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AAUW Mission :

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

AAUW Vision:

Equity for all.

AAUW Values:

Nonpartisan.

Fact-based.

Integrity.

Inclusion and Intersectionality.

AAUW Diversity Statement:

In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks an inclusive membership, workforce, leadership team and board of directors. There shall be no barriers to full participation on the basis of age, disability, gender, location, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic status.

Garden Party and Plays

Ginny Baxter, Program Vice President

With respect for the Safer at Home decision, the AAUW Executive Committee has decided to **cancel the April and May**

Branch meetings. The April program was to have featured Branch Member, Alyce LaViolette, speaking on the topic of domestic violence. Her background with “Why Doesn’t She Leave” is of importance to all. I have asked Alyce if she would be our September Branch Meeting



speaker, assuming the coronavirus is behind us.

The May meeting was to be the annual Spring Garden Party at the home of Charlotte Joseph. This event has been re-scheduled to the **June 6** Branch meeting date which will include Installation of the 2020-21 Board. A performance by Long Beach City College theater arts students, featuring vignettes of famous American Suffragettes will also be part of that program. More information about location will be advanced soon. The lunch will be hosted with special regard to keeping our members and guests safe. Please read all emails and look for further details about AAUW activities. Stay well!

"When one door of happiness closes, another opens, but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one that has been opened for us.

-- Helen Keller



From the President

by Denise Montoya

American Women Nurses Who Served in WWI from 1915 – 1920

I found a nursing school graduation photo of my great aunt Dolores Laughlin Daly, who served as a nurse in Europe during World War I. (One of these days, I'm going to begin the research about her specific experience during the Great War.) The following is from a presentation about the American nursing experience in Europe during WWI, recorded by Historian Marian Moser Jones for the American Association of Hospital Administrators in 2016.

Roughly 10,000 women nurses served overseas as member of Army Nurse Corps from 1915 through 1920. They joined with Navy nurses to work in a war zone, the first of its kind for our nation. Not much about their experiences is published, so Ms. Jones went to various archives and spoke to descendants of these women to get further information. She explained that the US allies have recorded their nurses' history, but that we have only more recently begun to record this experience in US history.

Among the various questions Ms. Jones asked were: what were the nurses' experiences, how was their reentry back in the states, and did their work during wartime influence their later careers? What is known is that their efforts "contributed substantially to the war effort". Secondly, the nurses found "adventure, career fulfillment and eventually defied traditional expectations of women at that time". Middle class women of the time had husbands and children by the age of 21. Many of the nurses married later in their 20's, because they had the benefit of attending college programs. The US entered WWI in 1915 as a neutral nation, so there wasn't the passionate patriotism at the onset of our presence in Europe, so the women were more likely to pursue the potential in the military for travel and adventure.

By 1918, much of the fighting of the war changed, due to the use of trench warfare. Some of the nurses served on the frontlines, aiding those injured and ill from the poor conditions during the years they were there. Development of wound and burn treatments came about through physicians' research, and nurses often administered the treatments, which brought them significant satisfaction by being able save a significant number of injured soldiers, who would have otherwise not survived.

Calendar Dates to Note

Friday April 17	NO Convention
Monday April 20	Exec Board Meeting
Sat. April 18	AAUW-CA Zoom Mtg
Thursday April 23	Branch Voting starts
Sat. May 2	Branch Voting ends
Sat. June 6	Next Branch meeting pending social distancing

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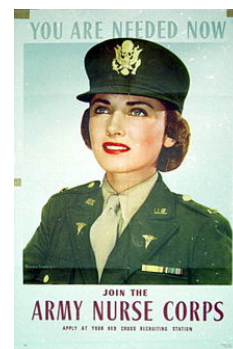
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When the nurses returned home, they reengaged in family, church and community efforts. Some used their experience and advanced education to improve their communities through philanthropy and leadership opportunities. Empowered women, like these dedicated and brave nurses, had a quote to encourage passage of the 19th Amendment:

"We are ready to work beside you. Fight beside you, die beside you. Let us vote beside you. Vote for candidates for the legislature who stand for women's suffrage".



<https://www.meetup.com/American-Association-of-University-Women-Long-Beach/>

Connie Inskeep Award-Nominate Someone!

by Dianne Bradfield

Each year, we honor a Connie Inskeep Award winner and we need your help to identify a worthy nominee. The nomination has been sent by email or contact Dianne.

Connie served as President, or Co-President, of the Branch three times. She was an outstanding leader who demonstrated her love for AAUW by serving in leadership positions at the Branch, Inter-branch Council and State levels. Her dedication and commitment to AAUW were inspirational to all who knew her. The criteria for selection are:

- **Leadership in the Branch that is consistent with the mission of AAUW, i.e. promoting equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research;**
- **Leadership at the LA County InterBranch level; and/or Leadership at the AAUW California or National level.**

Any of the criteria listed above either solely, or in combination, is acceptable for nomination.

