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Anacortes Library Meeting Room

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Join us at 6:45 for coffee and conversation. At 7:00 our meeting will begin as we welcome glass artist Shelley Muzylowski Allen as part of a joint Anacortes Library Art program. Ms. Muzylowski has a B.F.A in Painting and Intaglio from the Emily Carr Institute of Art & Design and has established a glass and sculpture studio with her husband, artist Rik Allen.

President's message

We are off to a great start with two excellent programs. The Alliance for International Women was an informative program regarding the education and role of women in Afghanistan and showcasing the importance of mentoring. Closer to home we heard from the Tech Trek students in October as they shared their summer STEM camp experiences and highlighted the exciting role these AAUW camps play in their education.

In November our program takes a different direction as we feature a local artist. Our program co-vice presents, Karen and Nelle, have worked diligently to present a wide scope of interesting speakers. We are proud to offer educational programs and forums to the Anacortes community as part of our branch mission. Invite your friends and neighbors to attend with you.

In December we host the annual Jingle Bell Dash which supports STEM awards. Posters will be available at the meeting and we hope that you will help distribute them around Anacortes. We will not have a program meeting in December, but I hope to see many of you at the holiday potluck. Spouses and guests are welcome.

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Peggie Hunnicutt 11/6
Judith Rolston 11/7
Bunny Heiner 11/10
Renee Shain 11/29

Skyline Cabana Holiday Potluck
Thursday, December 12, 6:00 P.M.
Mark your calendars now for this festive fellowship event.



Bring your favorite dish!



Are you missing a table? One of our branch members provided a white folding table, about three by six feet when extended, for use during the membership booth sessions at the Anacortes Farmers' market in July and September. I am sorry that I cannot remember who it belongs to. So, if this is your table, please call Bunny Heiner at 360-293-4120, to make arrangements to get it returned to its rightful home. Thank you, Bunny.



At our January Book Talk meeting, the topic is True Crime. An article from Wikipedia explains what defines a book as true crime. Hopefully you will find one that interests you. If you have any questions, contact Linda Hendrick at 360-293-6518.

From Wikipedia: True crime books often center on sensational, shocking, or strange events, particularly murder. Even though murder makes up less than 20% of reported crime, it is present in most true crime stories. Typically, these books report on a crime from the beginning of its investigation to its [legal proceedings](#). Serial killers have been a highly profitable sub-genre. An informal survey conducted by [Publishers Weekly](#) in 1993 concluded that the more popular true crime books focus on serial killers, with the more gruesome and grotesque content performing even better.

Some true crime works are "instant books" produced quickly to capitalize on popular demand; these have been described as "more than formulaic" and hyper-conventional. Others may reflect years of thoughtful research and inquiry and may have considerable [literary merit](#).

A milestone of the genre was [Norman Mailer's](#) [The Executioner's Song](#) (1979), which was the first book in the genre to win a [Pulitzer Prize](#).

Other prominent true crime accounts include [Truman Capote's](#) [In Cold Blood](#),^[9] the best-selling true crime book of all time [Helter Skelter](#), by the lead [Manson family](#) prosecutor [Vincent Bugliosi](#) and [Curt Gentry](#); and [Ann Rule's](#) [The Stranger Beside Me](#), about [Ted Bundy](#). An example of a modern true crime book is [I'll Be Gone in the Dark](#) by [Michelle McNamara](#).

In 2006, [Associated Content](#) stated that since the start of the [21st century](#), the genre of writing that was growing the quickest was true crime. Much of this is due to the ease of recycling materials and the publication of numerous volumes by the same authors differing only by minor updates. The majority of readers of true crime books are women.

Non-violent true crime books: <https://dbri.bibliocommons.com/list/share/679797892/1329999809>

Goodreads True Crime with categories: <https://www.goodreads.com/genres/true-crime>

40 Best True Crime Books of All Time (Sometimes reality is more frightening—and more intriguing—than any novel.) From Keith Rice on ReaditForward.com
<https://www.readitforward.com/essay/article/best-true-crime-books-of-all-time/>

50 essential True Crime Books from AbeBooks.com <https://www.abebooks.com/books/50-essential-true-crime-books/index.shtml>