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### **September Membership Meeting**

featuring

#### **Sharon Watkins**

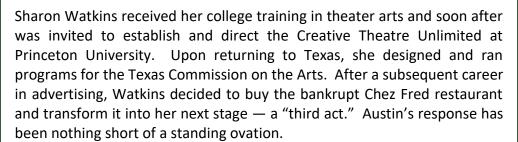
Owner, Chez Zee Restaurant

When: Saturday, September 10, 10:00 a.m.

Where: Balcones Country Club, 8600 Balcones Club Dr.

Cost: \$30.00

Contact: Judy Reinhart, jareinhart@att.net



Chez Zee serves a wide range of American fare with southern regional influences and plenty of locally sourced ingredients. The bistro is also highly acclaimed for its sumptuous weekend brunch, heavenly desserts and stellar wines. Over twenty-five sumptuous dessert specialties such as Lemon Rosemary Cake and Crème Brulee French Toast draw people in from all over the region.

Running a busy restaurant for (almost) 30 years has not slowed Sharon down. Besides her busy "job" at Chez Zee, she actively supports several arts and nonprofits in Austin in a leadership capacity. She was the founding president of the Austin Public Library Foundation. She was in the Leadership Austin class of 1993. She served on the board of The Long Center and is currently in the Austin Area Research Association. She was on the Austin Arts Commission from 1999 to 2001 and served on the Seton Cove and KLRU Boards among several others. She is a lifetime member of the Fine Arts Council at UT Austin.

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Congratulations and a big thanks to the Summer Social Committee (led by Milli Stecker) for a great start to the new year. Berta Lloyd, Interest Group Coordinator Extraordinaire, organized the tables highlighting our varied interest groups as well as AAUW committees, including Public Policy led by Mary Ellen Scribner, the Centennial Committee led by Pam Wolfe, and the AAUW board table. AAUW members and guests enjoyed the beautifully decorated tables by Kate DiPronio, a running slideshow developed by Pam Wolfe, yummy food organized by Elaine Penn.



We also had an opportunity to learn about and sign-up for interest groups and committees hosted by committee chairs, a lovely time talking with one another, fun learning about our guests through a game organized by **Cathy Werner**, and getting charged up for the year to come. Guests had the opportunity to join AAUW at the membership table hosted by **Ruth Subramanian**, Co-VP Membership. Thanks to **Anita Knight** and her church, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, for hosting us.

November 2023 will mark our Centennial. On November 15, 1923, dressed in fashionable drop waist dresses and cloche hats, fifteen powerful women leaders of religious, cultural, and civic activities in Austin gathered at the opulent Driskill Hotel, just a few minutes away from the Texas State Capitol to elect **Mrs. F.L. Jewett** the first president of AAUW Austin. **Pam Wolfe** is coordinating how we commemorate this momentous milestone. Please join her on the planning committee (<a href="mailto:piwolfe@yahoo.com">piwolfe@yahoo.com</a>). Our branch has done some amazing things over its 99 years [Check out Herstory on the website: <a href="mailto:https://austin-tx.aauw.net/about-us/our-history/">https://austin-tx.aauw.net/about-us/our-history/</a>]. Let's think big and bold as we approach our Centennial.

Since its inception in 1881, AAUW has been at the forefront of research and advocacy on behalf of women and girls. Times have changed, but not enough. And some hard-fought rights, like the rights to decide about our bodies, are eroding. How many of you have daughters or granddaughters or nieces? It is for them and with them, we continue to advocate for vital changes, despite setbacks and challenges.

Do you know that Equal Pay Day is September 21 for African American women? This is how far into the year that African America women must work to be paid what white men were paid the previous year. African American women are paid 58 cents for every dollar paid to white men. And for Latina women Equal Pay Day is not until December 8<sup>th</sup>; Latinas get paid 49 cents for every dollar paid to white men. This is unconscionable. Together we can work to change these injustices through collective action, such as passing a Pay Equity Bill at the 88<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature.

Our September 10<sup>th</sup> program at the Balcones Country Club with **Sharon Watkins**, owner of beloved restaurant Chez Zee, promises to offer valuable insight into what it takes to be a successful longtime business owner. This is an important meeting, because we will be passing the annual budget and a resolution regarding the Mainspring Certificate of Deposit as noted later in the newsletter.

