

## PAINTING EN PLEIN AIR

A discussion of the origin of plein air (outdoor) painting; tracing its history from the 17<sup>th</sup> century to today.

**Speaker: Jean Stern**



Jean Stern is a recognized authority on California Impressionism. As an Art Historian he has extensive experience in the field as an author, curator, lecturer, and teacher. He has been the Executive Director of the Irvine Museum since its inception in April, 1992 and has established a national presence for the Irvine Museum in the fields of California Art and History through a noteworthy international series of books, exhibitions, lectures, articles and video documentaries.



**NOTE: The AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) Luncheon is the same day. Information follows on page 5.**

**Saturday  
January 19, 2019**

Meadowlark Golf Course  
16782 Graham St., Huntington Beach

### *Treasure Sale Fundraiser*

Social: 10:30 a.m.  
Meeting: 11:00 a.m.  
Speaker: 11:15 a.m.  
Lunch: 12:00 p.m.

**Menu:** Tri Tip with green beans and mashed potatoes. Dessert: Pumpkin pie cheese cake. Meal can be modified for vegetarian, so please note your preference with your reservation.

### **Registration Deadline:**

**January 12**

**Mail your \$26 check payable to  
AAUW-WM-FV-HB to:**

Carole Smith

Your check is your reservation.





## Calendar of Events

### December 2018

19 Travel Group, 7:00 pm  
 28 Winter Lunch Out, 11:30 am  
 28 Bridge Christmas Party, 1:00 pm

### January, 2019

3 Happy Hikers, 9:30 am  
 3 Bunco Fun Night, 6:45 pm  
 4 Ladies Duplicate Bridge, 4:00 pm  
 7 Board Meeting  
 17 Quest, 9:00 am carpool, tour 10:15 am  
 19 General Meeting, Meadowlark, 10:30 am  
 19 AAUW Legal Advisory Fund Luncheon,  
 11:00 am, Laguna Woods  
 28 Evening Book Review, 7:15 pm  
 29 HB Gourmet, 5:00 pm

### February, 2019

7 Board Meeting  
 28 Evening Book Review, 7:15 pm

### March, 2019

13 Quest, Federal Reserve Bank (RSVP)

### 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.*

No Treasurer's Report or minutes were submitted for December.



Quest to Bembridge Manor

### NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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

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

Send to Sara Cairns  
[saracairns@me.com](mailto:saracairns@me.com)

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

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***BRIGHTEN  
YOUR DAY...***

*Life is better when you are laughing.*

**Presidents' Message**

Happy New Year!

As we forge ahead into a new year, let's continue to work to further issues for girls and women. Through dedicated supporters like you, AAUW made great strides in 2018 launching a bold new strategic plan, banned the use of salary history in hiring, and launched a free, online Work Smart course. Forty states and Washington, D. C., introduced or considered pay equity legislation-and six passed laws, including California. It was documented that women remain vastly underrepresented in top nonprofit positions and are disproportionately affected by student debt.

AAUW earned unprecedented press coverage in research on the wage gap and new online Work Smart course. More than 800 young women attended the National Conference for College Women. Through our Legal Advocacy Fund (Authors Luncheon support) we supported plaintiff Aileen Rizo in *Rizo v. Fresno County Office of Education* in a critical court decision in the fight for equal pay.

So you see, what we do matters. Let's fight to be strong and support our causes for women and girls. Rah!

We hope that you have a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. Cheers!

See you at the January meeting, and, bring a friend. Let's see all of those cheerful and happy faces in the New Year.

