



TRI CITY DISPATCH

Westminster-Fountain Valley-Huntington Beach May 2021

We Mean Business...

May 15, 2021

Zoom

Check in & Social

10:30 a.m.

Meeting 11:00 a.m.

On Saturday, May 15, Zoom in at 10:30 a.m. for our AAUW's annual business meeting. The Board will announce candidates for office for the 2021-2022 year and call for a vote. The Board then will discuss what plans it has for the upcoming year and how it managed this past year without Co-Presidents or in-person meetings.

Subsequently, it will be the branch members turn to share what got them through the year. Was it Zoom, Skype, FaceTime? Catching up on movies and TV series? Creative pursuits? Long walks in the park? Take a few minutes to let your fellow members know what worked for you.

*Whatever gets you through your life
It's all right, it's all right
Do it wrong, or do it right
It's all right, it's all right
Don't need a watch to waste your time
Oh no, oh no. –John Lennon, "Whatever Gets You
Through the Night"*

Next General Meeting

June 19, 2021

Zoom

Check in & social:

10:30 a.m.

Meeting: 11:00 a.m.

Watch your email for the invitation to join the meeting.

We have tutorials available if you wish to refresh your Zoom skills.

AAUW Next Board Meeting

May 3, 2021

7 p.m.

Zoom

DUES ARE DUE

Have you sent in your dues?
Look on the Honor Roll.

Send your dues now. The deadline is June 5.

Calendar of Events



MAY

- 3 Board Meeting 7 p.m.
- 6 Happy Hikers 9:30 a.m.
- 10 Newsletter deadline, Noon
- 11 Quest 1:45 pm.
- 15 General Meeting 10:30 a.m.
- 19 Travel Group 3 p.m.
- 24 Bridge Party 10 a.m.
- 24 Evening Book Review 7:15 p.m.

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 April 2021 Board of Directors meeting was held on ZOOM.

Finance Officer's Report

Mar. General Fund

Beginning Balance \$ 16,205.70

Ending Balance \$ 20,059.95

Mar. Fund Account

Beginning Balance \$ 14,028.12

Ending Balance \$ 14,028.12

UPCOMING ELECTION IN MAY

Our election of new Board members will take place at the May annual meeting.

President: Donna Kratter & Georgetta Wolff

VP Program: Linda Mac Donell & Sandra Guerrero

VP Membership: Sue Mcdannel & LuRae MacArthur

VP Fund: Maxine Boyett & Connie Nelson

Financial Officer: Peggy Grzywacz

Secretary: Jennifer Solano

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

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

Send to Jeanne Smith

dandjsmith@earthlink.net

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 (714)846-6872 and her email is j7shadow@aol.com



DUES ARE DUE

It is now time to pay your dues for
2021-2022.

Dues are late after June 5

How much to pay?

Regular Membership \$100

Dual Membership \$18

Life Membership \$38

Send your check to:

Jeanne Smith

12 Sirius

Irvine, CA 92603

949-725-9780

Make check payable to:

AAUW

Please note: Life Members have paid the
Association Membership times 20, which
currently is \$1240.

Check the Honor Roll to see if you have
paid your dues.

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

BRANCH EMAIL ADDRESSES

[Membership inquiries and new members](#)

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Author's Lunch

Save the date!

We are planning an in-person author's lunch for
April 23, 2022 at the Costa Mesa Country Club.

So far we have one author, Kate Quinn. Kate
writes historical fiction. Among her books are
The Huntress and The Rose Code.

Co-chairs: Maxine Boyett and Connie Nelson

VOTE VOTE VOTE VOTE

Voting takes place April 7 – May 17.
An important bylaws amendment will
eliminate the degree requirement for
membership. Both AAUW National
Board and AAUW-CA Board approve
this amendment. See page 6 for details.



INTEREST GROUPS

BRIDGE

BRIDGE PARTY

All bridge players welcome

Wednesday, May 26 at 10:00a.m.

Home of Lou Ann Wiese

Bring your own lunch

RSVP by Monday, May 24

714-536-0195

Travel Group

Wednesday, May 19, 3 pm

Yes, we really are getting back into real travel!

Join us at the home of Rita Collins,
16872 Phelps Lane, Huntington Beach
92649

Nice discussion. Nice people! Everyone welcome!

For more information, contact
janetjohnson535@yahoo.com

Happy Hikers

Thursday, May 6

Bolsa Chica Wetlands, 9:30 a.m.

Meet in the parking lot at the Interpretive Center, 3842 Warner Ave., HB

Carpool will be at your discretion

Before we begin the hike, we will visit the Interpretive Center. The big attraction is the extraordinary variety and number of birds. Birds to see - great blue heron, snowy egrets, pelicans, stilts, grebes, terns, marsh hawks, cormorants and maybe an osprey. We will stop by to check out the blue herons and their baby chicks. Along the way we will see St. Catherine's's Lace, a form of wild buckwheat from the Channel Islands with bluish leaves and blossoms with big clusters of tiny, fragrant, white to pink flowers, yellow coastal sunflowers and other plants. There are new kiosks to check out along the way, too, Distance 4 - 5 miles, 2 1/2 hours. Optional: binoculars. Water and hat/visor recommended. Lunch to follow. RSVP to Carol Hoke at cawalrus@gmail.com by Wednesday, May 5.

May Quest

Our May Quest outing will be on Tuesday, May 11 to The Hilbert Museum in Orange. The admission is free, donations graciously accepted. Currently, the tours are self-guided in pods of 4. This outing will be capped at 20 participants.

