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December 15: Butterflies and Gardening 101

Join Leslie Gilson, Gibbs Monarch Butterfly Park Restoration Coordinator, in a journey over the last 11 years. "We took a dead and dying butterfly grove and lured the Monarch Butterfly back after 16 years." Learn about the fascinating Monarch Butterfly and how to tag a butterfly. Can a butterfly swim? What is the difference between a male and female butterfly? Is your garden butterfly friendly? What is the caterpillar's first meal? What is milkweed? These are some of the questions she will be answering.

Leslie has really enjoyed her volunteer activity with the Gibbs Butterfly Park. She is the restoration coordinator for this beautiful slice of nature and is very proud of the fact that she has succeeded in attracting the beautiful, Monarch Butterflies back to the park.

Please bring gift cards (Home Depot, Lowe's, Armstrong) for use at Garden Centers/ Nurseries for our designated charity, H.B. Trees.org. (Cash works, too.) Thank You

NEW BOARD MEMBERS ARE NEEDED

Election for new branch officers will be coming in March. We will need two Program VPs and a Fund VP. Program VPs find speakers for our monthly meetings, and handle luncheon arrangements. Fund VPs plan and organize the annual spring Authors Luncheon, our primary fund-raising event. These positions may sound daunting, but you will have many experienced, enthusiastic committee and Board members to help. So, if you are interested in either of these rewarding and fun jobs, please let the nominating committee know. AAUW-WM-FV-HB needs YOU! Ann Kajdasz, Jeri Goldsbrough, Carol Hoke

**Saturday
December 15, 2018**

Temporary Location Change

**Costa Mesa Country Club
1701 Golf Course Drive
Costa Mesa 92626
Mesa Linda Room**

Social: 10:30 a.m. Meeting: 11:00 a.m.
Lunch: 12:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Leslie Gilson, H.B. Trees
Holiday Entertainment:
Surf City Singers

Menu: Chicken Florentine with seasonal vegetable, rice pilaf, and fresh fruit salad. New York cheesecake dessert.

Meal can be modified for vegetarians, so please note your preference with your reservation.

Registration Deadline: December 8

Mail your \$26 check payable to

AAUW-WM-FV-HB to:

Carole Smith
13982 Milan St.
Westminster, Ca. 92683

Your check is your registration.



Calendar of Events

November

17 General Meeting CMCC 10:30 am
26 Evening Book Review, 7:15 pm
27 Play Reading Time TBA

December

6 Bunco 6:45 pm
6 Happy Hikers 4:30 pm
7 Music and Dance, GWC, 7 pm
11 Film Discussion
15 General Meeting CMCC 10:30 am
15 Holiday Sing-along 4:30 pm
19 Travel Group 7 pm
28 Winter Lunch Out 11:30 am
28 Bridge Party 1 pm

January 2019

7 Board Meeting
28 Evening Book Review

February 2019

9 New or Prospective Member Luncheon

April 2019

6 Authors Luncheon Fundraiser

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.

The Nov. 5, 2018, meeting was held at the home of Jeanne Kulpinski.

Financial Officer's Report

General Account

Beginning Balance	\$15,505.06
Ending Balance	\$14,260.68

FUND Account

Beginning Balance	\$15,365.17
Ending Balance	\$15,455.33

MOTION: Bev Nagy moved that she research the purchase of a document camera and a microphone for our branch.

The next board meeting will be January 7, 2019, 7:00 pm at the home of Ann Kajdasz

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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

Articles must be in no later than December 10, noon.

Send to Sara Cairns

saracairns@me.com

[Website: http://wfh-ca.aaupw.net/](http://wfh-ca.aaupw.net/)

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BRIGHTEN YOUR DAY...

Love makes our friends a little dearer. Joy makes our hearts a little lighter. Faith makes our paths a little clearer. Hope makes our lives a little brighter. Peace brings us all a little nearer. -unknown-

Tech Trek Thank You

Dear AAUW,
I had a great time this camp. My favorite workshop was when we got to hold the brains. That was really fun. My favorite nighttime activity was the "Bite of Reality." That was an amazing experience. My favorite workshop over all was stress management. The class taught me so much about controlling my stress. My class, video technology, was almost the best part of my day. Camp was amazing. Thank you. Jenny

SAVE THE DATE: FEB. 9, 2019

Calling all new members, prospective members and current members-- the NEW MEMBERS LUNCHEON will be held on February 9, 2019 at the Claim Jumper Restaurant on Brookhurst in Fountain Valley. We will love to see as many ladies as possible to support our branch, and to make new members feel welcome and informed about our important missions and all of our activities. Plus, there will be good food and wonderful friends attending! So, mark your calendars for that Saturday--more information will be in the next newsletter. Many thanks and wishing you great holidays!

Ann K. and Jeannie K.

