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#### **AAUW LPD**

In conjunction with

TRI VALLEY HAVEN

WHAT DO I SAY NOW?

Workshop for girls ages 14 & older

THIS WORKSHOP

HAS BEEN

CANCELLED.



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#### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

Wednesday, September 4
Anita Massey



#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGES- DEVON LAHAR

Welcome back to Fall....on lookout for autumn leaves and a return to routines.

Join us for AAUW LPD's Kick-Off Lunch Celebrating 100 Years of Women's Voting Rights!

Our annual kickoff program highlights outstanding women pursuing their educations. Please join us for a light lunch and meet these accomplished young women and their parents! (more information on Page 3). You have received your Evite for your RSVP.

Please invite young women you know to ... What Do I Say Now? It's an educational morning for ages 14 and older in conjunction with Tri-Valley Haven. It will be at Fairlands Elementary School in Pleasanton. (more information on Page 3)

#### Our October branch event is the AAUW Fund Luncheon

A highlight for area AAUW members, this luncheon features 6-8 of our 30 AAUW Fund academic fellowship or grant recipients who give us a spoken synopsis of their work. For new members, this luncheon is a great way to hear about the AAUW Mission in action. We encourage you to join fellow LPD members to attend this luncheon event.

Page 6 of this Grapevine gives you all the information you need for luncheon choice, reservations. Reservation deadline is 9/20/19.

Please contact Sandy Hansen to help you with reservations if you don't use a computer or do online financial transactions. If you need a ride or want to car-pool contact Marilyn Duman for information.

Look for information on other Fall mission-based programs in this Grapevine issue –Tech Trek, Planning for College. We encourage you to volunteer your help to make these events a success!

On behalf of our LPD members, we send our condolences to Ginny Reineking on the loss of her son and to Nancy Cotton on the loss of her husband.

Devon

#### LPD BOARD AND DIRECTORS

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**CHAPTER GOAL** IS TO **GROW AND THRIVE** 

**OUR LPD** 



#### PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE FALL KICK-OFF LUNCH



American Association of University Women (Livermore-Pleasanton-Dublin Branch)

Kick-Off Lunch Celebrating....100 Years of Women's Voting Rights! Saturday, September 21, 2019 NOON - 2:00 PM

Lynnewood United Methodist Church

4444 Black Avenue. Pleasanton

In addition to celebrating our right to vote, our annual kickoff program highlights unique women pursuing their educations. Please join us for a light lunch and meet these accomplished young women and their parents!

- Nine outstanding girls who competed for and won scholarships to attend Camp Curie Tech Trek summer camp. These girls will share their camp experiences on the Stanford University campus and what Tech Trek meant to them.
- Three 2019 AAUW LPD Foundation Scholarship winners. Each year the AAUW LPD Scholarship Foundation awards scholarships that help undergraduate women further their education and career goals.

You can also renew friendships and learn about our mission activities and interest groups at our Kickoff Lunch. Welcome!

AAUW is a service organization that promotes educational and economic opportunities for women. Our major branch focus is encouraging young women to explore their education in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math).

The 19th Amendment was ratified in 1920 giving American women the right to vote. Come help us celebrate, learn about our new committees & interest groups, meet new members.

We have members who are willing to provide rides: Roz Wright, Chris Alesso, Anita Massey or Tina Amber. Just call if needed.

**PARKING AT THE CHURCH**: Lynnewood also has parking behind the church/school property. If approaching from Santa Rita, take the first driveway on the left PAST the church, follow the fence to the rear to the unlocked gate there. From Hopyard, turn right BEFORE the church, drive to the rear of the church to the gate.

#### WHAT DO I SAY NOW?

This new program, "What Do I Say Now?" has been cancelled.

#### **COFFEE "AND"**

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 @ 10 AM SWEET & SAVORY, PLEASANTON

A social time for all AAUW LPD members and guests

We meet at Sweet & Savory (corner of Stoneridge & Gibraltar Drives) in Pleasanton on the first Thursday of the month. All members are welcome. Bring your friends and prospective members.

#### **COCKTAILS & CONVERSATIONS**

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 @ 5:30 PM 828 MAIN ST., PLEASANTON

Join us on the first Tuesday of every month to discuss current events and/or whatever else comes up. All opinions are welcome. Lots of lively conversations.



#### MEMBERSHIP CORNER - MARILYN DUMAN

Welcome back for another great year! The program committee is planning an interesting and enjoyable roster of activities. I'm sure each of you will find something to enjoy so read this newsletter carefully. We open the year with our Kick-Off social event on September 21st. I look forward to meeting each of you and giving you your new directory.

