



TRI CITY DISPATCH

Westminster-Fountain Valley-Huntington Beach
December 2022

Scholars' Hope

The Scholars' Hope Foundation serves students from fifth grade through twelfth grade and beyond. The program consists of counseling, tutoring, and assistance with college applications and scholarships.

Our mission is to lay a balanced foundation for success through academic and social-emotional development. Our proven whole-child approach provides all students with necessary skills to navigate life's stressors and academic challenges to become the best version of themselves. Each student has both personal and group counseling along with tutoring and social-emotional activities. All of our students graduate from high school, and the vast majority of them go on to higher education.

To make a donation go to scholarshope.org or bring a check made out to Scholars' Hope to our December meeting. Every gift is greatly appreciated!

General Meeting

December 17, 2022
Greenbrook Clubhouse
18222 Santa Joanna Circle
Fountain Valley

Social 9:00-9:30 a.m.

Business meeting
9:30-9:45 a.m.

Scholars' Hope Presentation
9:45-10:00 a.m.

Surf City Singers
10:00-10:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast
Corner Bakery
Trays of pasteries, juice,
and coffee

Surf City Singers

From the Academy for the Performing Arts in Huntington Beach, The Surf City Singers has become one of Southern California's most sought after Musical Theater Performing Groups! This talented ensemble boasts some of the finest young performers around.

\$20 check due by
December 10 to:
AAUW :WM-FV-HB
c/o Sandra Guerrero
19120 Beachcrest Lane #A
Huntington Beach, CA
92646

Your check is your
reservation



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December

- 2 Authors Lunch Planning 10 a.m.
- 5 Board Meeting 7 p.m.
- 6 Movie Group 2 p.m.
- 8 Happy Hikers 4:30 p.m.
- 9 Quest 5 p.m.
- 14 Travel Group 3 p.m.
- 17 General Meeting 9 a.m.

January

- 3 Board Meeting 7 p.m.
- 19 Quest 10 a.m.
- 21 General Meeting
- 23 Book Review 7:15 p.m.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Articles must be in no later than
December 10, noon.
Send to Jeanne Smith
dandjsmith@earthlink.net

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 November 2022 Board of Directors meeting was held on ZOOM.

Finance Officer's Report

August General Fund

Beginning Balance \$ 18,188.15

Ending Balance \$ 17,838.00

February Fund Account

Beginning Balance \$ 21,546.11

Ending Balance \$ 21,461.11

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Presidents' Message

"In the winter she curls up with a good book and dreams away the cold." (Ben Aaronovitch)

"Winter forms our character and brings out the best." (Tom Allen)

Dear Members:

Our October Meeting was filled with love and respect for the Tech Trek campers and their families. We saw and heard the impact of the camp experiences on such worthy girls. Mary Isaac's talk was amusing and inspirational. It was so nice to have Kate Cox, the Assistant Principal of Warner Middle School, attend; four of our campers were from that school. Toni Gregory, thank you so much for all of your efforts a true success for all.

Dining-Out on November 10th at 6 p.m. at Vittorio's Italian Restaurant has been cancelled.

Our Year-End Meeting is a time to meet old friends and make new friends; along the way to help a worthy charity.

We wish you a Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,

Donna Kratter and Getta Wolff, co-presidents

AUTHORS LUNCHEON PLANNING MEETING

**December 2 10 a.m.
Donna Kratter's House
3899 Humbolt Dr.
Huntington Beach**

Thank you to all the enthusiastic and creative women who came to our first Authors luncheon planning meeting. Your fund raising suggestions, themes, basket ideas, publicity, and volunteering were all well received. Please join us again, or for your first time, as we continue to brainstorm, plan, and volunteer for our annual main fundraiser. Looking forward to seeing you again for another productive meeting.

Please RSVP to dkratter@hotmail.com.

**November Dine Out
has been cancelled**



INTEREST GROUPS

TRAVEL GROUP

Wednesday, December 14, 3 p.m.
at the home of Jeri Goldsbrough
5711 David Webster
Garden Grove
RSVP to Jeri
Jerig6@mac.com
It will be a fun holiday event!

