The Coastline

Dec '22 – Feb '23





Better. Together.



AAUW Holiday Party 2022 Holiday Memories and Traditions Dec. 3rd, 4-6 pm

AAUW Del Mar-Leucadia Branch invites you to a Virtual Wine and Cheese Party

Members, friends, and significant others all welcome!

Join us for a virtual happy hour - chatting, sharing holiday memories and traditions, and getting to know each other better.

Linda Quinby will kick off the sharing session with a brief remembrance of her Celebrations in New Mexico, including pictures of the luminarias from Las Cruces to Santa Fe.

Then it's your turn!

Share a brief remembrance of your special holiday memories, from childhood to the present... family times, travel, experiences, foods, etc. Maybe memories of a particularly meaningful time with family or friends, a special gift or book, holidays in other countries or cultures, or ethnic or traditional foods.

Have photos to share?

Not required, but if you have a photo or two, you'd like to share, contact Linda at 760-931-9789 or quinby2@att.net. She will compile them into a PowerPoint file to show onscreen as you speak. Deadline for photos: November 23rd.

No reservations necessary. We'll send out a link a couple days before the event.

See you on December 3rd!

Annual AAUW FUND

Jane Sanders

This is the ONLY fundraising event we have during the year. You only need to write a check once!



Your **tax-deductible donations** to AAUW Funds are directly related to AAUW's mission to help women and girls in areas covering scholarships, research, advocacy, empowerment, equity, leadership, career development.

Please add AAUW Del Mar-Leucadia to your important choices for 2022 donations.

Important Dates

Early December - a donation letter will arrive in your mail in early December.

December 31 - is the deadline for your 2022 charitable donations

Imagine "You're invited to a party"- but it doesn't require a new outfit or a dish to share or a drink of your choice. We're asking you to donate to AAUW Fund - which covers all the amazing programs that we support for women & girls. You will be receiving a donation letter in the mail in early December. AAUW uses its philanthropic funds to support areas including **College Scholarships, National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL). Tech Trek and Speech Trek (for junior and high school girls), Education & Training, Economic Security, Leadership, and the all-inclusive Greatest Needs Fund which has an unrestricted designation. As you can see there is a wide choice of programs for women and girls that will cover one of your particular interests and concerns.**

Last year our branch received almost \$3000 for AAUW Fund. Our goal is to surpass that number this year. Please be part of the action. **This is the only fundraising event we have during the year.** Please join us to help reach the higher goals.

In early 2023 we will be having a branch meeting, possibly joining with the Carlsbad-Oceanside-Vista branch, to hear several speakers who have been recipients of AAUW awards. Don't miss it. The work that these speakers are involved with is awe-inspiring.

REMEMBER - December 31 is the deadline for your 2022 charitable donations

If you would like to contribute right now, please go to our website <u>http://delmarleucadia-</u> <u>ca.aauw.net</u> and click on the DONATE button. Thank You.

Message from the Co-Presidents

Sallie Piccorillo and Pat Moran

We eagerly started the 2022-2023 fiscal year by welcoming five vibrant new members who are bringing a vast amount of experience to the branch. We are looking forward to their involvement with one of the branch's committees.

In asking not only new members, but also the general membership, why did you join our branch, the predominant answer was to make new friends among women who share the same goals and have intellectually stimulating conversations with intelligent women. After I moved to Carmel Valley four years ago, it took me two subsequent years to realize I had not made any friends. Then I remembered I belonged to AAUW and discovered the Del Mar Leucadia branch. We have so many committed women not only on the board, but in our general membership.

Kudos to the By-Laws committee, the branch by-laws are in the completion process. The next items on the committee's agenda are the policies and procedures to implement the by-laws.

You have probably heard by now that the state-led program Gov Trek will be coming to branches in January 2023! Gov Trek is the new sibling to our twins Speech Trek and Tech Trek but will be administered quite differently.

The goal of Gov Trek is to address the shortage of women in the halls of power by galvanizing high school junior and senior girls to consider careers in public service and elected office. Over five two-hour virtual Saturday sessions, students will engage in interactive and inspiring activities with exposure to female changemakers in politics, related career options, and a campaign simulation project and contest. The free program is open to a maximum of 150 students from throughout California.

