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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings!

The month of May is going to be a busy one for AAUW. For our Branch, the May 22nd meeting will serve as our annual meeting and we will elect officers for next year. We need a quorum of 25% of our membership present at the meeting to hold the election, so I hope you will be enticed to attend, not only to be a faithful Branch member, but also because the event will be our first book-exchange and social - with plenty of appetizers, desserts and beverages. Please look for an email from Joan Florence with details about how the book exchange will work. As for the election, I am very happy to report that the nominating committee has added to the candidates for office Liz Wineman and Lisa Walker, who will be running as co-VPs for Programs.

Also, this month you will receive an email from AAUW California - or already have - asking for your vote on proposed priorities for 2018. Voting on this issue runs through May 12. In addition, voting in the AAUW National Election is now open and runs through June 15. If you receive Outlook in print, your Voter ID and PIN are on the back cover. If you receive Outlook electronically, you should receive an email with your ID and PIN.

Finally, the Central Coast AAUW Leadership Day is **Saturday, May 20, 2017 at the UCSB Mosher Alumni House in Santa Barbara**. If you are interested in attending, see details below for registration and lunch options. I am sure car-pooling can be arranged if we have members attending.

Leadership Day Details:

Training will begin with registration at 9:30 am and conclude at 3 pm. Everyone **must register online at the CA AAUW website by May 10**. The registration fee is **\$25 per person**. This includes morning coffee with pastry and fruit and a boxed lunch that can be enjoyed outside on the patio overlooking the mountains. There are two choices for lunch. Both are served on freshly baked honey-wheat roll (1/2

sandwich) with Farmer's Garden Salad, Freshly baked Chocolate Chip Cookie and Fresh Fruit.

1) Herb Grilled Chicken Breast, cheddar cheese, fresh tomatoes, green leaf lettuce, red onions

OR

2) Edamame Hummus, oven roasted tomatoes, fresh basil, crushed avocado, baby arugula, cucumbers, sliced red onions.

Register by May 10 at the AAUW CA

website: www.aauw-ca.org/aauw-california-leadership-days-2017 **and send your lunch choice to** dianneowens9@gmail.com **or** [805-733-1734](tel:805-733-1734)!

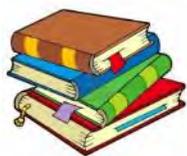
I look forward to seeing many of you on May22nd!

Membership

Dues are payable at this time. \$90 for the year which extends from July 1-June 30, 2018. At the present time we have 29 who have renewed and one new member: Sheila Phipps. We also invited 44 women, who have expressed an interest in our organization, to our "Women in History" meeting April 17. You will be receiving this information after that meeting but hopefully you will meet some of them and keep in touch to make them feel welcome. It would be wonderful to have new people in our branch. Please mail your \$90 check to me at 397 Mesa View Dr., Arroyo Grande, 03420. Thank you.

- Susan Brazil

AAUW BOOK EXCHANGE



Are you sad that we didn't have the Book Sale this year?

Would you like to pick up new books to read?

Well, here's your chance!

Our May 22nd General Meeting will be a Book Exchange and Appetizer and Dessert Potluck Social!

So, gather up five (5) books you have read and bring them with an appetizer or dessert to share at the May meeting. The books will be placed on a table and after the business meeting you will be free to browse all the books and select five (5) free books to take home. Please note; if you bring five you must go home with five – no leftovers for us to deal with later.

Come and enjoy an opportunity to meet and greet members, talk books with friends, sample yummys for the tummies, and stock up for your summer reading.

Board Elections 2017-2018

Hello everyone. Here is your slate of officers for 2017-2018. As mentioned in the President's Message, we will be voting at the May 22nd Business Meeting.

- President: Susan Opava
- President Elect: Vacant
- VP Membership: Susan Brazil
- VP Programs: Liz Wineman and Lisa Walker
- AAUW Funds: Mary Matakovich
- Secretary: Dena Van Norman
- Treasurer: Linda Lidberg

Please consider supporting your branch by becoming involved. If interested in any position please call Susan Brazil 805-474-5682, or Kathi Pettersen 805-474-9149 or Jean Slater 805-627-1845.

Rachel Carson Jackie Cochran Julia Morgan



Scholarship

At our March meeting the Scholarship Committee was pleased to award our annual awards to four highly qualified young women. We were amazed at the accomplishments of many of the applicants and wished we had more awards to bestow.

The recipients are:

Jessica McGuigan, AGHS
Kim Kollenberg, Nipomo HS
Megan Garcia, New Tech HS
Cristal Aguirre, AVID (AGHS)

At last report, there is an still opening on the Scholarship Committee for next year. If you would like to be a part of this very rewarding process and help select future scholarship recipients, please contact Marilyn Corey. Thank you.

WIH? HERstory??



The General Meeting in April brought "HerStory", a presentation of the AAUW **Women in History (WIH)** Project by our members: Kathy Cohon portraying Rachel Carson, Pam Zirion portraying Jackie Cochran, and Sandy Pitt portraying Julia Morgan. Presentations were made with a question/answer period. The presentations were well received by the membership as well as by the 51 classrooms of 5th grade students in the Lucia Mar Unified School District.

A big Thank You to all involved!

