



### July 2022(Summer Edition)

*“July: Just take me to the Ocean.” – Unknown*

#### AAUW PUBLIC POLICY PRIORITY ISSUES

Strong system of Public Education  
Equality, Individual Rights and Social Justice for a Diverse Society.  
Economic Self-sufficiency for Woman

#### MISSION

Advancing Gender Equity Through Research, Education and Advocacy

#### VISION

Equity for all.

#### VALUES

Nonpartisan. Fact-based.  
Inclusion and Intersectionality.

#### AAUW FUNDS

The Educational Foundation is one of the largest sources of funding for graduate women in the world awarding millions each year in scholarships.

#### LEGAL ADVOCACY FUND

(LAF) works to combat sex discrimination in higher education and the workplace.

Highline AAUW theme for 2022-23 “Diversity, Equity and Inclusion”



**Mark your calendar for Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm!**

**You are invited to a Summer Potluck Lunch and Raffle at the home of Kathy Linnell, at 29609 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave S., Federal Way, WA 98003.**

What to bring? A-L’s bring a salad, M-Z’s a dessert. Beverages will be provided, but

you must bring your favorite toast as we clink our glasses!

Enjoy great conversation, reconnect with friends, hear the latest AAUW news and enjoy a *surprise or two*!! Invite your other friends, too!

**Kathy would appreciate an RSVP at [kelizlinnell@comcast.net](mailto:kelizlinnell@comcast.net) or 206-326-8439 to get numbers.**



Title IX was enacted as a follow-up to the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The 1964 Act was passed to end discrimination in various fields based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin in the areas of employment and public accommodation.



And now, after 50 years of Roe v. Wade, it’s sad news for women that the Supreme Court has overturned this landmark decision. Whatever stand you take, it seems that equality for women and girls has taken a step back in this country.



**Seattle AAUW  
Member  
News & Info**



**Join us on Monday, July 11th 1:00 pm**

**For a Virtual Conversation with Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal**

**Come to a Multi-Branch AAUW Zoom meeting with Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal!**

Rep. Jayapal will be taking our questions and comments for a half hour.

**Please RSVP to [president@aauw-seattle.org](mailto:president@aauw-seattle.org)** so Rep. Jayapal's office can get a count estimate.

The Zoom link will be sent out on July 10.

Elected in 2016, **Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal** is now serving her third term in Congress representing Washington's 7th District, which encompasses most of Seattle and its surrounding areas including Shoreline, Vashon Island, Lake Forest Park, Edmonds, and parts of Burien and Normandy Park. She is the first South Asian American woman elected to the U.S. House of Representatives and one of only two dozen naturalized citizens currently serving in the United States Congress.

Congresswoman Jayapal is a member of the House Judiciary Committee, where she serves as Vice Chair of the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law. She also serves on the House Education & Labor and Budget Committees. She is the Chair of the Congressional Progressive Caucus, which represents approximately 40% of the entire Democratic caucus; the Immigration Task Force for the Congressional Asian & Pacific Asian Caucus; and a Vice Chair of the Congressional LGBTQ Equality Caucus where she is the co-chair of the Transgender Equality Task Force.

## **AAUW Economy Matters Kickoff - Survey and Recordings**

For Highline members who missed this Zoom session

Recordings from the AAUW Economy Matters Kickoff are now available at the below links.

Keynote presentation by Ariane Hegewisch, Program Director of Employment and Earnings Institute for Women's Policy Research: <https://youtu.be/VUCzhq8y0Uc>

Webinar Preview by Karen Anderson & Kristina Szczyrbak: <https://youtu.be/y9I--FOMm4A>

If you haven't already, please take a few minutes to give feedback on the event, as well as your thoughts for the future. We read every submission, and your opinion is important. You can [take the survey at this link](#).

Please save the below dates on your calendar: more information to come, as we get closer to the events.

Please mark your calendars for the full series of webinars; they will take place on the following dates:

- o Tuesday, September 13 – 7:00 p.m. Paula England, NYU. “Is the Gender Revolution Stalled?”
- o Tuesday, October 11 – 7:00 p.m. Karen Dove, Executive Director of ANEW in Seattle. Women's access to well-paying jobs in the building trades.
- o Tuesday, November 15 – 7:00 p.m. Kelly Jones, American University. The economic consequences for women of restricted access to reproductive services.
- o Tuesday, December 13 – 7:00 p.m. State Senator Claire Wilson. Childcare policies in Washington State.



