

The Coastline



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Del Mar-Leucadia Branch, Founded 1955



*Hear Ye! Hear Ye!
Come one, Come all!*

*Join us in celebration of the
Del Mar-Leucadia Branch year!*

*Green Dragon Tavern
Carlsbad, CA*

Saturday, June 10, 2017, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Share memories over brunch!

Celebrate our achievements!

*Congratulate our newly installed board of directors!
Share in the success of our wonderful scholarship women!*

Honor our Named Gift Honoree!

Learn who wins our

"Member Get a Member Challenge!"

*Celebrate our members who have been active
for 5, 10, & 30 years.*

*Following the event, tour the museum and participate
in the Museum Walk About Challenge*

Reservations and payment due by May 30th

Visit our website for details and buffet menu:

<http://delmarleucadia-ca.aauw.net>

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mar-leucadia/](http://www.meetup.com/aauw-del-mar-leucadia/)

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Diversity Statement

*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, disability or class.*

Mission Statement

*AAUW advances equality for
women and girls through advocacy,
education, philanthropy, leadership
and research.*

AAUW's Value Promise:

*"By joining AAUW, you belong to a
community that breaks through
educational and economic barriers
so that all women and girls have a
fair chance."*

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of the month prior to the
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President's Message

Linda Quinby

What a great Tech Trek event! Our speakers were so inspiring – from 2016 Tech Trekkers to high school senior to college students at various stages of life! We can all be proud of the role we are playing in the lives of these fabulous young women.

It's membership renewal time, and I'm so glad so many of you have already renewed, either online, through the personal email you received, or by sending a check to Dues Treasurer Jess Gadsby. We need all of us working together locally and supporting advocacy at the State and National levels to protect and advance women's rights. Also, be sure to vote online in the AAUW National Election, which includes candidates for the board of directors and a member-initiated proposal regarding AAUW's membership requirement. See your recent Outlook or go to the National website for details.

As I near the end of my two years as branch president, I can't help but feel a little nostalgic, and very proud of everything we've accomplished together – our stellar programs that have informed, inspired, and fostered collaboration with other like-minded organizations; our scholarships that impact the lives of young women, their families, and our local communities; and the stand we have taken locally and nationally to raise awareness and prompt action to protect women's rights. Thank you for the privilege

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Where the press is free and every man able to read, all is safe.

~ Thomas Jefferson

https://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/keywords/press_3.html

A Bit of High Tech Humor

From Norelynn Pion-Goureau, Press Person

As the AAUW Press Person, I have a love/hate relationship with technology that may ring a bell for at least some of my fellow AAUW colleagues. I just finished yelling at my computer as I tried to get a picture out of Dropbox and onto my printed text page, which I was sending as an email to our *Coastline* editor. It is even more humiliating when I consider that twelve short years ago, I received an M.A. that included educational technology; of course, everything I learned then is now completely obsolete, as I realized when I innocently asked, in the company of my adult children, grandchildren, and other millennials, why everyone signed text and other messages “Little old lady” or LOL. Stunned silence, followed by incredulous stares, then gut-busting laughter, as I slowly realized I was one of them—the old and out of date seniors. Not possible. I have always been cool, up on things, and spent years in the classroom teaching my students how to use technology, make Word documents, etc. How was it possible I had become outdated!?!

Well, it can happen to you, too, and it’s a shame for those of us who let it happen as it is cutting us off from being able to communicate in real time with friends and family around the world, create wonderful on-line photo albums of trips and family events, and myriad other things (which I probably don’t even know about). When I interviewed my son and tech consultant for this bit of whimsy, he listed as my roadblocks to more ease with new applications: an unwillingness to just fiddle around and try things until I get what I want, linked to never reading a manual, which would provide a shortcut to the information if I don’t want to spend the time trying; he frequently advises me to just “jump in” instead of wanting to know the answer or how to do the maneuver ahead of time. Another problem is my lack of patience; I’m always in a hurry and want to get my task done, using as an example my (former I assure you) tendency to hit “Print” ten times. The overall theme I need to realize is that computers don’t do anything on their own; you give the orders and they carry them out.

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of being your president, and a huge THANK YOU to my fellow board members. Their hard work, creativity, outreach, and commitment to our mission made it all happen.

