



YOU ARE ALL INVITED !

The Membership Annual Luncheon

Calling all members, new members and future members! The New Members Annual Luncheon will be held on February 9, 2019 at 11:00 am at the Claim Jumper Restaurant on Brookhurst in Fountain Valley.

Join us for a delicious pasta buffet and a chance to learn more about our friendly, dynamic branch. Cost for members is \$23 and \$15 for prospective members.

*PLEASE NOTIFY ANN OF ANY PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS
AT 714-960-7766 OR ralphkaj@aol.com
AND THEY WILL BE SENT AN INVITATION!*

The cutoff date for reservations is February 2. Please send checks made out to AAUW-WM-FV-HB to: Ann Kajdasz,

See you all there!

Ann Kajdasz and Jeanne Kulpinski VPs Membership

Membership Luncheon Saturday February 9, 2019

Claim Jumper Restaurant
18050 Brookhurst Street
Fountain Valley

11:00 am to 1:30 pm

Menu: Lasagna, Chicken Pasta, Salad, Dessert

Registration Deadline:

February 2

\$23 Member,

\$15 Non-Member

Mail check payable to

AAUW-WM-FV-HB to:

Ann Kajdasz





Calendar of Events

January, 2019

17 Quest, 9:00 am carpool, tour 10:15 am
 19 General Meeting, Meadowlark, 10:30 am
 19 AAUW LAF Luncheon, 11:00 am,
 28 Evening Book Review, 7:15 pm
 29 HB Gourmet, 5:00 pm

February, 2019

6 Ladies Duplicate Bridge
 7 Happy Hikers, Back Bay Drive, 9:30 am
 7 Bunco Fun Night 6:45 pm
 7 Board Meeting
 9 Membership Annual Luncheon, 11 am
 10 Newsletter deadline, Noon
 12 Film Discussion 7 pm
 15 Music and Dance, evening
 20 Travel Group
 21 Quest, Yakult Factory, 10 a.m.
 25 Evening Book Review, 7:15 pm
 26 Play Reading

March, 2019

13 Quest, Irvine Museum

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 January 7, 2019 meeting was held at the home of
 Ann Kajdasz.

Financial Officer's Report



General Account

Beginning Balance (Nov.) \$13,958.68
 Ending Balance (Dec.) \$14,126.22

FUND Account

Beginning Balance (Nov.) \$15,455.33
 Ending Balance (Dec.) \$15,442.27

The Attic Treasures Sale at the November meeting brought in \$172.

The centerpiece drawing at the December meeting brought in \$50 for the Goldenwest Scholarship.

The next board meeting will be Monday, February 4th at the home of Donna Kratter.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Note: The next issue of the newsletter will be the March issue. Articles must be in no later than February 10, noon. Send to Sara Cairns saracairns@me.com

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

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BRIGHTEN YOUR DAY...

A whole new year is filled with fabulous opportunities, awesome adventures, and exciting journeys. Anon

Presidents' Message

February-a time of hearts, sweet things, love and all that other mushy stuff.

Members and advocates are the heart of AAUW. As we move forward with our new strategic focus – to help women and girls achieve economic security, better educational opportunities, and access to more leadership roles – we need the assistance of each member. In 2019, AAUW will prioritize one of the most pressing issues of the day: improving the economic security of all women, no matter their location, age, ethnicity or background. The plan is for this to be done by 2030. It is truly a slow process, but is gradually being realized in many areas of our nation. AAUW California has signed on to a letter from AAUW National urging the new Congress to take the next step toward equal pay and make passing the Paycheck Fairness Act a priority. We will be hearing more about this effort from AAUW National as time goes on.

The 34th Annual Great American Write-in is being held on Saturday, March 23, 9:30 am to 1:30 pm at the Delhi Center, 505 E Central Avenue, Santa Ana, 92707. If you have not attended the event in the past, it is an opportunity to write to influential people/organizations on a myriad of subjects. It is also an opportunity for our branch to view other branch information of AAUW.

Our branch has been very involved and supportive of Tech Trek. There is a new director for the UCI camp. Tech Trek is looking for motivated persons to volunteer for the week long camp. There is a need for dorm moms, teachers, workshop presenters, on-site volunteers, future camp directors, web editors, a Financial Liaison, and a new State Coordinator. If interested in any of these positions, contact Linda Stinebaugh at techtrek@aauw-ca.org. Remember, this is one of the rewarding things shaping the future of more girls going into STEM careers. I wish it had been around when I was in seventh grade!

Remember, the February meeting is the New Members Annual Luncheon on February 9 at the Claim Jumper Restaurant. Bring a friend, or two.

Co Presidents

Bev Nogy and Carole Smith

In Grateful Memory

We are sad to acknowledge the passing of Sharon Clunk, a long term AAUW member and past President, on December 21, 2018. Our sympathies go to her family and friends.