AAUW Highline Branch Zoom Board Meeting Minutes  
June 10, 2022 at 9:00 am

Present: Jean Munro, Anneliese Ellerton, Kay Crane, Wendy Wenger and Mary Kay Ault

Out of town: Emily Hitchens

**July Potluck at Kathy Linnell's home.** The Board decided that the event would start around 1:00 and end around 3:30. A potluck was suggested; leaving the decision to Kathy to allocate what food items should be brought. Possible dates would be the 29<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup> of July. Wendy suggested that no matter what the final decision was, members should receive an email to set aside the time. More details will follow.

**The June 3<sup>rd</sup> luncheon meeting at Renton Technical College was reviewed.** It was a success according to those who attended. Jean Munro was thanked for organizing the lunch and following program. Members from SE King County and Federal Way branches also attended. Guest speaker Representative Tina Orwall had to cancel due to illness. Over 22 people attended the luncheon and \$420 was collected with \$378 paid to the Culinary Arts caterers. The balance of \$50 was deposited into the Highline account for future events. Kristi Grassman, Director of the Construction Center of RTC, gave an overview of the apprenticeship programs available.

Jean suggested that the branch might be interested in ANEW- Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Employment, a program for women dedicated to improving access and advancement in non-traditional career paths that lead to family wage jobs She said that further information was available on the web page <https://anewcareer.org>.

**September meeting plans were discussed.** Eva Parks will be contacted to give details on plans to invite the Tech Trek students and their parents to the September 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> branch meeting – location to be decided. It was suggested that the **Normandy Park Congregational Church** could become a regular meeting place for branch meetings. The idea was tabled until Emily Hitchens confirmed this with her daughter, minister of the church. Other venues mentioned were Wesley Gardens in Des Moines and the Highline Heritage Museum in Burien.

**Branch Meetings in October, November and December.** Topics suggested were:

- Indigenous Woman and the Red Dress Project. Mary Ault will contact the Puget Sound Skills Center (PSSC) to see if and when it might be available for a lunch meeting.
- A silent auction for a “fun” activity in December at Wesley Gardens. The silent auction could be used to sell items, once treasured, that other members might enjoy.
- Anneliese said she could invite Dr. Blythe Sather, author of “A Day in the Life of an Immunologist” to speak at a future meeting.

Branch meeting dates suggested by the board for the fall were: September 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup>, October 1<sup>st</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup>, and the November meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11 am.

Respectfully submitted, Wendy Wenger, Secretary

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## Board Position of Treasurer Still Open!

AAUW Highline is asking for nominations for the above position of Treasurer starting July 1, 2022. Please contact Jean Munro at [jmunro@rtc.edu](mailto:jmunro@rtc.edu) or Kay Crane at [gandkcrane@msn.com](mailto:gandkcrane@msn.com) if you are interested in applying for this position. ***Current Treasurer, Anneliese Ellerton will work with you to ensure a smooth transition to this position. Believe us, it's not rocket science!***

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### AAUW Highline Treasurer (Finance) – Job Description

The Treasurer oversees the fiscal operations of Highline branch and is responsible for ensuring that all required financial documents and records are maintained, including those required by AAUW, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Secretary of State.

The Treasurer is responsible for overseeing the collection and disbursements of all branch monies and for meeting specific deadlines.

#### Responsibilities to the Branch:

Serve as an authorized signatory, along with the co-presidents, on all branch bank checking and savings accounts. Control access to use of the debit card associated with the checking account.

Prepare the annual budget. ***It is recommended that the Treasurer forms a finance committee to assign any tasks to this committee, but maintains the responsibility for overseeing any of those delegated tasks.***

Work with the Membership Chair to process dues payments.

#### Responsibilities to AAUW Washington State (AAUW-WA):

Know state bylaws and finance-related policies and procedures, and adhere to them as appropriate.

Be responsive to requests from the AAUW-WA Vice President of Finance.

#### Responsibilities to AAUW (National):

Know and adhere to all AAUW financial policies and procedures through compliance with the AAUW Bylaws, affiliate agreement, fundraising guidelines (AAUW Policy 501), and local scholarship guidelines (AAUW Policy 503).