Please make your reservation and join us for our annual branch installation and recognition brunch on June 10, 9:30 a.m., at the Green Dragon Tavern, to celebrate our accomplishments, recognize our outgoing leaders and other branch members, hear from our college scholarship winners, and launch our branch into another stellar year!

I look forward to continuing to work with all of you to accomplish our mission and goals.

Linda

We Want You!

(Actually, we can't do it without you....) Volunteers are needed to fill these branch support positions for 2017-18:

- Coastline Editor: To organize our quarterly branch newsletter.
- Hospitality Chair: To recruit members to bring refreshments to meetings, setup, and cleanup in coordination with the Chair of the Program Committee.
- Publications Coordinator: To assemble, organize and provide AAUW literature at monthly meetings and events.
- Sunshine Chair: To send Get Well or Sympathy cards to branch members.

Please contact Branch President Linda Quinby for more information.

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If any of this sounds familiar, there are free resources. Both Dove library in Carlsbad and the La Jolla library have wonderful tech services; you can literally bring in a problem, from Photo Shop to more sophisticated applications, and a technology expert will walk you through the process and spend time explaining it. The Carlsbad Senior Center gives classes on technology almost weekly. There may be other local libraries that also have the classes and technology aides these libraries offer. The online "Urban Dictionary" is a wonderful source of what all the new tech terms and monikers refer to if you feel you need to translate text messages, tweets, and other abbreviated forms of communication. And it helps to have a sense of humor; as I'm berating my computer and making faces at it, I generally get a mental image of an intelligent older woman, dignified, full of the wisdom of accumulated experience, ranting and throwing a 4-year-old tantrum in front of a computer, and I can't help laughing. Just before I call my son.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

PLEASE SEE BRANCH DIRECTORY FOR GROUP DESCRIPTIONS AND THE CONTACT'S EMAIL & PHONE NUMBER

Interest Groups and Socials

For interest group contacts, see branch directory. For latest updates and information, go to our branch website at <http://delmarleucadia-ca.aauw.net/> and click on Calendar under Activities at top, or on Branch Calendar under Get Involved in right-hand sidebar. Check calendar when scheduling events to avoid conflicts. Provide calendar updates to Linda Quinby or Betty Reed.

SUMMER SOCIALS

Out-To-Lunch Bunch (OTL): This group is open to all members and meets at 11:30 a.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at various restaurants up and down the coast. For specific dates and places, visit the branch calendar on our website. **RSVP** to Karen Vanderwerken.

First Friday: These fun events are scheduled for the first Friday of the month when we have a volunteer to host. Thanks to Barbara Jenkins-Lee for a very fun Cinco de Mayo celebration in May. On August 4th, Kat Larson will host in her lovely backyard in Carlsbad. **RSVP** to Kat. Bring your own drink, plus a sweet or savory to share. Members and guests welcome!

LOOKING AHEAD...

Branch Kick-Off Event, Saturday, September 16th, 10 a.m. to Noon: We'll be kicking off our new program year with a focus on the national theme of "Leadership for Women, by Women." The agenda will include reports from NCCWSL (AAUW National Conference for College Women Student Leaders) and the AAUW National Convention.

AAUW NAME BADGES: Tired of fussing with sticky labels at AAUW events? Customized, durable plastic name badges with the AAUW logo are available through ShopAAUW on the national website. Only \$8 for pin clasp, \$10 for magnetic clasp. Shipping is free! Customize with your name and Del Mar-Leucadia Branch. Go to

<http://aauw.source4.com/b2c/ProductInfo.asp?Category=1576&itm=131042>

Celebrate STEM, Celebrate Tech Trek!



Norelynn Pion-Goureau, Press Person

It would be hard to imagine anyone leaving the Celebrate STEM, Celebrate Tech Trek meeting not feeling uplifted and inspired by the advice for new girls from recent Trekkers, the inspiring video update from Romy Beigel, our 19 year old Trekker from Montana State, and particularly the amazing life stories of Maylin Caldwell and Uju Nwizu, AAUW College Scholarship winners, and our own President, Linda Quinby, who shared “Building a Career: From Hidden Figures to NASA Manager.” President Quinby opened the celebration by giving a brief history of Tech Trek, the idea of which came from a question AAUW member Marie Wolback asked in the late ‘90’s, “Why aren’t there more girls in math and science?” In typical AAUW fashion, she decided to remedy the situation and organized the first camp, which opened in 1998. Since then, over 15,000 girls have attended, and the idea has spread to 22 camps in 10 states. Our Tech Trek camp at the University of California San Diego takes 100 campers, with 25 staff and 7 junior counselors chosen from the ranks of former Trekkers.

