

AAU TRICITY DISPATCH

Westminster-Fountain Valley-Huntington Beach April 2022

BE BOLD! BE BRAVE! BE BRILLIANT!

After two long years we will finally be having an in person Authors Luncheon. The authors will be two amazing award-winning authors: T. Jefferson Parker and Kate Quinn. T. Jefferson Parker has written 20+ crime novels including Edgar Award winners Silent Joe and California Girl. His latest work is called A Thousand Steps. Kate Quinn is a well-known author of historical novels. Her novel The Alice Network won the USA Today and New York Times awards for best selling historical fiction. Among her other books are *The Huntress*, The Rose Code and her latest is The Diamond Eye.

The purpose is to raise funds for Tech Trek to send six 7th grade girls to a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Camp. Two girls will attend virtually and the other four will attend Whittier College for a week where they will live in the dorms this coming summer. These girls have been recommended by their teachers and have written winning essays. A former Tech Trekker, Annie Olivares, will speak at the luncheon and tell us of the influence this experience has had in her life. Please help us support these future scientists and leaders.

Authors Luncheon April 23, 2022 Mile Square Golf Course 10401 Warner **Fountain Valley**

Check-In, Silent Auction, **Book Signing** 10:30 Luncheon 11:45 **Authors' Presentation 12:30**

Menu:

Grilled Chicken Breast Chive Mashed Potatoes Garden Vegetables Chocolate Brownie Dessert Menu can be modified for vegetarian, so please note with your reservation.

Certification of vaccination will be required at check-in for this meeting.

The cost of the lunch is \$65 until April 1st and \$75 from April 1st until April 12th. Registration forms can be found on our website. Please download and send the form to Judy Meyer, 8545 Ostrich Circle, Fountain Valley 92708. Be sure to include on the registration form the names of those with whom you wish to sit.

Please remember to bring checks for the Silent Auction, as we cannot accept credit cards. However, the booksellers are able to accept credit cards.





CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL

- 4 Board Meeting 7 p.m.
- 7 Happy Hikers 9:00 a.m.
- 13 Travel Group 3 p.m.
- 23 Authors Luncheon 10:30 a.m.
- 25 Evening Book Review 7:15 p.m.

MAY

- 2 Board Meeting 7 p.m.
- 21 General Meeting

BOARD MEETING

The board consists of all officers and committee Chairs. Meetings are usually held the first Monday of each month. All members are encouraged to attend. The March 2022 Board of Directors meeting was held on ZOOM. The budget for the year was approved. Finance Officer's Report February General Fund Beginning Balance \$ 16,536.02 Ending Balance \$ 16,536.02 February Fund Account Beginning Balance \$ 13,159.38 Ending Balance \$ 13,216.62

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Articles must be in no later than April 10, noon. Send to Jeanne Smith <u>dandjsmith@earthlink.net</u>

HELP WANTED

Members needed to co-chair Fund. Please step forward to help organize 2023 Author's Luncheon. Please contact Donna or Getta.

Donna Kratter's new phone number is (714)654-4883. Please update your directory.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

If you or someone you know can make a donation for our fundraising baskets, it would be greatly appreciated. Examples are unused gift cards, gifts to recycle, plants from your yard, bottles of wine, etc. if you have any such items, please call Maxine Boyett (714) 546-5839 or Connie Nelson (714) 540-4902. The luncheon flyer, registration, donor, and tax forms are available to download on our website



Presidents' Message

"In April, the first soft, tender, delicate green of spring salutes the eye in every direction." (Joseph Grimaldi)

"If you want something said, ask a man; if you want something done, ask a woman." (Margaret Thatcher)

Dear Members:

March is Women's History Month. Celebrate it by attending our March 19th Meeting to hear Katrina Foley's journey. We are excited to be able to see each other again.

Please come to the Authors Luncheon on Saturday, April 23, 2022, bring a friend, and spread the news. We have two great authors, T. Jefferson Parker and Kate Quinn. The Authors Luncheon is our main fund raiser for Tech Trek; giving deserving girls an opportunity to attend a Stem camp.

Sincerely,

Donna Kratter and Getta Wolff

Website: <u>http://wfhca.aauw.net/</u>

BRANCH EMAIL ADDRESSES

<u>Membership inquiries and</u> <u>new members</u> <u>Update member contact</u> <u>information Programs</u> <u>Website problems, comments,</u> <u>corrections</u> Click on the above links to email

Membership News

National has a new membership campaign called, "Shape the future." With this campaign we can offer 50% off of national dues when prospective members join AAUW at an event or meeting. We can also earn one free national membership for every two new members we recruit!

