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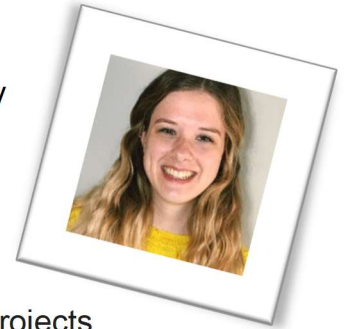
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Join us for the first meeting of our AAUW calendar year on September 8, at 7:00 p.m. We are pleased to offer our program both **in-person** at the Anacortes Library meeting room and **on Zoom**. Our program speaker will be Gracie Ermi, a Research Engineer at the Allen Institute for Artificial Intelligence in Seattle, where she builds technology platforms to support wildlife



research. Her work saves researchers' time in interpreting

and collecting data, so that they can work more efficiently. She's worked on projects related to sharks, elephants, killer whales and bottlenose dolphin. As an Ambassador for the American Association for the Advancement of Science IF/THEN Initiative, Gracie shares her work and her STEM story with audiences around the world. Gracie holds both a B.S. and a M.S. in computer science from Western Washington University, and when she is not writing code, she enjoys knitting and hiking in the incredible Pacific Northwest.

Please stay for a brief business meeting following our program and consider the following in preparation for a vote:



At the recent leadership planning meeting, the board voted to add a new component to our branch called "Friends of AAUW Anacortes." We believe this group of potential supporters will bring their time and talents to our committees and expand our volunteer base. There will

be no educational requirement and, although these supporters would be able to participate in and lead committees, they would not be able to hold an elected office. We are recommending an annual supporter fee be charged. The board desires this matter come to a vote at the September meeting. Whether you attend in-person or on-line, you will be asked to cast a vote on this proposal.

National is modifying the color palette for its logo, webpages etc. to meet ADA standards. More information will be made available in the next few weeks. Branches are not required to make the switch, but anything provided by National (website, etc.) will use the new red/black scheme.



ADA signage color contrast requirements state that signs must have a recommended **70% contrast** between the background color and characters or letters. This means that the signs can be in any color combination as long as those two colors are light and dark and contrast each other by at least 70%. Should we consider changing our logo colors to meet this standard?

Registration is open for the Fall Webinar Series. Full-series price is \$50 members/\$60-non-members and an individual webinar price (\$15/\$20). Here's the link to register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/aauw-wa-fall-webinar-series-tickets-401674127127>



Many Branches are gearing up for the general election in November and the State Public Policy Team is ready to help. The Washington on-line branch created a [2022 AAUW-WA Issues Candidate Comparison template](#) you can use to review candidates' positions on key AAUW-WA policy issues.



Do you attend our local school board meetings? We would love to include a brief report on relevant matters at our meetings and in the newsletter.

A limited number of photo directories was requested this year and will be distributed at the September meeting. Although it is possible to see a pdf of our directory in the member section of our branch website, an excel spreadsheet with the names and contact information of current members has been attached to this newsletter for your convenience.

Volunteers Needed

- For our annual membership booth at the Farmers' Market on September 17
- Five volunteers to be part of a Tech Trek committee that begins meeting in January
 - Table hosts for selling calendars at the Nutcracker Gift Show in November
 - Members interested in creating a STEM committee for 8th grade awards



The board has earmarked the following goals for this year. Our focus will be on increasing membership by at minimum of 10%, filling vacant committee chair positions, updating bylaws, and supporting and re-defining our committees.

How will you help us achieve these goals?



Long-time member and friend, Jane Crannell, passed away on July 14 at 101 years old. She joined AAUW in 1989 and shared her story with us at a meeting where we learned what a fascinating life she led. Jane taught three years in Pinellas County schools, then like many other educated girls wanting to help end WWII, she enlisted in the Marine Corps Women's Reserve and worked in Washington, DC as a Clerk-Typist. During her tenure there, she was fortunate to meet President Harry Truman, when she sang at the White House with a service quartet.

In 1946, her Marine, Murray Crannell, came back from the Pacific. They married and moved to New York's Adirondacks where they had two children and lived in Hudson Falls, NY. Jane obtained her master's degree in teaching and taught fourth grade in Hudson Falls for twenty years.

Her favorite pastimes were gardening and riding trails on the couple's two blooded horses. Retirement brought many interesting miles of road trips throughout the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

After Murray's passing in 1987, Jane became a tutor for Literacy Volunteers of America and a construction volunteer for Habitat for Humanity. In later life, she moved to Anacortes, WA to be near her daughter who lives on Orcas Island. She enjoyed her contacts with the American Association of University Women, the Methodist Church and the Anacortes School District.

A Tribute To Jane

On Wednesday, September 14, at 11:00 a.m., the United Methodist Church singers will be holding a Zoom meeting to sing some of Jane's favorite hymns. Our routine is to mute everyone except our choir director who sings and plays her instrument, or she plays a video of the hymn selection. We can un-mute if we have comments to make about the music or tell stories about Jane. We would welcome participants from AAUW who wish to participate in this special event. Contact Judy Higgins and give her your e-mail address and she will send you a link to the site just prior to September 14.



How do I log in to my AAUW account?

To access your account, click the "Log In" at the top right corner of the website or visit my.aauw.org. The first time you log in, you'll need to reset your password by clicking the "Forgot Password" link. Once you create a password and log in, you can update your profile by clicking "Edit Profile" in the menu on the left side of the screen.

How do I Reset my AAUW account password?

Enter your email address, then click RESET YOUR PASSWORD. For help, please contact connect@aauw.org.

Our goal is to equip all our members with an understanding of how to use the AAUW Hub so everyone can renew their membership on-line next year. If you need additional help, please let a board member know. Someone will work with you. There are many advantages to checking the national website. Please check it out!