It's going to be a great year! We need each and every one of you to share your time, treasure and talents to further our mission of equity for women and girls.

As always, feel free to reach out to me with ideas or issues or concerns at <a href="mailto:lawelsh@gmail.com">lawelsh@gmail.com</a>.

In sisterhood,

Linda Welsh, Ph.D.

# Proposed Budget Fiscal Year 2022 - 2023

We're excited about many things coming up in this 2022-2023 program year, which you will notice when you review our proposed budget. First and foremost, you have already read that we will be meeting at new venues this year, Balcones Country Club and Unity Church, alternating between Saturday meetings at the former, Wednesday meetings at the latter, and delicious lunch options at both. Second (and just as noteworthy), **Pam Wolfe** and her committee are busily planning the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Austin Branch, to be celebrated in the Fall of 2023! We have some ideas for raising additional funds to offset these costs, so stay tuned and please offer any ideas you might have. We look forward to seeing everyone in September, when we will take the official vote to approve this budget. Thank you all for your continuing support of our branch activities and goals!

Income	Budget 2021-22	Actuals 2021-22	Budget 2022-23	Notes
Branch Dues	2,400.00	2,485.00	2,400.00	150 members
Meetings, Lunches	9,760.00	5,215.00	8,600.00	Balcones; Unity
Branch Contributions	500.00	1,024.30	649.90	Incl. \$s for Zoom
Interest on Checking	4.20	80.09	4.20	\$0.35/Month
Fundraising; savings	2,042.80	1,160.65	5,088.70	Local branch proj.
Total Branch Income	14,707.00	9,965.04	16,742.80	Local branch proj.
Total Branch Income	14,707.00	9,905.04	10,742.60	
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Expenses				
President	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Programs	10,690.00	8,001.82	10,200.00	Lunch, speakers
Membership	1,055.00	49.55	1,000.00	Social, operations
Treasurer	25.00	0.00	0.00	
Past Presidents	400.00	63.00	400.00	Winter Social
Subtotal Officer Expenses	12,170.00	8,114.37	11,600.00	
Funds Committee	50.00	0.00	50.00	Fundraising
STEM	0.00	0.00	0.00	In transition
Public Policy	25.00	0.00	0.00	
NCCWSL	250.00	0.00	0.00	
Memorials	140.00	0.00	175.00	5 Books @\$35
Anniversary Committee	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	Event in 2023
Subtotal - Committees	465.00	0.00	2,725.00	
Newsletter	576.00	575.64	576.00	ConstantContact
Yearbook	1,150.00	933.66	1,300.00	Printing, postage
Misc. Operating Expense	346.00	341.37	541.80	Ins.; POB; Zoom
Subtotal Operations	2,072.00	1,850.67	2,417.80	
Total Expenses	14,707.00	9,965.04	16,742.80	



## **2022 Summer Social Memories**

Submitted by Ruth Subramanian











Sunday afternoon on August 14, over fifty branch members and a number of guests enjoyed two hours of an in-person gathering, including generous snacks. It's been three years since our last Summer Social! We learned about upcoming programs, signed up for interest groups and committed to other volunteer opportunities. President **Linda Welsh** narrated our founding in November 1923 at the Driskill Hotel when fifteen women met to form the AAUW Austin branch, ninety-nine years ago this fall. Plans are in the works, headed by **Pam Wolfe**, to hold a 100-year celebration event in the fall of 2023.



Milli Stecker spearheaded the event planning, but we know it takes a village. Thanks to Pam Wolfe for handling the Evites and producing the name tags; Linda Welsh, Joyce Pulich, Nancy Ennis, and Sharon Babot, our official meet and greeters; Elaine Penn for coordinating the donated refreshments; Kate DiPronio for the festive table decorations, Cathy Werner and Pam Wolfe for updating the slide deck (with help from many others) that ran throughout the event; Berta Lloyd for coordinating the interest group tables (and thanks to all the interest group leaders who staffed them); Anita Knight for being liaison with Good Shepherd, her home church; Linda Welsh, Jackie Hardee, and Brenda Hahne who were the overall program people planners. Milli Stecker and Ruth Subramanian staffed the membership table, aided and abetted by Betty Schmidt, who also led the clean-up helped by all of the above. A village indeed.