Co Presidents

Bev Nogy and Carole Smith



***USED BOOK SALE***

*Our second fund raising event is here. We will have a used book sale in January. Books can be hard back or paper back. Please no text books from when you were in college! Books are acceptable if your children or grand-children have outgrown them and they are still in your house. Sale will again help to boost our general fund. Bring your used books to the General Meeting with you.*

*A big THANK YOU to those of you who brought items to the Attic Treasures event.*



*Our sympathy to Carol Roberts  
on the passing of her husband on December 6.*



**YOU ARE INVITED !**

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. If you know someone who would like to come, please let us know and we will send them an invitation. The cut off 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

***Tech Trek Thank You***

***Dear AAUW WM-FV-HB Branch,***

*I can't explain to you how thankful I am for sponsoring me in order to attend Tech Trek. The full week wasn't even over and I was inspired and learned so much as well as branched out of my comfort zone in socializing. I really enjoyed my stay there. I was placed in Environmental Science for my core class. Mary was my wonderful teacher, who taught me a lot of topics in our short five days together. By far my favorite project in the class was the motor oil spill. On Thursday we went over the topic of ocean pollution, but eventually that got to the mention of the horrific spill that occurred in the Gulf of Mexico. To re-enact this, she had us put car oil in a container of water, and then plan and act upon ways we could reduce and/or clear the water of the oil, trying to preserve it. Water pollution and preserving resources techniques were our main focus in class. On the contrary, my favorite workshop was financial literature by "A Bit of Reality" in which we learned about and got to partially experience real financial struggles of adults. It was my favorite because it gave me the reality of adulthood, and how, once you're in college you will have the weight of your decisions on your own two shoulders. This experience at Tech Trek has taught me so much, and inspired me in many ways during these five days. Once again, I could never thank you enough for giving me this life changing opportunity.*

*Sincerely,*

*Madison Heinle*

## Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) Luncheon



**Date and Time:** (Saturday) January 19, 2019 11:00 am – 2:00 pm

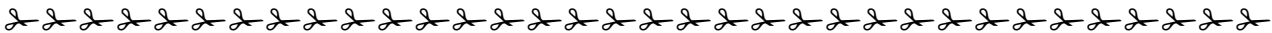
**Location:** Laguna Woods Village Clubhouse 7, 24111 Moulton Parkway, Laguna Woods, CA



Following a 30-year litigation career, **Michelle Reinglass**, a full-time mediator with Judicate West, now exclusively handles mediations with a major emphasis on labor and employment matters, such as discrimination, harassment and retaliation of all types: sex, disability, race, age, national origin and ethnicity, sexual orientation, etc. She was past president for the OC County Bar Association and created the Bar’s Committee for Gender and Racial Equity. She has been named in the **LA Magazine** as one of California’s “Super Lawyers”, 2004-2019, including top 100 lawyers in Southern California, top 50 Women Lawyers and top 50 from Orange County.

**Michelle Reinglass, author and speaker on employment issues, trial practice, and Alternative Dispute Resolutions (ADR)**

There will also be a Silent Auction for Gift Baskets – proceeds to LAF!



Mail reservation to: Carole Smith (questions - carolelea1@msn.com)

**On memo line write: WMFVHB**

- **Cost: \$35.00 per person.** Please make checks payable to **AAUW IBC**
- **Check your luncheon choice:**  
 Apple & Brie Chicken     Salmon with Lemon Sauce     Eggplant Parmesan  
 (includes a spinach strawberry salad, rice pilaf, vegetable medley, & a brownie sundae)

## “NO LUNCH” Fee Research

### Background

Historically there has been between 4-7 ladies that sit in the back of the venue to hear the speaker/enjoy the program and pay nothing while having the ability to partake of the beverages that are available. A number of years ago, the issue of the non-paying observers was brought before the branch board and it was voted on (after discussion) to start charging \$5.00 for the observers. It was noted at the time that other organizations have made it a practice to charge \$5.00 to those that only come to listen to the speaker/program as the money helps pay for beverages and a possible room charge. An article was put in the Dual Dispatch that the charge would have a start date. The incoming board, at that time, had some complaints about the \$5.00 fee and the possibility of quitting the branch if the fee was imposed. Therefore, the board chose not to enforce the \$5.00 fee. Because this issue has *again* been brought to the attention of the 2018-2019 board, it was discussed at the October 2018 board meeting with the decision to do more investigation into this matter.