We are also sad to acknowledge the Passing of Jane Berlinger, a long term AAUW member and past President, on January 5, 2019. Our sympathies to her family and friends.





Tech Trek Thank You

Dear AAUW WM-FV-HB Branch,

Thank you so much for giving me this wonderful opportunity to attend this camp. Tech Trek has taught me so many things that I will be using for the rest of my life. My favorite activity was Women's Night. I was able to meet such amazing people from all different fields and I feel inspired by their success as women in male majority areas. I feel empowered to pursue a career in the field of science. There are so many career choices that have been revealed to me and horizon now looks so much brighter. My core class, aerospace, has also taught me so many new things about aeronautics. I had an amazing time working with groups to design a bottle rocket. The classes helped me to realize that I can do anything I set my mind on and work hard. I feel honored to have been able to come to this camp and I would like to thank you for making this experience possible for me.

Thank you, Megan Yeung (FV)

SLATE OF OFFICERS 2019-2020

The Branch election for new officers will be held at the March general meeting. Here is the proposed slate:

Presidents: Carole Smith & Bev Nogy

VP Membership: Ann Kajdasz & Jeanne Kulpinski

VP Fund: Donna Kratter, Connie Nelson & Maxine Boyett

Secretary: Julie Ramphal

Financial Officer: Peggy Grzywacz

You notice we still don't have Program VPs. We are working on it but would very much appreciate suggestions or volunteers! Many thanks to everyone who has agreed to serve- the Branch couldn't exist without you!

Nominating Committee- Jeri Goldsborough, Ann Kajdasz, Carol Hoke

Save the Date: Authors Luncheon, April 6, 2019

Mark your calendars, our annual Authors Luncheon will be here before you know it! April 6, 2019, is the date and Old Ranch is again the place. Also, we have our final author lined up. She is Kim Hooper is the author of three novels: People Who Knew Me, Cherry Blossoms, and coming out in June, Tiny. Kim lives in Dana Point with her husband and daughter and a collection of pets. According to her website, "She loves cats, cardigans, hot tea, booze, Bob Dylan and introversion."

We also would like to remind you to start collecting things for the silent auction baskets. Please keep in mind that gift cards/gift certificates and plants sell the best. If you got some gift cards for Christmas that you think you may forget to use, we will love to take them off your hands!



Dates to Remember from Karen Jackle, Public Policy Chair

HB Reads One Book: Black and White Pu-erh Tasting

Bana Tea presents information on this special tea, how it is brewed and cultivated and prepared after harvest to become Pu-erh Tea. Location: HB Central Library 2/2/19 2pm Cost: \$10.00 in advance.

Tickets are online at <http://hbread.org/> \$10 (\$12 if purchased at door – limited seating).

Save the date: 3/28/18: Meet the Double Luck author, Lu Chi Fa 4pm \$25 until 2/2/19 then \$30-\$35

Equal Pay Day – 2019

Tuesday, April 2, 2019: All Women's Equal Pay Day (Compare: Women earn \$.80 when Men earn \$1.00)

Golden West College Scholarship: Donations Jane Berlinger

Lee Berlinger and his family have established the Jane Berlinger Memorial Scholarship at Golden West College in memory of Jane's commitment and dedication to helping others. Jane served as AAUW President, enjoyed mentoring at Westminster High School and worked on both the Authors Luncheon and Tech Trek committees. Jane was an avid bridge player and started a Couples Duplicate Bridge group. She loved all her experiences with AAUW and made many friendships along the way. Jane's dedication to our AAUW group will be truly missed.

To members wishing to donate to the AAUW Jane Berlinger Memorial Scholarship, make your check out to:

Golden West College Foundation Office and indicate Jane Berlinger's name in the memo section of your check, and mail to:

Golden West College Foundation Office
15744 Golden West Street
P.O. Box 2748
Huntington Beach, CA 92647-2748

Your cancelled check is your receipt. If you would like a receipt from the college, include a receipt request with your check. For questions, please contact Joy Ferguson at 714-904-9046.



February 5

Happy Chinese New Year of the Boar

INTEREST GROUPS

MUSIC & DANCE

Barbara Smith (basmith10@verizon.net)

A Musical at MUSCO Theater—Chapman University
“Avenue Q” Winner of Tony for Best Musical, Best Score, etc.
 Friday eve, February 15 . Tickets: Seniors \$15 (RSVP by 2/8)



Tells the timeless story of a recent college grad who moves into a shabby NY apartment in the suburbs and discovers residents unlike himself. With humor and a catchy score, (even puppets) life lessons are learned. Addresses humorous adult issues (warning--some adult sex & language)

Travel Group - Wednesday, February 20

Wanderlust! Where in the world would you love to travel next? Come with some beginning thoughts about your Dream Trip. Find out if others can help you fill in planning gaps to move you forward. Enjoy the pleasure of others' travel adventures that may spark you into active trip planning this year.

At the home of Jeanne Kulpinski,
 Please RSVP to Jeannie at coastalwaves.44@gmail.com if you plan to attend.



