

# American Association of University Women/PVP Interest Groups

Our members enjoy a robust offering of interest groups - some for intellectual stimulation, some just for fun. Members meet regularly in small groups to share ideas and learn more about their common interests. Some popular activities have more than one group, and some are limited by space or require a short waiting list. We encourage the formation of new groups; if you would like more information about any of our current Interest Groups or are interested in starting a new one, contact the Branch Interest Group Coordinator.

Specific meeting dates, times, meeting topics, and contact person can be found in each issue of *Coastlines* newsletters.

## Discussion Groups



**Coffee with Friends** - this group meets weekly (every Wednesday) to enjoy having morning coffee and conversation with friends.

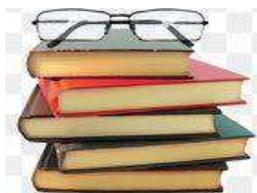
**First Friday Tea & Conversations** - meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month for conversation and friendship

**Living Room Group** - meets on the 4th Thursday of each month to discuss topics pre-defined by the group.

**Women in Transition (WIT)** - Members from PVP, Torrance and Beach Cities branches of AAUW meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month to discuss topics important to women. This group meets in the evening.

## Study Group

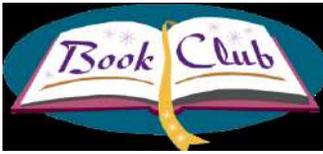
**Art Appreciation** - Members view DVDs from Great Courses programs and take turns presenting additional information about art topics. **How To Look at and Understand Great Art** is currently being used for discussion. Trips to local art venues are made when feasible. This group meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month.



## Book Clubs

**Contemporary Literature** - An informal, inquisitive group who aim to read the best in current fiction. Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month.

**Eclectic Readers** - From classics to biographies, historical fiction to contemporary tales, the discussion is always informative and stimulating. This group meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month.



**Fourth Monday Books** - This group engages in lively discussions about contemporary fiction and non-fiction. Meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month.

**Night Books** - Members enjoy reading contemporary literature and discussing themes, structure, character development and historical implications. For members who work during the day, this group's evening meetings, held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month, are particularly appealing.

## Special Interests

**Cooks' Corner** - Members share favorite recipes and cooking tips. Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month.

**Lunch Groups (3)** - The groups enjoy a variety of cuisines and lunch together at restaurants throughout the South Bay. Members take turns choosing restaurants to be visited. Three lunch groups are active - one meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month, one on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, and one on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month.

**Women Helping Women** - Members meet to discuss and take action on issues impacting women and girls today, focusing on those that support the Mission of AAUW. Activities range from group discussions to outside speakers to postcarding! Meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month.



**Handicrafts** - Members bring needlework and other hobby supplies to monthly meetings, where they share their work, help each other, and just enjoy each other's company.

**Fun at the Movies** - Members view a wide variety of movies at their leisure and then meet to discuss them. Meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month.

**Writers' Group** - An open forum for any kind of writing - fiction, nonfiction, poetry, essays, whatever members want to try. Some work will be done from prompts, but members are free to write whatever they wish. If desired, gentle feedback is provided.

**Scrabble** - One Scrabble group meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of each month at 2PM and a second Scrabble group meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 7PM.