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# Women with Vision

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*Celebrating Our 76th year!*

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## Young women with dreams become women with vision

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

Our vision: Equity for all.

Our values: Nonpartisan, fact-based, integrity, inclusion, and intersectionality.

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## *President's Message*

### **Email was sent out to members**

The annual joint meeting with our sister branches of Temecula Valley and San Jacinto-Hemet is on March 11 @ 11:30 at the Ronald Roberts Temecula Public Library. Lunch will be served. Please **download the flyer and send your RSVP and checks for \$30 directly TV-AAUW and send directly to Susan Alpern.** Note **that no cash or walk-ins please.** Some gave Patty Carlson Checks or Cash to RSVP and those have been sent directly. Those that wrote on the sign-up sheet they will PAY LATER please go ahead and process using the flyer on the link below. NOTE that the deadline for **RSVP is March 1.** IF you get an EVITE from AAUW-Fallbrook it is merely a reminder as all RSVP's and monies will be handled by Temecula Valley – AAUW. Looks like a very interesting program on Fraud and Scams and how not to be a victim.



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## *March/April Birthdays*

Mar 2 Helena Hanna

Mar 4 Anne Archer Butcher

Mar 7 Charlotte Seidman

Mar 10 Julie Norberg

Mar 28 Joy Frew

Mar 30 Kathy Bierbrauer

April 3 Nancy Heins-Glaser

April 4 Shenyn Tzuquen

April 21 Karen Langer Baker



Contact Susan Duling/Maria Viernes, Co-Chair Corresponding Secretaries if you know of any member who needs a card or a note: [susancasoduling@yahoo.com](mailto:susancasoduling@yahoo.com) text 760-390-6069 or Maria Viernes, [maria\\_viernes@yahoo.com](mailto:maria_viernes@yahoo.com)

## *Black History Month (February)*

It's inspiring to be reminded of early pioneers—but we must also remember that Black women make history every day,

### *Amanda Gorman |Poet, Activist| 1998*



An American poet and activist, Gorman made history as the youngest poet to read at a presidential inauguration in United States history, when her poem, "The Hills We Climb" catapulted her into international stardom. Raised by a single mother in Los Angeles, Gorman overcame speech and vocal impediments, crediting this challenge for her growth as a reader and writer. Known for writing work that focuses on oppression, race, feminism, marginalization and the complexities of the African Diaspora, she was inspired by Nobel Prize laureate Malala Yousafzai to become a youth delegate for the UN in 2013. In 2014, she was chosen youth poet laureate of Los Angeles and not a year later, published her first poetry book "The One for Whom Food is Not Enough". In 2017, while at Harvard College, she became recognized as the first National Youth Laureate and was awarded the OZY Genius Award

**Conversation with Amanda**, "Poetry and language are often at the heartbeat of movements for change. If we look to the Black Lives Matter protests, you see banners that say, ***"They buried us but they didn't know we were seeds"***. That's poetry being marshaled to speak of racial justice. If you analyze Martin Luther King's "[I Have a Dream](#)" speech, it's a great document of rhetoric that's also a great document of poetry,

of imagery, of song. Never underestimate [the power of art](#) as the language of the people.”

## Marian Croak.

**You probably don't know her name but you should.**

Marian Croak is behind the tech that enables us to talk on FaceTime, Zoom, and other apps that connect friends, family and others around the globe. Marian Croak from the Great Class of 1977 holds the patent for Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP), which helps us make calls over the internet instead of a phone line. Marian Croak has spent her life inventing. After graduating from #princetonuniversity and earning her Ph.D. from #uscedu, she worked at Bell Labs-Nokia in New Jersey, creating technologies “in service of humanity.” She went on to work for AT&T and is now vice president of engineering at Google.



In 2022, Marian, owner of 200+ U.S. patents, was one of the first two Black women to be inducted to the National Inventors Hall of Fame. Among her inventions is the text-to-donate function that her team helped create in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, which has helped to raise millions of dollars since its inception in 2005. Croak also leads the Research Center for Responsible AI and Human Centered Technology at Google, which “ensures that Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning positively impacts users and the world, particularly marginalized communities.”

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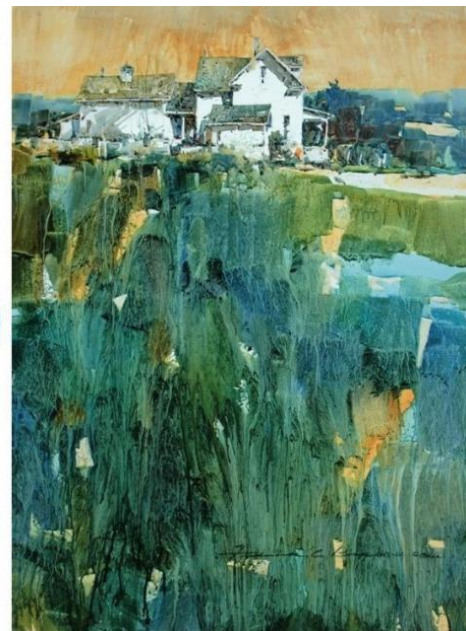
3 or 6 hour shifts in our beautiful gallery

Interested? Please call: Elizabeth Leader 858 531-2577

## American Watercolor Society's Travel Exhibition with 'An Artful Home'

**Presented in The Janice Griffiths Gallery Open Daily Through March 12th**

The Fallbrook Art Center is proud to be the only West Coast venue to show 40 paintings from New York's American Watercolor Society's 155th annual travel exhibition.



