



Santa Cruz County Branch, American Association of University Women

The Beacon

May 2019



Annual Local Scholarships Luncheon and Branch Business Meeting

May 18, 2019, 11:30 am

Seascape Resort

1 Seascape Resort Drive

Aptos, CA 95003

Come and be inspired by our UCSC and Cabrillo College Scholarship recipients. We will also be voting on our 2018-2019 slate of officers and proposed budget (see page 6 for our slate and budget).

Mail this form or a sheet of paper with the relevant information to RSVP for this inspiring event!

Menu:

Choice Of:

Asian Chicken Salad

or

Vegetarian Salad

Served rolls, coffee/tea and dessert

Please reserve ____@ \$25 each. Includes tax and gratuity.

Menu choice: Asian Chicken Salad Vegetarian Salad

Total enclosed ____

Member name _____ Guest _____

Phone# _____

Deadline for reservations: May 10th.

All reservations must be PRE-PAID and are NON-REFUNDABLE. Checks made out to: AAUW SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BRANCH

Mail checks to: Jeanne Jorgensen, 270 19th Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95062

Questions? Please contact Jeanne at jeannejorgensen@hotmail.com or 831-477-7025

Board Meetings

Board meetings are held at 10 a.m., on the first Tuesday of each month. If you wish to be on the agenda, please contact the President in advance. All members are welcome to attend!

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President's Message:

Hello ladies!

Well, spring seems to have settled in, even with a chill still in the air.

The New Member's Tea was delightful and well attended. Thank you to Jeanne for inviting us into your home.

We are sending five young ladies to Tech Trek in July. Thank you to Kris and her committee for taking the time to interview the applicants and finalize the attendees. It's not an easy task.

We have one more luncheon meeting before we break for the summer. This multidimensional event will take place on 18 May at Seascapes Resort. Our annual business meeting will take place at this event, which includes approval of the 2019-2020 budget, and the election of officers. Ladies, I am happy to say that we have a full slate of volunteers on which to vote for the first time in several years. The new incoming officers will be installed later in the meeting. The highlight of the day will be the introduction of our Local Scholarship recipients, which is always inspiring.

I would also like to thank Debra for her continued work as our Communications Chairperson. If you have never published a newsletter--and this is not all she does--you have no idea the time required. Thank you Lynn for proofreading everything, especially the President's Message.

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting.

Judy Cavin Brown

President,

AAUW Santa Cruz County Branch



All members should have received an email invoice for your annual dues for 2019-20 on or about April 9th.

National has requested that members wishing to renew online use the link in the invoice and do not renew by going to the AAUW website. Renewing via the link in the invoice is secure and does not require a password; simply click the link and enter your means of payment and you're done.

Members may also pay by check in the amount of \$95 mailed to: Darby Kremers, 2030 North Pacific Avenue, #117, Santa Cruz, 95060.

Any questions, or if you need the emailed invoice to be resent, please contact Darby by email: dkrem19260@aol.com or phone: 831-206-3623.



Our Shadowbrook dining out event netted us \$575. That really gives our fund a boost. We were able to fund 3 scholarships at UCSC this year (giving larger amounts than our usual \$1000, were able to fund only 3 instead of 4) and 9 scholarships to Cabrillo women. Our committee is working hard on finding creative ways to enlarge our funding options. We welcome any suggestions you might have in how this can be accomplished.

A Reminder--our Local Scholarship committee is now known as Local Scholarships & Projects funds. Monies you donate to Human Trafficking and special funds to Tech Trek will go through this account so that we can take advantage of our tax - deductible number. (And when shopping on Amazon use "Smile.amazon" and choose AAUW-Santa Cruz Branch-Local Scholarship & we will receive a percentage of what you spend.)

If you haven't had a chance to send a donation for any of our special projects, it's never too late. Make out checks to AAUW Santa Cruz County Branch Local Scholarships and mail to Jeanne Jorgensen, 270 19th Ave., Santa Cruz 95062.



Tech Trek, May, 2019

Spring is Here! Yeah! Though it looks like June Gloom for the past few days.

Our goal was reached for 2019!!! On to 2020. Did you ever think there would be a 2020?

We chose five wonderful 7th Grade girls to represent Santa Cruz County this summer at Camp Hopper, Stanford.

Through your generosity, we can afford their tuition at Camp Hopper, \$1000 each girl.

Now that the girls have been selected, we get to the fun, more relaxed time with them. We are looking forward to our June get together with the girls and their parents. The girls enjoy meeting each other and talking about the camp. They always have questions about what they are going to do, when and with whom. Though we can't answer all their questions, we try. We invite a couple of girls and their parents to come and share their experiences from last year's camp.

We will look forward to our September Luncheon Membership/TechTrek to hear from the girls about their experiences.

Of course, we are already planning for next year. We would love your help for that. Are any of you Grant Writers? There are a number of local grants for which we are eligible and just need a member to help in the writing. There is help for Grant Writing at the Santa Cruz County Community Foundation. www.cfsc.org

Of course, we are always grateful for our members' support and financial assistance for Tech Trek.