The current exhibit, Los Angeles Area Scene Paintings, includes more than 70 paintings created between the early 1900s and present day. It focuses on vibrant paintings of everyday life in 20th century LA and its surrounding region.

Since the museum is only open in the afternoon, we will meet at 1:45 pm for an expected 2 pm entry. After, at your option, we will take a short walk to Citrus City Grille for their 3 pm Happy Hour. The HH menu includes some delicious small plates. Here is their HH menu: <https://citruscitygrille.com/happy-hour/>

If you would like to join, please reply by email to jflahive@roadrunner.com. Reply requested by May 7 please.

June Quest

We are hoping to have docent-led tours of Mission San Juan Capistrano on Thursday, June 10. The pre-paid cost of the tour is expected to be \$20/person. Monies will be due to Joanne no later than May 20 as the Mission requires full payment to reserve our event. Ladies may carpool or choose to take the train which is a short walk from the Mission. Lunch will be across the street at Cedar Creek Inn. Due to size restrictions for docent tour, we are limiting this event to 16 participants. If you'd like to join the June Quest, please reply ASAP by email to jflahive@roadrunner.com.

EVENING BOOK REVIEW

The book for May is
They Called Us Enemy by George Takei
Graphic Novel Version

Monday, May 24, 2021

7:15 P.M. - Social

7:30 P.M. - Meeting

Leader: TBD

Barbara Smith's Patio
7352 Emerson, Westminster

RSVP to Barbara by Saturday, May 22
714-897-9013 or basmith10@verizon.net
Looking Ahead

Hidden Valley Road by Robert Kolker
Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens

Public Policy

AAUW California's virtual Lobby Day, 3/24/21, our branch team included Karen Jackle and Donna Kratter, along with Vivian Clecak from Laguna Beach Branch. We spoke with Senator District 34 Assistant Lisa Tran for Sen. Tom Umberg, chair of Judicial Committee which will hear SB62, one of 3 bills AAUWCA asked each team to brief legislator(s) on. AB373 is by Assembly Member Min, who is Karen and Donna's representative, but he was not available. If you are in a different State Senate District, please let me know: Karen: karjac@gmail.com

Our lobbyist, Kathy Van Osten made appointments with legislators and arranged for our key opening speakers, Assembly Member Christina Garcia, Chair of the Women's Legislative Caucus, and Assembly Majority Leader Eloise Reyes, author of AB 92, which we are co-sponsoring.

After the opening session, 30 teams of 3 or 4 AAUW members connected with individual legislators or their staff. In these meetings, members communicated information about AAUW CA, their branches and also the three bills which are high priority for AAUW in the current session.

- AB 92 Assembly Member Reyes Child Care Family Fees
- SB 62 Senator Durazo Garment Worker Protection Act
- AB 373 Assembly Member Min Consumer Debt: Economic Abuse

The results of these meetings are important in several ways. Co-Chairs Kathi Harper and Sue Miller met with members of Governor Newsom's staff, who are influential in assisting the Governor in his decisions about signing or vetoing bills, and with Senate President Pro Tem Toni Atkins staff. All of this will enable our lobbyist to better connect with legislators as our bills move through the legislative process from now through September. You can go online to learn more about these bills including their current text and status related to what committee(s) they went to or will go to by upcoming deadlines. By end of August, all bills approved by legislature go to Governor's desk.



HONOR ROLL 2021-2022

Is your name on this list? These are the members who have PAID for 2021-2022 as of March 10. If you are not on this list, please send your check to Jeanne Smith, 12 Sirius, Irvine 92603. My phone number is 949-725-9780.

Pam Alfieri, Pat Allgeier, Marjorie Berling, Carol Bertino, Marie Bisson, Maxine Boyett, Louise Chatlynne, Kristine Chinen, Wendy Coates, Marilynne Coats, Rita Collins, Christine Eckman, Terri Elders, Martha Elliott, Carmen Erber, Donna Ewing, Bev Finnell, Joanne Flahive, Kathryn Goddard, Toni Gregory, Peggy Grzywacz, Sandra Guerrero, Dorothy Guillaume, Mary Gundling, Linda Haberl, Donna Holder, Karen Jackle, Diana Jago, Ann Johnson, Janet Johnson, Ann Kajdasz, Carol Kanode, Cheryl Kelly, Carolyn Knupke, Maria Kootsikis, Donna Kratter, Diana LoSchiavo, Sybilla London, Margaret Long, Rosalie Lyons, LuRae MacArthur, Linda MacDonell, Mirian Matulich, Sue Mc Dannel, Ruth McLelland, Judy Mc Leod, Georgia Merchant, Leanne Metzler, Judy Meyer, Lois Mosing, Connie Nelson, Nancy Pearson, Pat Potter, Julie Ramphal, Zelda Rice, Janet Riness, Gloria Rodriguez, Cheryl Searcy, Linda Safford, Barbara Shapiro, Lucea Shieler, Barbara Smith, Jeanne Smith, Christina Sumpter, Fran Thelander, Carol Valcarcel, Clara Vance, Fredricka Veenstra, Lou Ann Weise, Getta Wolff.

Life members \$38, Dual members \$18, General members \$100.

Check should be made out to **AAUW**. The deadline is June 5.



Westminster-Fountain Valley-Huntington Beach, CA

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-VPs	LuRae MacArthur & Sue McDannel
Programs Co-VPs	Theresa Elders & Linda MacDonnell
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