

# **AAUW CoastLines**

Palos Verdes Peninsula Branch, March, April 2020



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#### MARCH BRANCH MEETING

Tuesday, March 10, 2-4pm, Hesse Park

Do not miss this informative meeting!

Topics will include:

- •Info on March 21st Readers Theater production: The Ladies
  Remember: Eleanor Roosevelt Uncovers the Road to the 19th
  Amendment
- •Women's Centennial activities including the Suffragette Parade on March 14
- Public Policy Updates
- Project Updates on Marymount/NCCWSL and Tech Trek
- •The Latest on our Interest Groups

We will also be collecting items for Rainbow Services!



#### READERS THEATER PRESENTS: A NEW HISTORICAL PLAY

The Ladies Remember:
Eleanor Roosevelt Uncovers the Road to the
19th Amendment

By Cecilia Rogers

Saturday, March 21, 2020, 2 pm Ascension Lutheran Church 26231 Silver Spur Road, Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif.

Tickets: \$35.00 per person
Festive Reception following. Meet the Actors
Information: fafnyr@mac.com
310-293-7071

## Equal Pay Day - Wear Red

By Karen Jackle, AAUW-CA Public Policy Committee

The next Equal Pay Day (EPD) is Tuesday, March 31, 2020. This date symbolizes how far into the year women must work to earn what men earned in the previous year. The National Committee on Pay Equity <a href="https://www.pay-equity.org/day.html">https://www.pay-equity.org/day.html</a> reminds us to wear red to symbolize how far women and minorities are "in the red" with their pay. This is a great idea for branch members working EPD tables in their communities or at local colleges.

AAUW's updated publication *The Simple Truth* is based on the most recently released data from the U.S. Census Bureau. In 2018, women received just 82 cents for every dollar paid to a man. Women of color often face a wider gap compared to white men; Black women make 62 cents on the dollar; and Latinas make 54 cents on the dollar. The pay gap has only decreased by a nickel in the 21st Century. For more information on the Gender Pay Gap, and ideas for EPD events, check out <a href="https://www.aauw.org/resource/how-to-equal-pay-day/">https://www.aauw.org/resource/how-to-equal-pay-day/</a>.

On the National Level, the *Paycheck Fairness Act* passed the House of Representatives and languishes in the Senate with no action yet taken. The Equal Pay Act requires that men and women be given equal pay for equal work in the same establishment. The jobs need not be identical, but they must be substantially equal. It is job content, not job titles, that determines whether jobs are substantially equal. Specifically, the EPA provides that employers may not pay unequal wages to men and women who perform jobs that require substantially equal skill, effort and responsibility, and that are performed under similar working conditions within the same establishment.

According to WAGE (Women Are Getting Even), women earn one million less than men in their lifetime. AAUW has facilitated *Start Smart* and *Work Smart Workshops* to help close the gap, and you can learn more about these workshops at the website: <a href="https://www.pay-equity.org/day-kit.html">https://www.pay-equity.org/day-kit.html</a>. AAUW now offers an online one-hour Work Smart Workshop accessed from the www.aauw.org for salary negotiation skills.

# March 3, 2020 Election/Ballot Measure PV

On March 3, 2020, we will have elections including the Presidential Primary, Los Angeles County Supervisors, State Representatives, judges, and ballot measures.

Ballot Measure PV is a local bond that will be on the March 3 ballot for the voters within the boundaries of PVP Unified School District. The funds for Measure PV will repair and modernize our school facilities.

The 18 schools in Palos Verdes are over 50 years old. The School District states that repairs are needed to improve campus safety/security systems; make earthquake, roofing, plumbing, electrical, air conditioning, and disabled student access improvements; update/replace bathrooms, classrooms, and science labs that support students for college/career readiness.

The \$389,385,000 bond will benefit ALL schools within PVPUSD. All Measure PV funds will remain within the district and be a stable and locally controlled source of funding. The funds generated from the bonds can be used ONLY for modernizing, repairing and building school facilities. *By law, a local independent citizens oversight committee will review and audit all spending to ensure money is spent the ways voters approved it.* 

Measure PV will cost \$38 per \$100,000 of assessed value (assessed value is often lower than your property's current market value). The Bond will be collected over thirty years.

