

Zoom and Singalong in December

The December Quartet will present holiday songs at AAUW's monthly meeting, Saturday, December 19. Tune in at 10:45 a.m. for the business meeting, followed by this seasonal treat.

Members of the group include:

Barbara Smith, piano, a longtime WM-FV-HB branch member & leader of the Music and Dance Interest Group. She joyfully began as an accompanist at age 10, playing hymns weekly for her Sunday School class. She advanced to accompanying choirs, performing groups, soloists, and Summer Theater. With her BS in Music Education, she taught in public schools both before & after 25 years of teaching piano at her home studio. In retirement she plays with small chamber groups and volunteers for Senior Singalongs and special events.

Edith Van Huss, violin, who, as a kid loved math, music, art, & literature. After teaching high school French for several years, she earned an MBA and became a CPA. She then worked in treasury operations for a financial services firm. Now retired, she volunteers for Symphony Irvine and SoCal Chamber Music Workshop. Pre-coronavirus she traveled (sometimes with her violin), playing with orchestras & chamber music ensembles. Now, she especially enjoys making music with friends Barbara & Alice.

Alice Taber, cello, has dabbled in music since 7th grade when her school established an orchestra. After college, she focused on her career as a librarian & family, putting music on a back burner until joining the Cerritos College orchestra 15 years ago. New friendships & connections opened a variety of opportunities & experiences. Today she is privileged, delighted, & honored to be joining accomplished musicians Barbara & Edie.

Spencer Quarles, a sophomore at Granada Hills Charter High School, has been playing the violin for 10 years & the viola for four. He has been a member of the CSUN Youth Orchestra for six years & now participates in Junior Chamber Music for a second season. He enjoys playing in ensembles with his collaborative keyboard artist/grandmother, Barbara Smith.



December 19
"ZOOM" IN TO JOIN
Invitation in your email
by December 18
Just click and join.
Holiday Musical
Check in: 10:45 a.m.
Meeting: 11:00 a.m.
Featuring:
a Musical Quartet

AAUW Next Board Meeting Date

December 7, 2020
7 p.m.
Zoom



Calendar of Events

November

21 General Meeting 10:45 a.m.

December

10 Quest

10 Newsletter deadline, noon

19 General Meeting 10:45

January

10 Newsletter deadline. Noon



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 November 2020 Board of Directors meeting was held on ZOOM.

Finance Officer's Report

Oct. General Fund

Beginning Balance \$ 17,065.87

Ending Balance \$ 16,589.70

Oct. Fund Account

Beginning Balance \$ 21,884.42

Ending Balance \$ 19,569.15

Authors Luncheon Net Proceeds to date: \$5,377.62

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



**To our AAUW
W-FV-HB branch !**

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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

Send to Carolee Foct
focht@verizon.net

[Download AAUW CA Public Policy
Priorities and schedule of on line
programs by clicking here:](#)



Website: <http://wfh-ca.aauw.net/>

BRANCH EMAIL ADDRESSES

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MUSIC AND DANCE INTEREST GROUP: SINGALONG

Contact: Barbara Smith basmith10@verizon.net For those who plan to **singalong** with our General Meeting entertainment at home, musical selections include: Coventry Carol, The Holly and the Ivy, Jolly Old St. Nick, Good Christian Men, The First Noel, Wassail Song, O Come Emmanuel, Deck the Halls, Sing We Now of Christmas, Greensleeves: What Child is This, O Little Town of Bethlehem, Hark the Herald, Silent Night, Angels We Have Heard on High, h, Away in a Manger, Rudolph, Rockin' Round the Christmas Tree, and Holly Jolly Christmas. Other selections include Toyland, Carol of the Bells, Christmas Time is Here, Mozart 564, 3rd movement, allegretto and Encore Cavatina, and Schubert 3rd movement, allegretto. The program will conclude with We Wish You a Merry Christmas

Membership

Please remember to encourage potential members to attend our virtual branch December meeting. Talk with your friends and neighbors about our AAUW branch and the many areas in which the national, state, and local branches are involved.

We will also have a virtual New Members Annual Luncheon in February so look forward to more information in the January newsletter. Remember, this is for new, current, and any interested guests or potential members.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday season while enjoying the sights, sounds and smells at this special time of the year. [Sue McDannel](#)

Welcome New Member

Christina Sumpter csumpter22@gmail.com

Chris is an "encore" member of AAUW, as she was a member of the Long Beach branch in the late 70s, serving on the Board for part of that time. She received her BA from CSULB and her MA from LMU. She is retired from the insurance industry, having spent over 30 years in health insurance operations. She has been involved with several non-profits and enjoys working with people toward a shared mission. Chris lives with her husband, Steve, in Costa Mesa and enjoys travel (but not this year!) and time with family.



Girls4STEM is free & open to all high school girls. Tell every young woman you know!

An ongoing webinar series. Introducing women working in STEM fields to high school girls who are making choices about high school coursework, in preparation for potential college majors and STEM careers. Presenters share their education & career paths, discuss their actual job activities, & provide tips for getting college internships and jobs after college.

Webinars will be offered 1-2 times per month on Sunday afternoons. AAUW-OML is presenting this series as part of community outreach projects, designed to advance equity for women & girls. This webinar series is made possible by a generous grant from the Bettelheim Family Foundation.

Please help recruit high school girls to register for the webinars. Send the link to anyone who knows high school girls that may benefit from meeting fantastic women in various STEM fields.

Follow the link to find out more about the webinars, including bios of the presenters and registering for each webinar. Follow this link to learn and register for the webinars.