This is also a perfect opportunity to bring a friend or two as we showcase many of our activities and service opportunities! Look for more information about this great event in this issue of the Grapevine.

We welcome new and newish members Karen Harrison, Avalon Hendricks, Cathleen deOrnelas, and Angela Johns. Their contact information will be in the directory. Current members are in a great position to share AAUW's mission. Get to know our new members, involve them, make them feel welcome and keep in touch with them.

Our mission is what ties us all together. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns about your membership in AAUW. I look forward to seeing you at the social.

Marilyn

## LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Vicki-Dawn Rader and Ginny Reineking

Our annual non-event fundraiser, Cruising American Style, has raised a total of \$5,285 thanks to the generosity of our membership. A big thank you to all who sent donations!

The donations collected last year will fund scholarships for three young women: Alea Delmastro, Kiersten Brooke and Lylah Schmedel.

Vicki-Dawn Rader and Ginny Reineking Non-Event Co-Chairs

#### STEM PROJECTS - ANITA MASSEY

**TECH TREK** After a very busy spring and summer Tech Trek is beginning to gear up for the 2019-2020 school year. I had the fun, along with Devon LaHar and Diane Keller, of attending Camp Curie's Mad City Money activity. It was a fun and busy afternoon.

After having the opportunity to again see the program up close and the impact of Tech Trek on so many young women I want to thank each and every one of you for everything our branch does in support of this program.

As in the past our trekkers have been invited to the September 21<sup>st</sup> Kick-off Luncheon where they can share their experiences and convey their thanks in person. Additionally they each wrote thank you notes to the branch which I will share over the coming months.

**PLANNING FOR COLLEGE** Is back after a successful pilot year. The committee chaired by Diane Keller; she brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this program.

#### MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT Tina Amber

This coming year I will change my focus on the board to recruiting new members. Our upcoming luncheon on September 21st is the perfect time for you to bring a friend or someone you know who might be interested in our educational focus for women.

If you have contacts who cannot attend this fun and very informative meeting, please forward their names to me and I will follow up with them.

I am also looking for local events where we might find women interested in our organization. Send me a note at tina@aauw-lpd.org if you have any ideas.

Tina



#### **INTEREST GROUPS**

#### **DUPLICATE BRIDGE**

CHAIR: Nancy Rensink

dupbridge@aauw-lpd.org

Wednesday, September 25, 7:00 pm

Fern Corley

#### **MONDAY NIGHT BRIDGE**

CHAIR: Marti Silva

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Monday, September 9 @ 7:00 pm

Evie Eckard

Monday, September 23 @ 7:00 pm

Nancy Rensink

#### **LADIES LUNCH 'N MURDER**

CHAIR: Maria Kennedy

mkennedy@aauw-lpd.org

Monday, September 16 @ 11:30 am

Sunshine Saloon

1807 Santa Rita Rd., Pleasanton

Talk about our favorite authors and

share books.

BTW: Have you read "Where The Craw-

dads Sing" yet?

#### **SOLO DINING- GROUP FOR SINGLES**

Chair: Sandie Brown

solodining@aauw-lpd.org

Friday, September 20 @ 5:30 PM

Market Tavern (formerly Mimi's)

4775 Hacienda Dr., Dublin

Contact Sandie Brown several days before

about attending.

#### **COFFEE "AND"**

Thursday, September 5 @ 10:00 am Sweet & Savory, 5865 Gibraltar, Pleasanton

#### **COCKTAILS & CONVERSATIONS**

Tuesday, September 3 @ 5:30 pm 828 Main Street, Pleasanton

#### **MORNING BOOKS**

CHAIR: Bev Howell

ambooks@aauw-lpd.org

Thursday, September 22 @ 9:30 am

**HOSTESS: Chris Alesso** 

**BOOK: Nothing Is True Everything is Possible** 

Author: Peter Pomerant

#### **AFTERNOON BOOKS**

Chair: Mary Ann Karlsen

pmbooks1@aauw-lpd.org

Monday, September 9 @ 1 pm HOSTESS: Mary Ann Karlsen

BOOK: Leonardo da Vnci

Author: Walter Isaacson

#### **EVENING BOOKS**

CHAIR: Walter Morgan

pmbooks2@aauw-lpd.org

Wednesday, September 11 @ 7:30 pm

**HOSTESS: Patty Rabada** 

CO-HOSTESS: Nancy Marsh

**BOOK: The Moment of Lift: How...** 

Author: Melinda Gates

#### MISSION DISCUSSION GROUP

CHAIR: Chris Alesso,

advocacy@aauw-lpd.org

Thursday, September 12 @ 10:00 am

Sweet & Savory, 5685 Gibraltar Ave; Pleasanton

The Mission Discussion Group meets on the second Thursday of the month at Sweet & Savory. Each month we choose a topic for study and re-

view with each member bringing information to

share.