MOVIE REVIEW

December 6 at 2 p.m.
Movie: The Fabelmans
RSVP to Karen Jackle by Dec. 3
6132 Hamshire Dr.
Huntington Beach
(714) 612-0028
karijac@gmail.com

QUEST

December Quest - Friday, December 9th at
Rancho Los Alamitos, Long Beach - 5 p.m.

In the early 1900's, the Bixby family decorated their home and hosted a Christmas party for the local family and friends. Join us for a festive evening at Rancho Los Alamitos. Tour the decorated Ranch House and enjoy music and light refreshments.

We have purchased 4 parking reservations, allowing us to park at 5:00 p.m.. There is no fee to attend, but we have paid \$5 per car for parking. As many as 20 people can attend. It is a lovely event and a wonderful way to get into the holiday spirit. Please RSVP by December 1. Looking forward to seeing you next month. More information will be sent to those who will be attending.

Betsy Grajeda--tgrajeda@aol.com
Zelda Rice--uclarice1@msn.com

HAPPY HIKERS

DECEMBER 8 BALBOA ISLAND CHRISTMAS LIGHTS
4:30 P.M.

The holidays are fast approaching and it is time for our Christmas lights extravaganza! We will meet at the foot of the bridge onto Balboa Island at Bayside Drive and Marine Ave. Starting at 4:30 we will walk to the Balboa Pavilion for "happy hour" and then tour the decorations on the island. Don't forget to bring money for the ferry ride across to the peninsula (\$1.50 one way). Please let me know if you can make it, and dress warmly! Happy Thanksgiving to all! Ann ralphkaj@aol.com



What are the Dollar Power Jars for?

At each meeting Sandy puts out the Dollar Power jars; we hope our members will contribute a few dollars.

These small amounts can add up to a fair amount of money that supports our two main missions: sponsoring girls for Tech Trek Camp; and giving scholarships to women returning to college to better their lives.

Awhile ago these jars were called Penny Power, but time and inflation necessitated the upgrade to Dollar Power.

Our Board is very grateful to have such generous members.

THANK YOU

HB READS

2023 Book

Still Sideways

HBReads.org

Public Policy

Lobby Days are Here Again....

Ginny Hatfield, AAUW California Public Policy Committee Member

Save the Dates March 21st and March 22nd, are the AAUW CA scheduled Lobby Days, so mark your calendars and be sure to sign up to participate when our Lobby Day registration arrives in your January mailbox.

Advocating for our top 3 priority bills is fundamental to achieving our legislative priorities by addressing economic security for all women, providing equal access to public education and insuring social and racial justice for all members of society. We need all members on board and will be counting on you to reach out to our elected officials in the CA legislature.

Our Public Policy Committee will make it easy for you to do so. This year instead of a full week, Lobby Day will consist of two days and will occur while the legislature is in session, not on break. Hopefully, this will provide more opportunity to actually speak with a member in lieu of a staffer. Our plans are to make it hybrid – virtual and in-person. Those branches in and around Sacramento would have the option of in-person meetings at the Capitol with the remaining branches meeting virtually or in-person with staffers in the district. So, a bit more flexibility this year as the committee feels it's beneficial to establish relationships with our elected leaders' local staff.

Our AAUW legislative Advocate will be scheduling meetings with the member offices willing to participate, and once you return your Lobby Day survey, the committee will begin to assemble branch participants and match them with Assembly and Senate districts in order to assign teams. We will provide you with material on the bills we are supporting and have scheduled a mandatory training webinar for March 20th, so you'll have the information at your fingertips. If you have participated in Lobby Day in the past, we would love to hear from you on what worked and what didn't. Please send your comments to publicpolicy@aauw-ca.org.

Lobby Day is our chance to make a concerted impact on the priorities and values we, as AAUW members, hold dear. It brings out the "advocates" in all us for improving the economic and educational lives of women and girls. And goodness knows, we need that commitment now more than ever. So, mark those calendars and join us on Lobby Day/s.



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 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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