



**Holiday Event**  
**Saturday, December 12, 2pm**

We are delighted that Liddie Martinez has agreed to be our speaker. She was born and raised in the Espanola Valley. She learned about traditional farming and food preservation from her grandmother, and learned to cook from her mother who was a professional cook in Espanola restaurants. She has recently published a cookbook featuring historic New Mexican recipes to preserve the traditions for future generations.

Join us via ZOOM for this exciting holiday get-together. You will receive an invitation to join the meeting a few days before the event. Guests are welcome; send me the name and e-mail of your guest and I will issue an invitation.

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**Book Group**

Zoom meetings will be hosted by Rozelle Wright and Denise George. All group members will receive meeting invitations to both meetings. Other branch members who wish to be invited should contact Karin Roberts, [karinroberts875@icloud.com](mailto:karinroberts875@icloud.com), to be added to the group mailing list. Evening meetings are on the first Monday of the month at 7pm. Daytime meetings are on the following Tuesday at 1pm.

The December book is [Disappearing Earth](#) by Julia Phillips. Denise George will lead the discussion at and host both the Dec. 7th and 8th meetings.

A complete schedule is under the **study group** tab of our web site at: [2020-2021 Book Group Schedule](#)

**Nonfiction Book Group**

The next ZOOM meeting is Dec 14, 7:00pm. The book is [Your Inner Fish](#) by Neil Shubin. Rozelle Wright will lead the discussion. Denise George will host the meeting.

**Great Decisions**

These groups will begin to meet after the Foreign Policy Association publishes the books, usually in February.

## LA Cares Fruit Project

We are set to distribute holiday bags packed with fruit at the LA Cares December distribution. Thanks to all who have already contributed, we have enough to fund the holiday distribution. Any additional funds (send to Denise George, 411 Cheryl, White Rock, 87547) will be used to purchase fruit for February. If you volunteered to help pack, thank you but in the interest of limiting exposure of our members to the COVID virus, we limited the number of people involved.

## AAUW's End-of-Year Major Matching Gift

AAUW's Board members and other donors have set up a matching gift promotion to solicit donations to AAUW by December 31. They have pledged to match up to \$42,500 in donations made by the end

of this year. So now is a good time to double the impact of your giving and help fund AAUW's work on initiatives such as:

- Pushing for the passage of paid leave and equity laws for women
- Demanding Congress approve financial relief for the economic devastation of the pandemic
- Promoting racial equity

You can donate on-line at [AAUW.org/YearEnd2020](http://AAUW.org/YearEnd2020) or send a check to Margaret Gibson at: 120 Rover, White Rock, NM, 87547. She will collect and then submit branch donations to national. Checks should be made payable to AAUW with "Greatest Needs Fund" on the memo line.

## Legislative Preview

Our branch will co-sponsor the January legislative Preview with the League of Women Voters.

## Coordinating Council 2020-2021

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## Calendar

Dec 7,8	Book Group
Dec 12	Branch meeting
Dec 14	Nonfiction book group