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# TRI CITY DISPATCH

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AAUW W-FV-HB will be on-line with Zoom Oct. 17 at 10:45 a.m.

# Authors Presentation featuring Lisa See





**Next General Meeting** 

November 21 Authors Luncheon Zoom Check in: 10:45 a.m. Meeting: 11:00 a.m. Guest Speaker: 11:15 a.m. Lunch: 12:00 p.m.(byol)

AAUW Board Meeting Dates 2020-2021, 7 p.m. October 5, Zoom













Lisa See has offered to personally inscribe a bookplate; if you are interested email her at lisa@lisasee.com – mention you are from AAUW WM-FV-HB. http://www.lisasee.com/books-new/ Follow the above link to learn more about Lisa See's latest novel.

If you need help or a Zoom lesson please email Carolee Focht at <u>focht@verizon.net</u> to set up a time. It is a very simple process. Invitations will be sent, via email to all paid attendees of our branch.



#### WESTMINSTER-FOUNTAIN VALLEY- HUNTINGTON BEACH BRANCH



# Calendar of Events 2020

#### October

1 Happy Hikers 9:30 a.m.
5 Board Meeting 7 p.m. Zoom
8 Quest 11:30 a.m.
10 Newsletter Input deadline. Noon
10 AAUW Funds Webinar Part 1 1 p.m.
17 Authors Luncheon-Lisa See 11 a.m.
21 Travel Group 2 p.m.
24 AAUW Funds Webinar Part 2 1 p.m.
26 Evening Book Review 7 p.m.
November
12 Quest
18 Deadline for Polly's Pies Drawing
December
10 Quest
Contact group chairs direct for more info.

#### **BOARD MEETING**

The Sept. 2020 Board of Directors meeting was held on ZOOM.

#### **Finance Officer's Report**

July General Fund Beginning Balance Ending Balance

\$ 17,147.08 \$ 17,147.08

July Fund Account	
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$21,905.09
Ending Balance	\$21,905.09

The October board meeting will be held October 5, at 7 p.m. via Zoom (subject to change)

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE Articles must be in <u>no later</u> than October 10, noon. Send to Carolee Focht <u>focht@verizon.net</u> Website: http://wfh-ca.aauw.net/ BRANCH EMAIL ADDRESSES Membership inquiries and new members Update member contact information Programs Web site problems, comments, corrections

Click on the above links to email.

# **New AAUW W-FV-HB Branch Directory**

The 2020-2021 W-FV-HB directory will be e-mailed as an updated list of officers and current members. We will be printing complete copies of the 2020-2021 directory later in the year when we once again have in person meetings and can distribute them. Sincerely, Ann Kajdasz at **ralphkaj@aol.com**.

Many thanks for your understanding and stay well!

#### Who loves pie? ...and support AAUW FUND

Participate in a drawing for the Polly's Pie of the Month. Please send your check for \$10 to Connie Nelson, 995 Hartford Way, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 by November 18th for a chance to win one of these delicious pies. Winners will be drawn at the general meeting in November with all proceeds going to the AAUW Fund.

Co-chairs: Maxine Boyett, Donna Kratter, Connie Nelson



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# **INTEREST GROUPS**

#### **Travel Group**

Wednesday, October 21, 2 pm Note time change

Intrepid we are...planning for travel in the midst of continuing world calamities! We will plan to meet on our usual third Wednesday of the month. However, we may still need to be outdoors, so note the time change to 2 pm when we have a better chance of good weather. We will need to be flexible on the location, but if you are interested in an unknown adventure with interesting, intrepid gals. please let me know and you will be informed of details closer to the date.

Please RSVP to: janetjohnson535@yahoo.com

#### **BRIDGE NEWS**

Marathon Bridge, no report, contact Carol Loehman.

I have not made any plans to play duplicate. Please share any ideas you may have on how to resume.

**Mary Gundling** 



### GOLF

If you are interested in playing golf Wednesday mornings, Contact: <u>Jeri Goldsbrough</u>

#### **QUEST UPDATE**

We had hoped to have a docent tour of the LA Central Library in June. This is not a substitute for the real deal, but here is a nice set of photos that the library emailed me. We will try to reschedule this tour when it is available and safe to do. Here is the link: https://lapl.org/branches/centrallibrary/virtualtour

Hope you enjoy it. But as the song says: "Ain't nothing like the real thing!"