Information is available on the PVPUSD website, www.pvpusd.net

Please check page 6 for information on new implementations that make voting easier and more convenient.

## Status of Women Award 2020

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 recipient 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. Dead-line to submit is March 30.

# Interested in Public Policy?

Join the Branch Public Policy Committee. We'll explore current issues, track legislation, plan some activities and report back to the membership.

Contact Co-Chairs Nancy Mahr (<u>nlmahr@verizon.net</u>) and Nancy Rayner (<u>nrayner777@gmail.com</u>



# Happy Hour Wine & Hors d'oeuvres Potluck

February 21st, from 5PM - 7PM

At Ruth Bloland's home 27128 Fond Du Lac Road, RPV (spouses are welcome)

If your last name starts with 'A' through 'M', bring an appetizer/hors d'oeuvre.
If your name begins with 'N' through 'Z', bring wine.

Non-alcoholic beverages will also be available

Please RSVP by February 17<sup>th</sup> to Nancy Rayner at nrayner777@gmail.com





# **RAINBOW SERVICES**





Rainbow Service provides help and hope to the survivors and their children of intimate partner violence. Rainbow staff provides trauma-informed services such as case management, individual counseling, support groups, parenting classes, housing support, children's programs and legal services for participants in our outreach and shelter locations. By providing survivors and their children a safe place, we are able to assist them in identifying their needs and helping them reach their goals free of violence.

Lily Arana MSW, Children's Program Coordinator, stated the following items can used by Rainbow Services:

- \* Pretend play toys
- \* DVDs of movies
- \* Crayons/markers/colored pencils
- \* Art & crafts for teens such as canvas/ paints/ watercolors, brushes
- \* Science Activities
- \* Play Dough
- \* Sensory toys such as soft stuff animals, slime, scented toys
- \* Head phones for music
- \* Gift Cards

Please bring your donation items to our March meeting at Hesse Park. Following the meeting, a coordinator will deliver the items to Rainbow Services.



# March/April Birthdays

Judy Mílestone	3/04
Rowie Wolf	3/05
Dana Gorman	3/06
Joanne Dusseau	3/15
Karlen Schepak	3/16
Lynne Jones	3/23
Louise Chao	3/26
Marlín More	3/30
Patricia Weinstock	3/30
Holly Cain	4/02
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Barbara Arenguren	4/06
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Ellen Alkon	4/10
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Ellen Alkon María Ashla Karen Gottlieb Shírley Kay	4/10 4/10 4/10 4/13
Ellen Alkon Maria Ashla Karen Gottlieb Shirley Kay Nell Mirels	4/10 4/10 4/10 4/13 4/14
Ellen Alkon Maria Ashla Karen Gottlieb Shirley Kay Nell Mirels Kathy Bartow	4/10 4/10 4/10 4/13 4/14 4/21
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If we missed your birthday or a correction needs to be made, please inform Nancy Rayner at <a href="mailto:nrayner777@gmail.com">nrayner777@gmail.com</a>.

#### LACIC CENTENNIAL TEA PARTY

Sunday, March 8, 2020, 2-4pm

LACIC Centennial Tea

Women's City Club of Pasadena (free parking off Madison)

Nan Johnson, speaker, Years of Hope, Years of Courage

Suffragist costumes suggested

\$30 per person

Checks payable to LACIC, c/o Ginny Hatfield, 11579 Hesby Street, Valley Village, CA 91601

#### **TRANSITIONS**

#### **Interest Group Coordinator**

After serving as our branch Interest Group Coordinator for several years, Mary Shackle has opted to step down to spend more time addressing health care issues. We want to thank her for her service in fulfilling this important role for AAUW/PVP. She has effectively acted as a liaison between the interest group coordinators and the Leadership Team. Going forward, Nancy Rayner has agreed to take on the role of Interest Group Coordinator and we welcome her to that position. Our numerous interest groups are key attractions for members of our branch and we will continue to support them fully.

#### AAUW/PV Branch Contact for Hesse Park

**Leann Roque** will be taking over the role of AAUW/PV Branch Contact from Faith Morrow. We thank Faith for doing an excellent job in this role. Remember that if you want to schedule anything at Hesse Park or make any changes to previous arrangements, **you are not to contact Hesse Park directly**. They want a single point of contact and that contact is Leann.

