



Camarillo (CA) Branch

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December 2018

The President's Message

Dear AAUW Members,

November started out so well, with a record number of women voted into office, including three of our members! Charlotte Craven will continue to serve on the Camarillo City Council, joined by Susan Santangelo, and Becky Cramer will be serving on the PV School board. Thanks to Bev Dransfeldt, Jessica Romero, and Jeannette Sanchez-Palacios for running!

Unfortunately, the next day, our community was on the national news not for civic engagement or the beauty of the hills or the climate, but for a mass shooting, followed within hours by massive fires that left many homeless. Almost all the AAUW members in Paradise, CA lost their homes in the devastating Camp Fire. If you know of any of our members who need support after these tragic events, please let me know. See inside for ways to help our sisters to the north.

Our last meeting of 2018 will be a Board Meeting at my house at 6pm, Tuesday, Dec. 11. Light dinner will be served. All are welcome, but please RSVP by Dec. 9. I will have Axxess Books on hand through the end of the year for last minute gifts and fundraising.

Our first meeting of the New Year will be on Tuesday, Jan 8, when we will have a very special presentation by local artist and Holocaust survivor, Fran Elson. Fran has created a series of glass panels that reflect her family's story of survival. Now more than ever, with a resurgence of hate crimes around the globe, it is incumbent on all of us to never forget the atrocities of the Holocaust. I hope you will join us for this special meeting in the Somis School Cafeteria, where we will have plenty of space for members and guests.

Also, save the date for the IBC luncheon: Feb. 16th at Los Robles Country Club. Learn how AAUW is working to bridge the gap for pay equity.

Wishing you a warm, loving holiday season and a happy, healthy New Year.

Best,

Gloria Miele

Aauw.camarillo.president@gmail.com

General Meeting, Tuesday, January 8, 2019

Glass artist Frances Elson presents

"BROKEN...A Holocaust Memorial in Fused Glass"

Tuesday, January 8, 7pm

Somis School Cafeteria


5268 North St., Somis (Park and enter on West St.)

A Holocaust Survivor, Fran has been working for years on a project about her family's story. Her presentation recounts her family's history and the lessons we can learn about the fragility of our freedoms. It debuted earlier this year to a very warm reception, and we are honored to offer this presentation to our members and their guests.

Special opportunity! On Saturday January 12 from 2-5 pm we are invited to visit Fran's studio in Somis. More details to come.

Please also see below for information on open studio times in December.

FRANCES ELSON Fused Glass Art
STUDIO OPEN HOUSE
and HOLIDAY SALE
December 7th, 8th and 9th, 2018
11am to 5pm



Please join me at my home studio to
explore my fused glass art and
ENJOY HOLIDAY SHOPPING
December 7th, 8th, and 9th
11 am to 5 pm
6351 Baja Vista, Somis, Ca. 93066

Guests Welcome

email for map or more information
fuzionbyfrances@gmail.com

Please visit my website to view art and news
www.fuzionbyfrances.com



Susan Seats Inspired!

Susan has been to India many times as an educator and global citizen. She continues to support a program that donates desks and other supplies to impoverished schools and students.



"Become friends with people who aren't your age. Hang out with people whose first language isn't the same as yours. Get to know someone who doesn't come from your social class. This is how you see the world. This is how you grow."



One big happy family

ABOUT SAIKRIPA

Saikripa is a registered non-profit NGO working to create a lasting change in the lives of the most vulnerable children, regardless of religion, cast, race, ethnicity or gender. Saikripa is a movement that defines the future of underprivileged children.

Our projects:

Balkutir

Balkutir is a home that provides health, nutrition, education developments and protection, besides love & affection to the orphans and abandoned children in our society for their better survival and future.

Sai Bal Sansar

This is a charitable informal school to make street/slum children literate. It has strength of 160 students & they are provided with free mid - day meals, books, and stationary items. Being a non-formal school, all the eligibility norms observed for admission in the normal school are ignored since the intention is to train these children to attain a level of literacy & knowledge. Besides, they also undergo a bridge course that enables them to join mainstream school in appropriate classes.

