

The President's Message

Hello, Members, and welcome to AAUW's 2018-2019 program year!

On August 16, a passionate, energized, and diverse group of women committed to gender equity came together to prioritize what's important to our group. Nearly 25 of us gathered for a planning meeting. Board members, committee chairs, longtime members and many new members attended.

In addition to updates on our usual branch business and programs, we brainstormed four main areas of focus for the year: Get Out The Vote, Communications, Fundraising, and CSUCI Engagement. More details on each below and in the Beacon.

Get Out The Vote (GOTV). In July, Hannah-Beth Jackson told Camarillo AAUW members that the most important actions we can take right now to support women's rights is to get out the vote. Whether it's voter registration or voter turnout, we are focused on candidates aligned with AAUW's mission and positions. There are many ways to get involved – canvassing, phone banking, postcard writing. If you'd like to attend or host a postcard party or phone bank, let me know, and I can give you the details. We will Adopt-a-Poll in Camarillo on Tuesday, Nov. 6 and need plenty of volunteers to make that happen. More info inside.

We also have great political energy in our group and a number of our members are running for political office. Please support AAUW's mission and goals when you vote!

Revamping Communication and Marketing Materials. We are updating our tri-fold flyer with membership and program info. We will add a "Member News" section of the Beacon, so submit any news or life events you'd like to share (no sales, please). And we are looking into offering a way to sign up for volunteer opportunities online.

- Marketing means membership. We are delighted that Jan Demonsey is our new VP of Membership! She will be working with Shari Zaiger, our membership treasurer, and a membership committee. Membership is a great intersect with advocacy and other branch activities, so if you'd like to help with outreach, let us know!
- Do you have a membership directory? Email Gloria if you still need one, and through the generosity of Kathy Yanov, we have a budget to mail one to you! Or, if you can wait, pick one up at the Kick Off. We will continue to use this directory through next year and release a supplement with new member info. Thanks for your patience.

Fundraising. Authors' Day is coming up, which is our main fundraiser for the year. Diana Dingler and her team have put together another fabulous event. Are you in a book club? Invite them to attend. Let's make this the biggest and best Authors' Day yet!

- We also need to find other ways to raise money for our excellent programs. Have you ever written a grant? We'd love help finding and writing grants.

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The President's Message (cont'd)

CSUCI Engagement: We are identifying existing campus organizations aligned with AAUW's mission and will visit their members and leaders. In the coming weeks, we will focus on helping CSUCI students get out the vote. Contact me if you want to be involved in plans to engage our local university community.

Looking forward to seeing you on Sept. 23rd at our Kick-Off. I can't wait to hear from the Tech Trek girls, meet our CSUCI Scholarship winners and listen to a talk on women's leadership by our very special guest speaker, Genevieve Evans Taylor, Ph.D., from CSUCI.

Don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or ideas! Off we go!

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Join us for our 2018 Kick Off!!

**Sunday, September 23, 2018
1-4pm
Spanish Hills Country Club**



Reconnect with old friends, meet new members, and help us celebrate a new year of AAUW programs, like Women's History, Knowledge Bowl, Tech Trek, and more! Hear 2018 Tech Trek Scholarship recipients talk about their camp experiences. Meet our CSUCI Scholarship winners. Learn how AAUW Camarillo Branch is working to improve the lives of women and girls.

The program includes a special presentation "Creating Space for Women's Leadership" by Dr. Genevieve Evans Taylor. Genevieve serves as the Chief of Staff to the President at CSU Channel Islands. Her presentation will highlight recent research on the different reasons men and women stay in and leave organizations, as well as provide attendees with strategies for creating a professional environment that cultivates women's leadership to ensure diversity of thought is at top levels of decision making.



Refreshments will be served.
Please RSVP to AAUW Camarillo
Programs Chair -
aauwcamarillo.programs@gmail.com

Women's History Comes Alive!

AAUW's KVS ♀'s History Project

(Kathy Van Slyke)

A new Beginning: 1st Gathering, September 9, 2018

Sunday 2 – 4 p.m. @ Joan Woodward

RSVP (805) 482-4005

This project is globally oriented with a deep sense of women as change agents and educators, equipping parents to perform with joy, those women in history who have sound character and have made a positive impact in our world.

INTENTIONS

To have everyone experience spontaneous individual integrity as a member of AAUW's KVS Women in History project sharing, listening and learning with each other.

To have fun, while producing this project each year.

To experience a feeling of self-worth and support from everyone.

To have this project make a positive difference for ALL.

To have everyone ON TIME, at our meetings and at schools.

To have the project occur in the context of integrity.



Author's Day is Coming!

Get Your Tickets Now!!