Our guests were interviewed and then introduced, planned by **Cathy Werner** to help us get to know them better. One of our newest members, **Lisa Sura**, also attended. If you didn't pick up your yellow and blue bookmark listing all the Branch meetings that was prepared by **Cathy Werner** and **Anita Knight**, it'll be available at the September meeting. The bookmark is a convenient way to keep track of all the excellent Branch meeting programs **Jackie Hardee** and **Brenda Hahne** have planned for us. We also gained six new members in response to the Shape the Future promotion from National AAUW. A good time was had by all.











# 2022 Summer Social Memories continue...



## **Policy Update from the Public Policy Committee**

Submitted by Policy Chair, Mary Ellen Scribner

In the statement of where it stands, AAUW.org says its "policy work connects and rallies advocates at the local, state, national, and global levels to empower women and girls. AAUW uses lobbying and grassroots efforts to push forward policies that break through educational and economic barriers for women." It goes on to list three priorities:



- 1) Removing Bias from Education
  - Startling inequalities persist in American education. Gender, economics, race, and ethnicity should not limit our opportunities.
- 2) Fighting for Fair Pay and Economic Equity
  It's time to close the pay gap and for the work world to embrace diversity, equity, and inclusion so we can all thrive.
- 3) Advancing Women in Leadership Women make up more than half of college graduates and half of the labor force. But we're still not represented at the upper levels. We need equal representation.

Consider how intertwined and embracing the details of these priorities are—how gender, economics, race, and ethnicity are the underlying issues in everything that we want to accomplish. Then consider the planks of the AAUW 2022-23 Strategic Action Plan formulated at the June 2022 AAUW Austin board meeting: Membership Recruitment and Engagement, Public Policy, and Visibility and Partnerships. No issue or action occurs in isolation. We all do some of everything (vote, follow laws, stay informed about social and justice issues, practice civility in our actions with others). Then, individually or in groups we advocate and work in that which interests us most and in the way that we are most suited (write, speak, rally or protest as needed, donate our time and funds, etc.).



More than twenty of our branch members are on the public policy committee and will be actively providing you with tools and resources for action and advocacy this year. We would happily welcome you to the committee (maryescribner@gmail.com). Our meetings are mostly ad hoc and usually on Zoom because that seems to be more convenient for more members. Whether you join the committee or not, we hope that you will become a Two-Minute Activist (https://www.aauw.org/act/two-minute-activist/); communicate regularly with your elected officials (we will provide 'how-to' help); make a point of being informed on major issues; and most of all, vote every time there is an opportunity (local, state, and national)!



# Black Women's Equal Pay Day September 21, 2022



Click **HERE** for more information.

#### **Mainspring Schools Partner Update**

Report prepared by Linda Welsh



### Recommendation for Moving the Mainspring Schools Endowment Certificate of Deposit to the Austin Community Foundation

**Overview:** AAUW Austin has a long history with Mainspring Schools, starting with the school's inception in 1941. In the spring of 1995, the Branch invested \$3,164 earned from the State Convention in a Certificate of Deposit for a permanent endowment fund for Mainspring Schools (formerly Austin Community Nursery School). The goal was to have an endowment of \$10,000, which was reached by 12/30/2000. The interest from the fund has been contributed as needed for teacher scholarships.

About two years ago AAUW's national office issued a directive that branches are not allowed to give funds to other non-profits, due to our tax status as a 501(c)4. Consequently, the process of funding scholarships for teachers at the school is cumbersome and not easy to administer. As a result, the Mainspring Advocacy Committee began researching options for this endowment.

**Recommendation:** After researching the issue, the committee felt that the best option is to move the endowment funds from the Certificate of Deposit at our bank to Austin Community Foundation (ACF) to manage for the following reasons:

- ACF has over forty-five years of successfully managing philanthropic dollars and has effective systems in place to do so.
- With the large pool of funds and strong investment policies, the return on our \$10,000 investment will increase.
- ACF has a simple process to send funds to Mainspring Schools and receive reports from them.
- This complies with the national directive and makes it easier for branch leadership.
- As an endowment, these funds must be invested in perpetuity and ACF has the capacity to manage this into the future.

