

NOVEMBER 2025

NEWSLETTER

*President
Lexi Amrhein*



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy November! As this year starts wrapping up, many of our outdoor activities will be paused until spring, but keep checking our event calendar for opportunities to gather throughout the winter season. Don't forget to RSVP for our annual holiday party!
- Lexi

OUR MISSION

Advancing gender equity through research, education and advocacy.

*AAUW
October
Lunch &
Learn*

UPCOMING AAUW EVENTS

- NEXT PROGRAM MEETING:
 - Nov 19 @ 1:30pm on zoom
 - Christie will share a link
- HOLIDAY PARTY
 - December 18 @ 5pm
 - Old Country Inn
 - \$42pp
 - RSVP by Dec 8



NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES

Please reach out to each group contact person and not the general AAUW email!

LIT GROUP

DATE: Nov 20

TIME: 12p

LOCATION: Zoom

CONTACT: Christie Walker -
christie.mntmama@gmail.com.

We will be discussing the book "State of Wonder."

Make sure you're on Christie's email list to get the Zoom link.

WRITER'S GROUP

DATE: Nov 10

TIME: 1-3pm

LOCATION: Sandy's house: 170 Bayside Dr, BBL.

CONTACT: Contact Sandy Foulkes at
sandy73@charter.net to be placed on the list.

This group meets on the second Monday of each month-same place and time.

HIKING GROUP

DATES/TIMES: November times TBD

LOCATION: TBD

CONTACT: Helaine 909-709-5940

Text Helaine to get info and on the list!

Route info and time are shared with the group separately each week. In case of snow we will snowshoe!

LUNCH & LEARN

DATE: Nov 11

TIME: 1-2:30p

LOCATION: Sandy's house: 170 Bayside Dr, BBL.

RSVP to Sandy73@charter.net

12 person max.

Don't bring a lunch to this one--it's a "Learn After Lunch" event :)

Join us to hear about Sandy's unique experience volunteering for 6 weeks in South Africa through Global Volunteer International. Along with 23 other volunteers from all over the world, she lived in the bush and did conservation work on a reserve. Sandy will share her story, pictures, and share details of the experience.

HOLIDAY BOOK EVENT

DATE: Nov 2

TIME: 2-4:30p

LOCATION: 42007 Fox Farm Rd- Mountain Rustic Chocolates

Grab some new books and meet the authors- and get a head start on your holiday shopping!

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Contact Marianne Lins to send a birthday, get well, or condolence card. 310-597-6363

PUBLIC POLICY NEWS

An important message from AAUW California:

AAUW California will focus on GOTV (Get Out the Vote) for the special election on November 4, 2025. Our focus will be on providing information about and emphasizing the positive impacts of Proposition 50.

Normally, AAUW California publishes a list of formal recommendations to support or oppose propositions. National has advised that, as an organization, we are not able to make a formal recommendation about Proposition 50. Instead, we will advance information-centered messages, including those that emphasize the potential benefits of Prop 50 for all Californians. In sum, as AAUW California members, we can focus on providing Californians with information that is currently absent from public discourse, namely that support of Proposition 50 is a non-partisan move to:

- Preserve wider democratic norms in California
- Oppose Project 2025 implementation in California
- Continue to advance AAUW California's mission & public policy priorities

We invite you to:

1. Check out the [Proposition 50 and Get Out the Vote \(GOTV\) 2025 Guide](#) - a set of resources to educate and support your GOTV efforts, including a Prop 50 Messaging Guide, Prop 50 Overview, FAQ, flier, voting timeline, and much more.

Please support GOTV 2025 to preserve and advance democracy and AAUW California's public policy priorities around gender-based equity and social justice. Every single action counts.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2 Holiday Book Event @ 2p	3	4 Election Day: Prop 50	5	6	7	8
9	10 Writer's Group @ 1p	11 Learn After Lunch @ 1p Veterans Day	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 Program Cmte Mtg @ 1:30p	20 Lit Group @ 12p	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Day	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Connie Sarmiento.....11/5
Linda Ford.....11/14
Lindy Edmond.....11/28

