



Happy New Year!

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Upcoming Events

Bi Branch Fellows Event

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Mark your calendar for **Sunday, February 6, 2022, from 1 - 3:30 PM** for the annual Bi-Branch Fellows event.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Meet **Ana Grande, with P F Bresee Foundation** The organization is the recipient of a 2021 Community Action Grant for their work in providing meaningful exposure to STEM education and careers for low to middle income kids.



[Click HERE for more about Ana](#)



Member Gathering with AAUW CEO and Board Leaders

Please join us for an AAUW Member Webinar on **Wednesday, January 12, at 1 p.m. PST** to kick off the New Year. You'll hear from me—your AAUW National Board Chair—and AAUW National Governance Committee Chair Malinda Gaul about the year to come, including our upcoming bylaws vote and comment period. You'll also get a special update from new AAUW CEO Gloria L. Blackwell as she reflects on our 2021 accomplishments and looks ahead to 2022 and beyond. We encourage you to submit your questions ahead of time when you register, but you can also ask questions and provide feedback during the live webinar using Zoom's Q&A function. We look forward to seeing you there!

Interest Groups



Drama Reading Group

The drama reading group will meet on **Thursday, January 20, 2022, beginning at 12:30 PM (notice early start time)**. On Zoom.

We will be reading Noel Coward's play, *Nude with Violin*. It is a light comedy of manners. There are 14 parts, so we need a lot of readers. Drama Reading books will be available for pickup on Liz's porch on Sunday, January 16th. Everyone is welcome.

Please RSVP to elisabethbathgate@icloud.com.



Evening Book Group

The Evening Book Group will meet on **Friday, February 4, 2022, at 6:30 PM. On Zoom.**

We will be discussing *Unsheltered* by Barbara Kingsolver. It's the story of two families, living in the same house during different times, forced to face precarious situations and still move forward.

Please RSVP to slaterl@sbcglobal.net

Click [HERE](#) to link to Barbara Kingsolver's website

News of the Month

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President's Message

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday with friends and family. I know I did. I live with my youngest sister, Diana and our brother Don. We decorated a small tree, in tribute, with ornaments belonging to our mom Jean who passed in 2020. This week, we divvied up the ornaments. All the siblings got their share of sentimental ornaments. It was really nice.

That's what the Board is also doing with the **bountiful legacy of \$85,000 from Patricia Ball**. Members met in November and approved an endowment of \$40,000 for the CSUEB History department to fund local scholarships in perpetuity. We all agreed that Pat, a former history teacher, would approve. The remaining \$45,000 will be invested and used for mission-based programs and events. A follow-up meeting to discuss usage will be scheduled. Stay tuned.

The **Tech Trek committee**, spear-headed by Judy Harrison needs some new blood. Most of the application process will be electronic in 2022. Our busy time is from January to April. If you like the thought of being around very smart, eager, and focused 7th grade girls this is the job for you! Contact Judy Harrison: jharrison663@comcast.net for more information.

I welcome Tammy Tribbles as our newest Corresponding Secretary. She is taking over where Barbara Jones admirably left off writing notes of comfort, congratulations, and condolence for members in need.



Public Policy

Childcare: An Overdue and Critical Investment

By Shelley Mitchell and Ginny Hatfield
AAUW California Public Policy Committee

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Member News:

If you have news about a member who needs to be congratulated on a special occasion or accomplishment, who needs to be encouraged during illness or difficult time, or to be reminded we are here for him/her, please contact our corresponding secretary, Tammy Tribbles, at Tammy@thetribbles.com

This is especially important during these pandemic times when we are isolated from our branch friends and not enjoying our usual meetings. Let's show our friends know we care.