



# Auburn AAUW Connection

## A Note from the President

### Happy Holidays - A busy time of year!

AAUW members -

We have so much going on this month and into the next. Mark your calendars and join us for all of the fun. Let us know if there is something you would like to share with our members!

And please, join us at a Board meeting or send your questions to us at [auburnaauw@gmail.com](mailto:auburnaauw@gmail.com).

**Thank you for your commitment to AAUW. We are here because of you!**

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## AUBURN AAUW Annual Holiday Luncheon December 13 - Food, Fun and Festivities

**10:30 am to 2:30 pm**  
**Max's Restaurant at the Holiday Inn**

Lunch choices: Pasta Primavera, Grilled Salmon or Chicken Parmesan

**Sign up through Zeffy** and select your meal choice.

### Shopping opens at 10:30 am - Feature Vendors

- Linda Robinson Road Show - Unique and beautiful woman's wear and accessories
- Pam Pearson - Hand cut, original designed stained glass night lights in a variety of colors
- Autumn Day Alpacas - Hand-knit wool fashions
- Baroness Olive Oil - Olive oil packages
- Squiggly Lines - Nancy Holtz's art work and note cards
- Honey Bee Company - Locally sourced and packaged honey to delight. Sweet!
- Books for Books - AAUW inspired library at the rock-bottom price of \$1! Book donations welcome.

## SAVE THE DATE or Register Today - January 31- Inter Branch Council Luncheon

The Inter Branch Council invites all members to attend its annual luncheon featuring speaker Deanna Arthur from California State AAUW and two of the AAUW Fund scholarship winners.

The invitation will be sent out in a separate e-blast as well.

**Link to the Invitation** or **Register online**

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## A Note from Membership

Season Greeting from your membership committee. You are the reason for the success of our little branch.

Thank you for all you do in your own way to grow AAUW Auburn. The outside may be dormant this time of year, however, this "branch" is not.

The Holiday party is around the corner, and I hope you all will look at both your nice and naughty lists and find a friend to invite.

We welcome all, sweet and spicy.  
Mary Lambeth, Membership Chair

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## Next AAUW Board Meeting - December 11 at 5:30 pm

The AAUW Board meets each month via zoom. Members are welcome to attend to see what's happening and to contribute ideas.

[Meeting link via Zoom - December 11 at 5:30 pm on Zoom](#)



### AAUW at the Polls

A giant thanks and shout out to all who worked at our Vote Center in November. Pam Hart and Norma Sexton were our senior aides and were working the entire time, all 4 days. A lot of members worked multiple shifts, and worked for the League of Women Voters as well. This is a fund raiser for us, as well as an important part of our democracy. My thanks to all of you.

Coordinator Bonnie Wilson

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## From a Scholarship Recipient

Annabel Easton, UCLA  
GPA 4.0

I was admitted to UCLA last year as a Neuroscience major but ended up switching my major to Psychology at orientation before my first quarter of classes. I already had quite a few of my general education classes completed through AP and Dual Enrollment classes I took during high school, and so I got to take several classes just for fun this year because I was interested in them and got to explore several different subject areas. Although I don't need these classes for my major, I took two classes in the general biology series and really enjoyed them. I also took a film class and a theater class during my Spring quarter which were super fun, and I think I may want to add a minor in one of these areas. I also took my first class for my major during Spring quarter, Psychological Statistics, and it has been exciting to get started on the classes I need for my degree.

I have also gotten to participate in some clubs and activities this year which have been very enriching to my experience. Before starting school, I was invited to attend the New Bruin Leadership Academy which was a leadership retreat for incoming first year students. I learned a lot of leadership skills there and had the opportunity to network with some of the university's staff. I have also been fortunate enough to become a member of a club called GlobeMed, which is a global health club that focuses on supporting the Mpoma Community HIV/AIDS Initiative in Uganda and works with several schools in Uganda to support water sanitation and hygiene, menstrual health, and social emotional learning for the students there. Lastly, I have been having fun as a member of HOOLIGAN Theatre Company, a club on campus that puts on theater productions open to all majors. I participated in their Winter musical, Newsies, and their Spring play, Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind. I also participated in their 24-hour musical this year, where we learned and rehearsed a production of Chicago in only 24 hours as a fundraiser for victims of the LA wildfires that happened here a few months ago.

Overall, this year has been challenging, informative, and fun. I have worked hard to maintain a 4.0 gpa while also getting to explore my interests and hobbies, make friends, and discover more about myself. Although I am not 100% sure what I want to do as a career, I have been incredibly interested in all the things I've learned this year and am hoping that my next few quarters will solidify my career decisions and also be as fun and inspirational as this year has been.

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## AAUW Auburn Groups News

### Hiking Group

Hikes twice a month. Contact Deb Sabo to get on the email list

### Bookends I

Meets 4th Wednesday of the month. Contact Susan Rushton

### Bookends II

Meets in the evening. Contact Sharon Watson-Hamilton

### Bookmarks

Meets 4th Friday at 2 pm. Contact Sue Dings

### Booksters

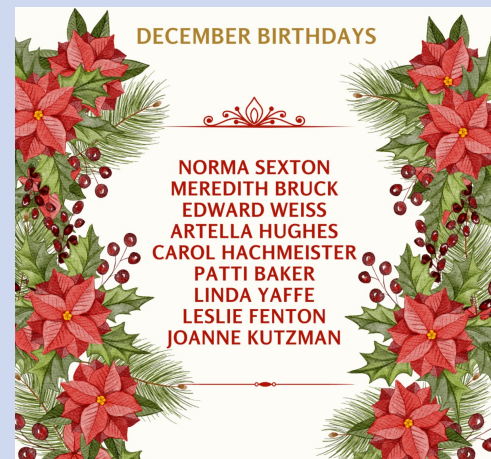
Meets 4th Tuesday at 1:30 pm. Contact Carol Francis

### Bridge Groups

One meets 2nd Wednesday and the other the 4th Wednesday at 1 pm. Contact Meredith Bruck:

## NEWS DEADLINE

The Auburn AAUW Connection will come out at the beginning of each month. Deadline to submit news, information, photos, is the 25th of each month.



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