



It's a Fiesta Party

AAUW Bellingham Branch

- Delicious Tacos
- Tasty Margaritas
- Mingle with AAUW Members, Spouses and Friends
- Silent Auction
- Drawings for Beautiful Gift Baskets

**Saturday, June 11
12:00 - 3:00**

Lake Padden Estates
Clubhouse #26A
4949 Samish Way
Bellingham

Donation: \$20

RSVP:
susanmoen@comcast.net

Proceeds and donations benefit AAUW scholarships for local women and girls



Guests pack Spark Museum for 2016 High School Scholars Recognition Event

AAUW Bellingham hosted 22 high school scholars and their families on May 14th at the SPARK Museum in Bellingham. The room was filled, with at least 100 people. Thanks to all members who brought delicious finger foods for the event in the perfect amount!



The program speakers were a hit with the scholars and their parents. **Andrea Frost** (right), MS candidate in computer science, and **Sydney Cole** (left), Software Developer and Computer Programmer, know each other in their work with the Creators and Innovators Club for Girls at Kushan Middle School. Their different experiences in their quest for a profession in the technology field inspired all.

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To celebrate our wonderful year, we invite everyone to this **year-end Fiesta**. Thanks to your hard work and contributions, we have had a very successful year, including giving scholarships, sponsoring over 30 middle school girls at Tech Trek and Girls Go Tech, and honoring 33 young women from all over Whatcom County at our High School Scholars Recognition event.

Please come and **enjoy an afternoon of food, fun and friendship**. This would be a good time to invite friends who would enjoy the camaraderie and perhaps learn more about what we do. Don't forget to bring your checkbook, too, as this is your chance to **help us fund these same wonderful activities next year for our local women and girls**.

We encourage you to carpool, - parking is limited.

Directions: Drive south on Lincoln St./ Samish Way from Lakeway Drive. - Go 4 miles until you are past Lake Padden Park. Go past the Yew Street intersection still driving south. You will come to a painted sign on the left : Lake Padden Estates, turn left into this village, drive up the road to the T, turn right and follow the road to number 26A - the Clubhouse - it will be on the left.



Sophia Carpenter,
Science, Bellingham



Jocelyn Johnson,
Math, Bellingham HS



Keara Kintzele,
Technology, BellinghamHS

High School Scholars recognized for academic excellence

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Special guests welcomed the scholars and encouraged them to continue their education after high school. They included Brad Johnson, Associate Dean, College of Science and Engineering at Western Washington University; Anne Bowen, Whatcom Community College Foundation; and Dean Fulton, Executive Director, Bellingham Technical College Foundation.

Many hands make this important event possible. Event Co-chairs Jean Cox-Treverton and Carol Simmer would like to thank the following members:

- Teizeen Mohamedali - program design
- Esther Gold - certificates and name tags
- Gwen Parker- photographer and welcome
- Pam Sankey - scholars check-in
- Helene Berg-Kolin - member and info table
- Ruth Norman and Lynn Bellinger - certificate and gift presentation
- Robin Kagan and Lori Smiley - greeters
- Barb Craig - food table and speaker's flowers
- Sharlene Joshua - beverage table
- Gwen Parker and Liz Wright- Friday set-up



Sophia Booth, Technology and Science; Thu Ton, Math; and Audrey Goo, Technology and Science, Squalicum HS

More of our AAUW Bellingham Branch 2016 High School Scholars



Kaitlyn Stapp,
Math, Mt. Baker HS



Natasha Haggith, Science,
Mt. Baker HS



Molly Lynch,
Technology, Mt.
Baker HS



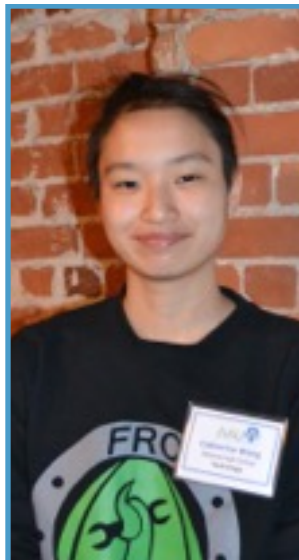
Elena Stocker,
Technology,
Windward HS



Madeline Cummins,
Math, Sehome HS



Makayla George,
Science,
Lummi Nation HS



Catherine Wang,
Technology,
Sehome HS



Izabella Kornelis,
Math, Windward HS

Those not present, but receiving certificates:

