in the Torrance branch, with degree from UCLA and MBA from UC Irvine.

Welcome

Helping the Homeless

Submitted by Nancy Rayner

AAUW/PVP recently sponsored a community education session on ***Helping LA County's Homeless: The County Homeless Initiative***. In follow-up, the Breaking Barriers Committee (BBC) held an in-depth discussion about services that are available to help the homeless in the South Bay and would like to share some of that information with all branch members who may wish to help those who are less fortunate:

Bell Shelter – provides services for over 350 homeless people each day

Harbor Interfaith Services (San Pedro) – provides support (food pantry, onsite daycare, temporary shelter, housing, etc.) to the homeless and working poor

Rainbow Services/1736 Family Crisis Center/Center for the Asian Pacific Family – South Bay organizations that help victims of domestic violence

PV Thrift Shop – donates to several local organizations benefitting the homeless

SHAWL House – residential recovery program for women

Beacon House – residential recovery program for men

Doors of Hope – shelter for women

Sanctuary of Hope – homeless young adults (18 – 24) services, shelter

Hathaway-Sycamores – transitional shelter (12 – 18 months) for “aged-out” foster youth, until age 24

PATH – Coordinated Entry System services (prevention, temporary shelter, housing)

School on Wheels – tutoring of children in shelters

NAMI South Bay – mental health education, advocacy

Laundry Love programs – works with local laundromats to provide clothes-cleaning services

This is a partial list only and additional information is available online at their websites. Most of these organizations are supported by volunteers and can always use more help. They also accept donations to further their work.

AAUW/Marymount NCCWSL Project Activities

The AAUW/Marymount National Conference for College Women Student Leaders —NCCWSL—project has received a donation from Kerry Welch of Welch and Company Accountancy Corporation in Torrance. They have donated \$1000 to our fund to send students to our annual leadership conference in Washington, DC. This is the third donation made by businesses that were started and run by women. It is exciting to see how these women entrepreneurs value our Project and goals.



A luncheon was held on April 10 for the final candidates to meet previous attendees who shared their experiences and provided guidance. Committee members Libby Bergen, Susan Negrete and Nancy Rayner were also in attendance. These meetings are always fun as the young women share what they learned and the adventures they had. They also provide good concrete information on what to take, how to navigate Washington, etc.

Our four finalists for this year attended the AAUW Conference held in Washington, DC on May 29 through June 1, 2019. They were selected out of eleven applications which involved filling out an intensive application and being interviewed by six people. These ladies are highly intelligent, motivated, and leaders-in-the making. Here they are:



Cecilia Lucas



Jocelyne Gonzalez



Eddina Robinson



Valerie Herman

On April 29th, Elayne Nahman and Nancy Rayner on AAUW's behalf hosted a dinner at the Think Cafe in San Pedro for four young women who attended the AAUW Conference in previous years and are now graduating from Marymount California University. They are Selye Losoya, Psychology Major; Alyssa Rodriguez, Psychology Major; Ellen Ferguson, Digital Communication Major and Alexis Braxton, Psychology Major. It was fun to hear about their dreams and aspirations. They have been invited to attend our Fall Fling and are excited at the prospect. Each was given a gift bag that included little goodies and a card letting them know that they will receive a free AAUW Membership for one year. They truly appreciated their graduation dinner and we wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

Thank you to Readers Theatre

At our Branch Meeting on May 14th, attendees enjoyed an all-new play by Readers Theater, “In Her Own Words”, by Cecilia Rogers. The play was developed in consultation with Jacky Mason and was dedicated to Jacky’s memory. The play is a presentation of distinguished American women writers – how they lived, what they thought and most of all, what they wrote.

There was excellent turnout for the meeting, with all seats filled.

Feedback from the audience was great including several rounds of applause!