The previous recipients of this award (in order received) are: JoAnn Kuroda, Joyce Clark, Jean Aldrich, Judith Kaho, Fay Denny, Deloris Mayuga, Daphne Ching-Jackson, Betty Ann Rauch, Joan Gustafson, Barbara Gleason, Ellen Mathis, Norma Grady, Elaine Babbush, Julie Mills, Sharon Westafer, Helen Sebring, Patricia Ferrer, Linda Patten, Frances Rozner, Darlene Daclan, Dianne Bradfield, and Cacilia Kim.

Please submit your nomination by **April 17, 2020**, to Dianne Bradfield. By mail to: [4157 Marber Ave., Lakewood, CA 90713](mailto:dibradfield@juno.com), or by email: dibradfield@juno.com. Thank you!

AAUW Work Smart

by Mary Lamo, Frances Rozner & Sharon Westafer

While you are observing the safe-at-home rules and if you are in the workforce or know of someone who is, now is a great time to take the online AAUW Work Smart workshop at salary.aauw.org.

Employment will rebound and it's always good to be prepared. Please share the opportunity! Thank you.

Learn to Negotiate Your Pay & Benefits with Confidence

A free online workshop for any woman negotiating for a new position or an earned raise or promotion



salary.aauw.org

I got a 5% raise! I did what I learned in the workshop and it worked! -- K. G., 1/2019

Offered by the American Association of University Women

AAUW Branch Endowment Recipients

by Sharon Westafer

Career Development Grants fund women who seek to achieve upward mobility within their present careers or are trying to change careers. The Long Beach branch has three completed Career Development Grants that honor two members: Connie Wright Inskeep, completed in 1995, and Ethel Black, completed in 2001. The third Career Development grant honors the Long Beach branch and was completed in 2008. The recipients of interest money from these endowments are featured here.

Name: [Samone Nigam](#)

Award Year: 2019-20 **Institution:** Columbia University **Location:** New York City, New York

Discipline: Interdisciplinary programs

Degree and Specialization: M.A., International Affairs - Human Rights

Samone Nigam's commitment to upholding universal human rights at the international level has focused primarily on gender equality and forced migration. Her goal is to be directly involved with international human-rights mechanisms that tackle the sweeping humanitarian issues that lead to forced migration. Her specific interests are in peace building, conflict resolution and the role of women in these fields. Nigam is currently pursuing a master's degree in international affairs at Columbia University.

Sponsors:

1833 - Humboldt Inc. (CA) Branch/Sharon Purkerson

1835 - Connie Wright Inskeep

1491 - Somerset Hills (NJ) Branch—Science and Technology

1281 - New York State Bicentennial

1295 - Schenectady (NY) Branch



Name: [Shawntesha Ingram](#)

Award Year: 2019-20 **Institution:** University of Kentucky **Location:** Lexington, Kentucky

Discipline: Urban planning **Degree and Specialization:** Certificate, Historic Preservation

In her studies on historic preservation, Shawntesha Ingram focuses on identifying urban planning disparities in the African American community in order to resolve recurring issues through preservation. Her goal is to be an advocate for the minority communities domestically and internationally as well as curating historic African American sites through photography and other mediums. Ingram has found passion in actively promoting STEAM among school-age children in the community.

Sponsors:

4129 - Oakland-Piedmont (CA) Branch/Mary Hively

4130 - Long Beach (CA) Branch/Ethel P. Black

4360 - Gloria Taylor & Judy Pfeil Research and Projects Grant (FY2012)

4420 - Half Moon Bay (CA) 50th Anniversary

1447 - Women of AAUW Kentucky Division



Name: [Latesha Muldrow](#)

Award Year: 2019-20 **Institution:** Clayton State University **Location:** Morrow, Georgia

Discipline: Biology **Degree and Specialization:** B.S., Dentistry

Latesha Muldrow is currently a resident of Henry County, Georgia. She has been working in health care for more than five years, assisting patients with rehabilitation and therapeutic care. Her new area of study is dental hygiene. As a dental hygienist, Muldrow will apply her skills to providing oral care and dental education.

Sponsors:

4284 - Tustin (CA) Branch/Rowene Aguirre Medina

4289 - Long Beach (CA) Branch

4314 - Nevada County Branch Diamond Jubilee

4283 - Dr. Martha Fay

4298 - Ann Scott Terry



Frances Magarian Scholarships

by Sharon Westafer

Frances Magarian was a long time member of the Long Beach branch who bequeathed money to the branch. A committee, currently comprised of Mary Ann Takemoto, JoAnn Kuroda, Judy Willis, Darlene Daclan, Linda Westman and Sharon Westafer, was formed and guidelines were written to award \$500 scholarships to two Long Beach City College students and \$1500 scholarships to two CSULB students. The students must have at least a 3.0 GPA and be attending the colleges during the term of their scholarship.