In September 2018, the meal selected – cost was:

|                        |
|------------------------|
| \$19.33 meal           |
| + 3.87 20% gratuity    |
| <u>+1.80 7.75% tax</u> |
| \$25.00 total          |

As you can see the \$1.00 goes toward funding the program cost. NOTE: meal costs are not always the same – this is an illustration.

To continue with our research, the Orange County Interbranch (7 branches) was polled to see what their practices are. Some do not have regular lunches – some have brunches, some meet at homes – it varies because of size of the branch, etc. But Newport-Mesa-Irvine does not allow non-paying members to attend programs. I had the opportunity to talk to the Los Angeles Interbranch chair (do not know how many branches) and was informed some charge, some do not. I know that the Long Beach branch does charge \$5.00 and has for a number of years.

Some have told me that the League of Women Voters and the Huntington Harbor Republican Women both charge \$5.00 for those who only attend for the speaker/program.

Just as a reference point, Meadowlark was emailed to find out what the cost would be just to use the space to have a speaker on a Saturday for about two-three hours and serving coffee, tea, lemonade, and water. The response was that it would be cost prohibitive.

### Note

- 1) Caregivers in attendance will not need to pay the fee, but Reservations needs to be alerted in order to have a chair available.
- 2) When letting Reservations know that you will be attending to hear the speaker, (NO LUNCH), inform Reservations that you will send a check or pay with cash or check at the door. (IF fee is approved by the majority of branch membership).
- 3) IF the fee is approved by our branch membership, it will become part of the branch Policy effective March 2019 and the fee will apply.

Carole Smith, Co-President

## YOUR VOTE COUNTS

**Due: February 16, 2019**

Email your vote to: [carolelea1@msn.com](mailto:carolelea1@msn.com)

YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

Or

Mail to: Carole Smith

## 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](mailto:cawalrus@gmail.com)*

**Happy Hikers  
Thursday, January 3, 2019**

Bolsa Chica Wetlands

Meet at Interpretive Center, 3842 Warner Ave, HB,  
9:30 am

RSVP to Carol Hoke - [cawalrus@gmail.com](mailto:cawalrus@gmail.com) or [714-](tel:714-891-8307)  
by January 2, 2019

Lunch to follow

**FILM DISCUSSION**

*Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month at  
7:00 p.m. Contact Linda Janesick,  
or  
email: [lindajanesick@gmail.com](mailto: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.

**BRIDGE NEWS**

**BRIDGE CHRISTMAS PARTY ON FRIDAY,  
DECEMBER 28 FROM 1:00-4:00 pm**  
AT MARY GUNDLING'S. Please rsvp to Mary by  
December 27.

Ladies Duplicate Bridge Results

1. Mary and Fran
2. Valerie and Julie tied with Georgia and Pat

Ladies Duplicate Jan. 2nd at 4:00 pm at Sunny's.  
Contact Mary Gundling if you wish to play.

**PLAY READING**

Play Reading meets on the  
fourth Tuesday of each month.

Contact Marilen Steiger:

**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!





### EVENING BOOK REVIEW

The book for January is Anything is Possible by Elizabeth Strout  
Monday, January 28, 2019

7:15 P.M. - Social  
7:30 P.M. - Meeting  
Hostess: Judy McLeod  
Co-hostess: Judy McLeod  
Leader: Judy McLeod

RSVP to Judy by Saturday, January 26  
Looking Ahead: Double Luck: Memoirs of a Chinese Orphan by Lu Chi Fa