Kristen Hewson, Lynden HS; Payton Lunde and Ryley Zapfen, Meridian HS; Leisha Yonkman, Esmeralda Meza-Guzman, and Michaela Yonkman, Nooksack Valley HS, and Ayelech Bushnell, Windward HS

More HS Scholars



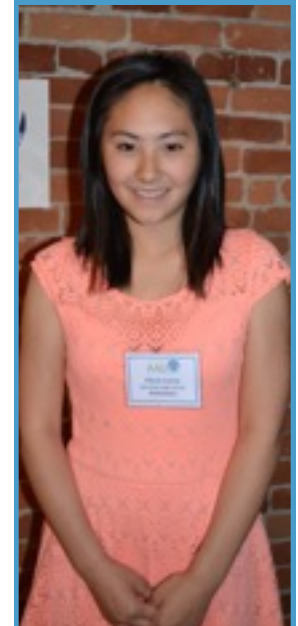
Ona Underwood,
Math, Ferndale HS



Emmalee Bailey,
Science,
Lynden Christian HS



Kylie Larmer,
Technology,
Ferndale HS



Elissa Carey,
Math,
Meridian HS



Lauren Kordas, Math,
Blaine HS



Tayah Tryon,
Science, Blaine HS



Kirsten Killingmark,
Science,
Ferndale HS



Hannah Hahn, Math,
Lynden Christian HS

**Thanks to our sponsors:
SPARK Museum and WWU College
of Science and Engineering!**

Interest Group Calendar

Adelante! Book Club meets at Arlis's Restaurant, 1525 Cornwall Ave. in Bellingham, at noon on the fourth Thursday. The June 23rd book will be *Charity and Sylvia: A Same-Sex Marriage in Early America*, by Rachel Hope Cleves. Review leader is Gwen Parker. Newcomers are welcome. Contact: Gwen at 360-933-4314.

"The Bookies" meet at 6:45 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the Colophon Cafe in Fairhaven. The June 9th book is *"My Brilliant Friend"* by Elena Ferrante.

We welcome all comers - please join us. Contact: Barb Craig, 360-927-2526.

Reel Movie Lovers

The May movie chosen was *The Man Who Knew Infinity*. We meet for a matinee on the third Sunday of each month. Bellingham Branch members will be notified of the exact movie, time, and location for the June 19th get-together in an email the week before the showing.

Save the date if you are interested, and *feel free to offer suggestions on something you would like to see*. Contact: Liz Wright, 671-5518.

Uptown girl....

Suzanne Spaetgens Thorp has moved from her home on Northwest Avenue to a more central location, just off Cordata Parkway. Here's to less yard work!

Happy Birthday
to You!



June:

2 Barb Craig
22 Ruth Norman
24 Gerry Prody
25 Susan Moen

July

2 Helene Berg-Kolin
3 Carol Simmer
24 Lynn Bellinger
26 Cathy Oberg

Bellingham AAUW members have a special invitation from Dr. Melissa Rice to attend "MARS Invasion," about NASA's exploration of the Red Planet. The event is set for June 27, 7:30 p.m. at the Mt. Baker Theatre. Dr. Rice is Assistant Professor of Planetary Science at WWU, and a member of the MARS Rover team. Dr. Jim Bell will be the main speaker, and Capt. Wendy Lawrence, former NASA Shuttle Astronaut, will also take part. This will be great for all ages. Cost is \$5 per person. Dr. Rice and Capt. Lawrence have both been speakers at Girls Go Tech.

Welcome!

Bellingham AAUW offers scholarships and supports numerous programs which help women and girls gain equity in all areas of life.

Anyone possessing a four-year bachelor's degree or a two-year associate's degree is welcome to become a member.



Our Fourth Tech Trek candidate for 2016!!

Enough money has been raised to allow a fourth applicant for Tech Trek to be added to our list of campers from Bellingham. She is

Mei Li Personius from Kulshan Middle School. Her teachers says she is "academically oriented and a determined student." She comes in early to attend science club before school.

In addition to her interest in the STEM subjects, she is a competitive gymnast and volunteers with Brigadoon Dog Service, which trains service dogs for children, adults, and veterans with disabilities.

Our other 2016 attendees, named last month, are Jasmine Miller, Kulshan Middle School; Calista Cronck, Kulshan Middle School; and Huyen Le, Fairhaven Middle School. All four are currently seventh-graders, and were chosen by our Tech Trek committee and their schools to attend the week-long Tech Trek science camp this summer at Pacific Lutheran University.

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