You may make your tax deductible donation by writing a check to AAUW CA SPF and sending it to Kris Sheehan, 215 Brodin La, Corralitos, CA 95076. It is a 501 3c fully deductible charity, Tax ID 68-0463071.

Thanks so much,
Kris



May 3, 2019

Congress's first week back from recess saw lots of activity focusing on gender equity. The House held a historic hearing on the Equal Rights Amendment, as you can read more about below, and passed the Equality Act out of committee. I was also honored to join a bipartisan group of Senators and Representatives to speak in support of a bill to enhance accountability for colleges' and universities' compliance with Title IX.

The Accountability of Leaders in Education to Report Title IX Investigations (ALERT) Act would prioritize responding to sexual assault committed by employees at colleges and universities by involving the highest levels of leadership — the president and boards of the institution. In this time when we are fighting the U.S. Department of Education's rollback of Title IX protections, it was so heartening to see members of Congress come together across chambers and across parties to take an

important step toward keeping students safe and ensuring survivors' voices are heard. This bill is one of many actions that Congress can take to guarantee that women and girls have full access to education free from sexual violence and abuse.

Onward!

Deborah J. Vagins
AAUW Senior Vice President of
Public Policy & Research

Membership Business

We will be voting on our terrific slate and proposed budget for 2019-2020 at our May 18 Local Scholarships Luncheon.

Slate of Officers 2019-2020

PRESIDENT--CO- PRESIDENTS KRIS SHEEHAN AND KIT HEIN
 PRESIDENT -ELECT-PHYLLIS TAYLOR
 PROGRAM VP - LORRAINE MARGON
 MEMBERSHIP VP-JEANNE JORGENSEN AND LIZ THORINGTON
 FUNDS VP-LYNN CUMMINS
 SECRETARY--CAROL DE LAUDER
 TREASURER-DARBY KREMERS

Appointed offices:

Tech Trek committee--Kris Sheehan, Jane Amaral, Kit Hein and Susan Chollar
 Human Trafficking-Martha Mangan
 By-Laws/IBC--Lois Holcomb
 Historian--Jane Amaral
 Publicity--Jeanne Jorgensen
 Local Scholarships--Jeanne Jorgensen and Liz Thorington
 Hospitality / Sunshine - Audrey Strayer
 Directory Editor--Jeanne Jorgensen
 Communications-Debra Wallace



Proposed Budget 2019-2020

Estimated Carryover Budget Surplus 2018-19 \$ 1,900.00

Estimated Income

Dues (85@\$16)	\$ 1,360.00	
Beacon Mailing Fees	\$ 90.00	
Miscellaneous Income		
Total Income 2018/19	\$ 1,450.00	\$ 1,450.00
Anticipated Funds Available		\$ 3,350.00

Expenses

IBC dues	\$ 25.00
AAUW Funds Assessment	\$ 65.00
Liability Insurance	\$ 450.00
Website Maintenance	\$ 120.00
Directory	\$ 100.00
Beacon printing & supplies	\$ 90.00
Convention	\$ 250.00
Membership	\$ 50.00
Administration	\$ 50.00
Outreach Programs/UCSC, Public	\$ 200.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 250.00

Projected Expenses	\$ 1,650.00	(\$1650)
Est. Budget Overage/Deficit 2019-20	\$ (200.00)	\$ 1,700.00



AAUW NATIONAL ELECTION

VOTE 2019

It's your AAUW, and your voice counts.

Welcome to the 2019 AAUW National Election page. Voting opens on April 1! For this vote, members are asked to vote on amendments to the Public Policy Priorities, in addition to electing members to the national board of directors. No amendments to the AAUW bylaws have been proposed by the Governance Committee or AAUW Board of Directors for the 2019 vote.

Here you'll find all the information you need to vote. Voting closes at 6:00 p.m. ET on Tuesday, May 14, 2019.

Meet the Candidates

Learn more about the candidates running for AAUW's national board of directors. You can also interact with the candidates and ask them questions.

Learn how you can join the discussion.

Learn More About Changes to the AAUW Public Policy Priorities

Every two years, AAUW members vote on revisions to our Public Policy Priorities. The Public Policy Priorities establishes our organization's federal action priorities, as well as guidelines for state and local action.

VOTE NOW

Find your ID and PIN in an email sent on April 1. Can't find the email? Contact Connect at 800.326.2289.



On May 3rd, all members were sent an email from AAUW California to provide an opportunity to vote in the annual election of officers and public policy priorities. Polls close May 13th.