Remember national dues are the largest part of our dues package so these new members joining at an event will pay \$71.50 instead of \$105.00. The catch is: they must join AT the meeting or event (no, "Let me think about it") and they must be either entirely new to AAUW or someone who rejoins after two or more years of lapsed membership.

We will start bringing membership applications to all our meetings and to the Authors Luncheon, so please bring your friends and TALK IT UP!



INTEREST GROUPS

QUEST April

With both the Authors Luncheon on April 23 and the Easter holiday the week prior, we will not have a formal Quest outing for April. If you are looking for something fun to do with your AAUW friends you may want to try the Mary Lou Heard Garden Tour on Saturday, April 30 and/or Sunday, May 1. This is an annual tour whose byline is real gardens by real people. The tour is self-guided, you can visit as many or few home gardens as you wish. There is no entry fee. Mary Lou was a big supporter of The Sheepfold, an organization that helps women in need. **Donation baskets for this worthy** philanthropic organization will be available at each garden. Checks are welcome and are tax deductible.

To find out more, please visit this website: <u>https://heardsgardentour.com/</u>

We will NOT be coordinating this event.

EVENING BOOK REVIEW

The book for April is Any book by T. Jefferson Parker

Monday, April 25, 2022 7:15 P.M. - Social 7:30 P.M. - Meeting Leader: Terri Elders Hostess: Barbara Smith 7352 Emerson Westminster RSVP to Barbara by Saturday, April 23 714-897-9013 or <u>basmith10@verizon.net</u>

HAPPY HIKERS

April 7, 2022

Thomas F. Riley Wilderness Park

9:00AM

30952 Oso Pkwy Coto De Caza

The next hike will be to the Riley Wilderness Park near Coto De Caza. We will be taking the Wagon Wheel Canyon and Oak Canyon Trails. The hike is a loop trail about 3 miles long with an elevation gain of 360 feet. It is relatively flat and of moderate difficulty. We should be able to see beautiful wildflowers and lots of wildlife! I suggest carpooling from Ralph's at 9:00 a.m. since it is a bit of a drive. If you want to meet us at the park, let me know and I will e-mail you the directions. As always, please let me know if you can make it at ralphkaj@aol.com See you there! Ann



TRAVEL GROUP

Wednesday, April 13 3 p.m.

Say YES to travel again! Some of the group will discuss recent adventures, and others with share planning for coming trips. The landscape has changed, so come to learn new things!

Meet at the home of Karen Jackle 6132 Hampshire Dr. Huntington Beach 92647

With questions, contact <u>janetjohnson535@yahoo.com</u>

A FOND FAREWELL

Janet Riness and I will not be continuing as co-chairs of the Quest for Knowledge interest group. If you are interested in this job for the coming 22/23 membership year, please contact our co-presidents, Donna Kratter and/or Getta Wolff. We have a very detailed notebook of prior Quests and the chair responsibilities. It's been a fun several years (and challenging during the height of the pandemic). Thanks for the memories!

Janet Flahive

DUES ARE DUE

(before June 10)

It is now time to pay your dues for 2022-2023. Dues are late after June 10

> Regular Membership: \$105 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

Branch Diversity

We want AAUW to reflect all eligible women and to encourage age and ethnic variety. We may have some of that already and not see it. Example: I may be a small part Native American; we cannot tell by sight alone what, especially in USA, the composition may be of what we inherited. However, we can change our branch by noticing in our experiences, someone eligible that would enrich our branch. Reach out to diversify our branch with new members. I still need volunteers for a Diversity Committee.

Karen Jackle, Public Policy

Membership Dues: HONOR ROLL 2022-2023

Is your name on this list? These are the members who have PAID for 2022-2023 as of MARCH 10. If you are not on this list, please send your check to AAUW, c/o Jeanne Smith, 12 Sirius, Irvine 92603. My phone number is 949-725-9780. Pat Allgeier, Marjorie Berling, Marie Bisson, Teri Elders, Carmen Erber, Bev Finnell, Donna Holder, Janet Johnson, Jean Jordan, Karen Jackle, Cheryl Kelly, Carolyn Knupke, Rosalie Lyons, Georgia Merchant, Zelda Rice, Janet Riness, Dorothy Guillaume-Rutter, Diana Lo Schiavo, Barbara Smith , Jeanne Smith, Fran Thelander, Fredricka Veenstra, Lou Ann Wiese, Getta Wolff.



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 women 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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Address Correction Requested

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