



# LODI BRANCH CORDON

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## Executive Board

### 2019-2020

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#### **Vice-Presidents**

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#### **Newsletter**

Nancy Mellor

(Carolyn Ross, Proof)

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**Ginny Pelton**

Coronavirus is a new word that has become an everyday word to most of us. There are many myths and truths circulating. The most important for all of us in the health scare group is to wash our hands with soap and water and stay in our homes. **Please be safe and hope to see you next month.**

It has been brought to the attention of the board that some of the members have been upset with some of the speakers lately. We are trying to correct this situation. Please remember that we are a group of educated women who have the power to make our own decisions with the information that is presented to us.

## **AAUW Installation Dinner**

Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the Parkview Terrace Clubhouse

Menu (catered by Bueno Italiano Café)

Apple Walnut Salad

Pesto Tortellini and Ravioli with Meat Sauce

Barbeque Tri-Tip

Italian Bread

Wine

Cookie

Iced Tea and Coffee

Reservation information

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Reservation needs to be made and paid by May 8, 2020

(Reservation made is a reservation paid)

Reservations and payments should be mailed to:

Julie Thompson

837 Cypress Run

Woodbridge, Ca 95258

If you have questions, please contact Sue Pixler at 366-0242 or Elena Wong at 263-7888

(Should the directive for Coronavirus isolation continue, notice of postponement or cancellation will occur and checks will be returned to AAUW members.)

## BIRTHDAY CLUB

Joanne Cobb and Sally Irizary, EF Chairs

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL

#### APRIL 6 GRACE BULL

Famous woman born on this day: KATE HURD-MEAD (1867-1941), a physician from 1888-1925 as well as a historian of woman in history.

#### APRIL 16 JULIE THOMPSON

Famous woman born on this day: ISABEL BARROWS (1845-1913), an eye surgeon who supported reform work for American Indians and blacks.

#### APRIL 24 JULIE WOLF

Famous woman born on this day: BARBARA STREISAND (1942- ), singer, actress, and producer.

#### APRIL 25 LAURIE JONES

Famous woman born on this day: ELLA FITZGERALD (1918-1996), an International star singing Blues, Dixieland, and Calypso.

#### APRIL 27 LINDA SATTLER

Famous woman born on this day: MARY FERRIN (1810-1881,) an advocate for women's rights who worked for married women's property rights.

PLEASE add your name to the AAUW Birthday Club in honor of your birthday. By joining, you are helping to advance equity for women and girls.

**REMEMBER...BIRTHDAYS ARE GOOD FOR YOU.  
THE MORE YOU HAVE THE LONGER YOU LIVE!**



**Birthday Flower—the sweet pea, which is said to symbolize pleasure, gratefulness, and good-byes.**

## 2020-2021 AAUW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Nominations were approved by the AAUW board of directors at the March 11 meeting and were scheduled to be approved by the membership at the March 17 meeting, which was canceled.

**Co-Presidents:** Ginny Pelton and *Elena Wong*

**Program Vice Presidents:** Sue Pixler and *Kristina Swanson*

**Membership Vice Presidents:** Suzanne Talbot, Nancy Martinez, and Becky Greider

**Recording Secretaries:** Leigh Ramsey, Board Meetings; Roberta Williams, General Meetings

**Corresponding Secretary:** *Maija French*

**Treasurer:** Julie Thompson

**Membership Treasurer:** Linda Hammons

**Newsletter:** Nancy Mellor

## FIFTY YEAR MEMBERSHIP HONOREES

Linda Hammons, Membership Treasurer

Amazing to contemplate, but we have five members who have belonged to AAUW for 50 YEARS!! At the May Installation, we will be recognizing **Sally Simpson**, who will receive her Honorary Life Membership. Sally joined in July of 1969. Also receiving 50-year pins (but one more year before official Honorary Life status) are **Sheila Dunn, Margy Gish, Christy Reinold, and Joanne Donovan**. It has been our good fortune to have had their shining presence and many, many invaluable contributions to our branch and community over the years!



On the Move Walkers the day before cancellations began.

## 2020-2021 Membership Dues

Linda Hammons, Membership Treasurer

AAUW's new fiscal year started March 15th, so we are now requesting membership dues for the coming year. Please consider paying your dues online with a credit or debit card. There's no check to write and mail— plus you simplify your Treasurer's and Membership Treasurer's lives immeasurably! From the AAUW website, I have requested that email invoices be sent to all members who owe dues. It will come from **aauw.org**, and should be titled: **AAUW Membership Renewal for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**. It contains your membership information and how to renew. You'll see:

- 1) There are two ways to renew.
- 2) To renew online, [click HERE to renew with your credit or debit card!](#)
- 3) To renew by check: Make your check payable to AAUW, and mail it to your branch finance officer listed below.