Presidents' Message

AAUW is mobilizing a movement to close the gender pay gap. Although many of us have moved past this time of our lives, we have children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and others, who will be affected by this event. This movement is called *Work Smart*. It is a program that will empower women across the country to negotiate for a raise, promotion, or new job. It will teach essential negotiation skills and important facts about the status of gender pay gap. *Work Smart* is available on line-for free. *Work Smart* can be shared on Facebook and Twitter.



AAUW's renowned *The Simple Truth about the Gender Pay Gap* report finds that women are still paid just 80 cents for every dollar paid to a man! Research shows that 57% of men try to negotiate their salary but only 7% of women do. We can help change that with AAUW's multipronged economy security initiative: by changing laws, encouraging employers to improve workplace cultures and practices, and empowering women to negotiate to their financial futures by making our *Work Smart* program available nationwide. Send an email to your friends, family, and followers to let them know that one hour of online learning can lead to a lifetime of higher earnings. Let's not talk about what men have done – let's talk about what women can do!

As the winter season comes upon us (as well as flu season) strive to keep healthy and happy. Gather with friends, go shopping, wrap gifts as well as receive them, and enjoy holiday events.

Whatever you celebrate this holiday season, may it be blessed, merry and bright. HO! HO! HO! See you at the December meeting and bring a friend. Let's see all of those cheerful and happy faces.

Co Presidents: Bev Nagy and Carole Smith

WESTMINSTER-FOUNTAIN VALLEY-HUNTINGTON BEACH BRANCH



Welcome to our NEW MEMBER !

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FILM DISCUSSION



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

Contact Linda Janesick, 714-328-8339 or

email: lindajanesick@gmail.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.

Travel Group -

Wednesday, December 19, 7 pm
Join a discussion about travel opportunities over holidays, when special events are created to attract travelers. At the home of Leanne Metzler,
Please let Leanne know if you plan to attend: lmetzler@ca.rr.com.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY MUSIC SING-A-LONG

WHEN? Saturday, December 15 from 4:30 til 7:30

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

WHAT TO BRING? A hearty appetizer or "beverage"

"Mix and mingle with a jinglin' beat"

Lyrics and LIVE music by the
Sapphire Trio & Fiddlin' Spencer happily provided.
Song leaders Sandy and Eric on board

If you like to sing--or don't--we welcome you & your friends, anyway.

RSVP by Wed, Dec 12 to - basmith10@verizon.net

Get parking pass at our front door. (Restricted parking 7 to 7)

You are invited to Winter Lunch Out, no host.
Friday, Dec. 28, 11:30 a.m. at CA Pizza Kitchen,
Bella Terra Mall. Contact [Bev Nagy](#)

The Golden West College Choral/Vocal Music Program
Dr. Bruce Bales, director
presents

LOSERS!

Musical Selections from Broadway Shows
that DIDN'T win the Tony Award
Including, but not limited to:



Friday, December 7th, 2018, 7:30pm
GWC Forum II

Contact [Barb Smith](#) if you wish to attend Losers with Music and Dance Group.

INTEREST GROUPS

EVENING BOOK REVIEW

Evening Book Review will not meet in December. Our next meeting will be January 28, 2019.

Looking Ahead:

January - Anything Is Possible by Elizabeth Strout
 February - Double Luck: Memoirs of a Chinese Orphan by Lu Chi Fa



PLAY READING

Play Reading meets on the fourth 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.



BRIDGE NEWS

Ladies Duplicate is the first Wednesday of each month: Please contact Mary Gundling if you wish to play. Couples Duplicate is the third Sunday of each month: Please contact Jane Berlinger if you wish to play.

Christmas Bridge Party at Mary Gundling's home on Friday, December 28 from 1pm to 4 pm.
 Please RSVP by Dec. 26.

Bridge results for Ladies Duplicate:

1. Carol Loehman and Charlotte
2. Georgia and Pat



Bunco Fun Night

Our Nov. Bunco was held at Bev Nagy's home. She "treated" us with yummy snacks. The huge winner of the night was Lucea Shipler. She let Margie Wooden and Pat Lussier have tiny portions of the winnings.

Our Dec. 6, Bunco will be at Lynn Henderson's home. It will be Christmas themed. Lynn will be providing goodies for everyone. Arrival is 6:45 and game starts at 7:00.

Please RSVP Sharon Gene

Retired Teachers---CAN YOU Be a Volunteer?

Project S.H.U.E. - at the Westminster Senior Center- is a daily after school enrichment program (staffed by a group of dedicated-fun-Seniors) to improve the lives of 30-Grades 1 & 2 disadvantaged, limited-English speaking kids, by providing homework help, tutoring, reading skills, math practice and cultural enrichment. Some of our volunteers have moved or have health problems and cannot attend this year so we need several new helpers. If you can spare one afternoon a week from 2:30 to 4:30 (earlier on Wednesdays). Please respond to Barbara Smith for more details. I have enjoyed doing this for several years.