Unlike Speech Trek and Tech Trek, branches will not need to be involved in a student selection process. No spreadsheets to complete, no essays to read, no interviews to conduct! Students will register directly with the state Gov Trek program and be admitted on a first come, first served basis with a maximum of 150 participants.

What will our branch's role be? We will be publicizing this program in our local schools and community! Readymade materials and guidance will be provided. It is an easy way to provide a high impact program. Plus, we will gain some community exposure and possibly new members! Men still vastly outnumber women in the halls of power. Let us close that gender gap!

LEADERS NEEDED: We still need leaders for the open positions, College/University Relations, Programs and GOV Trek. We approach these positions with a teamwork attitude. As a leader, you will be supported by an enthusiastic committee. Please get involved.

We have many interesting programs and events scheduled for the new year. Let us keep the up the energy by supporting our mission and the teams that implement it.

Happy Holidays,

Sallie Seymour Piccorillo, Co-President

Wishing you and your abundant blessings all the year through.

Pat Moran, Co-President

IBC Luncheon – January 28th

San Diego Interbranch Council (SDC-IBC) Our IBC Meeting/Luncheon will be held on Saturday January 28, 11.30 am



January Branch Meeting

Patrice Moran

January 14th, 2023. Zoom Meeting 10.00 am – Social 10.30 am – Public Policy Save the date! - Saturday January 14th

Public Policy is an important part of who we are.

We will be exploring and discussing this at our January 14th meeting.

AAUW California Public Policy Priorities

What We Believe

The work of the AAUW California State Public Policy Committee is guided by our Mission Statement and by the three Public Policy Priorities.



To learn more about the impact of AAUW's Public Policy come to our January Meeting.

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 of 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.

Did you know ... AAUW CA YouTube channel

cc@aauw-ca.org

AAUW California got an email with balloons floating all over it! Colorful animated balloons that burst gloriously from the footer to the header. Wonder who sent it? YouTube! It was to congratulate us on reaching the milestone of 100 subscribers to our YouTube channel. Okay, okay, we know 100 isn't quite the data pinnacle that Facebook has reached with its 2.9 billion users, but YouTube sure thought it was special. It means that 100 people have looked at our video content and signed up to see more. Why not make it 101? Just go HERE and click on "Subscribe." What will YouTube send us if we reach 500 subscribers? An email with animated camels? Who knows? Feel free to send us your thoughts at cc@aauw-ca.org. Meanwhile, add your name as a subscriber and maybe we'll find out.

Click here and press SUBSCRIBE to join.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChLq8I6Tw48yDgVo3Go9afQ/videos

February Branch Meeting

Karen Vanderwerken

February 11, 2023. Zoom Meeting 10.00 am – Social 10.30 am – SDIBC Showcase 11.00 am - DML AAUW Scholar Presentation & Q&A

Showcase Eight SDIBC Branches - We are better together when we share ideas, programs, speakers, and fundraising successes! DML AAUW Scholar Presentation and Q&A - AAUW

Fund scholars give us a 30-minute presentation.



Cabrillo-Diego, Carlsbad-Oceanside-Vista, Del Mar-Leucadia, Fallbrook, La Mesa-El Cajon, Poway- Peñasquitos, Rancho Bernardo, San Diego

Zoom Link for our meetings

Members, no registration needed. The Zoom link will be sent to you prior to the meeting. Guests, please RSVP to <u>membership@aauwdml.org</u> to receive the Zoom link.

AAUW Fund CA

Karen Vanderwerken, Director, AAUW Fund Committee Chair

39 inspiring California fellow and grant recipients shared nuggets of their fascinating studies at four fall AAUW Fund virtual events.

See what, and who, your AAUW Fund dollars support. Learn about sustainable environments, global migration, refugee studies, and other topics.

https://www.aauw-ca.org/aauw-2022-fund-events/

Things can pan out for your branch too. You can file a https://www.aauw-ca.org/aauw-2022-fund-events/claim asking one of these scholars to speak at your virtual or in-person event.

It's easy to join AAUW CA's YouTube channel.