<https://oml-ca.aauw.net/girls4stem-webinars/>

From the Fund Committee:

Thanks to Lisa See and to all of you for helping to make our first-ever virtual authors lunch a success. We made over \$5,000 for the AAUW Fund. We are grateful to those on the board and the committee who worked extremely hard for this to happen.

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

Our Sunshine Member

Do you know of someone in AAUW who is experiencing a health challenge or who is experiencing personal challenges or a setback? You can help us by notifying the Sunshine Committee so we can show them we care. Call or email Valerie Schmitt. Her phone is and her email is j7shadow@aol.com.

INTEREST GROUPS

Sadly, canceled due to CA shutdown **QUEST ADVENTURES!**
Greetings fellow Quest-ors!

~~Our December COVID-conscious outing will be a self-guided tour of **MUZEUM EXPRESS: HOLIDAY MODEL TRAINS** at Muzeo in Anaheim. Please go to www.muzeo.org to purchase your timed ticket for 11 AM. The cost is \$10 plus \$1 service fee.~~

~~After the exhibit we will walk to the Anaheim Packing House, an upscale food court with outside seating. Please email Joanne Flahive at jflahive@roadrunner.com if you plan to attend.~~

SNEAK PEAK: Our January 14th Quest will be to several locations in Laguna Beach. First stop, at 10 am (and 10:30 am if we have more than 10 participants) will be the Pacific Marine Mammal Center. There will be a maximum of 5 participants for each of 2 docents for the 10 am and 10:30 am tours. Please email Joanne if you would like to attend. There is no charge for the mammal center but they welcome donations. Then we will go to the Laguna Art Museum for a self-guided tour. Tickets will be available online. Lunch to follow.

[Joanne Flahive and Janet Riness](#)



*Quest to Bowers Museum for
Disney Exhibit in November*

**FILM DISCUSSION**

*Meets 2nd Monday of each month
at 7:00 p.m. Contact Linda Janesick,
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.

EVENING BOOK REVIEW

Evening Book Review will not meet in December.
Our next meeting will be January 25, 2021.



Travel Group

Happy Holidays
We will not be meeting in December.
Contact me for January plans.
janetjohnson535@yahoo.com



BRIDGE NEWS

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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: [Jeri Goldsbrough](#)



2020

A Year Like No Other
We won't forget,
but we will learn.

Bunco Fun Day

We will not be meeting during the month of December. We are hoping that we can get together soon.

To substitute or
any questions, call Sharon Cope.



INTEREST GROUPS

HAPPY HIKERS

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2020

BALBOA ISLAND

Meet on the bridge, **4:00 pm**
**(Parking in the shopping mall across from
the bridge, enter Left off Bayside Dr,
just before Jamboree)**

This will be our annual evening walk around Balboa Island to "ahhhhhhhhh" at the Christmas lights. We will take the ferry over to have a little "Happy Hour" and then begin the walk around the island. Ferry each way is **\$1.25**.

RSVP to Carol Hoke at cawalrus@gmail.com by Wednesday, December 2, 2020. Carpool will be at your discretion.

Volunteers Needed!



Tech Trek 2021

Committee volunteers needed.
Very Rewarding !

[Contact Toni Gregory](#)

Congratulations to our Golden West College Scholarship Recipients for 2020, Joy Ferguson, Chair

Alisha Gamble-AAUW Branch Scholarship
Brittany Roy-Shirley Pyle Scholarship
Emelie May-Ed Cummings Scholarship (selected by GWC)
Marlon Ponce-Jane Berlinger Scholarship (selected by GWC)



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!

Congratulations to AAUW Fund Luncheon CA Grant and Fellowship recipients at Oct. 24, Fund Luncheon

Fellows/Grant Recipients American Fellowships

Becca Brunner



UC Berkeley
Ph.D., Wildlife Conservation

Project Name

Defining Acoustic Space Along Streams and Strata: Implications for Amphibian Conservation

Amie Campos



UC San Diego, Ph.D.,
Latin American

Project Name

Territorial Conflicts, Industry, and State Formation in Chile's Southern Frontera 1866-1900

Constance Iloh



UC Irvine, Post Doc,
Anthropology

Project Name

Exploring the College-Going Decisions and Trajectories of Low-Income Single Mothers of Color

Lizette Solorzano



University of So. Cal, Ph.D.,
Sociology: Immigration

Project Name

DACA Precarity and the Incorporation Experiences of Latina(o) DACA Recipients in Los Angeles Before and During the Trump Era

International Fellowships

Rochelle McFee



University of California, San Diego Ph.D., Ethno-
Studies

Project Name

Forgibility and Embodying Survival in Jamaica

Maria Jose Navarrete



UC Berkeley, Ph.D.,
Ecology and Evolution

Project Name

Biology: Ph.D. Ecology and Evolution

Yvonne Zhang



Awardeen Film Institute, Los Angeles, M.F.A.,
Directing

Project Name

Film, M.F.A., Directing

Career Development Grants

Claire Breining



UC San Francisco, M.S.N.,
Women's Health Practitioner

Discipline

Health and Medical Sciences

Degree and Specialization:
M.S.N., Women's Health Nurse
Practitioner/Murse Mobile

Feather Ives



University of Nevada, Reno, M.P.H.,
Public Health

Discipline

Health and Medical Sciences

Degree and Specialization:
M.P.H., Public Health
Food Insecurity Among College Students

Denise Merino Mitchell



UC Riverside, M.S.,
Botany and Plant Sciences

Discipline

Biology

Degree and Specialization:
M.S., Botany & Plant Sciences



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.

Membership Co-VP's	LuRae MacArthur & Sue McDannel
Programs Co-VPs	Theresa Elders & Linda MacDonnell
Membership Treasurer	Jeanne Smith
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