The AAUW Austin Board considered this issue at its August board meeting and agreed with the plan to move the endowment under the auspices of the Austin Community Foundation with the final details to be confirmed at its September board meeting. This recommendation will come to the full membership at the September monthly meeting for a vote.

Please send any questions to Linda Welsh (<a href="mailto:lawelsh@gmail.com">lawelsh@gmail.com</a> or 512-586-1575)

# **Yearbook Release Date - Coming Soon!**

The 2022-23 AAUW Austin Yearbook will be distributed at the September 10 branch meeting at the Balcones Country Club. If you are not planning to attend, please arrange for someone, who will be in attendance, to pick up your yearbook. This will save the branch the postage to mail them. Yearbooks that are not picked up at the September 10 meeting will be mailed by Friday, September 16.

Thanks to **Soon Merz Lynn**, our yearbook editor for producing yet another amazing yearbook. We all depend on the yearbook to keep us up to date on branch events, accomplishments and members. We are very grateful.

# **Member CONNECT**



**MEMBER CONNECT** is seeking your help! In an effort to stay connected to each other, especially now, Member Connect will touch base with those in the branch who have experienced illness or loss, or who just might need to hear a friendly voice on the phone. **Carol Ahlgren** will be contacting those referred through notes, cards, emails, and occasional phone calls. And, of course, each of us is encouraged to connect with other members at any time. Please stay well and safe! If you know of someone who could benefit from a connection, please contact Carol at <a href="mailto:carolahlgren@twc.com">carolahlgren@twc.com</a> or call her at (512) 468-6058.

# Branch Fundrai\$ing Update Submitted by Joyce Pulich



The AAUW funds team is continuing the **Change for Change Challenge** (C3). You can use the jars provided last year or any container to collect change to support AAUW. If your jar was filled over the summer, you can turn in the contents at the September branch meeting so you can start filling it up again!

The team will be announcing some new fundraising events in the October newsletter. If you have an idea for a fundraiser, contact Debbie Starr at <a href="mailto:dbbstrr@gmail.com">dbbstrr@gmail.com</a> or Joyce Pulich at <a href="mailto:joycepulich@sbcglobal.net">joycepulich@sbcglobal.net</a>

Members can also make direct donations to AAUW national. You can sign up for a one-time gift or monthly giving at <a href="https://my.AAUW.org">https://my.AAUW.org</a>. Thanks for continuing to support AAUW programs and goals.

# You are invited - Georgetown Branch Meetings

The Georgetown branch invites all Austin branch members to join them for their monthly program meetings. Regular meetings are held in September, October, November, January, February and March. The meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at **Berry Creek Country Club in the Card Room**. Each meeting begins with a thirty-minute social, from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. followed by the program speaker and ending with a brief business meeting that will end about 11:45 a.m. Following the business meeting, members and guests are encouraged to stay for lunch at a cost of \$15.00.

Social meetings are planned for December, April and May.

#### **September Meeting**

Topic: The Anatomy of a Palace Theatre Production

Speaker: Ron Watson, Executive Artistic Director, Georgetown Palace Theatre

When: Wednesday, September 21, 10:00 a.m.

Where: Bear Creek County Club in the Card Room, 30500 Berry Creek Drive



# Austin Woman's Federation Club September Program Meeting

The Austin Woman's Federated Club (AWFC) welcomes your attendance at their monthly program meetings. Programs are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month, September – May, unless otherwise noted. All meetings begin at 11:30 a.m. Lunch is served for \$20.00 per person.



#### **September Meeting**

Topic: LBJ's Legacy: The History of Voting Rights

Speaker: Allen Fisher, Archivist at the Lyndon B. Johnson Library

When: Friday, September 9, 11:30 a.m.

Where: TWFC Mansion, 2312 San Gabriel Street RSVP: Shirlene Justice, <a href="mailto:shirlenejustice@gmail.com">shirlenejustice@gmail.com</a>

### **New Member Profiles**

Submitted by Ruth Subramanian

#### **Laurie Altman**

Laurie grew up in Michigan and attended the University of Michigan where she received a BS in Chemical Engineering. She met her husband Larry while they were students there, and they have been happily married for forty-two years.

