

Robyne Wood of Robyne's Nest

The mission of Robyne's Nest is to ensure identified at-risk & homeless students, with little to no parental support, in the Huntington Beach community get the academic, financial, and life skills to complete high school and trade school or military options. Robyne's Nest was created by Robyne Wood, an HB wife and mother of two children. These high school students have been abandoned, kicked out or are just being neglected by their parents/guardians; so they don't drop out, turn to drugs or criminal activity.



With so many reactive agencies in our communities trying to "fix" our broken adults, we are being proactive by focusing on the maturing teen and helping them get on a good, strong path to become self-sustaining, productive members of our community. Without the guidance, assistance and basic necessities to thrive and learn, they will only continue to struggle. This is a proactive approach to keep our youth away from drugs, crime, homelessness, human trafficking and early parenthood.

Note: To find out what you can donate to Robyne's Nest, go to the website www.robynesnest.org/make-difference or (see page 8).

Holiday Entertainment

Suzy Hazard is an enthusiastic line dance and yoga instructor. She currently teaches various levels of line dance classes at the Huntington Beach Senior Center. Be ready for some line dancing.



Saturday, December 16, 2017

Meadowlark Golf Club
16782 Graham St. Huntington Beach

Social: 10:30 a.m.

Meeting: 11:00 a.m.

Speaker: 11:15 a.m.

Holiday Entertainment

Lunch: 12:00 p.m.

Menu: Eggplant Roulade served with seasonal vegetables. Cheesecake dessert. Lunch can be modified for vegetarians, so please indicate your preference with your reservation.

Registration Deadline:

December 9, 2017

Mail your **\$26** check payable to

AAUW-WM-FV-HB to:

Carole Smith
13982 Milan Street
Westminster, CA. 92683

Your check is your reservation.



BOARD MEETING

The Board consists of all officers and committee chairs and meetings are usually held the first Monday of each month. All members are encouraged to attend.

Calendar of Events

November

- 15 Travel Group
- 18 General Meeting 10:30 am
"Growing up under Sharia, Islamic Law"
- 27 Evening Book Review, 7:15 pm

December

- 3 Holiday Sing-A-Long, 4:30 pm
- 4 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 7 Happy Hikers 4 pm
- 7 Bunco, 6:45 pm
- 14 Quest 9:00 am
- 16 General Meeting 10:30 am
- 20 Travel Group, 7:00 pm
- 27 Bridge Party 1:00 pm

January

- 11 Quest
- 20 General Meeting 10:30 am
- 20 LAF Interbranch Meeting
- 22 Book Review, 7:15 pm

February

- 10 Membership Luncheon, 11:00 am

The November 2017 Board of Directors meeting was held 11/7 at the home of Sue Mcdannel.

FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT

General Account

Nov. Beginning Balance	\$17,093.81
Nov. Ending Balance	15,483.60

Fund Account

Nov. Beginning Balance	\$14,323.58
Nov. Ending Balance	14,777.58

The next Board meeting will be Monday, December 4, 7 pm, at Leanne Metzler's, 11426 Culebra Street, Cypress, CA 90630, (714) 894-1869.



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Note: The next issue of the newsletter will be the January issue.

Articles must be in no later than December 10.

**Send to Sara Cairns
saracairns@me.com**

**<http://wfh-ca.aauw.net/>
BRANCH EMAIL ADDRESSES**

Contact the Co-Presidents

Membership inquiries and new members

Update member contact information

Programs

Web site problems, comments, corrections

Ctrl+Click on the above links to email.



WESTMINSTER-FOUNTAIN VALLEY-HUNTINGTON BEACH BRANCH

PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Hi everyone -- We hope you are all doing well and getting ready for a wonderful holiday season! In the midst of all your preparations, don't forget AAUW events and remember to check our calendar for upcoming activities!

FYI, a message from AAUW California said that some of their e-mails are being spoofed, which means not actually from their offices. It could bring a virus into your computer, so be sure not to open up anything from AAUW that does not look legitimate. Also, to protect yourself change your password regularly and install anti-virus and spam filters. Always better to be safe than sorry!

Also, we have good and bad news. The bad news is that Angie Bua-Gilstrap, our long time Legal Advocacy representative, has decided to retire after many years of dedicated service. The good news is that Pat Allgeier, an Honorary Life member and past president of our Branch, has agreed to take on her duties! Many many thanks to Angie for her contributions through the years, and many thanks and a warm welcome to Pat!