From left to right, the people in the picture are: Kathleen Fitzgerald, Marlin More, Donna Tucker(a member of AAUW San Gabriel), Kathryn Lee, Pilar Hale, Jane Jones, Kendel Cornwell, Cecilia Rogers, Joanne Dusseau, Nancy Bell, Carol Torelli, John Torelli.

Marie Curie & AAUW **Submitted by Nancy Rayner**

The year was 1919. Europe had been ravaged by World War I and radium was far too expensive for a scientist of modest means to afford for experiments. This was true even for one as famous as Madame Marie Curie. As a result, her groundbreaking research had reached a virtual standstill.

Then the AAUW came to the rescue. Members from Maine to California helped raise an astonishing \$156,413, enabling Madame Curie to purchase one gram of radium and continue her experiments that helped her create the field of nuclear chemistry and forever change the course of science. Madame Curie received the Nobel Prize for her work, but was not admitted to the French *Academie des Sciences* until she won an incredible second Nobel Prize...all because she was a woman. More than 75 years later, there are still only three women members.

INTEREST GROUPS—SUMMER 2019

ART APPRECIATION

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

July 17: Cezanne and Pissaro
in Pontoise

August 21: Berthe Morisot

READERS THEATER

Chair: Cecilia Rogers
310-377-3896
2nd Monday 7pm

For information contact
Cecilia Rogers. No meetings
during July and August. Those
members interested in joining
the group, please contact
Cecilia.

CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE

Chair: JoAnn DeFlon
310-508-3581

July 8: home of Kathleen Fitzgerald
There, There by Tommy Orange

August 12: home of Barbara Todd
Lillian Boxfish Takes a Walk by
Kathleen Rooney

ECLECTIC READERS

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

July 18: home of Faith Morrow
Property by Lionel Shriver

August 15: home of Dale Richards
Where the Crawdads Sing by
Delia Owens

NIGHT BOOKS

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

No meetings during July and August

BRIDGE-ETTES

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

July 16: home of Dale Richards

August 20: home of Margery Norris

GRAND SLAMMERS

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

TBA

PINOCHLE

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

June 4 and 18

Palos Verdes Shores Club House

SCRABBLE

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

TBA

GREAT DECISIONS

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

No meetings during July and August

GREAT DECISIONS

Chair Kathleen Fitzgerald
3rd Monday 10am,
Northside

No meetings during July and August

WOMEN IN TRANSITION

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

June 12: Here's What's Keeping Me Up at Night!

Note, 2nd Wed. of month, one time change. Please RSVP by Monday, June 10.

FIRST FRIDAY TEA and CONVERSATION

Chair: JoAnn DeFlon
1st Friday 2-4pm

RSVP: JoAnn DeFlon
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jj.deflon@gmail.com

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





Time to renew your AAUW-PVP membership for 2019 -20

Current membership expires June 30, 2019

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____

OK to list your cell number in branch Directory? _____ Yes _____ No

E-mail: _____ Birthday (Mo & Day Only) _____

Updates or corrections to the Directory?

Branch Newsletter: (Circle One) E-mail U.S Mail (Suggest \$10 donation to cover postage/printing)

Dues Breakdown:

AAUW National \$59 (\$56 tax deductible) AAUW CA \$ 20 PVP Branch \$22 TOTAL \$101

How much do you pay?

Regular Member: (AAUW National + AAUW CA + Branch) \$101

Life Member: (AAUW CA + Branch) \$42

Dual Member: (Branch dues only) \$22

Additional donation would be appreciated

To Branch \$ _____ To AAUW Funds \$ _____ Dues + donation = Total Check \$ _____

Please make check payable to AAUW-PVP

Mail to: AAUW-PVP, P.O. Box 2443, Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274

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AAUW Mission Statement

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

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and Dale Richards**

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**Membership Chairs: Leann
Roque, Fran Brown**

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310-530-5847
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**Deadline for Aug, Sept.
CoastLines articles, July
30, 2019**

BRANCH CALENDAR SUMMER 2019

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Enjoy Summer!