Saturday, October 20, 2018

Four Points Sheraton Hotel

10am-2:30pm



Tickets are now on sale and will also be available for purchase at the upcoming Kickoff Meeting as well as the Farmer's Market Sept. 22 and Oct. 6. Single tickets may be purchased, or you may purchase a table, which seats nine. The price is still \$50.00, which allows you a \$25.00 tax deduction. See flyer on the next page for more details.

This is our largest fundraiser of the year, so we hope you will once again help make it a success. For more information and tickets, please call Diana Dingler (805) 987-8913.

We are still collecting gently used books for our table decorations.

Meet and Greet Breakfast, Saturday, Sept. 29, at 9am

Agave Maria's Mexican Restaurant

710 Arneill Rd, Camarillo (across from CVS)

Join us for a fun social gathering at a new spot with a full breakfast menu.

Bring friends or prospective members.



AGAVE'S BREAKFAST MENU

WEEKENDS from 8am to 11:30am

Breakfast

Two eggs any style, breakfast potatoes

Potatoes & Eggs	4.95
Bacon & Eggs	6.95
Ham & Eggs	6.95
Asada & Eggs	7.95
Carnitas & Eggs	6.95

Omelettes

Three eggs, breakfast potatoes

Cheese Omelette	6.95
Garden Omelette	7.95
Steak or Ham Omelette	8.95
Spinach & feta Omelette	7.95
Avocado Sunrise	7.95

Egg Burrito 7.50

Scrambled eggs, cheese and your choice of:

- Chicken, beef, pork, chorizo
- Bacon or ham
- Refried or black beans
- Red salsa or tomatillo salsa
- Dry or Wet red or green sauce

From the Griddle

Served with syrup & butter

Pancakes - short stack (2)	3.95
Pancakes - full stack (4)	4.95
Pancake & Eggs(2)	6.95
French Toast(2)	3.95
French Toast & Eggs(2)	6.95

Over the Border

Served with refried or black beans

Huevos Rancheros	6.95
Machaca & Eggs & tortillas	7.95
Chilaquiles & Eggs	5.95
Quesadilla Huevos	5.95
Chorizo & Eggs & tortillas	7.95

OVER THE BORDER ITEMS SERVED
ALL DAY EVERY DAY

A la carte items

Bacon (1 or 2 pieces)	1.00/1.95
Oatmeal or Fruit	2.95
Toast	.50/1.00
Eggs (1 or 2 eggs)	1.75/2.95
Yogurt & granola	3.95

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Programs



AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
AAUW - Camarillo Branch

Invites you to our annual
AUTHORS' DAY
Fundraiser

Enjoy lunch, speakers and book signings
as we raise money for local university and Tech Trek
scholarships

October 20, 2018
10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Four Points Sheraton Hotel – Ventura
Tickets - \$50 each
(\$25 tax deductible)

Featured Authors:

Constance Hood – *Novels based on true stories*
From storytelling workshop artist, to textbook writer, to novelist

Joe Ide – *A street smart sleuth novelist*
Winner of the Anthony Award for Best First Novel

Mary Marks – *Writer of cozy mysteries*
From award winning quilter to novelist

Amada Irma Perez – *Writer of children's books*
Award winning former teacher writing bi-lingual children's books

For tickets or information call: 805-987-8013

Make checks payable to AAUW.
Please include on your check your choice of meal:
Lemon Dill Salmon, Mediterranean Chicken, or Mushroom Ravioli

AAUW Adopts a Poll

If interested in working the polls on November 6th, please reach out to Stephanie at zierhuts@roadrunner.com

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Calendar of Events 2018

- Sept. 4, 7pm.** Board Meeting. All are welcome! Jan Ackerman's House
- Sept. 9, 2-4.** Women's History Relaunch, Joan Woodward's House
- Sept. 22 and Oct. 6.** Table at Farmer's Market.
- Sept. 23. 1-4pm** – Kick Off! Spanish Hills Country Club.
- Oct. 2, 7pm.** Board Meeting. All are welcome! Jan Ackerman's House
- October 20 , 10-2:30** – Authors' Day, Four Points, Ventura.
- Nov. 6** – Election Day!
- Nov. 13** – Board Meeting (TBD)
- Dec. 1 or 2** – Holiday Party
- Dec. 4** – Board Meeting
- Feb. 9** – IBC Luncheon (tentative)

Mark your calendar now, and check back as more events are added through the year!

National Voter Registration Day is Tuesday, Sept. 25th. Volunteer to register voters at Camarillo Target or Boys and Girls Club. Sign up below.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d4aaca82caafb6-national>

AAUW Reads: Book Groups

Nonfiction Book Group News

Our next meeting will be at Janet Lindquist's on Thursday, September 20th at 4:30pm. We will be discussing Sophie's World by Jostein Gaarder. Please RSVP to Janet at (805) 437-6244 (whether or not you can come). All future meetings this year we be at 3:30pm.