Click here and press SUBSCRIBE to join our YouTube Channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChLq8I6Tw48yDgVo3Go9afQ/videos

COMMUNICATIONS

Dawn Johnson, Director, Communications Committee Chair, communications@aauw-ca.org

AAUW California reached the milestone of attracting 100 people to subscribe to our <u>YouTube</u> <u>channel.</u> 100 may not sound like a lot to you, but it is to YouTube because they sent us a congratulatory email with animated balloons floating on it. Our YouTube channel is a repository for dozens of our videos. In addition to our webinar recordings which are available on our website, there are submissions from branch events, videos of Tech Trek speakers and camper presentations, helpful training videos, and more. Click the link above or go to YouTube and enter "AAUW California" in the search bar.

When viewing a video, click the "cc" on the bottom toolbar for closed captioning. To read a transcript of the recording, click on the three dots below the display and select "Show transcript."

Our Tech Peer Group kicked off with lots of participation on October 25th, hosted by committee member, and former chair, Tracey Clark. This will be an ongoing informal opportunity for the people who do tech-related tasks for your branch to share and learn from each other. If your branch does not have a representative in this group, contact <u>communications@aauw-ca.org</u> with the name and contact email of the person to be added. This could be your webmaster, newsletter editor, list manager, social media coordinator, etc.

Above all, keep communicating with your members! It is the key to retention.

DML AAUW Branch in the News

Bobbi Karnes

Article in Del Mar Times, Solana Beach Sun & Carmel Valley News 10/6/2022

'AAUW Special Interest Groups' topic at AAUW event Nov. 12 — open to public

American Association of University Women Del Mar-Leucadia Branch invites the public to learn about its Special Interest Groups at its virtual meeting on Saturday, Nov. 12, 10 a.m. to noon. The Special Interest Groups are available to all branch members and membership is open to anyone with an AA degree (or its equivalent) or higher. Members join AAUW because they believe in its mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research, and also to participate in the Special Interest Groups of this branch.

According to branch co-president Pat Moran, "After joining AAUW to support its mission, members are pleased to make connections with others who are like-minded. Many members enjoy the branch Special Interest Groups which are a great way to meet new people while discussing a book, enjoying a meal, discussing a book, enjoying a meal, discussing a movie, playing bridge, or learning about and discussing global issues. Friendships develop, mentors are found, and ideas for the branch are often discussed." AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. Guests for the Nov. 12 meeting must send their name and email address to membership@aauwdml.org to receive a Zoom link to the meeting and for their name to be recognized when they enter the Zoom Waiting Room. The Zoom room will open at 10 a.m. for a social/chat time followed by the program at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome.

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For more information, visit delmarleucadia-ca.aauw.net or contact Karen Dorney, membership@aauwdml.org

Del Mar Times, Solana Beach Sun, Carmel Valley News 11/3/2022

'Pros & Cons of State & Local Ballot Propositions' topic at AAUW event, public invited

AAUW Del Mar-Leucadia Branch will host a panel from North County League of Women Voters to present "Pros and Cons of State and Local Ballot Propositions." The public is invited to the virtual meeting on Saturday Oct. 8, 10 a.m. to noon. Participants can download the LWV Easy Voter Guide at easyvoterguide.org to facilitate taking notes during the presentation. Both League of Women Voters and American Association of University Women are committed to encouraging and facilitating voting through non-partisan presentations of the key facts and information on ballot issues. Participants will be able to ask questions at the end of each panel presentation on a proposition.

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Speech Trek Sharen Corbett-Parry



2022-2023 SPEECH TREK CONTEST TOPIC

Topic:How can communities, organizations and
citizens of all ageshelp protect and
expand voting rights?

- Do you know a high school student who would like to make their voice heard on this timely topic?
- would like to compete for a cash prize?

AAUW California Speech Trek

Students will prepare an original 5-6 min. speech on the topic. Exact contest date TBD, February 2023

Contact: Sharon Corbett-Parry, Speech Trek Coordinator E-mail: <u>speechtrek@aauwdml.org</u>

Visit our branch YouTube channel speechtrek@aauwdml.org to see the 2022 Speeches.

B2B Bonus: Quick Tips for Things to Try – SPOT SPAM EMAILS

 Help your members spot spam emails. They're getting quite good. The spammer can hijack the name of someone that you recognize. Before opening it, hover over the name with your mouse to see if the sender's actual email address is legitimate. If it's a phishing expedition, the email will not be theirs and will often be noticeably odd looking. Look at the subject line carefully too. Beware if something sounds too good to be true. Watch for spelling and grammar errors. Don't open links unless you trust the source. Don't forward spam emails to anyone else to "check them out."