Barbara Smith, basmith10@verizon.net





SAVE THE DATE: QUEST-A VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS DECEMBER 11TH, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm

Celebrate a Victorian Christmas at the Bembridge House in historic Willmore/Drake Park District, Long Beach. The ornate, well preserved Queen Anne Victorian House was built in 1906. It is an amazing museum of history, architecture and collectibles, and is owned and operated by Long Beach Heritage. In December, neighborhood groups from across the community create a magical display of decorations throughout the house, and docents provide guided tours to share holiday traditions from around the world.

Tours are scheduled on Tuesdays from 1:00-3:00 pm. Quest will meet **Tuesday, December 11th**. Tickets can be purchased on the internet through Facebook. The challenge: Tickets are not released for sale until the date is posted. Tickets for the Dec. 11th, day tour should be available **Dec. 5th**. If you would like to attend the tour of the Victorian Christmas at the Bembridge House, you need to purchase your ticket as soon as it is available on the Bembridge House Facebook site, or contact Marilyne Coats (marilyne.coats@gmail.com) and she will purchase the ticket for you and you can reimburse her with the exact cash on the day of the event, Dec. 11th.

Lunch at a downtown Long Beach restaurant (TBD) will precede the tour. Do you want to join the group for lunch, or would you prefer to meet at the Bembridge House and not attend lunch? Those who would like to meet for lunch can meet at either Ralphs or Coco's and carpool to the restaurant; then to the Bembridge House for the tour. Those who want to skip lunch, can meet the group for the **tour at 1:00 pm at the Bembridge House: 953 Park Circle Drive, Long Beach**. It's very important that you contact Marilyne and let her know your preferences, so she can develop a roster of attendees. In addition, if you will meet for lunch and the tour, are you willing to be a driver for others? Additional information will be sent via email to those members who communicate their preferences. Please respond by **December 4** to marilyne.coats@gmail.com or by phone, contact number is in your Directory.

HB READS ONE BOOK 2019

Double Luck, Memoirs of a Chinese Orphan

Written by Lu Cha Fa, with Becky White

When Lu Chi Fa's parents died in 1944, he was only three years old. The timing of the tragedy could not have been worse. In China it was a time of political turmoil and severe hardship. Few people willingly took in orphans, and Chi Fa's extended family was no exception. Young Chi was shuffled from one house to another as his relatives, one by one, turned him away. Even his loving sister was forbidden by her husband to take him under her roof. Chi Fa was always hungry, often cold, and frequently beaten. Yet through all his struggles, Chi Fa held on to his sister's hopeful words: "You are lucky, Chi Fa. Good fortune will find you." This stirring memoir of a painful childhood tells a story of resilience and courage and attests to the power of even small fragments of kindness.

This 2019 citywide one read will welcome Gordon LU (Lu Chi Fa) to speak with adults and students next year. HB Reads events will begin 2/3/19 with a possible tea ceremony at HB Central Library. More information on events and the author event in 2019 as information is shared.

Future AAUW Public Policy

by Karen Jackle

At our November board meeting we were tasked with reviewing current AAUW 2017-19 Public Policy Priorities. How could an environmental overlay be added to our priorities in light of climate change discussion, and our past work done by branch members?

HB Central Library, had a "garden of verse" related to Shakespeare, by the steps up from Talbert to the library from lower parking lot. It was maintained by our HB branch for a few years after Central Library was built. Our members also helped to preserve the Bolsa Chica Wetlands

Many of our members enjoy gardening and volunteer at Shipley Nature Center and elsewhere. So, is there a way to expand "To support a strong system of public education that promotes gender fairness, equity, and diversity," in what AAUW advocates? Perhaps something related to education in schools, or is that already covered through other groups? An alternative would be an interest group to work in the community on environmental issues. Contact me with your ideas: karjac@gmail.com

INTEREST GROUPS

HAPPY HIKERS

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

It was a perfect day to hike up to Barbara's Lake. There were many ducks enjoying the swimming around in the lake. After our hike we had lunch in Laguna Beach. A great find was walking into a gallery for a special exhibit of Dr. Seuss! Awesome.

**December 6, Thursday- Evening Walk - Naples Park on Ravenna Street (go over the bridge)
Meet at 4:30pm - Park Bench on the Beach where Ravenna ends**

Before the walk, we will "Happy Hour" at an Irish Pub on Second Street and then begin the walk around the peninsula to view the Christmas lights. RSVP to Carol Hoke at cawalrus@gmail.com or 714-313-5533. A fun evening!



QUEST OCTOBER OCWD



Save the Date: Authors Luncheon

Mark your calendars for **April 6, 2019**
and spread the word! It's going to be fun and exciting!

This year for the theme of our Author's Luncheon we will honor the 100th anniversary of congress passing of the 19th amendment. We will also pay tribute to the suffragettes. These women worked tirelessly for the privilege we all enjoy today. So, we will pay tribute to their efforts and their sacrifices. So, if you feel the urge, dig up some early 1900's suffragette attire, or just come as yourself and hear the authors and join the celebration!



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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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