Laurie has recently retired after thirty-nine years with the 3M Company where she held a variety of laboratory, manufacturing, international and business assignments. She and her family had wonderful experiences living in both New Zealand and Australia while on corporate assignments. Laurie and her husband moved to Austin from Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota, looking for warmer weather and a vibrant, growing metropolitan area. They currently reside in the Belvedere community near Bee Cave.

Laurie completed an MS in Chemical Engineering at Notre Dame prior to joining 3M and in addition holds an MBA in Finance from The Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota. She has served on the Industrial Advisory Board for the Tauber Institute for Global Operations at the University of Michigan and also as a 3M Foundation Board member. She has frequently mentored girls and young women interested in STEM education and careers.

Laurie is married with two adult daughters and one granddaughter. She enjoys biking, hiking, reading, and time with family.

#### Lisa Sura

Lisa grew up near St. Paul, Minnesota. She has a Bachelor's of Aerospace Engineering degree from the University of Minnesota. Soon after graduation she married another engineer and they started their careers in tech. After a few years they moved to New Hampshire, then on to beautiful, warm, Austin in 1994. They have three grown kids who have settled nearby with their families, a major blessing.

Her son is an engineer living in Houston with his wife and three little ones, a five-year-old girl and identical twin three-year-old boys. "Those grandbabies give so much joy." Last year Lisa bought a second house across the street from them. So now she splits time between Austin and Houston. Her oldest daughter is a dentist and recently moved back to Austin after living in Boston while her son-in-law finished Radiology residency. Lisa's youngest got married this spring to her college sweetheart. They work remote for San Francisco companies but just bought a house in Austin.

A great job opportunity in New Jersey came up in 2012, at the same time her youngest was starting college at Princeton. Lisa joined the new company and lived there from 2012 until 2016. She had a great adventure living near New York City and near her daughter. She is still working for the same company and planning for retirement soon. After retirement she wants to support volunteer opportunities and women's causes, help with the grandbabies, and travel.

**Debbie Starr** introduced Lisa to AAUW. Lisa is looking forward to supporting the mission for women's and girls' rights, social events, and joining the hiking group, book club, and a bridge club, to start.

## **New Member Bios Continued**

#### **Martita Lopez**

Martita was born in Chile to a Chilean father and an American mother, then moved to the US when she was three. She grew up on the east coast and attended the University of Massachusetts undergrad, then Syracuse University for grad school in clinical psychology. She completed her psychology internship at Yale then took her first job at Virginia Tech on the psychology department faculty. A few years later she moved to Chicago, where she was an Associate Professor at Rush University Medical Center. She married Steve Sigman and they had two children. The family moved to Austin in 2001, where Martita was clinical professor in the Department of Psychology at the University of Texas. She also had a part-time private practice as a cognitive-behavioral therapist.

Martita retired in 2019 and enjoys reading, traveling, getting together with friends, and watching the abundant wildlife around her home. Her husband of forty-one years is an avid birder and she likes to go with him to various birding sites. She also loves spending time with their children whenever possible. Matt is a senior manager at Amazon and lives in Seattle. Lauren also lives in the Pacific Northwest, in Portland, Oregon, and is a physician specializing in emergency medicine.

**Carole Holahan**, also a relatively new member, introduced Martita to the AAUW. Martita is interested in several of the special interest groups, including art tours, culture and cuisine, out to lunch, hiking, the book groups and mystery readers, and women's issues. She is a feminist and feels strongly about supporting women's ability to make their own reproductive health choices and female empowerment generally.

Fall plans include participating in the Osher Life Long Learning Institute at UT (OLLI) and a trip to Belize.

#### **Cheryl Fuller**

Cheryl is our new Central District Representative from the Texas Board, a dual member with us and five other Texas AAUW branches, her primary "home" branch being San Antonio. Cheryl joined AAUW after retiring from thirty years of federal service, with assignments overseas and in the DC area, the last ten years here in Texas. Cheryl has lived in Texas almost eighteen years, joining AAUW post-retirement six years ago. She has two daughters in the DC area with their families, and they are always in her travel plans, including trips back to England (where they were born) and cruises to the Med, an all-time favorite. But she's sold on San Antonio and especially enjoys her activities with her AAUW friends.