Joanne Flahive Janet Riness Quest Co-chairs 2020/2021

#### HAPPY HIKERS

Thursday, October 1, 2020 unofficial hike/walk Belmont Shore to Belmont Pier Lunch at Belmont Brewery Meet and park on E Ocean Blvd, 9:30am Please let Carol know you are joining.

<u>cawalrus@gmail.com</u> This hike/walk is subject to change



Huntington Harbor Boat Yard Tour



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# **INTEREST GROUP**

## FILM DISCUSSION

Meets 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Contact Linda Janesick, email: <u>lindajanesick@gmail.com</u> 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.

# Did you know?

These inventions were created by women per the U.S. Patent Office.:



Solar heating for residential housing was invented by Dr Maria Telkes in 1947.

Dr. Telkes was a Psychiatrist in addition to being a Solar-Power Pioneer



The life saving Life Raft was invented by Maria Beasely in 1882. (Maria also invented a machine that makes barrels)

# Your Voice is Needed: Speak Up for Pay Data Collection

The gender wage gap is a persistent feature of the labor market in the U.S. and California. Despite the existence of state and federal equal pay laws, on average, California women in 2018 made just 88 cents on a man's dollar, resulting in an estimated \$78.6 billion in lost wages each year. The COVID-19 pandemic is highlighting the consistent undervaluing of women's work and the way that pay disparities put women, particularly women of color, at higher risk of economic insecurity. This is especially magnified during times of crisis.

AAUW has supported pay equity for decades. That's why AAUW-CA co-sponsored S.B. 973, a bill aimed at identifying pay inequality through data collection. S.B. 973 would require employers with 100 or more employees to report payroll data broken down by gender, race, ethnicity and job category to the Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH). Data would be in aggregate form and not publicly available. This would help with the enforcement of the California Fair Pay Act and would allow employers to selfcorrect any inconsistencies internally.

#### Ask Governor Newsom to sign S.B. 973 today and help to close the gender pay gap in California!

S.B. 973 would provide high-quality salary data to the state and employers, helping them to fight pay inequity. Last year, the White House Office of Management and Budget halted implementation of improved salary data collection at the federal level — now it's up to California legislators to continue to move us forward. It's crucial that Governor Newsom hear our support.

Contact Governor Newsom to ask him to sign S.B. 973 today! -Karen Jackle Public Policy

**Take Action** 

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# **INTEREST GROUPS**

# **EVENING BOOK REVIEW**

The book for October is <u>The Testaments</u> by Margaret Atwood

Monday, October 26, 2020 7:00 P.M. - Social 7:15 P.M. - Backyard Meeting

> Hostess: Barbara Smith Leader: TBD

RSVP to Barbara by October 24

basmith10@verizon.net

THE MEETING IS WEATHER DEPENDENT IT MAY BE CHANGED TO A ZOOM MEETING <u>basmith10@verizon.net</u>

BOOK REVIEW SOCIAL DISTANCE MEETING



**Bunco Fun Day** We will not be meeting during the month of Oct. We are hoping that we can get together soon. To substitute or any questions, call Sharon Cope.



#### QUEST FOR KNOWLEDGE INTEREST GROUP

Since many of the venues we had selected for our 20/21 adventures are now closed. So, we have focused on nearby venues in case you prefer to drive yourself in lieu of carpooling. The venues are requiring masks and are following Covid 19 protocols. Some of the Quests have limited capacity to allow for social distancing...so, if you are planning to join, please get your name on the list early!

#### Thursday, October 8: Long Beach Harbor

**Cruise** (outside in the fresh air!). The 45-minute harbor tour will start at 11:30. You can purchase your ticket online at

https://2seewhales.com/about-us/. For seniors, the rate is \$10. If you would rather buy your ticket in person, there should be walkup availability that day, but please allow extra arrival time. Please email Joanne at jflahive@roadrunner.com if you plan to attend so we know how many we can expect, especially for lunch afterwards (site TBD).

Thursday, November 12: The Bowers Museum: Walt Disney Archives: 50 Years of Preserving the Magic. Senior tickets are \$20/adult \$23. We are hoping to have a docent tour, more info to follow. Again, if you want a spot reserved, please email Joanne. Lunch TBD.

**Thursday, December 10:** We will return to **Muzeo** in Anaheim. This time for the Muzeo Express exhibit which is their annual holiday display of toy trains, inspired by the book/movie The Polar Express. Lunch to follow at Anaheim Packing House. Back by popular demand!