Dues, fees, and contribution reports are submitted and filed with AAUW

Ensure that all federal and state authorities and the AAUW national office have the correct contact information for your affiliate.

#### Skills Helpful to the Position:

Some financial management / financial literacy. Accounting or bookkeeping skills are not required.

Effective time management. Busiest time is during annual renewal processing (March-July). For the remainder of the year, additional duties do not require much time.



***AAUW Highline Branch will be on vacation until September.***

***Let us know if you have any exciting trips ahead, and enjoy your summer!***



**Summer Events in Des Moines – by Jean Munro**

Music in the Park Wednesday's at 7 pm (Des Moines Arts Commission) June through August

4<sup>th</sup> of July Firework show and more! Check out Destination Des Moines.

Now accepting applications for the 2022 Seafair Waterland Parade! This is a wonderful opportunity to connect to your Des Moines community

Parade is Saturday, July 23rd as part of the Waterland Festival weekend.

<https://forms.gle/Jo8mXivor4TXrGWS7>

<https://www.facebook.com/destinationdesmoines/>

**Highline Board Meeting – Friday, July 8, at 9:00 am** via Zoom

\*\*All branch members are invited to attend this open meeting \*\*

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(See details on how to register on page 2)

**2022 AAUW-WA Webinar Series – September to December**

**Late Summer Potluck Social – Saturday July 30, 2022** – See details on page 1.

**September Branch Meeting** –Meet the Tec Trek campers with Eva Parks – Saturday, September 10, 2022 at Wesley Gardens Clubroom – time TBD.

**West Seattle & Points South online interest group**

Several of our Highline members have joined the above group, which meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 10 am. The current theme is “Writing triggers”. Next meeting is on **Tuesday, July 12 at 10:00 am**. If you are interested in joining this virtual coffee club, email Barbara Sando at [barbarasando@yahoo.com](mailto:barbarasando@yahoo.com)

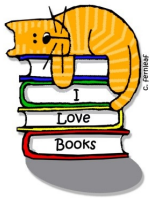
If you would like to keep up with AAUW Washington news, we suggest that you add the Seattle Catalyst and the Evergreen Reader to your list of resources:

<https://aauw-seattle.org>

<https://aauw-wa.aauw.net/>



*Happy July 4<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Mary Kay Ault!*



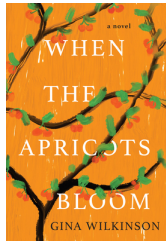
## Morning and Afternoon Book Group Discussion Meetings

### 4<sup>th</sup> Friday – Mornings at 9:30 am

July 22 – *When Apricots Bloom* by Gina Wilkinson – host Mary Kay Ault, leader Kathie Walker  
August 26 – *Children of Ash and Elm* by Neil S. Price – host Kathy Linnell, leader Joanna Brunso  
September 23 – *Girl with the Louding Voice* by Abi Dare – host Judy Storey, leader Pat Hodges  
October 28 – *Eager: The Surprising, Secret Life of Beavers...* by Ben Goldfarb – host Joanna Brunso, leader Kathy Linnell  
December 2 – *the Midnight Library*, by Matt Haig – host and leader Eva Parks

### 1<sup>st</sup> Monday - Afternoons at 3:00 pm unless otherwise specified \*

July 11 – *The Unexpected Mrs. Pollifax*, by Dorothy Gilman – host Kay Crane  
August 8 – *Running With Sherman*, by Christopher MacDougall  
September 12 – *Zorrie*, by Laird Hunt  
October 12 – *To Marry An English Lord*, by Gail MacColl, Carol Wallace  
November 7 – *The Midnight Library*, by Matt Haig  
December 5 – *Winter Solstice*, by Rosamunde Pilcher

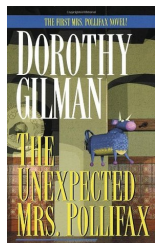


### When the Apricots Bloom By Gina Wilkinson

***In this moving, suspenseful debut novel, three courageous women confront the complexities of trust, friendship, motherhood, and betrayal under the rule of a ruthless dictator and his brutal secret police. Former foreign correspondent Gina Wilkinson draws on her own experiences to take readers inside a haunting story of Iraq at the turn of the millennium and the impossible choices faced by families under a deadly regime.***

At night, in Huda's fragrant garden, a breeze sweeps in from the desert encircling Baghdad, rustling the leaves of her apricot trees and carrying warning of visitors at her gate. Huda, a secretary at the Australian embassy, lives in fear of the mukhabarat—the secret police who watch and listen for any scrap of information that can be used against America and its allies. They have ordered her to befriend Ally Wilson, the deputy ambassador's wife. Huda has no wish to be an informant, but fears for her teenaged son, who may be forced to join a deadly militia. Nor does she know that Ally has dangerous secrets of her own.