Del Mar Leucadia AAUW Tech Trek

Lorraine Pfahl, Carol Waltz

A new year for DML AAUW Tech Trek Program begins!

Tech Trek has a new Logo!



In November 2022, Tech Trek revealed a new Logo.

I love the tagline "Powered by AAUW California" – that's all of you.

It is exciting that a sense of normality is returning. We will have both in-person and virtual camps available this year. Thanks to your support, we are planning to send 8 girls to camp at UCSD in 2023.

Over the next couple of months, we will be contacting principals and teachers, prospective dorm moms, volunteers, ex-campers and campers and establishing our DML team. if you are interested in finding out more, please let us know. If you know of any STEM women who would make great presenters/role models, or interesting course and/or course developers for our campers let us know that too.

We kicked off the new year on November 14th with all the TT Coordinators in Southern California attending a Webinar, hosted by Dr Mimi, to introduce this year's program and logistics. One welcome area of focus in 2023 will be working together across branches and leveraging each other's work to move forward. For example, in the establishment and running of TT Alumni groups and administrative shortcuts and processes. Dr Mimi is also running optional weekly zoom sessions to answer and queries or issue we may face and quarterly update meetings for Coordinators. So, lots of support from AAUW CA.

We are looking forward to another year fostering young girls to enter the STEM world from a position of confidence!

Membership

Marsha Swails, Membership Committee Chair, membership@aauw-ca.org

Women with a Why. Let's Grow!

Can you share why you are an AAUW member in a succinct and joyful way?

This last weekend I met with the Southeast Interbranch Council in the Inland Empire. A lively meeting focused on how to grow our membership. Someone asked a straightforward and sincere question. "Where do we find new members?" I related my own story of how I found AAUW after retiring from a forty-year career in Minnesota.

I knew no one here. I missed my friends, my Minnesota family, and all the familiar changes the seasons brought. I finally joined a health club's aqua aerobics class. After a couple of sessions, while changing in the locker room, I met another retired woman from Atlanta who moved here after a long career at CNN. Her warmth meant so much. Our transition was so similar. She described an AAUW discussion group that met monthly near her home. She invited me to attend the next meeting. Hungry for new friends, I agreed. The moment I walked into that bright house, I felt at home. Twenty women were gathered happily talking and laughing in the kitchen. Later we began the discussion on an issue affecting the lives of women. Someone else invited me to a branch meeting. The same warmth. The same energy. I joined AAUW.

Where do we find new members? **Anywhere.** It could be in line at Rite Aid, at the DMV, or at a farmer's market (or in a state of undress at a health club!) The key is enthusiastically sharing how AAUW gives your life purpose and meaning. Do you have the elevator speech down?



EMPOWERING WOMEN IN CALIFORNIA

AAUW has been empowering women as individuals and as a community since 1881. For more than 130 years, we have worked together as a national grassroots organization to improve the lives of millions of women and their families.

Welcome Susan Morgan - AAUW New Member Karen Dorney



Believing that education can be transformative, after receiving three advanced degrees, I had the privilege and honor of being a community college professor for over 3 1/2 decades. My student populations were immigrants, refugees, and native speakers in Adult Basic Education (ABE). The most memorable teaching I did was with the ABE Program at the community colleges where my entire class was on welfare, and we provided computer assisted instruction, basic education, and job-related skills to get my students gainfully employed. I was very surprised and honored when Peter Jennings, TV Anchor, did a feature story on my class about why this program worked as well as it did. It was the hardest work I ever did also the most gratifying.

One of my long-term hobbies is deep sea sportfishing and I have fished extensively in southern California and in Mexico. My longest trip so far was for 7 days, and we fished in Mexico at Alijos Rocks, The Ridge, Cedros Island, and Islas San Benito. As a result of my fishing experiences, I was recruited by UCSD Scripps Institution of Oceanography for several years to participate in their California Collaborative Fisheries Research Program to go into the Marine Protected Areas to catch, tag, and then release fish. The data we collected is used by the Department of Fish and Wildlife to develop state regulations and policies that address issues related biodiversity and sustainability. Second, another hobby I have taken up is birding and the Hawks, Orioles, Dark-Eyed Juncos, and House Finches put on quite a show beginning very early in the day and up until dark. Third, I love writing non-fiction stories about nature, stages of life, and the magic, beauty, and power of resiliency.