Click on the link [click HERE to renew with your credit or debit card](#), and you're linked right to the payment page on the AAUW site, which is secure. Your personal information and the amount owed are already filled in for you. Just enter:

Type of credit card  
 Number (**no spaces between numbers!**)  
 Expiration date  
 Three-digit security code

Click the NEXT button to review what you entered, and then the SUBMIT button to finish!

If you have questions, difficulty, or don't receive the email invoice, please call me at 369-7122.

Members who renew online will have **two chances** to win one of the two free memberships at the Installation Dinner on May 19th. Members who pay by check at the dinner or before will have **one chance**. You need not be present to win. Many thanks for your help and your continuing membership!!

**Tax Deductibility of Dues** The AAUW website advises that national membership dues are \$59, of which \$56 is tax deductible as a charitable contribution. The remaining \$3 is not tax deductible because it supports the AAUW Action Fund's Capitol Hill Lobby Corps and get-out-the-vote activities. AAUW national life membership is \$1,180 and is fully tax deductible.

## BE INFORMED

Margy Gish

Fellow AAUW member and LUSD elementary teacher, Wendy Buchanan, was our March speaker. Wendy showed and told us about her experience in receiving a cochlear implant, which enables her to hear. Wendy lost most of her hearing from a high temperature when she was 15 months old and learned to compensate by becoming a very good lip reader along with various hearing devices. Eventually her hearing became more and more impaired, and since she was a good candidate for a cochlear implant, she decided to give it a try in one ear. A whole new adventure was ahead.

Following the surgery, all Wendy heard for several months were loud, undecipherable noises. With her husband's help, she had to relearn and retrain her brain to hear all the nuances of sound. Just a few months ago she had the second ear implanted, and it was a much easier adjustment. It made a tremendous difference in her ability to hear well and improved her balance. Wendy's obvious happiness and excitement, as well as the loving efforts of her husband in this successful experience, made the program one of joy and celebration, as well as education.

Welcome to **Juelle-Ann Boyer**, our newest member

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Cell: 510-715-6002

Email: [juelleannboyer@gmail.com](mailto:juelleannboyer@gmail.com)



## LOCAL RESPONSE TO COVID 19

Nancy Mellor

**AAUW members are involved in helping Lodi in various ways.** Here are a few ways in which you can help Lodi get through the current situation.

**What are you doing that will help us all get through tough times and help us add more meaning to our days? Let me know and when I get enough suggestions, I'll send out an email blast to the membership.**

**Pat Drouin and Elise Forbes are making face masks for visitors and others at Lodi Memorial Hospital.** The masks can be made from cotton cloth, interfacing, and elastic using one of the patterns available on line. Completed masks can be dropped off at Pat Drouin's house. Call either Pat or Elise for more information.

**Nancy Mellor is joining her neighbors** at five in the afternoon for a front yard—across the street chat.

**Sylvia Mayorga suggests that we support our locally-owned restaurants.** Several of the restaurants, which are owned or operated by people in our community, are struggling to stay open and to pay their employees. The restaurants listed below have modified their services to include take-out, curbside delivery, or delivery to your home. Each restaurant offers its own accommodations to replace traditional dining. There are more restaurants that are open—this is just the beginning! **(Carolyn Ross suggests that you check out this link on making sure that take-out food is virus-free: <https://youtu.be/ZYOnnZ13Syg>**

### Michael David Winery Café and Farm Store

Route 12, west of Lodi  
Tel 368-7384

### Yume Japanese Cuisine

2401 W Turner Road, Lodi  
Tel 224-5169

### Corner Scone

322 N California Street, Lodi  
Tel 747-3418

### Thai Spices

2401 W Turner Road  
Tel 369-8424

### Bon Appetit French Café

1012 W Lodi Avenue, Lodi  
Tel 367-5930

### Brick House—One Stop Shop for several restaurants, breweries, and wineries in downtown Lodi

27 W Elm St, Lodi  
Tel 426-5871

### Thai Kitchen

107 N Sacramento Street, Lodi  
Tel 625-8373

### Honey Treat Yogurt (part of a local chain)

201 W Lodi Avenue, Lodi  
Tel 369-8072