After last year’s Trekkers shared stories and advice, Maya Kota, a 12th grader from Torrey Pines High, spoke of how Tech Trek had changed her life and opened her academic career to new possibilities. Romy Biegel, in a video, updated the group on her second year as a full-ride Presidential Scholar at Montana State, restating her gratitude for how her positive path began with her experiences as a Trekker. Maylin Caldwell, cradling her young baby in her arms, spoke movingly and resolutely about “Things I Would Tell My 7th Grade Self”, including how she went from boxing as a way to affirm her young womanly self to a career in the Army, where she realized her need of an education and determined to get more training to reach her newfound goals in life. Maylin is using her AAUW scholarship to pursue her college plans.

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Uju Nwizu had a long journey in bringing her “Dreams to Reality” from a “circle of pain” due to continual illness from malaria, compounded with poverty, in a Nigeria where if she didn’t have the cash for university, higher education was impossible. Once she reached the United States, not speaking English and with very limited resources, she persisted despite educational difficulties and now, thanks to hard work and the support of an AAUW scholarship, she is fulfilling her dreams (and speaks English fluently).

“CAVU: ceiling and visibility unlimited” is an aeronautical expression Branch President Linda Quinby learned from a colleague and friend at NASA, one of the rare female test pilots, and it describes accurately how Linda turned her mixed academic interests, from English to Mathematics, into a fascinating career managing projects at NASA. Our new Tech Trek awardees –Michelle Ripol, Sonja Rodin (Carmel Valley); Lorelei Bell and Jullian Aasand (Digueno; Rosalind Snider and Solano Espino (Earl Warren); Angelica Atempa and Natalie Hernandez (Oak Crest); Lila Denning and Anjana Shriram (Pacific Trails)—left the ceremony with exciting ideas and powerful role models to take with them!

TECH TREK

Betty Reed, Tech Trek Director

I am pleased to share an essay from one of our 2017 Tech Trekkers on our website, at <https://delmarleucadia-ca.aauw.net/programs/techtrek/>. It totally encapsulates what we are about. Enjoy!

AAUW National Election 2017



Andrea Henne, EdD, Public Policy Director

All AAUW members are encouraged to participate in the 2017 AAUW National Election! In addition to voting for candidates for the AAUW Board of Directors, Public Policy Program changes and new resolutions for members’ attention and action are on the ballot.

Here are AAUW positions on **Resolutions** that address evolving issues:

Equal Rights Amendment

Shall the resolution to reaffirm AAUW's commitment to ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment be adopted?

AAUW reaffirms as a high priority ratification of the ERA; and

WHEREAS, the need for women's rights, equity, and advancement remain serious equality and economic issues; and

WHEREAS, the ERA was first introduced in Congress nearly 100 years ago and even today, in the 21st century, the U.S. Constitution still does not explicitly guarantee all rights are held equally by all citizens without regard to sex; and

WHEREAS, over the last 30 years, not only has there been a lack of progress on the ERA, there have been erosions of women's rights, making the need for the ERA stronger now than ever before; be it

Resolved, that AAUW aggressively supports ratification of the ERA; and

Resolved, that AAUW may commit appropriate personnel and funds needed to accelerate and achieve ratification of the ERA.

Human Trafficking

Shall the resolution to adopt human trafficking as an AAUW focus area be adopted?

WHEREAS, human trafficking is a global problem damaging lives, families, and communities;

WHEREAS, every year an increasing number of people fall victim to human trafficking, mainly for sexual exploitation and illegal labor; and

WHEREAS, trafficking is the third-largest source of international illegal income after drugs and arms; and

WHEREAS, trafficking affects women and children in a large majority of cases; and

WHEREAS, AAUW's core principle—the empowerment of women—includes personal safety; be it

Resolved, that AAUW shall adopt human trafficking as a focus area by

- urging branches and affiliated entities to raise community awareness and take action against human trafficking;
- enlisting lawmakers to adopt legislation to end human trafficking and to rescue and protect victims;
- increasing AAUW public policy action on local, state, and federal levels; and
- providing program models for branches and states to use for community and legislative action.