#### MAH JONGG, AMERICAN STYLE

Chair: JoAnn Houk

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If you are interested please contact JoAnn Houk or Anita Massey.



The AAUW California Fund Committee invites you to celebrate and honor our 2019-2020 California Fellowship and Grant Recipients!



NORTHERN CALIFIORNIA-DANVILLE Sunday, October 6, 2019 12 NOON-3:00 PM \$45 Check in at 11:30 AM **CROW CANYON COUNTRY CLUB** 711 Silver Lake Dr., Danville CA 94526

Meal Selection (choose one):

- Sunburst Chicken Salad w/berries, oranges
- Vegetarian Sunburst Salad

#### **AAUW FUND LUNCHEON RESERVATION**

1. Register online through Eventbrite:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-aauw-fund-fall-luncheon-in-danville-tickets-67283604071 OR

2. Mail \$45 check (payable to AAUW CA) or credit card information to 1331 Garden Hwy, Suite 100, Sacramento CA 95883.

2. Name:	Branch		
Address:	Phone:		
	Email:		
Credit Card No	Exp. Date:		
Security Code (on back):	RSVP by September 20, 2019		

#### ONE OF LPD ENDOWED SCHOLARS



#### ANN LES AMERICAN FELLOWSHIP

Theresa Arriola is a Ph.D. candidate in sociocultural anthropology at the University of California, Los Angeles. Her research examines the intersections between indigeneity, militarism and the environment in the Northern Mariana Islands. By employing ethnographic methods, her work highlights the strategic role that the islands have played in securing U.S. military interests in Oceania and elucidates how the process of militarization continues to inform the contemporary cultural and political realities of the indigenous Chamorro and Refaluwasch people of the Marianas.



#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019-2020**

September 3	Cocktails & Conversation	828 Main	5:30 pm	Pleasanton
September 4	LPD Board Meeting	Anita Massey	1:00 pm	Livermore
September 5	Coffee "AND"	Sweet & Savory	10:00 am	Pleasanton
September 9	Afternoon Books	Mary Ann Karlsen	1:00 pm	Livermore
September 9	Monday Night Bridge	Evie Eckard	7:00 pm	Pleasanton
September 11	Evening Books	Patty Rabada	7:30 pm	Livermore
September 12	Mission Discussion Group	Sweet & Savory	10:00 am	Pleasanton
September 14	"What Do I Say Now?"	Fairland Elem. School	ol 9-noon	Pleasanton
September 16	Ladies Lunch 'N Murder	Sunshine Saloon	11:30 am	Pleasanton
September 20	Solo Dining	Market Tavern Formerly Mimi's	5:30 pm	Dublin
September 21	Kickoff Lunch	Lynnewood United Methodist Church	12-2 pm	Pleasanton
September 22	Morning Books	Chris Alesso	9:30 am	Pleasanton
September 23	Monday Night Bridge	Nancy Rensink	7:00 pm	Pleasanton
September 25	Duplicate Bridge	Fern Corley	7:00 pm	Pleasanton
October 6	AAUW Fund Luncheon RSVP DEADLINE 9/20/19	Crow Canyon C.C.	11:30 am	Danville

Here is a peek at the possible programs for the upcoming year: (remember these might change)

Nov. Bocce/Pizza Lunch

Dec. Holiday Party

Jan. Wine/Cheese Event

Mar. Women's History Month (movie)

Apr. Annual Luncheon

May Woman Winemaker

Jun. Installation Brunch.



Dr. Kelly Bowers (Livermore School District Superintendent) is one of LPD AAUW's Named Gift Honorees.

On the left, Anita Massey

On the right: Devon La Har





LIVERMORE-PLEASANTON-DUBLIN (CA) BRANCH

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#### **MISSION**

To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education and advocacy.

> **AAUW EMPOWERS ALL** WOMEN AND GIRLS TO **REACH THEIR HIGHEST** POTENTIAL.

> > **VISIT THE AAUW**

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by September 14th.