On Thursday, October 17th, at 3:30pm we will meet at Jerrie's to discuss Second Sex by Simone de Beauvoir, Translated by Constance Borde and Sheila Malovany-Chevallier.

PM Book Review

Our new season begins on Monday, September 24th at 7:00pm at the home of Jane Akune. This will be an open discussion where we will select the books, set the schedule, and decide on the meeting places for the 2018-2019 season. All are welcome. Bring along some good book titles!

Need a Directory?

If you're a new member in the past year or you otherwise never received the 2017-2018 AAUW Member Directory, send Gloria an email with "Directory" in the subject line. We will use this directory through next year and circulate a supplement in the fall. Thanks



American Association
Of University Women

Camarillo Branch
Membership Directory
2017—2018

Great Decisions: Discussions on World Affairs

Topic 8 – Global Health: Progress and Challenges

When: 3:30-5:00pm Friday, Sept. 28, 2018 **(the last meeting of this year)**

Where: Leisure Village's Recreation Center (Garden Room)

The collective action of countries, communities and organizations over the last 30 years has literally saved millions of lives around the world. Yet terrible inequalities in health and wellbeing persist. The world now faces a mix of old and new health challenges, including the preventable deaths of mothers and children, continuing epidemics of infectious diseases, and rising rates of chronic disease. We also remain vulnerable to the emergence of new and deadly pandemics. For these reasons, the next several decades will be just as important—if not more so—than the last in determining wellbeing across nations.

Our chapter's **Great Decisions** meetings – **the fourth Friday of each month** -- are informal and invite discussion. First, we read a brief chapter in our booklet. When we meet, we watch a video on the month's topic and then discuss it for about an hour. This is a safe, informative, and non-political venue to discuss important and current foreign policy matters. No experience is necessary.

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Shari Zaiger sharizaiger@roadrunner.com

(805) 386-2691.

Bridge News

The AAUW bridge group will meet September 14th at the home of Nancy Jaeger at noon; September 28th meeting will be at Diana Hagen's home. October 12th will again be at Nancy Jaeger's, and October 26th will be at Nancy Wood's.

If you are interested in playing with this group as regular member or as a substitute, please contact Nancy Jaeger at nancyjaeger@verizon.net or call 805-484-3778.

Knowledge Bowl is Coming!!

March 6, 13, and 20, 2019

After close to 20 years of participating, promoting, and running our Knowledge Bowl competitions, Rebecca Pescok has stepped down as director of this annual project. Thank you, Rebecca for your countless hours, patience, and enthusiasm!

Please mark your calendars with the dates of our **56th annual Knowledge Bowl**. This program is open to all public and private high schools in Ventura County. Students are questioned on a variety of subjects including general knowledge, history, geography, current events, math and science.

Here are a couple of questions from last year:

- **In astronomy, the letters O, B, A, F, G, K, & M are classes of what? (stars)
- **What city is the setting for the novel Crime and Punishment? (St. Petersburg)
- **What sea named after the portion of the visible spectrum between orange and green is off the eastern coast of Asia? (Yellow Sea)
- **Jean Foucault in France and Albert Michelson in the U.S. are known for their work in measuring the speed of what? (Light)
- **What are the only two elements that are liquids at room temperature? (Mercury and Bromine)
- **Even after Roman rule ended, what language was used in the written documents of learning, government, and religion throughout Europe? (Latin)

How did you do?

Let me know if you would like to write, compile, or review questions for these competitions. If so, what are your areas of interest and expertise?

Send me a note at marymgoldberg@gmail.com.

AAUW Opposes Kavanaugh SCOTUS Nomination

WASHINGTON, August 3, 2018. AAUW Chief Executive Officer Kimberly Churches released the following statement announcing AAUW's opposition to the confirmation of Judge Brett Kavanaugh to the U.S. Supreme Court:"

"AAUW's expectation is that our next Supreme Court justice will support the fundamental rights of all individuals and understand that his or her decisions have a very real impact on the daily lives of women and their families. After careful review of Judge Brett Kavanaugh's available record, it is clear to us that he would not be that justice. Judge Kavanaugh's record shows that he is willing to do grave harm by undermining positions central to AAUW's mission, including upending employment and labor rights, opposing reproductive rights and access to health care, entangling public education and religion, and restricting voting rights. The Supreme Court is the arbiter of so many of the rights essential to women and girls, and if confirmed Judge Kavanaugh will have a say in those decisions for decades to come. Therefore, AAUW opposes Judge Kavanaugh's confirmation to the Supreme Court.

