



November, 2025

"Wait, where is the Bonfire I know and love?"

**The Bonfire team is looking
for its next editor-in-chief.**

Until this important role is filled and the editor trained, the Bonfire will be slimmed down with content limited to brief mentions of immediate and specific upcoming Branch events. Other submissions will be held for future issues.

You can help return the Bonfire to its full glory! If you or someone you know might like to learn more about the Bonfire team, please contact Diane Trombetta (tddtaug@yahoo.com).

Upcoming Events

Vote on November 4th

Learn more about 2 important ballot measures

AAUW SJ Public Policy Committee offers these suggestions:

- **Prop 50** (Statewide) | [AAUW CA Prop 50 Info Flyer](#)
- **Measure A** (Santa Clara County) | [Court Affirms County's Fiscal Emergency; Sales Tax Measure Advances to November Ballot](#)

Saturday, November 8; 10am – 12pm (doors open at 9:30am)

Join us for a coffee and to get an update on legislative efforts at the State level to protect and promote voting rights, education, and healthcare

Keynote Speaker | California Assemblymember Gail Pellerin

Free, Open to the Public

Register | <https://bit.ly/aaunov25>

Event Flyer | https://sanjose-ca.aaunet/files/2025/10/AAUW-2025-SJ-Flyer-November_rev09282025.jpg

For More Information | programs@aaunsanjose.org

Events to Spread the Holiday Spirit!

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Two Drives | In November & early December

More Information | Bobbie (rcbaker@sbcglobal.net) or Mary Jane

(mjvitkovich@hotmail.com)

Thank you for your support!

Warm Hearts Drive for Santa Maria

Parking Lot Drive | Saturday, November 15; 10am – 12pm, OR

HQ Entry Way | Look for “Santa Maria” bins starting in early November

- **Collecting** | gently used, clean, warm clothes including coats, sweaters, hats, socks, gloves, jackets and blankets

Holiday Drive for Next Door Solutions

HQ Entry Way | Look for “Next Door” bins November 10 – December 5

- **Collecting** | new children’s books and stuffed toys for their Holiday party

December 1 – 8

Local Scholarship Annual Fundraising Campaign Give the Gift of Education!

Perfect for that person who has everything. Plus, for every \$100 you donate between 12/1 – 8, you will be automatically entered into a raffle to win one of a number of fabulous prizes.

- Donate Here | https://www.paypal.com/donate/?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=SR8YBU5FJSLEQ
- Learn more about the LS Program | <https://sanjose-ca.aaunet/education/san-jose-local-scholarship-for-women/>

Saturday, December 6, 12:30 – 3:00 PM AAUW SJ “Holiday Celebrations” Party

Inspiring live music, multicultural table décor, international treats

Kohlstedt Hall, Willow Glen United Methodist Church

1420 Newport Street, SJ

Members and their guests

RSVP by 11/29 at <https://bit.ly/aauw-holiday-2025>

More Information | tddtaug@yahoo.com

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