On March 12th, seven students were interviewed at Long Beach City College (LBCC). They were excellent candidates and it was difficult to choose just two. After careful consideration, the following recipients were chosen:

Tatiana Navarrette, an 18 year old film major with a 3.850 GPA. Tatiana impressed us with her maturity and focused demeanor. She modestly said in her application, that in high school she “entered a few film competitions.” She took first place in the Cherry Hill Film Festival for her film “When I Heard in Color” about a girl who is deaf, feels isolated, and is being bullied. She has been recognized by the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, Universal NBC/Telemundo, Leadership Long Beach, Shazam/Warner Brothers “Being an Incredible Kid” Award to name a few. Tatiana is self-supporting as her father told her he wouldn’t pay for college.

Sara Karkhanehchi was born in England and raised in Iran. She is 23 years old and came to the U.S. when she was 18. She explained that in Iran, girls were discouraged from pursuing careers in math and science as her teachers believed those fields were for boys and she would be wasting her time. Sara is a hard worker who wants to pursue a degree in biomedical engineering with the goal of working in a laboratory creating prosthetics for the handicapped, teaching and doing research. At times, she has worked three jobs while carrying 18 units. Her GPA is 4.0.

The LBCC interviews were conducted the day before the campus was closed due to the Corona Virus. Interviews for the CSULB scholarships have been postponed due to closure of the campus.

CSULB President’s Commission on the Status of Women (PCSW)

On Friday, February 14th, your Co-Presidents Elect, Stelet and Jeanne, represented President Denise Montoya and gave an invited presentation to PCSW about AAUW and LB branch. We are honored to be included as partners.

Carolyn Eggleston has been selected to be the Branch Liaison to the Commission for two years. Carolyn was formerly a member of the Riverside-Moreno Valley-San Geronio AAUW Branch. She was a professor at San Bernardino for 30 years, and before that Associate Dean of Education at State University of New York. Carolyn also participates in a Branch book club.

For more information about PCSW, with which the Branch has a formal, two-year collaboration, use this link:

<http://www.csulb.edu/office-of-the-president/presidents-commission-the-status-of-women>

LB Branch Funds

Help build our Scholarships with a **Monthly Opportunity Drawing** at each Branch meeting. Please bring shiny, sparkly, fun Treasures.... Names R—S
Be thinking about non-wrapped treasures to bring for the Draw in **JUNE!**

Contact Carol Clanton

Buy Tickets ! Support our Special Projects!

1 Ticket = \$1.00

6 Tickets = \$ 5.00

15 Tickets = \$ 10.00

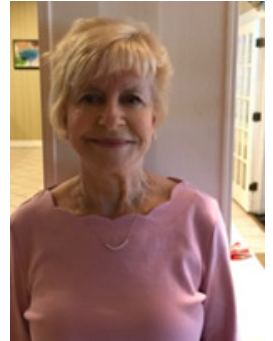


Member Profiles

by Daphne Ching-Jackson

DID YOU KNOW?

Rev. Dawn Hass comes to AAUW Long Beach from the Roseville AAUW Branch where she was an active member for 16 years. She is an alum of Augustana College (B.A., 1969) and Northwestern University (M.A., 1970). She also earned a Master of Divinity in 1990 from Seminary College in Chicago. Dawn's son lives in Los Angeles so she decided to move south from Roseville. She is currently a pastor at the Resurrection Lutheran Church. Many years ago Dawn felt the call to be a pastor. She also counsels in grief care. Previously to her calling she was an English teacher.



Debra Wallace recently joined the Long Beach Branch after she and her husband moved to Long Beach from Minnesota. Debra has a very active and life-long interest in politics. She even met former Vice-President Walter Mondale in 1975 and went to work for him in 1976. THEN she worked for President Jimmy Carter for 3 years in the White House. She later left politics and sought a degree in teaching and that was how she spent the majority of her professional career. When her granddaughter was born recently, she left Minnesota for California to be involved in the life of her granddaughter! You know she has lots to share about her venture into politics, so ask her!



Board and Branch Business

by Linda Westman

From the March 30, 2020 Virtual Board Meeting

STEM Survey: Francis Rozner presented two motions to meet the needs of the extended survey process.

“By direction of the STEM Career Conference Research Committee/Task Force I move that the prior motions approved on January 27, 2020 be superseded as follows:

AAUW Long Beach append the 11/19/2018 contract with MissionQuest, Inc., by paying an additional \$499 for services to be rendered in April 2020, with AAUW Long Beach being invoiced for payment in May 2020.” No need for a second. Motion passed.

