



TRI CITY DISPATCH

Westminster-Fountain Valley-Huntington Beach December 2024

Designated Charity

Waymakers Huntington Beach Youth Shelter

Waymakers was founded in 1972 through a collaboration of a UCI professor, some of his students, and a Costa Mesa Police Department captain. They recognized the need to provide diversion counseling for delinquent youth and their families. In 1972 a home was established in Laguna Beach. Eventually there were additional homes in Huntington Beach and Tustin. Each shelter provides comprehensive services in a setting conducive to healing and growth. The homes provide emergency shelter for runaway, homeless, abused, and at-risk youth ages 11-17.

The Waymaker goals are to provide safe shelter in a positive home-like setting. Emotional stability is provided through individual, group, and family counseling. Problem solving and life skills are developed with integration of healthy habits and coping skills.

Nancy Galeana, Program Director of Community Care, will be our guest speaker.

Wish List for Waymakers

Frying Pans (4) Pots w/lids (any size, 6) Towels (12)
Household items (toilet paper, paper towels, disposable plates, cups, forks) Gift Cards to: Walmart, Target, Amazon, Stater Bros, Albertsons, Smart & Final, Gas Cards Monetary donations.

General Meeting

December 14, 2024

Center for Spiritual Living

7641 Talbert Avenue
Huntington Beach
Social
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Waymakers

Nancy Galeana

Singalong

Barbara Smith, SuAnne White

Menu

Continental Breakfast

Chicken sausage-scrambled egg wrap, berry parfait, assorted pastries, drinks

Vegetarian option by request

\$25.00 check due by
December 6

AAUW: WM-FV-HB

c/o Kathi Rand

306 Coral Reef #53

Huntington Beach, 92648



**CALENDAR
OF
EVENTS**

December

- 2 Board Meeting 7 p.m.**
- 3 Quest 10 a.m.**
- 5 Happy Hikers 4:30 p.m.**
- 13 Music & Dance 7:30 p.m.**
- 16 General Meeting 10 a.m.**

January

- 6 Board Meeting 7 p.m.**
- 16 Quest**
- 27 Book Review 7:15 p.m.**

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Articles must be in no later than
December 15, 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 2024 Board of Directors meeting was held on ZOOM.

Finance Officer's Report
October General Fund
Beginning Balance \$ 19,141.94
Ending Balance \$ 18,477.01
October Fund Account
Beginning Balance \$ 20,272.37
Ending Balance \$ 20,358.38

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Presidents' Message

Dear Members,

We hope this message finds you all in great spirits as we transition from pumpkin spice to eggnog lattes. Thank you all for your continued commitment and passion for our Tech Trek girls' experiences as well as older women desiring a college education.

We encourage you to bring a friend and/or a prospective new member to our December 14th holiday general meeting. Brag about who we are and what we do. Take a few minutes to sit quietly and just be thankful for all that you have. We would like to wish you and yours a very happy holiday season. Stay warm and safe and share the love in your hearts to all your family and friends and those in need!

**Warmly,
Ann and Donna**

QUEST SAVE THE DATE

On January 16 we will be going to the Lyon Air Museum on the west side of John Wayne Airport. The exhibit houses authentic aircraft, rare vehicles and related memorabilia with an emphasis on World War II. They even have one of Hitler's automobiles.

More details will be coming in the next newsletter, so stay tuned!



INTEREST GROUPS

QUEST

Tuesday, December 3 10 a.m.

Phineas Banning House

401 East M Street, Wilmington

Built in 1863, Victorian Revival on 20 acres, displaying several pieces of original furniture. The barn out back has antique carriages and a rose garden. Phineas Banning was a businessman, transportation magnate and financier, and considered the “Father of the Port of Los Angeles”, one of the busiest in the world. The City of Wilmington was named after his birthplace in Delaware.

This historic site has a visitors center at street level with a short film history. There are 5 steps up to the front door of the house, no ramp. The first floor has 5 rooms to view with original furnishings. There are lots of stairs to 2nd floor, but your choice. The carriage barn and rose garden are at street level. There also is an easy ramp from street level to a basement museum with extensive LA Harbor history displays.

There is a \$5 donation.

At 10 a.m. meet at Hof's Hut 12489 Seal Beach Blvd. just north of the 405/22 freeways Rossmoor Center for carpools.

Return to Hof's for lunch.

Please notify Janet Riness if you plan to attend
jriness@roadrunner.com

Leaders: Eleanor Demler and Janet Riness

TRAVEL GROUP

No meeting this month

BOOK REVIEW

Book Review will not meet in December.

Our next meeting will be January 27, 2025

Looking Ahead:

The Women by Kristin Hannah

MUSIC & DANCE

Christmas Show

Huntington Beach High School

Friday, December 13 7:30 p.m.

Experience the sensational Sounds of the Season 2024 presented in late night talk show style. The orchestra will ignite the stage with holiday cheer highlighted by the exhilarating performances of the theater departments' collective event.

If you are interested reply by Friday, November 29. Tickets/Senior \$15.

Barbara Smith basmith10@verizon.net



HAPPY HIKERS

December 5, 2024

Balboa Island

4:30 p.m.

Hi Hikers! It is time for our annual Christmas lights extravaganza! We will be going to Balboa Island this year, starting with happy hour at the Balboa Pavilion. We will meet at the bridge going over to Balboa Island on Bayside Drive at 4:30 p.m. We will walk to the Balboa ferry and ride over to the Pavilion. The ferry is now \$1 each way. After happy hour, we will stroll around the island with oohs and aahs at the splendid decorations. Please let me know if you can make it. Many thanks and happy holidays! Ann ralphkaj@aol.com.

The Magic of Autumn is in the Air

Let's continue this spirit of magic by reaching out to others who are not members of AAUW to learn more about us. In just looking at this month's newsletter, you can see how wonderful our branch is. Our activities are varied, educational, and lots of fun. Join us in getting our message out extending an invitation to attend one of our activities. Let's continue to grow and flourish. Thank you to those who have been extending invitations to our activities. We welcome the opportunity to assist you in any way that we can.

Sandi Guerrero and Cheryl Kelly Membership Co-Vice Presidents



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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