Contact janetjohnson535@yahoo.com for more information about the Travel Group.

BRIDGE NEWS

Ladies Duplicate is the first Wednesday of the month. Contact Mary Gundling if you wish to play.
 Ladies Bridge results:
 1. Angie and Rosemary
 2. Joan and Carol L.



There will not be Couples Duplicate this month.

Bunco Fun Night

We were unable to meet in January. Our February Fun Night will be Thursday, Feb. 7 at Susan Rousseau's home. Diane will bring refreshments. See you at 6:45 p.m.



INTEREST GROUPS**Quest: Yakult USA Factory Tour
17235 Newhope St., FountainValley
Thursday, February 21, 2019**

Welcome to the first United States production facility for Yakult probiotic drinks. Staff will give a presentation about the company, products and the benefits of probiotics and show an educational video on the role *L. casei* strain Shirota plays in the maintenance of the digestive system. Visitors will also enjoy a complimentary bottle of Yakult.



The state-of-the-art Yakult production plant in Fountain Valley can manufacture 400,000 bottles of the probiotic drink each day for distribution throughout the U.S.

After the presentation, visitors will view the entire high-tech production process.

Visitors during the factory tour need to know:

1. Walk slowly and when using stairs, please hold the hand rails. **Elevator** is available.
2. Be prepared for walking or standing for an hour or so.

To **reserve** your spot on the tour please contact Carolee Focht, focht@verizon.net or as soon as possible but **prior** to February 12 as we must sign releases one week prior to the tour. Lunch will follow and carpools can be organized from either CoCo's, Garden Grove or Ralphs, Brookhurst and Ellis. However, ample parking is also available at the factory tour site.



INTEREST GROUPS

MARCH QUEST

THE IRVINE MUSEUM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

Due to the closure of the Metro Blue Line, we are postponing our planned trip to The Federal Reserve Bank.

Instead we will have a wonderful, private docent tour of The Irvine Museum's current exhibit **Upon a Painted Ocean: An Ode to the California Coast**. This exhibit combines important historical works as well as notable contemporary artists with similar subjects/painting styles.

Lunch to follow at Specialty's Café and Bakery, a short walk from the museum.

Carpool from Coco's in Garden Grove (departure 10:15 am) and Ralphs in Fountain Valley (departure 10:30 am). Tour is at 11:00 am.

Please email Joanne Flahive at jflahive@roadrunner.com by March 10, indicating which carpool location you prefer. If you can be a driver, please include which location and how many passengers you can accommodate.

Please note: we had to change the adventure due to the closure of the Metro Blue Line. We will re-schedule the tour of The Federal Reserve Bank when the Blue Line re-opens.

FILM DISCUSSION



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

Contact Linda Janesick, 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.

H.B Gourmet

Shain Graham will host H.B. Gourmet Group on Saturday, January 29, at 5:00 pm.

The theme will be "International". Join us to celebrate the "Old" and "New Year"!

For information, please call:
Marjorie Berling

or

Shain Graham

Happy New Year!

GOLF



If you are interested in playing golf Wednesday mornings, call Bev Finnell or Jeri Goldsbrough

PLAY READING



Play Reading meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month.
Contact Marilen Steiger:

INTEREST GROUPS

HAPPY HIKERS

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

Back Bay Drive, Newport Beach Thursday, February 7, 2019

Carpool- Ralph's parking lot at 9:30am
RSVP to Carol Hoke by February 6

Bolsa Chica Wetlands proved to be an amazing day. We saw many, many birds. Just to name a few: herons, osprey, white and brown pelicans, terns, great and snowy egrets, turkey vultures, bufflehead duck, cormorants and many more. We could see Catalina, Mount Baldy, Port of Los Angeles, San Pedro. Happy hikers clocked in about 5 miles.

Back Bay Drive follows the east shore of the Upper Newport Bay Ecological Reserve where the ocean's salt water mixes with nutrient-rich freshwater from San Diego Creek and various side streams. The hike is 4.6 miles round trip. We should see lots of birds, especially the osprey. Lunch to follow.

EVENING BOOK REVIEW

The book for February is
Double Luck: Memoirs of a Chinese Orphan
by Lu Chi Fa

Monday, February 25, 2019

7:15 P.M. - Social

7:30 P.M. - Meeting

Hostess: Linda MacDonell

Co-hostess: Linda MacDonell

Leader: Linda MacDonell

19255 Seabrook Lane

Huntington Beach

genelinhb@aol.com

RSVP to Linda by Saturday, February 23
**THIS IS A GATED COMMUNITY AND YOUR
NAME MUST BE ON THE LIST!**



Happy Hikers toured Bolsa Chica Wetlands and visually feasted on the beautiful migrating birds.



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.

Co-Presidents: Beverly Nogy and Carole Smith

Membership Co-VPs: Ann Kajdasz and Jeanne Kulpinski

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