#### <u>AAUW/Marymount NCCWSL Project</u> <u>Committee</u>

With the anticipation of expanding our project to include additional programs and activities, **Libby Bergen** has graciously agreed to be Co-Chair of the Committee.

#### **Membership News**

**Ellen Alkon** will be relocating to Fort Worth, Texas. We wish her the best. Eclectic Readers and Tech Trek will greatly miss her participation.



Reminder: "Coffee with Friends", 2nd Wednesday of the month, 10 am, Starbucks on the Promenade.

### WINTER SOCIAL, January 25, 2020

# What a Lovely Afternoon!

Our annual Winter Social was held at JoAnn DeFlon's beautiful home. Thirty-five ladies had a wonderful time socializing and eating the tasty treats supplied by the Membership Committee. Thanks to the cooperative weather, members were able to enjoy the magnificent garden designed by JoAnn's husband.















# The Ladies Remember: Eleanor Roosevelt Uncovers the Road to the 19th Amendment By Cecilia Rogers



Saturday, March 21, 2pm, Ascension Lutheran Church, RPV

The year is 1948, and Eleanor Roosevelt is hard at work as a delegate to the United Nations, doing research for the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. With an unexpected visit from first lady Edith Wilson, who was very decidedly anti-suffrage, Eleanor imagines what it would be like to talk to important women in America's history about their long fight for rights. These women appear to Eleanor and Edith, starting with Abigail Adams, and including distinguished women thinkers and activists up to the passage of the 19th Amendment, which guaranteed women's right to vote for the first time.

There will be a reception with refreshments following the presentation.

You may order tickets by mail by sending a check, made out to AAUW-PVP, to Cecilia Rogers, 2347 251st St., Lomita, CA 90717 Questions? 310-293-7071

#### MARCH CENTENNIAL EVENTS

<u>Author Talk with Susan Ware</u> Wednesday, March 11, 10 am, Peninsula Center Library Susan Ware will speak about her book *Why They Marched*.

<u>Film: "On the Basis of Sex"</u> Thursday, March 12, 3 and 6 pm, Peninsula Center Library Story of Ruth Bader Ginsburg and her fight for equal rights.

Suffrage Parade Saturday, March 14, 10 am to 12 noon, Peninsula Center Library

Meet at the Library and march to the Promenade Fountain and back. Wear white and pick up Suffragist sashes and parade signs. Welcome comments begin the event. When the march reaches the fountain, local drama students will portray some of the prominent figures of the Suffrage Movement. Following the march, the PV Art Center will host a reception and open its exhibit "Suffragette." No reservations needed. Families welcome.

Readers Theater presentation "The Ladies Remember: Eleanor Roosevelt Uncovers the Road to the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment" Saturday, March 21, 2 pm, Ascension Lutheran Church, tickets \$35.00.

<u>Film: "Suffragette"</u> Friday, March 27, 6:30 pm, Malaga Cove Library Gallery Story of a young mother in England who joins the fight for women's suffrage. Set in 1912.

**NOTE:** The Library has taken the lead in organizing community events in celebration of the Women's Suffrage Centennial. Many community organizations have joined in this effort. For a complete listing of events in March and beyond, go to the PVLD website: <a href="https://www.pvld.org">www.pvld.org</a>

#### **VOTE MARCH 3** LA County Voting

L.A. County has upgraded from polling places to Vote Centers. Voters now have the option to cast a ballot in-person at <u>any</u> Vote Center in the County. Vote Centers look and feel like polling places, but provide additional modern features to make voting easy and convenient.

Voters will now have 11 consecutive days to vote in-person. Voters may also bring a vote-by-mail ballot to the Vote Center. Vote Centers for the March 3 Presidential Primary Election will be open **February 22-March 3.** 

Peninsula Vote Centers:

Lunada Bay Elementary School Malaga Cove Library Palos Verdes High School Ladera Linda Community Center Mira Catalina Elementary School Miraleste Intermediate School Vista Grande Elementary School City of Rolling Hills City Hall Peninsula Center Library



If you have a question about the voting process, contact Nancy Mahr at <a href="mailto:nlmahr@verizon.net">nlmahr@verizon.net</a>.

