

The History of Women's Suffrage

Saturday, August 22, 2020 ~ 7:00 pm
Via Zoom – details on our website

After a hard-fought series of votes in the U.S. Congress and in state legislatures, the **Nineteenth Amendment** became part of the U.S. Constitution on August 18, 1920. To mark this year's centennial of Women's Suffrage, Bonnie J. Morris, PhD, will offer a lively history of the arguments FOR and AGAINST women's suffrage, taking us back to 19th century attitudes toward women in politics and public life.



Dr. Morris is currently a lecturer at UC Berkeley and the author of sixteen books, including *Women's History for Beginners* which was broadcast on C-Span. Her book *The Feminist Revolution* was selected by Oprah magazine as top reading for Women's History Month. She has taught women's history for over 25 years at various universities and has been a guest lecturer for the Library of Congress and the State Department.

Zoom details will be posted on our website – open to the public

Co-sponsored by Saratoga Library and Los Gatos-Saratoga branch of AAUW

Potluck Lunch Cancelled

Due to the restrictions on large gatherings, we have cancelled the annual potluck lunch scheduled for Tuesday, July 21. This is always a popular event and we will miss seeing you all. Over the summer the Board will be looking at all the branch activities and determining some priorities for the coming year. Your input and suggestions would be most welcome! You may send your ideas to any of the Board members listed in your directory.

Our Branch website is <https://losgatos-saratoga-ca.aauw/net>

Officer Nominations for 2020-2021

The following members have been nominated for 2020-2021:

Co-President – Sumi Tanabe
Co-President – Marlene Lamb
Financial VP/Treasurer – Lynn Sprague
Secretary – Mara Otlans
AAUW Fund VP – Judy Borlase
Membership VP – Virginia Turner
Membership Treasurer – Louise Quenon



The election will be held differently this year because of shelter-in-place restrictions.

- Members who receive the **Grapevine by mail** will receive a separate mailing with a return card for voting.
- Members who receive the **Grapevine electronically** will receive instructions on voting online via SurveyMonkey.

Please vote no later than June 5, 2020. Officers will serve through June 30, 2021.

We would love to have other members step forward to help run our branch and keep us strong and active. Would you be willing to serve in one of the open positions? Many positions can be shared, and we will be happy to give you information about the duties of each position.

President Elect – **open**
Program VP – **open**

If you have any questions about an open position, , please contact Virginia Turner, VP – Membership, at 408-866-4234 or vturner@sbcglobal.net. Thank you for voting.

AAUW MISSION STATEMENT

AAUW advances gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

This is a Presidential Election Year

Make sure your voter registration is up to date, particularly if you have recently moved. Women fought hard for a long time in order to get the vote. Make sure that you exercise that right in November. Every vote does count!

Membership Renewal for 2020-2021



Packets were mailed early in May to renew your AAUW membership for 2020-2021. You can make optional contributions to our local projects – Tech Trek, Local Scholarships, and the Committee on Homeless Women and Children – at the same time. For more information, contact Virginia Turner, Membership VP, at vturner@sbcglobal.net or phone 408-866-4234. Please respond by **June 30, 2020** to make sure you are included in the Directory.

Interest Group Leaders Needed

One of the best ways to connect with AAUW is through our committees and special interest groups. New members can socialize with people who share a common interest -- hiking, bridge, or reading -- or help support women more directly through scholarships, Tech Trek, or agencies working with homeless women and children. Many members first learn about AAUW through these groups and committees. We encourage prospective members to “try out” AAUW by attending a session or two of any interest group or committee.

Now we need to update the list of group leaders for our directory. Please contact Virginia Turner at 408-866-4234 or vturner@sbcglobal.net with the details for your group: Who is the contact person for 2020-2021? When will you meet? Where are your meetings? Thank you very much.

Advertising in Our Directory

Do you or a family member have a business that would like to reach AAUW members? We have space in our 2020-2021 Directory for a few more advertisers and would love to include them. Give their contact information to Virginia Turner at vturner@sbcglobal.net and she will send them all the details. Advertisements offset the cost to print and distribute the Directory.