# *AAUW Board Meeting Minutes*

## AAUW Board Meeting Summary

***No board meeting notes this month as meeting was cancelled***

### AAUW Program Plans for the First Quarter of 2023

**Saturday March 11 11:30 am** Annual joint meeting with AAUW-Temecula Branch. Location at Library on Pauba Road in Temecula. More information to follow!

## *Programs - Newsletter February 2023*

Patty Gibson Carlson and Diane Summers Co-Chairs

Members- Margot Dokken, Carolyn Thom, Nancy Heins-Glazer

We had a well-attended and interesting meeting on AAUW Public Policy. Gratitude to AAUW members Joy Frew and Chris Assad for doing a terrific job, as well as handling some engaging questions from our members. The call to action was something AAUW-CA has as the 10-minute advocate. If you missed the meeting or want to know more



about AAUW-CA public policy, follow this link: <https://www.aauw-ca.org/public-policy/>

Alice Orr & Maria Viernes and the hospitality team put out a lovely Valentine Days themed snacks and coffee. Great job as always and thank you.

Public Policy Meeting – Speakers Joy Frew and Chris Assad

**Our next meeting on March 11 @ 11:30** is a Joint Meeting with our sister branch of AAUW Temecula Valley – San Jacinto-Hemet. The meeting includes lunch at \$30 per

person. Email was sent to all members with the flyer and all information to RSVP and send in the fee directly to AAUW Temecula Valley. Speaker is Kalina Cox, Community Program Specialist, County of Riverside on Anti-Fraud & Scams. No cash or walk-ins and RSVP by March 1.

**Saturday April 1, 2023 10:30 AM – NEW TIME** - Note that at the February meeting the majority in attendance wanted the meetings to start at 10:30 am rather than 10:00. Our speaker will be the Superintendent for Fallbrook Union High School District. She will update on the current progress the district making since Covid and future plans for Fallbrook High.

**May 6 includes installation** of the new board and officers with include a luncheon in the event room at the new restaurant in town, La Cucina. The meeting will start at 11:30am. We are so happy that we have our speaker be, Anne Hoiberg, she is an AAUW member and the San Diego Women's Hall of Fame Activist she will be speaking to us about Refuge Women.

## *Fallbrook AAUW New Member*

We are happy to welcome our newest member, Maritza Gonzalez, to our Chapter.



Maritza received her Bachelor's in Business and her Master's Degree in Public Administration from the University of Phoenix. She works as a Sr. Representative Financial Coach with Primerica Financial Services. Previously, she was a professional school bus driver for 22 years and was very much involved with her union affairs at that time. Maritza is currently Secretary for her union's Retiree Council, an Ambassador for the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce and a member of Fallbrook Village

Toastmasters where she serves as Vice-President of Membership.

Maritza has stepped right up to be an active, contributing member of AAUW. She participates in many of our monthly activities, and recently served as one of the judges for the Mentoring Program's Annual Speech Contest.

Thanks for joining us, Maritza - and for bringing your friendly, enthusiastic spirit to our group!

Carlene Friesen  
Membership Chair

## *Branch Webpage*

Please check out our Fallbrook Branch Webpage at [www.Fallbrook-CA.AAUW.net](http://www.Fallbrook-CA.AAUW.net)

Newsletters are added ASAP. Click on Newsletter Tab, hover cursor over month and click to read.

If you have a photo of LESS than 3.0 Mb that you would like to see on our webpage, email it at LESS than 3Mb to [susancasoduling@yahoo.com](mailto:susancasoduling@yahoo.com) with the accompanying text/names/date and where, location/tab on webpage you want it added.

There are several items that need updating. Please send updated TEXT and information to Susan in a WORD document. This is a Word Press webpage: if you can help, please contact Susan.

## *AAUW Fallbrook Tech Trek 2023*

The 2023 AAUW Fallbrook Tech Trek Scholarship process is in full swing. Nominations from STEM teachers at Potter Junior High and Sullivan Middle school have been received for 23 students. These students are now receiving parents' permission to apply and then will start the CampDoc Application. Once the applications are complete, our scholarship committee will review the applications and invite selected students to the interview portion, around March 26, 2023, when 5 students will be selected to receive scholarships to attend residential STEM camp for a week at Whittier College. More details to follow as we continue through the process!

