



# HELLO FALL

Forget Summer. Fall is where it's at.  
Check out the articles below to learn what we have planned  
and program updates.

## From the Board:



Thank you to everyone who renewed their membership. We are looking for a few more returning members along with welcoming new members. Can you help? Reach out and spread the word about AAUW Tucson!

To accomplish our mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research, we have several events and partnerships happening this month through December. The 2025 events will be announced at a later date.

Mark your calendar to attend or offer to help plan and support our branch's community involvement. We can't do it without YOU!

[Visit the Branch Events  
Webpage](#)



**Saturday, September 14**  
from 11:00a to 1:00p

**Branch Meeting.** Our first meeting will be at Viscount Suites on Broadway, with a program from Mobile Meals of Southern Arizona. Join us for brunch and an informative discussion.

Cost: \$20 per person

All members and guests are welcome.

RSVP  
HERE



**Wednesday, September 18**  
starting at 10:00a

**Advocacy Group 'My Vote, Our Voice' Initiative.** Our Advocacy Group, led by Linda Alepin, designed the image on the top left which will be printed on stickers to raise voting awareness with our C/U partners.

Tabling dates at U of A and Pima are being planned with one set so far – September 18 at U of A mall starting at 10:00a.

We need volunteers for all the tabling events.

If you can help on the 18<sup>th</sup> or have preferences for other dates, please email Joan Jorgensen AND Michelle Higgins.



Pueblo High School

Contact Jane Russ  
for Details

**Tuesday, September 24**  
from 7:30a to 3:00p

**Running and Winning.** Join branch R&W coordinator, Jane Russ, for our 18th year supporting the League of Women Voters of Greater Tucson for this educational, interactive student leadership forum.

Junior and senior high school girls meet with past and present elected women officials and learn how to run, fund, and win a campaign.

**Saturday, November 9**  
from 9:00a to 3:00p

**2024 AAUW AZ Fall Forum.** NOW WE LEAD is the Fall Forum theme, at Viscount Suites on Broadway, to include keynote speakers, panel discussions, and other events.

Meet AAUW AZ board members and branch members from around the state.



Registration  
Will Open

## AAUW Tucson & the AZ Diamondbacks

+ *Take Me Out to the Ball Game*+

Everyone connected with AAUW Tucson is invited to purchase any regular season home game tickets.



[Click HERE for Game Schedule and Tickets](#)

## AAUW Tucson Advocacy Committee

### My Vote, Our Voice

At the state and local levels, AAUW is busy preparing for the November 5 election.

Betsy Flaten and Bev Byrd, co-chairs of the state Public Policy committee, are collaborating with **AAUW California** to launch a postcard campaign and with national representatives for Proposition 139 publicity.

**National** will put information on their website as well as do email blasts to Arizonians.



Here in **Tucson**, we are initiating a Get Out the Vote campaign.

With the help of [Create Protest](#), we have a bold 'My Vote, Our Voice' sticker designed to emphasize the act of voting as well as its positive community effects.

Stickers will be made available to AAUW members to distribute to friends and family.

September and October will see tabling at the University of Arizona and Pima Community College campuses.

**We need volunteers!** Signup at our upcoming luncheon on Saturday, September 14.

TUCSON *great*  
DECISIONS

by Shirley Muney, AAUW Tucson Member and TGD Coordinator

As groups are gearing up for the new activity and school year, as well as

the season for Winter Visitors, so are we at the Tucson Great Decisions Association preparing for our 2025 season of *Great Decisions*.

Our branch of AAUW has sponsored a Great Decisions discussion group for at least 25 years. There's a good description of our program at the branch website, so I won't repeat it here, but I do want to remind members that international affairs is still an active concern of National AAUW. (Go to *AAUW Public Policy Priorities* to see the policy about our concern for global inter-dependence, especially with regard to the status of women, the United Nations, and immigration).

While our *AAUW Great Decisions* discussion group is of long standing, our branch's participation has been dwindling. Since COVID, we've been meeting via Zoom, and last year we resumed meeting in person as well.

The group is open to the public, with many men joining, but there are very few branch members left to carry on our tradition of concern for world affairs. I'm inviting all new and continuing members to join us and continue this stimulating activity.

There is no membership fee, and the only cost is for the "briefing book" that details the program each year. Contact *Shirley* for more details.



## Women's Holidays in September

- September 1 | National Little Black Dress Day
- September 17 | National Women's Friendship Day
- September 18 | International Equal Pay Day
- September 22 | American Business Women's Day
- September 22 | National Girls' Night In Day
- September 25 | National Women's Health and Fitness Day



### Monthly Branch Board Meetings

Monthly Zoom board meetings are held on the first Tuesday starting at 5:30pm. Contact *Ana Nygren*, AAUW Tucson President, for the link.

All members are welcome to attend.

## Deadline for the October Newsletter

Send articles and photos to *Jane Russ* by Friday,

September 27.

AZ State Bird, the Cactus Wren >



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