Sai Shiksha Sansthan

It is a co-ed english medium secondary level school with about 450 children. The fee is heavily subsidized and children from the families below poverty line are given free education. Saikripa lays emphasis on value education sports and extra- curricular activities & has taken steps to blend technology into class room teaching and other spheres of academics.

Sai Vatsalya Vatika

This is an informal special school for children with special needs, especially from the marginalized sections of the society. We create a learning environment to cater education to children with both physical and learning difficulties such as asd (autism spectrum disorder). Learning is through art such as painting, drawing, paper cutting, theatre & dance. Free mid - day meal is also provided.

Sai Vocational Training Center

This is a vocational education and skill development centre for the underprivileged section of the society who cannot afford to send their children for higher education in professional courses. The students are given adequate training in skills such as spoken english, tailoring, computer course, beauty culture and baking on highly subsidized fees and made future ready to thrive in the world

IBC Luncheon Save the Date!

Saturday, Feb. 16th
11:30-2pm

Los Robles Country Club

Join AAUW Camarillo, Simi Valley and Thousand Oaks and enjoy a delicious lunch and panel highlighting how AAUW promotes financial literacy and pay equity for women. Details in the January Beacon.

Meet and Greet Breakfast, Saturday, Dec 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

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

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

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

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

OVER THE BORDER ITEMS SERVED
ALL DAY EVERY DAY

À 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

MICHELADAS ~ MIMOSAS ~ BLOODY MARYS



Many thanks to Jerrie and Martin Newman for hosting a very festive holiday gathering, Janet Lindquist and Nancy Walters for hospitality and all who attended.



Women's History Comes Alive!

The AAUW Women in History Program (WIH) will be ramping up early next year to plan and prepare for performances in March 2019. The first event will be the Training Meeting set for Monday, January 28 at Dos Caminos. 5-5:30, set up; 5:30-6 Check in. 6-7:30 meeting and training. We will need a few volunteers for all of these activities. If you can help us, or if you would like further information on the WIH Program, please contact Jan Demonsy at (805) 419-4607 (pocaterraj@aol.com) or Ann Kahng at (805) 383-1528 (akahng@gmail.com).



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



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 "no" 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
2. 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, 2018-2019

Dec. 11 – Board Meeting, 6pm. 6182 Palomar Circle. Please RSVP to Gloria aauw.camarillo.president@gmail.com by 12/9.

Dec. 29 – Meet and Greet Breakfast, 9am, Agave Maria's

January 1 – Happy New Year!

January 8 - 5:30pm Board Meeting, 7pm General Meeting, Somis School Cafeteria.

January 26 - Meet and Greet Breakfast, 9am, Agave Maria's

Feb 16 – IBC Luncheon, AAUW Programs for Pay Equity - Financial Literacy and Negotiation Skills. 11:30-2pm, Los Robles Country Club. Registration info coming in Jan.

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

Time is Running Out to Get Your 2019 Axxess Book!!

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Learning, Playing, Connecting

PM Book Review

The final meeting of 2018 is December 3rd at the home of Peg Tancreto. We will discuss the book *Beneath a Scarlet Sky* by Mark T. Sullivan. Please give Peg a call at (805) 482-1294 to let her know whether or not you are coming.

Bridge News

We will meet just one time in December due to the holidays. We will be at the home of Janet Lindquist on December 14th. In January we will be hosted by Evonne Peterson on January 11th, 2019 and Jeanne Biggs on January 23rd.

If you are interested in being a substitute, please contact Nancy Jaeger at (805) 484-3778 or nancyjaeger@verizon.net

Great Decisions

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

Here are our upcoming 2019 topics:

- Refugees and Global Migration
- The Middle East: Regional Disorder
- Nuclear negotiations: Back to the Future?
- The Rise of Populism in Europe
- Decoding U.S.-China Trade
- Cyber Conflicts and Geopolitics
- The United States and Mexico: Partnership Tested
- State of the State Department and Diplomacy

Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. The program provides background information and policy options for the eight most critical issues facing America each year and serves as the focal text for discussion groups across the country. The mission of the Foreign Policy Association today, as it has been throughout its 100-year history, is to serve as a catalyst for developing awareness, understanding, and informed opinion on U.S. foreign policy and global issues. Through its balanced, nonpartisan programs and publications, the FPA encourages citizens to participate in the foreign policy process.

