

November 2018

The President's Message

Dear AAUW Members,

Happy November, one of my favorite months. I love fall, even the little bits of it we see in temperate Southern California, and some of my favorite holidays are in November: Thanksgiving, my birthday (wink), AND Election Day.

Oh, I know Election Day isn't a real holiday. But I think it should be! Most other nations in the world vote on a weekend or holiday to enable more people to exercise their right to vote. In parts of this country, there are ongoing efforts to create more, not fewer barriers to voting. That's a real shame.

Which brings me to the update on our areas of focus this year:

Get Out The Vote (GOTV). In October, in addition to six of our members running for local office, many others registered voters, wrote postcards, canvassed neighborhoods, made phone calls and donated time and money to candidates. Over a dozen members are volunteering to Adopt-a-Poll this week. Remember, all those efforts are for naught if you don't vote. Know anyone who needs a ride to the polls? Contact me to connect with local resources.

Communication and Marketing. We had another successful booth at the Farmer's Market and have some "Member News" to share. The addendum to the directory will be available early next year.

Fundraising. Authors' Day was a huge success!! Deep gratitude to Diana Dingler and her team who put together another fabulous event and all who attended, donated items, sold tickets and helped in any way.

We still have Axxess Books for sale for \$30. AAUW keeps \$10 and you can save 100s during the year on dining and other shopping. They make great gifts for locals who like to eat out and are handy to have on hand with those holiday visitors. Gift wrap bags included!

CSUCI Engagement. We have more student members than ever! IBC is sponsoring a Tech Innovation Challenge on campus, and our IBC lunch topic will involve some of the college programs on financial literacy and salary negotiation that are essential for young women and men!

Thanks for reading and for everything you do for this organization and its mission.

And can you guess what I want for my birthday? That all the women I know vote!

Best, Gloría

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November 2018

Programs

TALES FROM INDIA

AAUW GENERAL MEETING

Susan Seats, Speaker

Tuesday, Nov. 13, 7pm Somis School cafeteria. 5268 North St. Somis, CA 93066

Susan will tell us about the volunteer work she does in India supporting girls' education at poorly funded government schools and villages. She has just returned from one of her month-long trips in October, so will be able to share pictures, information, and fales of her time there. Susan is a highly recommended, Toastmaster winning speaker. Join us!



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Authors' Day 2018 a Success!!





Many thanks to all who attended this year's fundraising event. It was a huge success. Many compliments have come in to the committee members. The authors were interesting and enjoyable. The table decorations were a big hit, and the baskets and door prizes topped it all off. Thanks to all for your participation, and huge thank you to the committee for your hard work toward making it a success.





November 2018

Meet and Greet Breakfast, Saturday, Nov 25, 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.





Great Decisions

Great Decisions Discussion Group Sign up for 2019 now!

If you are interested in participating in the 2019 season of Great Decisions, please email or call Ann Wasson as soon as possible, even if you put your name on the signup sheet at the kick-off meeting. The ordering period for the books at the discounted rate is closing shortly. The first meeting of the 2019 season will be in January.

Ann Wasson

805-419-4509

amwasson@gmail.com



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Women's History Comes Alive! - Calling all Actors -

Portray one (or more) of our 2019 KVS Women in History characters!

Most performances will take place in March 2019. Our famous women for this year are (drum roll, please!):



Amelia Earhart- Aviator

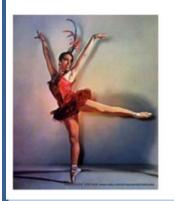
Julia Morgan - Hearst Castle Architect

Mae Jemison or Sally Ride - Astronauts

Maria Tallchief - Prima Ballerina

Pocahontas - Native American Heroine





Susan B. Anthony – Women's Rights Advocate

Maria Echaveste – Presidential Advisor

Clara Barton - Founder of the Red Cross

Queen Hatshepsut - Egyptian Pharaoh

Deborah Samson - Revolutionary Soldier

Queen Elizabeth - British Monarch



Scripts are provided, as is help with costumes.

If you are interested, please complete the form on the next page and return to Judi GIII jygill@roadrunner.com or call 805-482-7608 asap. If you have performed in the past, you are probably in our WIH computer system, and I will just need your name, character, school of choice if applicable, and availability. AAUW members are usually sent to the schools that need them the most. If you are one of the women who schedules your performance(s) directly with schools or teachers, please keep me informed as to your performance date(s). We need to keep records of all performances for future reference.

Judi Gill jygill@roadrunner.com 805-482-7608





Women's History Comes Alive! - Calling all Actors -

AAUW-Camarillo WOMEN IN HISTORY

Volunteer Form - 2018/2019 school year

Last Name	
First Name	
Street address	
City and Zip Code	
Phone number to give to performers for prop exchange	
2nd phone (for chairpersons only) – optional	
Email (please print carefully)	
Character Choice	
School Choice	
Are you a new performer for Women's History (yes or no)	

Availability (please fill in school dates)

Please indicate your availability on the chart below. If any day works for you, please do not indicate a choice. If you do not know your availability, please indicate when you will know.

