



# TRI CITY DISPATCH

Westminster-Fountain Valley-Huntington Beach  
October 2023

## THIS YEAR'S TECH TREK GIRLS

Thanks to your generosity we were able to send seven lovely young ladies to Tech Trek. They are: Tricia Condlin, Annabelle Vo, and Pauline Lam from Warner Middle school; Ashley Le and Kimberly Nguyen from Stacey; and Abigail Wood and Christy Le from Johnson. They are busy preparing their talks for the October meeting. They are anxious to tell you about their experience and thank you all for this life changing opportunity.

Five of them went to Tech Trek residential camp at Whittier College at the end of June. During the week they lived in the dorms, ate in the school cafeteria, and participated in hands-on STEM activities all day and evening. At the end of July two more girls experienced the virtual Tech Trek program. You will get to hear their stories at our October meeting. Don't miss it!



## General Meeting

October 28, 2023

Center for Spiritual Living

7641 Talbert Avenue

Huntington Beach

Social

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Tech Trek speakers

Scholarship speaker

10:15 – 11:15 a.m.

Business Meeting and Lunch

11:15 a.m.

Menu: Corner Bakery

Box Lunch includes:

Turkey/avocado sandwich,  
salad, fruit cup, cookie,  
beverage

Vegetarian option by request

\$20.00 check due by

October 24

AAUW: WM-FV-HB

c/o Carol Kanode

17382 Alta Vista Circle

Huntington Beach, 92647



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### October

- 3 Board Meeting 7 p.m.
- 5 Happy Hikers 9:30 a.m.
- 12 Quest 10:30 a.m.
- 15 Music & Dance 3 p.m.
- 23 Book Review 7:15 p.m.
- 24 Movie Group 3 p.m.
- 28 General Meeting 10 a.m.

### November

- 7 Board Meeting 7 p.m.
- 9 Quest

## 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 September 2023 Board of Directors meeting was held on ZOOM.

### Finance Officer's Report

#### August General Fund

Beginning Balance \$ 18,366.18

Ending Balance \$ 18,198.18

#### May Fund Account

Beginning Balance \$ 14,088.11

Ending Balance \$ 14,088.11

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

## BRANCH EMAIL ADDRESSES

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Click on the above links to email

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Articles must be in no later than

**October 15, noon.**

Send to Jeanne Smith

[dandjsmith@earthlink.net](mailto:dandjsmith@earthlink.net)

**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE**



**Presidents' Message**

**Hello Fall Goodbye Summer**

**We hope you made some wonderful summer memories and are recharged to restart our 2023-24 year. We appreciate your commitment, leadership, and valuable information helping our branch keep moving forward. If you have not yet sent in your reservation for our September 30 General Meeting, please do so ASAP!**

**Please mark your calendars for our second meeting on October 28. You will want to listen to our STEM inspired campers and Golden West College awardees. Together we can improve and change the lives of girls and women.**

**We look forward to catching up and connecting with you again at our general meetings. If you need a ride, please contact us and we will arrange to get you there.**

**Stay well, be safe, and enjoy the last few days of summer!**

**Sincerely,**

**Donna Kratter and Ann Kajdasz, co-presidents**

**GENTLE REMINDER**

**Sept. 30 General Meeting  
Center for Spiritual Living  
7641 Talbert Ave. H.B.  
10am-12pm  
\$20 to Carol Kanode  
17382 Alta Vista Circle  
Huntington Beach**

**DIRECTORY CORRECTION**

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## INTEREST GROUPS

### QUEST

Thursday, October 12 10:30 a.m.

Orange County Art Museum

3333 Avenue of the Arts

Costa Mesa

OCMA is a new modern art museum located on the campus of the Segerstrom Art Center. The building was designed by Pritzker Prize winning architect Thom Mayne of Morphosis Studio. We will be doing a self-guided tour of the exhibits. Docents are present in all galleries.

We will park, visit the Museum and eat lunch at the elegant Silver Trumpet Restaurant, which is across the street from the Museum. Parking will be validated.

(3350 Avenue of the Arts, Costa Mesa, CA 92626)  
(silvertrumpetrestaurant.com)

Please RSVP by October 5, 2023 to Carol Valcarcel at (503) 208-8712 or [carol.valcarcel@aol.com](mailto:carol.valcarcel@aol.com); please indicate if you are carpooling or driving yourself. You will receive an email with further information on timing, the history of the Museum, the Museum exhibits, and driving and parking instructions.

### BOOK REVIEW

October 23, 2023

The book for October is

David Copperfield

by Charles Dickens

(We will be discussing the first half of the book and then finish it in November and compare it to Demon Copperhead in January.)

Hostess: Barbara Smith

Co-Hostess: Contact Barbara with what you are bringing

7:15 Social

7:30 Meeting

7352 Emerson

Westminster

RSVP to Barbara by Saturday, October 21

714-897-9013 or [basmith10@verizon.net](mailto:basmith10@verizon.net)

### Movie Group

October 24 3 p.m.

At the home of Karen Jackle

6132 Hamshire, Huntington Beach

White Bird may be available this month. My Big Fat Wedding III will come out soon. It is in the same mode as the two previous ones.

Please RSVP Karen at 714-612-0028 or [karijac@gmail.com](mailto:karijac@gmail.com)

### MUSIC & DANCE

October 15 3 p.m.

Chapman College, Musco Auditorium

United States Army Band playing old standard popular songs and songs from Broadway Musicals

Contact Barbara Smith for tickets and carpool.

[Basmith10@verizon.net](mailto:Basmith10@verizon.net)



### **HAPPY HIKERS**

**October 5, 2023**

**Long Beach Walk**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Our next hike will be from the Los Alamitos Bay Channel to the Belmont Pier in Long Beach. This lovely hike follows the Seaside Walk along the beach. We have done this walk before, but not for a little while. We will meet at 9:30 at the corner of Ocean and 54th at the beginning of the pedestrian/bike path. You can park for free along Ocean. Lunch will follow at the Belmont Brewery (one of our favorites!) Please let me know if you can make it at [ralphkaj@aol.com](mailto:ralphkaj@aol.com). See you there! Ann**

### **MEMBERSHIP**

**We are hoping many of our new members will be able to attend the September general meeting so we can meet and greet them. “Old members” (those who have belonged for a while) please approach our new members and introduce your self. When you spot someone with a red flower attached to their nametag that is your signal, they are new! We have some fascinating new women joining us and I know you will really enjoy finding out all about them.**

### **PUBLIC POLICY**

**Does the School Board Reflect Your Views? AAUWCA has a September 27 seminar on zoom chaired by Kathi Harper. The information after that date will be posted on AAUWCA. Since some of us live in a city in which this is being discussed, it will be an ongoing concern for gender bias and athletic participation. Awareness of your school board policies is important.**



**Bowers Museum August 24**



**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.

Co-Presidents: Donna Kratter & Ann Kajdasz  
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