My lovely daughter, son-in-law and grandson live in Piedmont, CA and all three of them are the apple of my eye. My grandson is in 4th grade, and he loves explaining to me what needs to be taken into account when you are trading Pokémon Cards with your friends. My family loves to share home cooked meals and go hiking, walking, biking, skiing, and camping. We so love and appreciate the California outdoor diversity.

I was pleased to learn that the AAUW national leadership has let us know that Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) are all top priorities. I look forward to seeing how

Special Interest Groups

Novel Lovers Book Group

Novel Lovers will meet at 4:00pm on Zoom on the 4th Monday of each month. New people welcome. Contact: Nancy L. Kohrs, <u>nancylkohrs1@gmail.com</u>, 858-220-1951

Here is our Novel Lovers Book List - January-April 2023



Great Decisions

2023 topics – Energy Geopolitics, War Crimes, China and the USA, Economic Warfare, Politics in Latin America, Global Famine, Iran at a Crossroads and Climate Migration

February 2nd	Energy Geopolitics
March 2nd	War Crimes
April 6th.	China and the U.S.

Interested in learning more about world issues in a supportive environment? We would love to have you join us in our journey to learn about global current events.

Contact Kathy Adams, bri2kath@gmail.com, 281 704 1495

Bridge Group

We are playing the 1st and 4th Tuesday of each month at **10:00 a.m**., at Morgan Run Club in Rancho Santa Fe. Our Bridge group is always looking for new substitute players. Interested? Contact: Michele McNeil, <u>michelemcneil45@gmail.com</u> or 606-776-7757

Special Interest Groups ...cont.

Fun, Food & Friends

Fun Food and Friends Groups are onging. If there are more members who want to participate, please contact Nancy Kohrs. Groups consist of 6 (members + spouses/partners, or we'll pair you with another single) and meet for three events over 3-4 months. Groups are then shuffled – giving you a chance to meet and get acquainted with several members and spouses in small group settings. It's a great way to meet new people.

Contact Nancy L. Kohrs: nancylkohrs1@gmail.com, 858-220-1951

Cloak and Dagger Mystery Book Group

Meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Currently at outdoor lunch venues. Members with "mystery on the mind," select books from lists that include the New York Times, British Literature, Best Sellers, and literature prize winners. If you are intrigued by mystery and suspense and like a lively discussion, join us. New members welcome.

December 6	22 Seconds by James Patterson	
January 3	Five Decembers, by James Kestrel	
February 7	The Diamond Eye, by Kate Quinn	
March 7	The It Girl, by Ruth Ware	
April 4	The Maidens, by Alex Michaelides	

Contact: Marlene Gerber Gale, mgerbm@aol.com 858-775-4722

Morning Literature

Meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 9:30 a.m. Meetings are via zoom and in person with masks and social distancing. Books discussed alternate between a selection of a Great Books series, novels and short stories. Contact Arlene Lighthall at alight23@gmail.com.

Upcoming books, plays and short stories are:

January	Medea - Euripides
February	A Tree, A Rock, A Cloud – Carson McCullers – short story
March	The Big Green Tent – Ludmilla Ulitsaya
April	The Girl Who Married Snake a Tale of Blood – Isaac Singer – short story
Мау	Huckleberry Finn – Mark Twain
June	The Sailor Boy's Tale – Isaac Dinesen
July	Poetry
August	SUMMER SOCIAL

Out to Lunch Bunch

Meets on 3rd Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m., in outdoor settings only. All welcome.

Tuesday, Dec. 13. 11.30 a.m.	Amaya Restaurant at Fairmont Grand
Scheduled a week earlier than	Del Mar, 5300 Grand Del Mar Court,
normal	San Diego/Del Mar
Holiday Celebration	Instead of a traditional OTL lunch for December, we've chosen to arrange a festive lunch at the Grand Del Mar Hotel, which promises to have twinkling palms and a dazzling Christmas tree!
Tuesday, Jan. 16, 11:30 a.m.	Fish House, 5625 Paseo del Norte, Carlsbad
Tuesday, Feb. 20, 11:30, a.m.	West End Bar and Kitchen, 2334 Carmel Valley Rd Suite D, Del Mar

Join us for fun dining together!

Contact: Carol Waltz, cfw6124@gmail.com, 619-208-8240