## INTEREST GROUPS-MARCH, APRIL 2020

**ART APPRECIATION\*** 

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

Mar. 18 Apr. 15

**READERS THEATER** 

Chair: Cecilia Rogers 310-293-7071 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday 7pm

Mar. 09 Apr. 13

Location: TBD

**CONTEMPORARY LITERAURE** 

Chair: JoAnn DeFlon 310-508-3581 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday 9:30am

Mar. 09: home of Kathleen Fitzgerald

Apr. 13: TBD

**ECLECTIC READERS\*** 

Chair: Jan Cofer 310-791-8337 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 2pm

Mar. 19: home of Myrna Plost, The Book of Gutsy Women by Hillary and Chelsea Clinton

Apr. 16: home of Margery Norris, The Other Americans by Laila Lalami

**NIGHT BOOKS** 

Chair: Rowie Wolf 310-373-5970 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday 7pm

Mar. 09: home of Patti Kitching The Joys of Travel: And Stories That Illuminate Them by Thomas Swick

April 13: home of Geri Chaudhri The Island of Sea Women by Lisa See

\*These groups are at capacity and cannot accept new members. 4th MONDAY BOOK GROUP

Chair: Fran Brown 310-377-5254 4th Monday, 2-4pm

Mar. 23: home of Gerry Belleville, *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles

Apr. 27: home of Pilar Hale, The Orphans of Paris by Natasha Lester

**BRIDGE-ETTES** 

Chair: Margery Norris 310-514-3980 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 1pm

Mar. 17: home of Dale Richards

Apr. 21: home of Ruth Bloland

GRAND SLAMMERS

Contact: Nell Mirells 310-377-9468 2nd Thursday 1pm

Mar. 12: home of Carol Torelli

April 09: home of Ginny Whittier

**SCRABBLE** 

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

Mar. 02 Apr. 06

Locations: TBD

**GREAT DECISIONS** 

Chair: Sharon Andrade 310-541-2417 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 9:30am PV Shores Club House

Mar. 16: India and Pakistan Apr. 20: Red Sea Security



<u>GREAT DECISIONS\*</u> Chair: Kathleen Fitzgerald

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 10am

Mar. 16: India and Pakistan Apr. 20: Red Sea Security

Locations: TBD

WOMEN IN TRANSITION

Chair: Susan Negrete 310-377-0642 708 Yarmouth Rd, Lunada Bay PV Liaison: Rowie Wolf 310-373-5970 1st Wednesday 7-9pm

Mar. 04: 10th Anniversary

Celebration

Apr. 01: topic TBD

FIRST FRIDAY
TEA and CONVERSATION

Chair: JoAnn DeFlon 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 2-4pm

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

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

COFFEE WITH FRIENDS Chairs: Fran Brown and Leann Roque 2nd Wednesday 10am

Mar. 11 Apr. 08

Starbucks at the Promenade

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Chair: Dale Richards 310-375-3369 1st Tuesday 2-4pm

Mar. 03: home of Marlin More Apr. 07: Location: TBD





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#### **AAUW Mission Statement**

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

Council Co-chairs: Nancy Mahr and Dale Richards		BRANCH CALENDAR March, April 2020
Treasurer: Faith Morrow	Feb. 21, Fri.	Branch Happy Hour 5-7 pm at Ruth Bloland's Home
Membership Chairs: Leann Roque, Fran Brown	March 8, Sun.	LACIC Centennial Tea 2-4pm Women's City Club of Pasadena, 160 N. Oakland Ave.
	March 10, Tues.	AAUW /PVP Branch Mtg. 2-4pm, Hesse Park – Rainbow Services Collection
Editor: Eunice McConaughy 310-530-5847	March 11, Wed.	Coffee with Friends, 10am Starbuck's on the Promenade, Peninsula Center
eunicemc@pacbell.net	March 14, Sat.	Suffragettes Parade, 10am-noon, Peninsula Center library
Deadline for Jan/Feb CoastLines articles, Mar. 30, 2020	March 21, Sat.	Readers Theater, "The Ladies Remember" 2pm, Ascension Lutheran Church, RPV
	April 8, Wed.	Coffee with Friends, 10am Starbuck's on the Promenade, Peninsula Center
	April 17-19	AAUW CA Convention