On the specifics of his available record, Judge Kavanaugh confirmation would put women's constitutional rights, including abortion, at risk. He has shown opposition to women's access to reproductive health care and contraception, seeking to delay a woman's access to an abortion, arguing in support of religious employers who obstruct their employees' access to contraceptive coverage, and calling into question protections of the Affordable Care Act.

Judge Kavanaugh has shown little support for workers' rights, including low-wage workers and workers of color. While on the bench, Judge Kavanaugh argued to weaken protections for race and age discrimination, as well as to narrow prohibitions against retaliation. He routinely argued to limit workers' rights to organize and to narrow the scope of our nation's labor laws. He has consistently sided with employers and against workers, refusing to support those who seek to improve workplace conditions and to protect those who have experienced discrimination.

While we continue to urge that Judge Kavanaugh's full record be released to the American public, his available record makes clear that he stands in opposition to the values and mission of AAUW. He is the wrong choice for the Supreme Court and for women and girls. Now more than ever we need a Supreme Court justice who is not beholden to ideology and will be an independent voice. The role the next justice will play in all of our lives is too important for anything less."

Membership Dues are Due NOW!

If you have not paid your annual dues you will receive a letter in mid-September with dues payment instructions. Please pay your dues promptly if you receive this letter. Also be sure to update your contact information if needed. Annual dues are \$100. If you are not sure of your dues status, please contact Shari Zaiger, Camarillo Branch Membership at 805-386-2691 or sharizaiger@roadrunner.com.

Thank You for continuing to support our mission of advancing equity for women and girls!

Member News!

Have something to share or brag about? Send your life events, special occasions, travels, and accomplishments to camarillo.beacon@gmail.com with subject line News by the 20th of the month for consideration for the next month's Beacon.

Welcome New Members!

Patty McLoughlin
Michele Vivirito
Jessica Romero
Susan Santangelo

Welcome to the Board!

Thank you for your leadership, ***Jan Demonsey***, who has stepped up as VP of Membership!

Who will be President Elect?

Contact Gloria for more information on how you can partner with us to lead AAUW Camarillo forward!
Aauw.camarillo.president@gmail.com

More on Membership

Not a member? Or know someone who would be a great addition?

Here's how to proceed:

- (1) You can join & pay online with a credit card using the New Member Join link below. Right click on the link & then select open hyperlink

[AAUW Camarillo Branch New Member Join Link](#)

This is a direct link to The Camarillo (CA) AAUW Branch. You will select New Member and for Member Type choose MOB-Branch Member. If you join between January 1 and March 15, half year dues apply. Annual dues will be due by June 30th of the same year.

- (2) You can also join & pay with a check. Complete the New Member Form in this Beacon. Follow the instructions on the Form.

Not sure if AAUW is a good fit for you? Attend the monthly Meet-n-Greet Breakfast. This is held on the last Saturday of most months. Refer to the article in this Beacon for specifics. This is a pleasant social gathering for members and potential members. Hope to see you there!

OR attend the next Branch General meeting. Guests are always welcome.

Please pass along this information to a friend!

For questions please contact Shari Zaiger, Camarillo Branch Membership at 805-386-2691 or sharizaiger@roadrunner.com.

Dues are Due! Pay online or by check, using the form below.

Thank you!



Renewing & New Member Form: *Please Print*

Name _____

Spouse/partner (optional) _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone: (H) (____) _____

(Cell) (____) _____

E-Mail: _____

Highest College degree: _____

University/College: _____

Dues Schedule: Circle one:

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For questions contact Shari Zaiger, Membership at 805-386-2691 or sharizaiger@roadrunner.com.

Help Build Our Membership!!

The Membership Committee Needs You

The membership function is vital to sustain our Branch. The newly formed Membership Committee is looking for additional members to participate. Staff the membership table at our main recruiting events (Kick Off Meeting and Author's Day). Meet new members and help strengthen our Branch. To learn more please contact Shari Zaiger, Camarillo Branch Membership at 805-386-2691 or sharizaiger@roadrunner.com. Thank You!

NEED A NAME BADGE?

If you are a new member, or if you'd like an alternative to your older name badge, here is your chance! The new badges are more colorful and easier to read. They are comprised of an aluminum plate mounted on blue plastic with either a pin or magnet backing.



If you would like to order a badge, please mail a check for **\$10** made out to "AAUW Camarillo," to: **Ann Wasson 210 Frenchys Cove #3 Camarillo, CA 93012.**

Please make two notes on the check:

1. Your name as you wish it on the badge and
2. Whether you would prefer a magnet back or a pin back.

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Your News Here!

Check back next month for member news!!

Give a New Grad the Gift of AAUW Membership



That's how much it costs to give AAUW membership to the recent college grads in your life.

As an AAUW member you can gift one year of AAUW national membership to as many recent college graduates as you like **at no cost to them or you.**

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