



Newsletter

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From the Co-Presidents

I can hardly believe I am writing the message for our November newsletter. There are so many things happening in November, and thankfully, early in the month, the presidential election will finally come to an end. We will have a new president and whoever it is, I believe there have been revelations throughout these campaigns that have been particularly painful to women and girls. I have struggled these last two weeks and actually put off writing this message because I felt I lacked the words to speak to the pain I felt for myself as well as so many of my gender who have known or will likely know the pain to some degree of sexual assault or discrimination in their lifetime. The specific goal our wonderful organization embraces—advancing equity for women and girls—seems to have become all the more urgent. It behooves each and every one of us as women to support each other with dignity and strength. Your continuous presence and support of one another gives me strength and pride as we continue that mission individually and collectively.

November is also the beginning of the holiday season. Families and friends come together for Thanksgiving. Many of our own members have served honorably in our military and Veterans Day honors their service. We are thankful for you. Early in November, on All Saint's Day, we may lovingly remember some of our friends and family who have passed from this life. These are all occasions for solemn reflection. But did you know there are many other lesser known "days" in November that may make you smile? Given all the seriousness we have faced these last few weeks, I thought you might enjoy knowing about some of the wackier special days commemorated in November. For instance, did you know that Deviled Egg Day is on the second? And the fourth is King Tut Day? How about November 5, which is Book Lovers Day? Clean Your Refrigerator Day? Have a Bad Day Day? Silly, yes, but sometimes we just need silly. Most notable though is November 17, World Peace Day, and November 20, Beautiful Day. That's what I wish for you all the days of November—beautiful days.

See you in November!

Gayna Dupont

As November looms ahead, I think of Thanksgiving. I then realize all for which I am thankful. I am thankful for my health and the ability to keep working, even though it takes me away from you all. I am thankful for Gayna Dupont who leads you all. I am thankful for you members of AAUW and the National Association; we have made such strides for women and girls and are ever watchful for efforts to undermine our efforts. I am thankful for women and men who have stepped up to the plate, so to speak, to support us, to speak for us, to work with us, to inform us. Do go to the AAUW web site <http://aauw.org/> to read about successes, challenges, tools, ideas, research. You will be impressed and thankful, as I am. Do look for ways to further AAUW's mission of equity for women and girls through **advocacy**, education, philanthropy, and research in our branch and in your daily contacts. Do attend the Mayor's EQUAL PAY SA SUMMIT on Oct. 22, FREE if you register through this newsletter. Do participate in the November/December raffle to raise funds for the textbook scholarships. I am thankful to live in the United States where we have the democratic right and responsibility to vote. Do vote and encourage all you know to vote; many of AAUW's successes hang by a thin rope.

With heartfelt thankfulness,
Karen Reichensperger

NOVEMBER MEETING

Saturday, November 5, 2016

11:30am

JOE BUONINCONTI'S
Luce Ristorante e Enoteca
authentic Italian cuisine in San Antonio, Texas

11255 Huebner Rd
78230

\$20 cash or check payable to AAUW

RSVP to Cié Gee
by Wednesday, November 2
ciegee3@aol.com
210-602-9458

SALAD Goat cheese "truffle" with mesclun greens, diced cucumbers, prosciutto di Parma

CHOICE OF ENTRÉE

INSALATA DI SPINACINI E SALMONE Baby spinach salad with grilled salmon, tomato basil vinaigrette, leeks, cucumber, radish, and celery

CARCIOFI Sautéed chicken breast with artichoke hearts, mushrooms, lemon herb butter, pecorino risotto and garlic vegetables

PENNE CON POLPETTE House-crafted meatballs, pennette pasta, tomato sauce

Members are responsible for payment if reservations are not cancelled before that month's deadline

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MEETING SPEAKER



Cié Gee

Ph.D. Candidate at the
University of Texas at San Antonio

Ms. Gee is an AAUW member and a two-time AAUW SA scholarship recipient. She will speak on her dissertation, "Shadowed Road: Illuminating the Journey to Leadership for Women in Higher Education."

MEMBERSHIP

We are delighted to see so many renewing members for 2016. Thank you to the following:

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| Leslye Altermeir | Lola Hill |
| Helga Anderson | Alicia Hyk |
| Sharon Bartling | Cheryl Kelsey |
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PUBLIC POLICY

According to Heather Boushey, executive director and chief economist of the Washington Center for Equitable Growth and a member of Hillary Clinton's transition team, women have overwhelmingly entered the workforce, presenting an excess of work-life conflicts. Now it's in the financial interest of businesses and government to help working women and their families succeed. Boushey makes the financial case for reform, pointing to data that proves that policies like paid leave increase productivity in the workplace, decrease turnover, and, in turn, fuel the economy as a whole. The more working people there are, the more they're spending during their time off.

Join Adelante's Online Author Talk with Economist Heather Boushey, hosted by the Younger Women's Task Force. The discussion will entail everything from earned sick leave to affordable child care.