### GOLF

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



### Bunco Fun Night

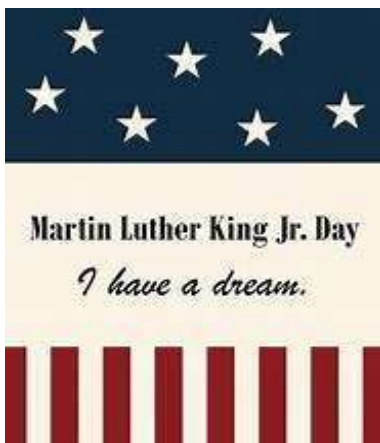
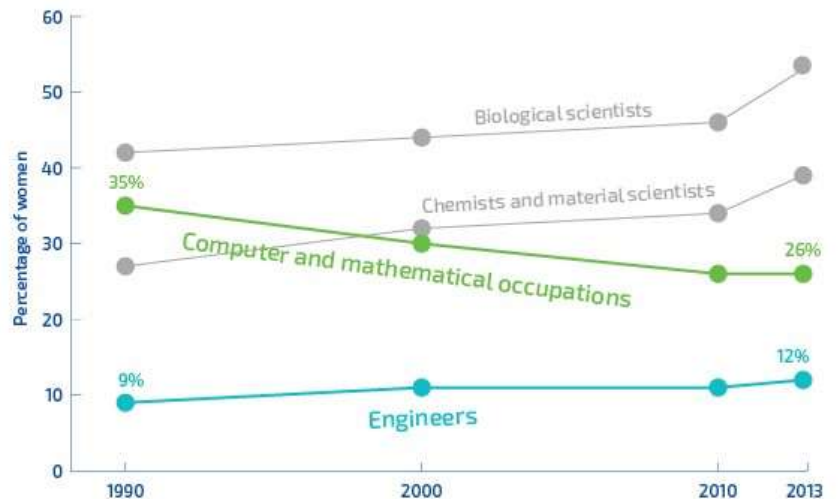
Our Dec. Bunco Fun Night was held at Lynn Henderson's home. It was her birthday and our annual Christmas gala at her beautifully decorated home. The big winner of the evening was Pat Lussier, but Lucea, Carol S, Sharon, Bev and Carol K managed to win one prize each, also.

Our Thurs, January 3 Bunco will be held at Pat Lussier's home. Social at 6:45, game starts at 7:00.  
Sharon Cope, Chairman

For more information about the statistics on the graph below, follow the link to:

<https://www.aauw.org/research/solving-the-equation/>

WOMEN IN SELECTED STEM OCCUPATIONS, 1990–2013





## QUEST

### CHEN ART GALLERY, A HIDDEN GEM IN TORRANCE

Thursday, January 17, 2019

The Chen Art Gallery is a private museum that houses one of the most important collections of Chinese Art in the United States. It displays over 1,000 artifacts spanning 5,000 years of Chinese history. Permanent exhibit galleries include a sumptuous Qing dynasty imperial throne room, an elegant Ming dynasty bedroom, scholars' studio treasures, jade carvings and imperial porcelains. There will be a 90 minute docent led tour.

There are no benches or chairs within the galleries, so, be prepared to stand and walk for the entire tour. Attendees are permitted to bring their own canes, walkers, wheelchairs or small portable folding stools, if needed.

Lunch will follow at Ise-Shima, a nearby restaurant.

The Chen Art Gallery is located in Torrance. Our tour is at 10:15 AM, so, we will be leaving from both the Valley View (Coco's) and Fountain Valley (Ralph's) meeting locations at 9:00 AM. If you are interested in going with us, please send an email to CarolValcarcel([carol.valcarcel@aol.com](mailto:carol.valcarcel@aol.com)) indicating; (1) which meeting location you will be at, and, (2) whether you can be a driver.

Thank you, Georgetta Wolff and Carol Valcarcel



## QUEST CALENDAR

January 17: Chen Gallery in Torrance, the third Thursday, Georgetta Wolff and Carol Valcarcel  
 February 14 :Yakult Probiotic Tour, Carolee Focht  
 March13: Federal Reserve in L.A., Joanne Flahive  
 April 11: Sherman Gardens in Newport Beach, Leanne Metzler  
 May: Getty Museum, up the 405, Betsy Grajeda and Georgia Merchant  
 June: No Event, no suggestions  
 Sept.:Columbia Memorial Space museum, Carol Loehman

## SAVE THE DATE:

**QUEST: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2019**

**THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK**





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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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