Cheryl has been the chair of Public Policy, Secretary, and is the immediate past President of the San Antonio branch. The branch became an avid user of Zoom in the two-year period over the COVID pandemic, with resulting increased attendance at their member meetings, notable increase in membership, and a banner year for fund-raising to support their scholarship program and National's Greatest Needs. In April 2021 San Antonio was recognized as a Five-Star branch.

Cheryl is originally from Michigan, where she graduated from Michigan State, went on to a job in New York City, earned an MBA, followed by fourteen years overseas in Europe and Asia. After spending twenty years living and working in the DC area, she moved on to Texas. San Antonio will remain her permanent home — she's never looked back after that move! She enjoys music (classical and jazz), playing piano, reading, yoga, and daily workouts on the treadmill.

### 2021 - 2022 ACC AAUW Frances Malmberg Endowed Scholarships

Submitted by Larayne Dallas

Austin branch member, Frances Malmberg (1909 - 2004), had the vision to endow a scholarship to encourage the education of women at the community college level. Frances used her own money to support the scholarship fund but generously included AAUW in the scholarship's name and legacy. The 2021-22 recipients are **Rachel Shoemate** and **Karen Key.** Below is a note from each awardee telling us a little about herself and expressing her gratitude.

#### **Rachel Shoemate**

I started off my educational journey long ago as a single mother. I started going to school, but had to quit for a while and work full time. I have since married and found that as my children grew older, it was time to focus on myself. I returned to school and while being 'mom' remains my main focus, I am continuing to focus on my own future so that I can have something for myself when my kids no longer need me. I am currently working towards an Associates of Arts in Psychology and plan to pursue a bachelor's degree. In this current world crisis, we will always have the need for mental health care and support.

Thank you very much, American Association of University Women, for the opportunity you have granted me to aid in my academic future. As an older than average student and mother, I have always put my family first. I am now ready to do things for myself and my career as I continue on my journey of growing and bettering myself. It is my personal goal to provide a positive influence to my family and others who may think they are too old to go back to school. Thank you again!

### Karen Key

Hi, my name is Karen Key. I have been married for almost twenty years and have four awesome children, ranging from elementary school age to college. I decided to go back to college in my forties and have never looked back. I am excited about going to ACC, and I have been challenging myself to get A's in all my classes. I'm attending ACC to earn an Associate of Science degree in Engineering. I work hard to keep a 3.5 or higher GPA. My goal is to transfer to Texas A&M University which is known for their excellent Engineering program. I aspire to become a mechanical engineer. I also love that I can be a role model for my kids, showing them that it is never too late to follow your dreams and that hard work can take you far in life.

I am thrilled that I was selected for an academic scholarship! I want to thank the American Association of University Women - Frances Malmberg Endowed Scholarship donors for your generosity. Having four children (one being a college student also) and going to college full time, can be challenging financially. Your scholarship will help me immensely with tuition, books, and other expenses. You have brought tears of joy to my eyes. What you are doing changes women's lives for the better. You are also helping me to be an example to my kids that no matter what your age, you can follow your dreams. Thank you very much!

Note from Ann Schubert, our ACC contact: "I am happy to report that Karen Key graduated in December with an Associate of Science in General Studies. She continued at ACC for the spring semester to take courses that will transfer to a four-year university."

# September Interest Groups

#### **Creative Arts**

#### **Art Tours:**

What: <u>Landry McMeans Art and Design</u>

Landry McMeans is a full-time Texas artist with a passion for color and the American West. Purple mountains, neon sunsets, and saguaro cacti have been staple subjects in her work since she first picked up cardboard relief as her main medium in 2005. During the past three years, her primary medium has shifted to printmaking. She now designs large scale and elaborate hand-cut stencil.

When: Wednesday, September 28, 10:00 a.m.

Where: 2312 Thornton Road

Planners: Susan James and Marsha Endahl-Kramer

Contact: Sharon Babot, <a href="mailto:sharonbabot@gmail.com">sharonbabot@gmail.com</a>, (707) 373-1317

Note: Eatery suggestions will be distributed the day of the tour.