Thursday, October 20
6:30 pm

Free for members, \$10 for non-members

Register and get more information here:

www.aauw.org/event/2016/10/finding-time-online-book-discussion/

Monica Ruiz Mills

MEMBER FEEDBACK REQUEST

AAUW has offered states, branches and individual members another way to donate to a national program of your choice. It is called the Named Grant Honoree, but can be called whatever the branch designates. This is in lieu of sending national donations to the Fund where AAUW makes a choice of where those dollars will be spent without any feedback from the donors. Your board is considering setting up one of these new specific programs, and would like feedback from members about this idea. The overall program which can be used locally is outlined at www.aauw.org/who-we-are/support-aauw/local-impact/. Please read to the bottom of that page to see the programs that can possibly be brought to the local area by AAUW. If you have special program ideas about this new way to honor a person or the branch please pass them on to the branch's board members.

INTEREST GROUPS

MOVIEGOERS

Saturday, October 22

Sunday, November 20

Movie, time, and place announced the day before, selected by the group

Contact Fran Vettters
francesvettters@yahoo.com
210-481-7765

WANDERING WONDERS

Friday, October 28

MUSEUM REACH

Hotel Emma
at the Pearl
136 E Grayson, 78215

9:30 am Meet at Hotel Emma, by the stairs leading to the river. Walk toward downtown, 3-4 miles total.

11:30 am Lunch at Supper in Hotel Emma

1:00 pm Brief tour of Hotel Emma

In case of rain, meet at Supper at 11:30

RSVP to Helga Anderson
handerson5@satx.rr.com
210-573-8424

Friday, November 18

**TOBIN PARK
GREENWAY**

10:00 am Meet at Tobin Park trailhead parking lot (410 East access road, between Harry Wurzbach and Starcrest, across the freeway from Los Patios). 2-3 miles.

Lunch afterward at nearby Crumpets restaurant

RSVP to Nancy Anderson
anderson@loyno.edu
210-833-1291

Please let Nancy know if you will need a ride



WANDERING WONDERS

Thursday, December 15

**MUSEUM REACH
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

Hotel Emma
at the Pearl
136 E Grayson, 78215

5:00 pm Meet at Hotel Emma, by the stairs leading to the river.

7:00 pm Dinner at Cured at the Pearl

RSVP to Helga Anderson
handerson5@satx.rr.com
210-573-8424

Rain or shine. Bring umbrella.

HISTORIC SOUTHWEST

Saturday, November 12

12:00pm
DoubleTree
37 NE Loop 410, 78216

RSVP to Sophie Lim
limsoph@gmail.com

CULINARY ADVENTURES

Thursday, October 20

**ERNESTO'S
RESTAURANT**

11:30am

2559 Jackson Keller Rd
78230

RSVP to Fran Vettters
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210-481-7765

Thursday, November 17

**ZAYTUNE
MEDITERRANEAN/
PERSIAN GRILL**

11:30 am

9955 I-10 West
78230

RSVP to Fran Vettters
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210-481-7765

WINE, WOMEN & WISDOM

Thursday, October 27

**FLEMING'S
at The Quarry**

5:00 pm

255 East Basse Rd
78209

Contact Malinda Gaul
mgaul@satx.rr.com
210-410-8992

NIGHT BRIDGE

First and Third Mondays

6:45 pm

La Madeleine at Park North
722 NW Loop 410, 78216

Contact Pearl Eng
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830-438-5959

The Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women

EQUAL PAY SA SUMMIT

"This will be a day long summit of business and non-profit leaders as well as community members to discuss the impact of pay equity in our daily lives and economy. We will feature three panel discussions through the day focusing on policy surrounding pay equity, individual experiences, and creating systematic change."

Saturday, October 22
9:00am-4:00pm
TriPoint Event Center
3233 N. St Mary's St, 78212
FREE if you [REGISTER HERE](#)

BOOK DISCUSSION

Saturday, November 19

**MY SOUTHERN
JOURNEY**
by Rick Bragg

10:00 am

Host: Leslye Altemeier
155 Roseheart, 78259

RSVP to Leslye
loa639@gmail.com
210-497-6847

Our Mission: To advance equity for women and girls through **advocacy**, education, philanthropy, and research

BE A TEXAS VOTER!

Please check out the non-partisan **Voters Guides** prepared by the League of Women Voters for

Texas

www.lwvtexas.org/files/GEVG_2016_ENG.pdf

and the

San Antonio Area

www.lwvsanantonio.org/files/2016_November_Voters_Guide.pdf

Early voting is October 24-November 4. Election day is November 8.



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Web and Social Media



Please check out our website for more information including our history and how to join

sanantonio-tx.aauw.net



You can reach us via email at
AAUW.SanAntonio@gmail.com



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You can also tweet to us, with us, and retweet for us

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We would love to be added to your network at

www.linkedin.com/in/aauwsanantonio