We welcome any other ideas you'd like to share. Thank you, your co-chairs <u>Janet Riness</u> and <u>Joanne Flahive</u>





## Golden West College Scholarships - Joy Ferguson Congratulations to our scholarship recipients for 2020 who are:

#### Alisha Gamble-AAUW Branch Scholarship

Alisha is a single parent and re-entering to the workforce. Alisha is very active in campus organizations and currently serving as president of the Alpha Gamma Sigma Honor Society. She is transferring to Cal State Fullerton pursing a degree in Humanities and Social Science after completing multiple AA degrees. Last September, Alisha was diagnosed with MS and credits GWC for helping her through the trying time. Alisha's goal is to return to GWC in a capacity to help support students reach their goals.

#### **Brittany Roy-Shirley Pyle Scholarship**

Brittany, a single mom of two, returned to college with the goal of becoming an elementary school teacher, but changed to Sociology to help others. She graduated in May with multiple Liberal Arts Degrees in Education, Behavior Sciences and Arts and Humanity. Brittany has been accepted to Cal State Long Beach. She stated, "I could not be happier to return to a college, it has dramatically changed not only my life, but my children as well."

#### Emelie May-Ed Cummings Scholarship (GWC Selected)

Emelie is completing her nursing degree at GWC with an emphasis on "biopsychology." She began working as a clinical intern and later as a caregiver. The holistic approach appealed to her "because it helps humanize and relate to the patient while caring for them." She hopes to use this approach with all her patients whether in a hospital or home setting.

#### Marlon Ponce-Jane Berlinger Scholarship (GWC Selected)

Marlon is pursuing a psychology degree and transferring to a four-year college. He is active as a member of the Alpha Gamma Sigma honor society and Psychology Club. Marlon is actively involved in AYSO Soccer training and mentoring soccer referees and goal keepers, "with the potential financial investment, it will assist my capacity to expand prosperity mentally, physically and spiritually to many."

# AAUW FUND VIRTUAL LUNCH WITH THE FELLOWS/GRANT RECIPIENTS

Fund luncheons will be replaced by two webinars, which will be held on two dates at one location--your computer. While we will miss the social gathering aspect of the luncheons, the webinars may afford the opportunity for those hampered by distance or other physical constraints to participate. There will be different speakers at each event so you are welcome to attend one or both webinars. Please note these dates in your branch calendars:

**Saturday, October 10th and Saturday, October 24th.** Both webinars will begin at 1:00 p.m. Don't forget to **register** for the Zoom webinars by clicking <u>HERE</u>.

# WELCOME NEW MEMBER: Cheryl Kelly



M. Divinity, Claremont S of Theology. MS Info & Computer Sci. UCI

As a resident of Leisure World in Seal Beach, I enjoy golf, pickleball, and water aerobics. I like to read, write autobiographical stories and haiku, practice photography, walk, sew, and spend time with family and friends. I look forward to meeting more members when we can once again meet face to face.

I retired one year ago after serving for thirteen years as a United Methodist pastor, most recently at Belmont Heights UMC in Long Beach. I also worked as a software engineer at JPL and as a computer tech and programmer for the State of Illinois. My most important work has been as mother to Sean (San Diego) and Joel (Tustin). I am blessed with five grandsons and one granddaughter; one great-grandson and one great-granddaughter.

My retirement haiku: Go, grow, grunt, grin, gab, Give of yourself for others, And grow in God's grace.



#### Membership

We would like to welcome back all members to our 2020-2021 year. It will be an exciting year with the upcoming election and all the wonderful zoom meetings planned until we can meet again in person.

We appreciate that so many of our members have renewed for the coming year. If you haven't yet, it isn't too late to renew and we would love to have a 100% renewal rate. As of now we have 114 members on our roster.

During the coming months we hope to expand our membership and it will take all of you to help in this endeavor. Invite your friends to join in on our Zoom Branch meetings. You can forward them the link and they can participate. Normally, nonmembers can participate three times, but times are different now. They can view our informational monthly meetings as our guest. Then afterwards, you can contact them personally and encourage them to join. We would love to highlight new and current members in our upcoming newsletters.

Ann Kajdasz has done a superb job updating our Membership Directory. She will be printing complete copies of the 2020-2021 directory later in the year when we once again have in person meetings and can distribute them.

Sue McDannel and LuRae MacArthur, Co-Chairs Membership email us at: <u>suemcdannel@yahoo.com</u> or <u>rae6149@hotmail.com</u> Make easy money for Tech Trek with **"Ralphs Community Contribution Program."** NPO 90200

# AAUW TECH TREK

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# American Association of University Women

#### WESTMINSTER-FOUNTAIN VALLEY-HUNTINGTON BEACH

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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