Huda's former friend, Rania, enjoyed a privileged upbringing as the daughter of a sheikh. Now her family's wealth is gone, and Rania too is battling to keep her child safe and a roof over their heads. As the women's lives intersect, their hidden pasts spill into the present. Facing possible betrayal at every turn, all three must trust in a fragile, newfound loyalty, even as they discover how much they are willing to sacrifice to protect their families. (Goodreads)



### The Unexpected Mrs. Pollifax By Dorothy Gilman

Mrs. Virgil (Emily) Pollifax of New Brunswick, New Jersey, was a widow with grown children. She was tired of attending her Garden Club meetings. She wanted to do something good for her country. So, naturally, she became a CIA agent. This time, the assignment sounds as tasty as a taco. A quick trip to Mexico City is on her agenda. Unfortunately, something goes wrong, and our dear Mrs. Pollifax finds herself embroiled in quite a hot Cold War—and her country's enemies find themselves entangled with one unbelievably feisty lady. (Goodreads)



### Recommended by Carol Mohler



*Stamped From the Beginning* by Ibram X. Kendi

In this deeply researched and fast-moving narrative, Dr. Ibram X. Kendi chronicles the entire story of anti-Black racist ideas and their staggering power over the course of American history. He uses the life stories of five major American intellectuals to drive this history, including Puritan minister Cotton Mather, Thomas Jefferson, abolitionist William Lloyd Garrison, W.E.B. Du Bois, and legendary activist Angela Davis. As Dr. Kendi shows, racist ideas did not arise from ignorance or hatred—they were created to justify deeply entrenched discriminatory policies and the nation's racial inequities.

### Recommended by Anneliese Ellerton



**Shattering Glass: A Nasty Woman Press Anthology**

by [Heather Graham](#) (Goodreads Author) (Editor), [Maria Alexander](#) (Goodreads Author) (Contributor), [Sandi Ault](#) (Contributor), [Eric Beetner](#) (Goodreads Author) (Contributor), [Cara Black](#) (Goodreads Author) (Contributor), [Rhys Bowen](#) (Goodreads Author) (Contributor), [Barbara Boxer](#) (Contributor), [Dana Cameron](#) (Goodreads Author) (Contributor),

Shattering Glass is the first in a series of remarkable anthologies published by Nasty Woman Press, a unique non-profit publisher founded to help fund other organizations threatened by the rise of autocracy and the ongoing war against civil and human rights in the United States. A scintillating mixture of top-flight fiction from bestselling authors in multiple genres, fascinating articles, and thought-provoking essays, conversations and interviews, Shattering Glass takes as its theme the empowerment of women, with all profits from the book donated to Planned Parenthood. Goodreads

### On the Goodreads Summer List



**The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo**

By [Taylor Jenkins Reid](#)

Aging and reclusive Hollywood movie icon Evelyn Hugo is finally ready to tell the truth about her glamorous and scandalous life. But when she chooses unknown magazine reporter Monique Grant for the job, no one is more astounded than Monique herself. Why her? Why now?

Monique is not exactly on top of the world. Her husband has left her, and her professional life is going nowhere.

Regardless of why Evelyn has selected her to write her biography, Monique is determined to use this opportunity to jumpstart her career.

Summoned to Evelyn's luxurious apartment, Monique listens in fascination as the actress tells her story. From making her way to Los Angeles in the 1950s to her decision to leave show business in the '80s, and, of course, the seven husbands along the way, Evelyn unspools a tale of ruthless ambition, unexpected friendship, and a great forbidden love. Monique begins to feel a very real connection to the legendary star, but as Evelyn's story near its conclusion, it becomes clear that her life intersects with Monique's own in tragic and irreversible ways. (Goodreads)

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