“By direction of the STEM Career Conferences Research Committee/Task force, I move that the prior motions approved on January 27, 2020 be superseded as follows:

Up to \$1000 from AAUW LB STEM Conference Fund at Bank of America be used to pay for 1) the \$499 owed for April 2020 services from MissionQuest, Inc., and 2) for any other possible expenses (such as survey completion incentives) incurred to accomplish the tasks necessary to fulfill the AAUW LB STEM Career Conference research project.”

No second needed. Motion passed.

BRANCH INTEREST GROUPS

Joining an AAUW members-only interest group (or many) is a great way to get to know other members on a more personal level. Make friends while participating in fun, informative and educational activities. To start a new interest group, submit a description to the President and it will be passed along to the Interest Group Coordinator, for help with implementation.

Reminder: All interest group participants MUST be AAUW Long Beach members. Guests may attend a branch meeting or an interest group a maximum of three times before they are required to join AAUW. Interest groups are for the benefit of AAUW members.



Book Chat Plus Group members present the most interesting book they have recently read, film they have seen or the most exciting travel experience they have had. If time allows, all three! Light refreshments are served along with the intriguing conversation. We meet the 1st Tuesday at 10 a.m.
Contact **Betty Thompson**, 562 - 430 - 8438 or bettythom@aol.com



Cultural Adventures Group plans trips to museums and other points of interest. It is usually a mid-week tour & lunch scheduled several times a year. Join a group that enjoys checking out museums and other cultural interests. Contact **JoAnn Kuroda** at 562-429-6923 or email sojoinlb@aol.com



Great Decisions Group meets weekly to discuss, share opinions and ideas on a critical global issue. To all Group Members: Great Decisions books will be available starting in December. Planning to participate ? please contact your group leader or **Rita Powell** at 562 685 2096.



International Cuisine Group meets and dines at restaurants of different ethnicity in the local area. It is usually scheduled every few months on a Wednesday within an easy drive of LB. Car pooling is an option. Come join a group who enjoys unique flavors of the world. Contact **Fay Denny** at 714-894-0416 or email faydenny@yahoo.com.



Literary Ladies Group meets to discuss and compare thoughts on a selected book, fiction or non-fiction. The group comes together to hear thoughts and insights from others in the group. Each member takes a turn recommending and leading the group. They meet the 2nd Monday of the month at 12:30 p.m.
Contact **Sharon Westafer**, 562-493-4749 if interested.
The book selection will resume at a later date.



Public Policy meetings, explore, discuss and support the active legislative issues of AAUW, which underscore our mission of promoting equity and education for all women and girls. The group passes on knowledge and information to all branch members and encourage them to become involved with AAUW issues. For the next meeting - Contact **Flo Pickett** flopickett@gmail.com



Residential Rentals Discussion Group meets the 3rd Wednesday of odd months year round from 10:00-11:30 am. Our meetings May 20, July 15, Sept. 16. Anyone with an interest (owner or not) in residential rental is welcome. We cover current landlord/tenant topics, share experiences and work to keep current in the housing industry all in an informal setting. Contact Co-Chairs **Ellen Mathis** — epmathis@verizon.net or Joan Gustafson — jwg221@aol.com



Movie Mavens enjoy each others company at a movie and then chat about it over coffee afterwards. We are looking for a new leader for this group... **Contact the President for info.**



Under the Umbrella Book Group - The "new" Book Club will meet the 3rd Saturday of the month at 2:00 PM at Bev Krivokapich's home in Los Alamitos. We will read a variety of genres. We have room for more members! Ask Beverly about the titles to be read. Contact **Beverly Krivokapich** 562-596-1826 or email bevkrivo@yahoo.com



AAUW – CA Annual Meeting – The virtual meeting is scheduled on **Saturday April 18, 2020** from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Refer to your email dated 4/9/20 from the Board of Directors. Register for free online, download Zoom.com on your phone or computer, and listen for a couple of hours to the wonderful accomplishments of the CA Branches.

RESERVATION RETURN FORM

Send registration and check payable to
AAUW—Long Beach to

Ellen Mathis 63 St Joseph Ave

Long Beach, CA 90803-3158

epmathis@verizon.net or 562-433-6509

(Or: Place envelope/check in mail slot to right of door)

Member Name (s) / Guest

Amount Enclosed for Meal _____

I choose a Vegetarian option _____

I will pay \$5.00 for meeting / program only _____

Use PayPal account to send \$\$\$ to
aauwlongbeach@gmail.com. Select Send to a Friend
so the branch isn't charged a fee.

RESERVATION must be made

*A meal reservation is a financial commitment and
refunds shall not be made.*

AAUW BRANCH MEETING

Saturday, June 6, 2020

9:00 a.m. Mingle
10:00 a.m. Business Meeting
10:45 a.m. Program
11:55 a.m. Opportunity Draw

Place: TBD

Meal: TBD

Price: TBD

Questions about the location?

Contact Charlotte Joseph

Email: importantjoseph@aol.com



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