If you are interested in joining the group, please contact Ann Wasson at (805) 419-4509 or amwasson@gmail.com. We'd love to order a booklet for you!

Public Policy Matters, by Kathy Long

Whew! We made it through the mid-terms with a record number of women elected to office across the country! Balance was brought back to center with Congress, with the Senate and House needing one another to move forward in 2019. As the new Congress is seated and state leaders return to Sacramento, we will be tracking legislative proposals to keep us all informed on the opportunities ahead.

Locally we suffered with tragedies of the Borderline shooting and massive fires throughout our state. We will be working to rebuild for years to come, addressing public policies around both gun control and the urban/rural wildfire interface. Thousands of families were displaced; there is an extreme shortage of housing and shelter, leading to the subsequent need for collaboration with our state and federal agencies. You can help! The Paradise AAUW chapter is asking for help via the North Valley Community Foundation (nvcf.org), and locally our Ventura County Community Foundation (vccf.org) is point for supporting our neighbors and Ventura County communities.

On the public policy front, we will be tracking national AAUW as work continues with the new Congress to move key priorities:

- the Paycheck Fairness Act, which would make it easier for women who face pay discrimination to seek justice,
- to urge Congress to act as a check on efforts to weaken health care and reproductive rights, and
- to see where there is room for positive, bipartisan efforts in other areas.

In a recent newsletter, Kim Churches, the CEO of AAUW, talks about the mission to train 10 million women in salary negotiation by 2020. She states that 17,000 women around the country have already been trained, and she encourages readers to reach out to their elected officials to bring Work Smart programs to our communities. CEO Church says, "It's about arming individuals. Women are not taught the same level of skills in how to negotiate as their male counterparts." Learn more at <http://salary.aauw.org/work-smart>. The goal is to achieve economic self-sufficiency for all women. Be sure to attend the IBC luncheon in February, where speakers will highlight all the ways AAUW promotes financial equity for women.

We will continue to support progress for Title IX, continue support for a strong system of high-quality public education, and to achieve equality, individual rights and social justice for our diverse society. These are all public policy priorities for the next year.

Happy New Year 2019!

Public Policy Chair, Kathy Long

Membership

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 their undergraduate degree in the past two years is eligible to receive one free membership from an AAUW member. This is a membership to AAUW National. 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.

Member News!

Any news to share? Milestones or awards to celebrate? Email camarillo.beacon@gmail.com and let us celebrate with you!

Welcome New Members!

Marguerita Cobelens
Carolyn Lingl

More on Membership

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

(1) You may join and pay online with a credit card using the New Member Join link below. Right click on the link and 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 1st and March 15th, half-year dues apply. Annual dues will be due by June 30th of the same year.

(2) Or you may join and pay with a check. Complete the Member Form in this Beacon. Follow the instructions on the Form.

Not sure if AAUW is a good fit for you? Try attending the monthly Meet & Greet Breakfast, 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!

(3) OR check out the Branch Website here: [AAUW Camarillo \(CA\) Branch website](#)

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

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

American Association of University Women



Camarillo (CA) Branch

Member Form – Please print, complete and mail

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone: (Home) (_____) _____

(Cell) (_____) _____

E-Mail: _____

Highest College degree: _____

University/College: _____

Student:

Student Graduation Date: _____

Student Degree Sought: _____

Dues Schedule:

Circle one:

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Student Affiliate \$ 0

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Write check payable to: "AAUW Camarillo Branch" and and mail to:

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P. O Box 862
Camarillo, CA 93011

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

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

The Membership Committee Needs You

Here's a chance to collaborate with others to expand our membership, invite your friends, and sustain our AAUW Branch. This newly formed committee is looking for participants who are willing to share networking skills and like to meet new members, but who also have limited time for committee meetings. Help us generate some innovative ways to "grow our group"! To learn more, please contact Jan Demonsy, Camarillo Branch VP of Membership, at (805) 419-4607 or pocatteraj@aol.com.

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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