A Reminder from the Treasurer



Have you incurred any expenses for AAUW this year that have not yet been reimbursed? Please send your receipt and request for reimbursement to Lynn Sprague, Treasurer, before June 30 so that she can wrap up the books for 2019-2020.

June, 2020

- 1 **Monday** **Board Meeting.** Meets **3:00 pm via Zoom.** Please contact Virginia Turner, 408-866-4234, for information. **All members are welcome!**
- 2 **Tuesday** **Conversations in Spanish.** Please contact Chair, Nancy Anderson, 408-368-3805, for information.
- 4 **Thursday** **Scenic Hikes and Walks – Trail Cleanup.** Meet promptly, **9:00 AM,** Los Gatos, Northside lot off Saratoga-Los Gatos Rd, behind Starbucks and Petco. Contact Kay Duffy, 408-867-0508, or Jane Bishop, 408-656-7796. **Seeking New Hikers!**
- 9 **Tuesday** **Committee on Homeless Women and Children.** Sheltering in place until further notice. Please contact Chair, Nancy Anderson, 408-368-3805, for information.
- 11 **Thursday** **Scenic Hikes and Walks – Elkhorn Slough.** An easy walk, keeping 6 ft. apart, in an interesting wildlife Sanctuary near Moss Landing. Lots of seabirds and seals and a fascinating succulent garden. Contact Kay Duffy, 408-867-0508, or Jane Bishop, 408-656-7796 for information on time and where to meet. **Seeking New Hikers!**
- 17 **Wednesday** **Let's Do Lunch.** Sheltering in place until further notice. Please contact Chair, Joanna Yates, 408-395-2950, for more information.
- 19 **Friday** **AM Book Review.** Meets **9:30 am via Zoom.** Discuss a book, good or bad, with others in the group. Contact Chair, Margaret Bard, 408-377-6625 or margaretbard@gmail.com. **Come and Find Your Next Great Read!**
- 23 **Tuesday** **Conversations in Spanish.** Please contact Chair, Nancy Anderson, 408-368-3805. **Visitors are Welcome.**
- 23 **Tuesday** **Film Buffs.** No meeting in June. Contact Chair, Marlene Lamb, 408-356-8441.
- 25 **Thursday** **Back by Noon Hike.** Meet promptly, **9 AM, Los Gatos,** Northside lot. Contact Kay Duffy, 408-867-0508 or Jane Bishop 408-356-7796. **Seeking New Hikers!**



July, 2020

- 7 **Tuesday** **Conversations in Spanish.** Please contact the Chair. Nancy Anderson, 408-368-3805, for information.
- 9 **Thursday** **Scenic Hikes and Walks – Sempervirens Falls, Big Basin Park.** A lovely cool 5-mile loop under the redwoods, lunch by the falls, always maintaining 6 ft distancing. Contact Kay Duffy, 408-867-0508, or Jane Bishop, 408-656-7796, for details on where to meet. **New Hikers Welcome!**
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- 11 **Tuesday** **Committee on Homeless Women and Children.** Planning to hold Summer Potluck at 6:00 pm, at Nancy Anderson's house. This will depend on status of "sheltering in place" order. Contact Chair, Nancy Anderson, 408-368-3805 for more information.
- 13 **Thursday** **Scenic Hikes and Walks – Half Moon Bay Coastal Walk.** Easy explorative walk along the bay coast, maintaining 6ft. distancing. Perhaps a late seafood lunch or early dinner at Barbara's Fish Trap, if open for diners. Contact Kay Duffy, 408-867-0508, or Jane Bishop, 408-656-7796, for time and location to meet. **Seeking New Hikers!**
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The Woman Who Originally Discovered Coronavirus

Scientific pioneer **June Almeida** is finally being acknowledged for virology breakthroughs she made a half-century ago. June's work has come roaring back into focus during the present pandemic. COVID-19 is a new illness but it is caused by a coronavirus of the type first identified by Dr. Almeida in 1964 at her laboratory in St Thomas's Hospital in London. At the time she gained a reputation for extending the range of the electron microscope to new limits. June Almeida died in 2007, at the age of 77. Now 13 years after her death she is finally getting the recognition she deserves as a pioneer whose work speeded up an understanding of the virus that is currently spreading throughout the world.

Perhaps a woman will discover a cure for COVID-19!