#### **Creative Stitchery:**

When: Wednesday, September 21, 10:00 a.m.

Project: Dry Balls for Clothes Dryer

Location: Home of Elaine Penn, 912 Dartmoor Drive

Host: Elaine Penn

Contact: Beverly Locklin, blocklin@austin.rr.com, (512) 633-2902

### **Bridge Groups**

#### **Group A:**

When: Weekly Bridge on Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. to noon

Location: Senior Activity Center, 29th and Lamar

Contact: Elaine Penn, epenn9915@gmail.com, (512) 579-4545

#### **Group B:**

When: Second Wednesday, 4:00 p.m.

Location: Varies

Contact: Lynn Cooksey: <a href="mailto:lcooksey@austin.rr.com">lcooksey@austin.rr.com</a>, (512) 477-2774

#### **Group C:**

When: Fourth Wednesday, 1:00 p.m.

Location: Senior Activity Center, 29th and Lamar
Contact: Sara Ezell: slezell@aol.com, (512) 633-6178



# **Book Clubs and Literary Exploration**

#### **Central Book Club:**

When: Monday, September 12, 10:30 a.m.

Book: A Parenthesis in Eternity by Joel S. Goldsmith

Location: IHOP, 1101 South MoPac Expressway

Facilitator: Anita Knight

Contact: Linda Quintanilla, quintalin@gmail.com, (713) 202-8525

#### **Contemporary Literature:**

When: Monday, September 5, 7:00 p.m.

Book: The Woman Who Smashed Codes: A True Story of Love, Spies and the Unlikely Heroine

who Outwitted America's Enemies by Jason Fagone

Location: Zoom

Leader: Nancy Ennis

Contact: Mary Ellen Scribner, <u>maryescribner@gmail.com</u>, (512) 698-5539

#### **Friday Book Review:**

First Friday Book Review will not meet in September.

#### **Mystery Book Club:**

When: Tuesday, September 27, 11:00 a.m.

Location: BJ Brewhouse, The Shops at Arbor Walk, 10515 MoPac Expy.

Theme: What I Read Last Summer

Contact: Pam Wolfe, piwolfe@yahoo.com, (512) 925-7865

#### **Southwest Book Club:**

When: Monday, September 12, 10:30 a.m.

Book: Heartbeat of Wounded Knee: Native America 1890 to Present by David Treuer

Location: Home of Sharon Babot, 380 Cattle Drive Trail, Dripping Springs

Facilitator: Ginny Tannebring

Contact: Debbie Starr, dbbstrr@gmail.com,

(512) 771-4497





### The Great Outdoors - Hiking Group

When: Thursday, September 15, 9:00 a.m.

Location: Shoal Creek Trail at Pease Park, 1100 Kingsbury Street

Leader: Brenda Hahne

Contact: Roberta Coffin, <a href="mailto:rwc@scriptacommunicates.com">rwc@scriptacommunicates.com</a>, (714) 679-8697

### Friends, Food and Conversation

#### **Culture and Cuisine:**

When: Thursday, September 8, 6:30 p.m.

Theme: In Solidarity with Ukraine

Cost: \$20.00

Location: Home of Anita Knight, 529 Buckeye Trail

Hosts: Sarah Averill and Anita Knight

Contact: Shirlene Justice, <a href="mailto:shirlenejustice@gmail.com">shirlenejustice@gmail.com</a>, (512) 507-1003

#### Out-to-Lunch:

When: Tuesday, September 20, 11:15 a.m.
Location: Manuel's Arboretum, 10201 Jollyville Rd

Planner: Resa Dunn

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#### Pears:

When: Saturday, September 17

Location: County Line at the Hill, 6500 Bee Caves Road

Planners: Milli Stecker and Phillip Craft

Contact: Milli Stecker, mstecker@austin.rr.com, (512) 468-1088

#### **Wine Tasters:**

When: Sunday, September 25, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Theme: Spanish Wine

Location: Home of Berta Lloyd, 1124 Wolf Hollow Drive, Georgetown, (206) 660-1812 Note: On Google Maps, Andice, Texas will come up, not Georgetown. Follow the

directions to Andice, Texas and you will arrive.

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