Just another short reminder -- all checks to be donated to Tech Trek should now be filled out to AAUW SPF, with a memo line of UCI Tech Trek and AAUW-WM-FV-HB (write small!). This is true of payments for the Entertainment books as well. Please let us know if you have any ideas for fund-raising or corporate sponsorships so we can send more girls to Tech Trek!

We'll see you in December for an especially fun luncheon (line dancing!). Meanwhile, have a very happy holiday filled with the warmth of loving family and good friends! All the best,

Ann Kajdasz Jeri Goldsbrough
Co- Presidents



TECH TREK FUNDRAISERS

Thank you for your support! At the October 21st General Meeting, we had a record high of \$149.46 in pennies donated!

BUY THE NEW ENTERTAINMENT PREMIER COLLECTION

PACKED WITH \$1000s IN SAVINGS

NO PRICE INCREASE @ only \$35

LIMITED TIME: 9/11/17 – 11/18/17



For more information or to place an order, contact:

Jeanne Kulpinski 714-969-9149

coastalwaves.44@gmail.com

(Note: new e-mail address)

LAF: Interbranch Luncheon

The 2018 Interbranch luncheon will be January 20, 2018, 11 am to 3pm in Clubhouse 7, Laguna Woods Village. Our speaker is going to be L. Song Richardson, Interim Dean of the UCI Law School.

Unfortunately, the reservation lottery resulted in the same date as our branch January meeting. I hope some of you will choose to attend this once a year chance to interact with the other AAUW branches in our area,

The price remains the same (\$25) and there will be fabulous baskets for the raffle. I will forward reservation information and menu selections as soon as it is available.

Pat Allgeier LAF Chair

For information email husky509@hotmail.com



AAUW Golden West College Scholarships 2017

The AAUW Golden West College Scholarships were given out at a ceremony in May. Scholarships were presented by Pat Allgeier (Michelle's mom), Cindy Bowers (Shirley's daughter), Jeri Goldsbrough and Joy Ferguson. The scholarship recipients this year wrote letters, so the thank you notes below are just part of what they wrote. To make a future donation to any of the scholarships noted below, see Joy Ferguson for a donation form. Your contributions are greatly appreciated as most of the students at Golden West College are working, going to college and many have families.

Sandria Tan-Michelle Feicht Scholarship

I am writing to thank you for the generous scholarship. I was overwhelmed with excitement that I was selected as the recipient of your scholarship. The scholarship will help alleviate financial burdens. As an incoming English major at the University of Southern California, I plan to use all my opportunities to help me pursue my future professional goals in the fields of social media marketing, film industry and public relations. I am one step closer to that goal. I promise I will work very hard and eventually give back to my community.

Haley Byrd-AAUW Branch Scholarship

My lifelong dream of obtaining a BSN is moving forward thanks to generous educational scholarships like yours. Your scholarship will help me complete my studies at CSULB to work in either women's health or pediatrics. Thanks again for the vote of confidence and the scholarship.

Melissa Cruz-Shirley Pyle Endowed Scholarship

I would like to personally thank the kind individuals that deemed me worthy of receiving a scholarship that will help fund my future endeavors. No kind action goes unnoticed, and it is important that the people who read this understand that this act of kindness has completely changed the course of my future higher education. I will attend UCI in the fall and complete my junior and senior years. I will be the first in my family to graduate from a university.

Hannah Clark-Ed Cummings Endowed Scholarship

I want to express my thanks to those who contributed to this scholarship. I have self-supported my education by working various jobs. This scholarship truly makes a difference. I will be attending CSU Long Beach in the fall and pursuing a law degree. My goal is to help people and make their lives better.



MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON
 "FRIENDSHIP * FUN * EMPOWERMENT"
 SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2018
 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

Salad Luncheon with Dessert
 CLAIM JUMPER FOUNTAIN VALLEY
 Members \$23 Guests \$15

This is an opportunity for you and your friends
 to enjoy lunch together and learn about our
 active and fun branch of AAUW.

Please notify the Membership Vice Presidents
 of any prospective members and an invitation
 to the luncheon will be emailed to them.