LUNCH BUNCH

Come join the Lunch Bunch at The Willow Bar and Market in Nipomo. We will meet at 11:30 on Thurs. May 4th.

Looking ahead to the next 2 months, the restaurants will be:

June 1st..... Eureka in SLO

July 6th McClintocks in AG

Please email your reservations to Carole Dempsey at medipharmix@aol.com

NIGHT READERS

The May meeting of the Book Club will be held **May 9** at the home of Maurina Kusell for a discussion of the novel "The Nightingale," by Kristin Hannah. The story is set in France during World War II, when two sisters find themselves facing occupation, and find different ways to handle life-or-death situations.

Looking ahead, the selected book for June will be "My Name is Lucy Barton," by Elizabeth Strout. The evening book club is currently filled to capacity.

-- Sandra Ku, chairperson

GREAT DECISIONS

US Foreign Policy and Petroleum serve as the discussion topics for Great Decisions for the month of May. For the last 65 years and longer US foreign policy has been shaped, either directly or indirectly, by energy and petroleum security concerns. The relationship between petroleum and foreign policy is difficult to analyze, especially today, after the vast increase of domestic U.S. petroleum production. What happens now? Find out about the US domestic petroleum production and foreign import dependence, environmental consequences, military costs of protecting international trade in petroleum and more at the next Great Decisions discussion.

Typically, Great Decisions meets on the 4th Monday of the month. However, our Branch Annual Meeting will be held on May 22nd. The exact date for the May Great Decisions discussion will be determined shortly. Call Mary Jo Aspinall 556-0193 or Connie Rodgers 481-1841 for the May discussion date.

Great Decisions meets monthly at the home of Mary Jo Aspinall to discuss world events, view a video and follow up a reading from the Great Decisions Foreign Policy Association publication. The meetings are typically the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. New attendees are welcome.

HYHAND AND FOOT CANASTA

The May hand and foot canasta game will take place at Dee Carlson's home on **Friday, May 26th at 9:30**. Bring \$3 and a sack lunch. Drinks and dessert will be provided.

DAYLIGHT BOOK GROUP

Ruth Bader Ginsberg is the author of the May selection of Daylight Book Group. *My Own Words* by Justice Ginsberg offers her views of the ways of the Supreme Court, being Jewish, the law and lawyers, the opera and the value of looking beyond the United States shores when interpreting the US Constitution. Justice Ginsberg is a prolific writer and public speaker. With the US Supreme Court in the daily news this book is a sure fire way to gain insight into the highest court in our land.

Mo Briggs is the Hostess for the **May 5** discussion. Readers meet the first Friday of each month, hosted by different members. The discussion begins at 11:30 am, followed by member's brown bag lunch and dessert and beverages provided by the hostess. Meetings are the 1st Friday of each month, 11:30 am.

Cinnamon and Gunpowder: A Novel by Eli Brown will be the focus of discussion in June. We welcome new readers, as always. Message Jean Burns Slater 805 627-1845 or jbslater2006@gmail.com for more details and a listing of the books for 2017.

FINESSING FEMMES BRIDGE

Finessing Femmes now meets on the first Wednesday of the month; **May 3rd**. We meet at 12:30 at the home of one of the members. If interested in joining our bridge group, call Marilyn Corey at 473-1928.

May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 <i>Finessing Femmes</i> Bridge 12:30	4 Lunch Bunch 11:30 <i>Willow Market</i>	5 <i>Daylight Book Group</i> 11:30am	6
7	8	9 <i>Night Readers</i> 7pm	10	11	12	13
14 <i>Mothers Day</i>	15	16	17	18	19	20 UCSB CC AAUW Leadership Day
21	22 <i>Meeting</i> Elections & Book Exchange 7pm	23	24	25	26 <i>Hand & Foot Canasta</i> 9:30am	27
28	29 <i>Memorial Day</i>	30	31			
	<i>Great Decisions?</i> 7pm					

April 2017

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Birthdays:

- 6 Lauren Manning
- 18 Carol McBirnie
- 19 Juliette Joyce
- 24 Debra Audet
- 29 Linda Keetch



June 2017

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AAUW Five Cities-Pismo Beach 2017-2018 Membership Renewal

Our mission and focus:

“Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.”

Welcome and thank you for joining the Five Cities Pismo Beach Branch of AAUW for another year to advance the AAUW Mission, while making new acquaintances and renewing long term friendships! This year you may consider joining an additional section to meet new friends and explore new interests.

- Dues are **\$90** for the 2017-2018 year. [*Dual branch members pay \$21 for the local Branch dues only*].
- Check here to order a name tag or replacement name tag and include an additional **\$10**
- Check here to request the newsletter mailed to your home
- Make checks payable to **AAUW Five Cities-Pismo Beach**.

Please return this form with your annual dues and any supplemental payments by **July 1, 2017** to:

Susan Brazil
 AAUW Membership
 397 Mesa View Dr.
 Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

_____ Dues \$90
 _____ Dual Member \$21
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 \$_____ Total

IF YOUR DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION IS THE SAME AS LAST YEAR, FILL IN YOUR NAME ONLY.

Name: _____

Corrections:

Address: _____ ZIP _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____ Fax: _____