Sharon Robinson

AAUW Fallbrook

Tech Trek Branch Coordinator 2023

## *DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION*

Thank you to everyone who attended the DEI luncheon February 15. We enjoyed a nice lunch and conversations. This was the kickoff for this new group as part of AAUW's promise to focus on diversity this year. We had a great time getting to know each other's ethnic stories and delighted in meeting our guest, Margie's sister-in-law who has recently moved to Fallbrook from Iran. We will have our next meeting March 15 at my house from 10 to 12. Everyone is welcome!

Submitted by Diane Summers

Diversity Chair



# Arts in the Park

AAUW will be helping with the Arts in the Park this year! We will have the fun clay activity for the kids. I helped last year and had a blast! We will need all hands-on deck for this so please let me know your commitment for a time slot ASAP! Both mentees and mentors! Husbands are welcome too! You will be helping set up and aide kids in using the clay and some will help clean up at the end of the day. Time slots will be two hours and we need 4-5 people each time slot.



## ARTS IN THE PARK

APRIL 11:00-3:00

## LIVE OAK PARK

Please email me with your time slot

10:00-12:00. Set up

12:00-2:00

2:00-4:00. Clean up

Put it on your calendar and plan to have a lot of fun!

Carolyn Thom

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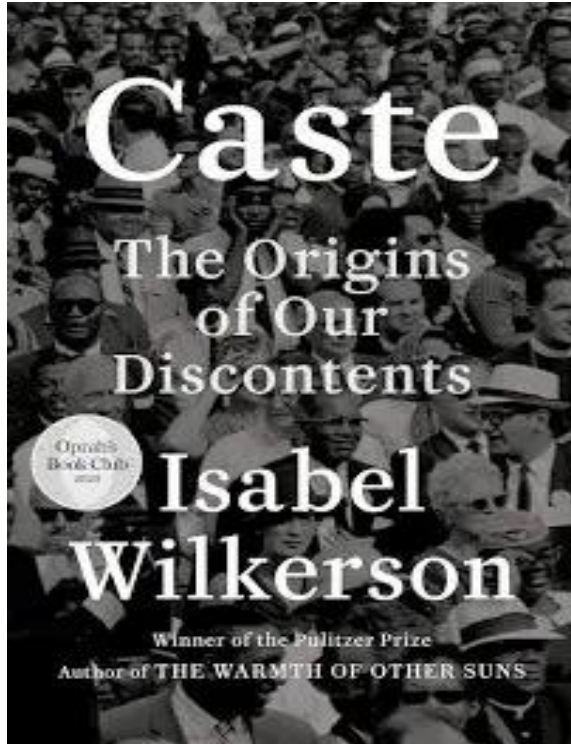


## Book Club (Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 10:30)

*The Bibliobabes*, as we affectionately call the members of our Fallbrook AAUW book club, continue to meet monthly.

March 20 - Margie's selection, "Caste", by Isabel Wilkerson

In *Caste*, Isabel Wilkerson argues that the racial tensions in the United States are better explained through the lens of caste, not race—a 400-year-old hierarchy placing white people at the top and Black people at the bottom. Wilkerson examines the different caste systems around the world and how they damage the lives of everyone involved, even those at the top. She believes that to understand how to move forward, we must examine the past and the racial structures that keep progress as a nation at bay.



In this guide, we'll explore the basics of Wilkerson's caste theory, the eight tenets of a caste system, how the caste system affects the lives of people in the upper and lower castes, and how we can move away from caste and create a more equitable society.

## Movie Group

Our February Movie was "A Man Called Otto" with Tom Hanks. We had a wonderful potluck full of hearty contributions at the home of Diane and Michael Summers! I led the discussion with my husband, Paul Schumann.

The following Movie Review will be on Friday, March 17th. We moved it from the second Tuesday to avoid the AAUW overwhelm of everything happening the same weekend!

## MARCH AAUW MOVIE REVIEW

### Movie: 80 for Brady

Reviewers: Susan and John Duling

Hosts: Carole Hodges and Paul Schumann

March 17, 2023 - 6:00 pm

Bring a pot-luck dish to share and your choice of beverage

Location: Casa de Sol

2155 Sunrise View Rd., Fallbrook

**RSVP to [Carole@CaroleHodges.com](mailto:Carole@CaroleHodges.com) or 310-471-5219**

AUW Movie Review Group



## *Hiking Group*

The hiking group is back on the trail! Our last hike was exploring Gird Road and the Monserate trail behind the winery. Of course, we had lunch and some wine after our hike!

We are going to venture out once a month to new places around north county. Here are the proposed hikes for the rest of January and February. Go to All Trails on line to find out more info on these hikes. You can always contact Carolyn Thom for more details or to get on our email list.

All of course are weather permitting. I am using a later start time for hikes that are further away. I will send reminders and more info if needed before each hike. I hope to see you there!

Carolyn Thom

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