Sign up at the December and January
 meetings or mail a check made out to

AAUW WM-FV-HB to
 Leanne Metzler
 11426 Culebra Street
 Cypress, CA 90630



**Happy Hikers atop
 Caspers Wilderness**

Authors Luncheon: Save the Date March 17, 2018

The luck of the Irish was with us for our St. Patrick's Day Authors Luncheon as we were able to book three outstanding, diverse authors to come and share their work. First, is bestselling author Anne Perry. Anne has penned two acclaimed series set in Victorian England: the William Monk novels and the Charlotte and Thomas Pitt novels. She has also written a series of WWI novels as well as 15 Christmas novels. Next, we have two new comers, Aline Ohanesian author of Orhan's Inheritance and Abbie Waxman, who wrote The Garden of Small Beginnings. Both have received outstanding reviews for their work.

Join us at Old Ranch Country Club, Seal Beach, March 17, 2018. It will be St. Patrick's Day so don't forget to wear your green! Look for more information in next month's newsletter and reservation forms in January, at the monthly meeting and on our website. Sign up early to reserve those prime tables!

As always, we are asking for donations of baskets, and QUALITY items to fill them for the silent auction. Some suggestions might be: gift cards, plants, wine, toys, or pet supplies. Also, if you have connections to businesses that may be willing to make donations we will appreciate your efforts. Before you ask, please check with Carol Hoke to make sure we don't duplicate our requests.

Thank you so much in advance for your help and support in making this event successful. We cannot continue to do our good work without your support and generosity!

Sue McDannel and LuRae MacArthur, EOF Co-Chairs



INTEREST GROUPS

PLAY READING

Play Reading meets on the
4th Tuesday of each month.

Contact Marilen Steiger: 714-842-9247



GOLF

If you are interested in playing golf
Wednesday mornings,
call Bev Finnell 714-839-7377 or
Jeri Goldsbrough 714-897-8549.



EVENING BOOK REVIEW

The book for November is
The Nightingale
By Kristin Hannah

Monday, November 27, 2017

7:15 P.M. - Social

7:30 P.M. - Meeting

Hostess: Judy Francis

Co-hostess: Ann Johnson

Leader: TBD

8332 Scribe

Huntington Beach

714-968-6612

RSVP to Judy by Saturday, November 25

**Evening Book Review will not meet in December.
Our next meeting will be January 22, 2018.**

Looking Ahead: A Gentleman in Moscow by
Amor Towles



Rossmoor Woman's Club 2017 Holiday Home Tour

*Net proceeds go to local schools &
local charities*

Sunday December 3, 2017

11:00 am to 4:00 pm

- 4 Beautiful Homes Seasonally Decorated
- Free Refreshments, Silent Auction & Raffle
at the Seal Beach
Ayres Hotel Tea Room

Tickets \$20 in Advance

Tickets Locations



Antica Olive Oil, Vinegars & Spices
11110 Los Alamitos Blvd

Mc Nally Electric & Lighting
10792 Los Alamitos Blvd

Green Street Interiors
10660 Los Alamitos Blvd.

Cinnamon Stik
10641 Los Alamitos Blvd

Prep Kitchen Essentials
The Shops @ Rossmoor

Pacific Coast Style
6232 PCH Hwy, Long Beach

Sun Newspapers
216 Main St., Seal Beach

Advance Tickets Online

www.rossmoorwomensclub.com

Day of the Tour - Tickets \$25

Ayres Hotel Seal Beach or At Any Home the Day of the Tour

FILM DISCUSSION

**Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month at
7:00 p.m.**

Contact Linda Janesick, 714-328-8339 or
email: mypixel2@aol.com

Come and join our great group of intelligent women and have a stimulating evening discussing not only the selected movie of the month, but other pertinent and relevant issues of our time. We welcome everyone to come and share their thoughts, feelings and opinions in a warm and comforting environment.



INTEREST GROUPS

HAPPY HIKERS



Happy Hikers gather the first Thursday of each month for hikes and lunch. Contact: Carol Hoke 714-891-8307 email: calwalrus@gmail.com

On a cool, overcast day, Happy Hikers met the challenge of climbing up Bell Canyon Loop across Sun Rise to East Ridge in Caspers Wilderness Park. We clocked in 5 miles on this beautiful mountain.