To vote in the election:

- Click [HERE](#) or visit <http://www.aauw-ca.org/aauw-california-2019-election/> to vote in the election. You will be prompted for your contact information including your member id # or Call Julika Barrett in the AAUW California Office at 916-448-7795

May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 12pm Lunch Bunch, West End Tap*	3	4 1pm Human Trafficking Committee*
5	6	7 10am Board; 7pm Tues. pm books*	8	9	10 Great Decisions*	11
12	13 AAUW-CA voting ends	14 AAUW National voting ends	15	15	17	18 LS Luncheon, see pg. 1
19	20 1pm Reader's Theater*	21	22	23 1pm Sec. 1 & 2 Th. books*	24 Great Decisions*	25
26	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	

June 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 1pm Human Trafficking Committee*
2	3 10am Board meeting	4 7pm Tues. pm books*	5	6 12pm Lunch Bunch *	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 1pm Sec. 1 & 2 Th. books*	28	29

AAUW Santa Cruz County Branch Interest Groups

All work and no play? To counteract that we have a variety of interest groups for our members. If you'd like to join a group or attend one to see if it interests you, please contact the leaders listed below. We'd love to see you. If you're interested in starting a new Interest Group, we welcome your ideas. Contact Jeanne Jorgensen, jeannejorgensen@hotmail.com.

In order to attract new members and make AAUW's goals more visible to the community, our Membership meetings and luncheons are open to the public. Come join us and bring a friend! You'll find an amazing group of women who offer you friendship and intellectual stimulation.

Book Groups

Our book groups have become extremely popular. Numbers in the groups fluctuate, and if you're interested contact the leaders to see if there's an opening at your preferred time. A new group is not difficult to establish, that's how we ended up with three!

Tuesday Evening Books, Tuesday evening book group will be meeting on June 4, 2019, at 7:00 pm. We will meet at Lynn Raadik's home: 697 Paradise Park, Santa Cruz. This is our annual meeting to discuss titles to read in the following year. Call 425-1038 for directions. All are welcome to join this lively group. Call Joan Schwimmer 408-348-6472 or e-mail: joanschwimmer@hotmail.com for more information.

Thursday Afternoon Books, Section One, Leader Andrea Losee, phone 462-3010, email alosee@cruzio.com; We meet on the 4th Thursday of the month at 1pm. Contact Andrea for details.

Thursday Afternoon Books, Section Two, Leader, Susan Elgin, phone (831) 335-7288, email elgin@cruzio.com. This group reads one book each month. We meet on the 4th Thursday of the month at 1pm. Contact Susan for details.

Reader's Theater

After the summer break, the date of our play reading group will be changed to the third Wednesday of the month. We will continue with the third Monday of the month date for our meeting on May 20, then take a summer break. If you are on the list and cannot make the change this fall, let us know. To join and for further information, contact Barbara Lewis, chairperson of this interest group, by telephone at 335-7816 or by email at bobbi44@gmail.com.

Bridge

Bridge is coordinated by Jeanne Jorgensen. Contact her for details at jeannejorgensen@hotmail.com, 831-477-7025.

Lunch Bunch

We will gather June 6th, 12 noon. We welcome new members. Contact Kit Hein: bythebeach15@gmail.com

The Lunch Bunch meets on the First Thursday of the month. This year each member is being asked to select a month and a location. Kit will handle communication with members and *The Beacon* once a restaurant is selected and confirmed. All AAUW members are welcome. Bring prospective members!

Human Trafficking Committee

The Human Trafficking Committee meets the first Saturday of every month, 1PM, 201 Prospect Hts. Contact Martha Mangan, tel # 425-1306, for more details.

Also, We now have the task of finishing the DA program of listing all businesses that qualify for the SB1193 posting. This program allows the DA office to immediately target the business with a non-compliance notice and a fine. We would like to ask for volunteers to help with this task. Contact Martha, 425-1306.

Great Decisions

We have two more events for this season's AAUW Great Decisions group. Many thanks to our Discussion Leaders and Hostesses for another series of excellent meetings.

May 10 TOPIC: **The Middle East: Regional Disorder**

Discussion Leader: Vickie Birdsall

Hostess: Grace Gerbrandt

May 24: POTLUCK

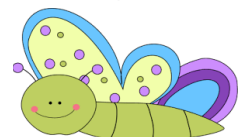
Discussion Leaders: Review of this Season's Topics

Hostess: Phyllis Taylor

New members and interested visitors are most welcome. Contact Vickie Birdsall

vickiebirdsall@yahoo.com or Grace Gerbrandt,

graceger@sbcglobal.net



Branch Calendar - 2019



May 7	Board Meeting	CFSCC
18	Scholarship Luncheon, Bus. Meeting	Seascape Resort
June 3	Old and New Board Meeting	Kit Hein's

Help Us to Help Others

Our philanthropic projects benefit women of all ages, both here at home and across the nation. *Make a donation to remember a family member, friend or colleague, or to honor a birthday, anniversary, graduation or other special occasion.*

AAUW Fund	Local Scholarships	Tech Trek
Make checks payable to AAUW FUND and send to Geraldine Williams 412 Rio Del Mar Blvd. Aptos, CA 95003	Make checks payable to AAUW-LS and send to Jeanne Jorgensen 270 19th Avenue Santa Cruz, CA 95062	(Girls Science Scholarships) Make checks payable to AAUW CA SPF, with Santa Cruz County Tech Trek, Camp Hopper on the memo line and send to Kris Sheehan 215 Brodin Lane Corralitos, CA 95076
for AAUW Funds contributions, you may mail your check or do it online on the AAUW Website (at aauw.org - click on Educational Funding)		

In Memory of/In Honor of _____

Send announcement to _____

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