Day	Available? (please state yes or no)	Earliest Start and Latest Stop time	Length of time you are willing to perform – 1/2 or full day	Indicate a first, second, etc. choice if you have one
Mon.				
Tues.				
Wed.				
Thurs.				
Fri.				

If you answer yes to any question, please remember that, if you are called "ng" is always an acceptable answer if it is not convenient then.

Extra Availability this year

1. More than one day at your school	Yes	No	
A day at another school	Yes - I like to do other schools	Yes, if needed Maybe No	

Future Involvement

Select the women for next year (one meeting probably)	Yes	Maybe	No
Reviewing a script if a selected character interests you (summer)	Yes	Maybe	No
Helping with props if project interests you (again summer or early fall)	Yes	Maybe	No
Writing or modifying a script if someone is selected that interests you	Yes	Maybe	No
Future special events - performing - science fair, etc.	Yes	Maybe	No





Calendar of Events, 2018

Nov. 6 – Election Day!

Nov. 13 – 5:30pm Board Meeting, 7pm General Meeting, Somis School Cafeteria

Dec. 2 – Holiday Pot Luck – Bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert. Contact Nancy

Walters - nejwalters285@gmail.com - to RSVP!

Dec. 8 – Opening night, *South Pacific*, at the Rubicon!

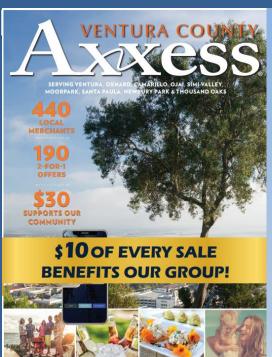
Dec. 11 – Board Meeting, TBD

January 8 – Board meeting, TBD

Feb 16 – IBC Luncheon, AAUW Programs for Pay Equity - Financial Literacy and Negotiation Skills

March 6, 13, and 20, 2019 – Knowledge Bowl. Contact Mary Goldberg for volunteer opportunities!

Get Your 2019 Axxess Book!!



Axxess Books are Here!

If you like to go out and try new things and save money, this is a nobrainer. AAUW earns \$10 for each \$30 book sold, and you can save hundreds! To the right is Gloria's family savings to date for 2018 – and there's 2 months left!!

You can start saving with your 2019 book today!



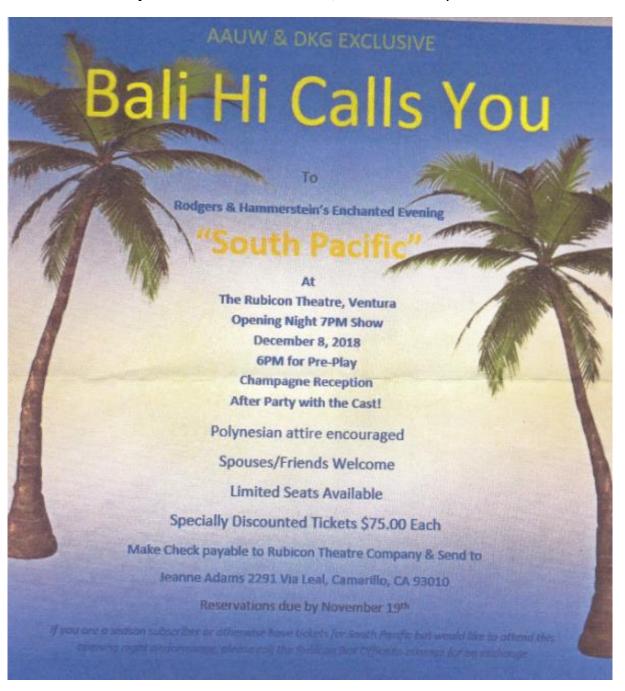
Email <u>aauw.camarillo.president@gmail.com</u> to get yours. OR pick one up at our next General Meeting, Nov. 13 or at the Holiday Potluck Dec. 2.





A special night at the theater!!

Jeanne Adams has arranged for us to attend this special opening night show of the Rubicon's *South Pacific*!! See below for details, and reserve by Nov. 19.



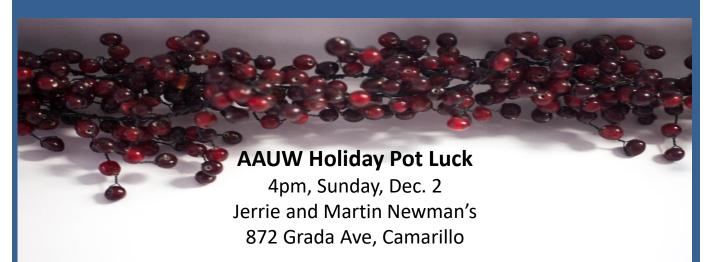




Book Groups and More

PM Book Review

There is one more meeting for the year on Dec. 3, 2018 at the home of Peg Tancreto to discuss the book *Beneath a Scarlet Sky* by Mark T. Sullivan. Please give her a call to let her know whether or not you are coming (805) 482-1294.



Bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share. Main dish/protein provided.

RSVP to Nancy Walters, nejwalters285@gmail.com

Give a Grad the Gift of AAUW Membership

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*. Anyone who has completed an undergraduate degree in the past two years is eligible to receive one free annual national membership from an AAUW member. This is a membership to AAUW National only; if the Graduate resides in Ventura County, I recommend you also include an annual Camarillo Branch membership for only \$10. This is a significant discount from our annual dues amount. For more information or to gift a Graduate please contact Shari Zaiger, Camarillo Branch Membership at (805)386-2691 or sharizaiger@roadrunner.com.





Public Policy Matters, by Kathy Long

BACK TO THE FUTURE ----

As I write this, October 23rd, the outcome of the mid-term elections is unknown to my crystal ball! So, I'm looking ahead, as the focus on public policy will continue to be important. I'll cover only two timely subjects in this article and will keep you posted if action is needed:

1) On October 12, 2018, House Majority Leader McCarthy (R-CA) introduced H.R. 7059, the *Build the Wall, Enforce the Law Act of 2018*, to fund construction of the southern border wall and to ensure compliance with Federal immigration law.

H.R. 7059 includes several provisions to strengthen enforcement of immigration laws, such as:

- Make sanctuary cities ineligible for DOJ/DHS grants
- Increase penalties for undocumented immigrants who re-enter the US after being deported
- Make it easier to deport immigrants associated with gang activity
- Appropriate the full \$23.4 billion sought by President Trump for the border wall

The bill can be reviewed in its entirety at the following link: H.R. 7059

Why is this important to our community? The human and moral issues aside, the loss of funding to local jurisdictions only harms those most in need of help for food, clothing and shelter. Immigration reform should be at the top of the list for our federal legislators, to put in place clear guidelines that address the pressures of immigrants crossing borders for sanctuary from life-threatening conditions in their native countries, conditions that are real and threaten women, children, families. \$23.4 billion could go a long way to creating mutual agreements for reform and re-location.

2) You've probably read that the Ventura County Fairgrounds Board of Directors are evaluating their event agreements re: gun shows. Crossroads of the West contracted for five shows in 2018. The fairgrounds make \$88,000 to \$100,000 per year from gun shows. The fairgrounds are owned by the state and must be revenue neutral. The Board appointed an ad-hoc committee to review options and report back to the full board. That may happen by end of year or first part of 2019, as they must determine whether to enter into a new agreement with the vendor. Other fairgrounds around the state are evaluating the same issue. This policy is within our area of interest because of the national concerns with gun violence and its impact on families and children. Below are links provided by member Merrill Berge for your review. You can send concerns to the Ventura County Fairgrounds Board via venturacountyfair.org. We will track this issue as it evolves.

https://www.apa.org/pubs/info/reports/gun-violence-prevention.aspx See Gender and Gun Violence section

https://www.psychiatry.org/newsroom/news-releases/america-s-frontline-physicians-call-ongovernment-to-act-on-the-public-health-epidemic-of-gun-violence





Membership

Thank You Members

for your prompt annual dues payment!

If you are unsure of your dues status or have contact info changes, please contact Shari Zaiger, Camarillo Branch Membership at (805)386-2691 or sharizaiger@roadrunner.com.

Member News!

Vanessa and Oberdan Otto celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in October. To honor their interests, family and friends participated in a dance party and donated funds for a Tech Trek scholarship. Congratulations and thank you!

Welcome New Members!

Monica Rivas
Chloe L'Ecuyer
Tracie Schneider
Michelle Hasendonckx
Bianca March
Yamilex Chavez
Laura Forsyth
Olivia Mauzey
Debbie Warren
Paula Rockenstein
Mari Rockenstein





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.



American Association of University Women

Member Form- Please Print

Name				
Address				
City/State/Zip				
Phone: (H) ()				
(Cell) ()				
E-Mail:				
Highest College degree:				
University/College:				
Student:				
Student Graduation Date:				
Student Degree Sought:				
Dues Schedule:	Circle one:			
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Life Member	\$41			
Student Affiliate	\$0			
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Write check payable to: "AAUW Camarillo Branch"

And mail to:

Camarillo AAUW

P. O Box 862

Camarillo, CA 93011

Visit our website! https://camarillo-ca.aauw.net/

For Questions contact Shari Zaiger, Membership at





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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