Thursday, December 7

will be an evening walk around Balboa Island to "Ooh Eeh oohAh Aah" the Christmas Lights. We will take the ferry over to Harbor Side Cafe for a "little Happy Hour" and then begin the walk. (Ferry is \$1 each way). Carpool from Ralphs parking lot on Brookhurst departing at 4:00 pm. RSVP to Carol Hoke at cawalrus@gmail.com or 714-891-8307 by Wednesday, Dec 6.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY MUSIC SING-A-LONG

WHEN? Sunday, December 3 from 4:30 until 7:30 (or later) If you like to *sing*--or *don't*--we welcome you & friends—anyway. Music by The Sapphire Trio and friends.

WHERE? Home of Barbara & Dan Smith
7352 Emerson Ave. Westminster, 92683

WHAT TO BRING?

A hearty appetizer or "beverage"

RSVP by Fri., Dec 1 to - basmith10@verizon.net
(Be sure to get a parking pass at the door—
Restricted from 7am to 7pm)



Travel Group



Wednesday, December 20, 7 pm

Holiday Travel: Planning Ahead

Please come for a Holiday Party, where we will also talk about Holiday Travel. There's a surge in incorporating holidays with major trips, either as part of a family gathering or as a special trip that includes key holiday events. Starting to plan early is the key to a successful holiday trip.

Bring a little bit of your special Christmas food or drink to share with others for a potluck of holiday treats.

At the home of Jeri Goldsbrough,
5711 David Webster in Garden Grove. Please RSVP to jerig6@mac.com, or respond to this email.

Janet Johnson
310 567 1117



Quest to LAPD Training Center in October

INTEREST GROUPS

BRIDGE NEWS

Contact Mary Gundling if you wish to play ladies duplicate on the first Wednesday of each month. We play at Sunny's on Edinger at 4:00 pm. Contact Jane Berlinger if you wish to play couples duplicate on the third Sunday of each month. We play at Sunny's on Edinger at 4:30 pm.

BRIDGE RESULTS

Ladies Duplicate

1. Angie and Jeannie
2. Pat and Georgia
3. Joan and Carol L.



Couples Duplicate

1. Fran and Pete
2. Peggy and Carol L
3. Bob and Lynne tied with Vicki and Steve

Christmas Bridge Party: 3 table bridge at Mary Gundling's on Wednesday, Dec.27, from 1 to 4.

December Quest: December 14

On Thursday, December 14, 2017, Quest will visit The Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens in San Marino. We will take a docent led tour of the gardens, visit the Library and Mansion, lunch in the cafeteria and stop by the Gift Shop. There is no charge for Huntington members. The charge for Seniors over 65 is \$21.00 and for Adults is \$25.00. We will meet at the Valley View/Cerulean (Coco's parking lot) and Brookhurst/Ellis (Ralphs parking lot) locations at 9:00 AM. The Huntington opens at 10:00 AM. If you would like to attend, please contact Carol Valcarcel by December 7, 2017 by phone (530 208 8712), text or email (carol.valcarcel@aol.com). Please indicate the following: (1) your name and phone number; (2) meeting location (Valley View or Brookhurst); and (3) if you are able to drive. If you do not drive, please be prepared to pay your driver \$5.00.

January Quest

Quest will be going to the Gemological Institute of America in Carlsbad on Thursday, January 11, 2018. More to follow in the bulletin next month.

Bunco

Bunco Fun Night

Our Nov. meeting of Bunco Fun Night was held at Jeri's home and Clara brought us yummy goodies. Jeri had a wonderful night winning most wins, most buncos. and last bunco. Susan got two wins, and Margie split a win.

Our Dec. Bunco meeting will be on Thurs., Dec. 7, 6:45 pm at Lynn's always lovely, decorated home. Refreshments will be provided, but if you want to add something "Christmasy," please do.

Sharon Cope-Chairman

Robyne's Nest Grocery List

Please see our website for other ways to donate:
www.robynesnest.org/make-difference

Bars – granola, fruit, & trail mix



Pop-tarts



Ramen Noodle Soup (chicken/beef only) & Mac N Cheese



Peanut Butter/Crackers



Fruit Cups



GIFT CARDS - Wal-Mart, Target, Ralphs, Stater Bros., Smart N Final



American Association of University Women

WESTMINSTER-FOUNTAIN VALLEY-HUNTINGTON BEACH BRANCH

In principle and practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, or disability.

The mission of AAUW is to advance equity for woman and girls through advocacy, education, and research.

AAUW is California's most active and diverse organization for women offering action for equity, personal and professional growth, community leadership and friendship.

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