



Forward Together



Linking together for our mission.

**Welcome to our 2023-2024 Year
together!**

**September 9th meeting
IS IN PERSON**

**Join us at Encinitas Community
Center.**

Details for September 9th next page



Forward Together



Members, Mission, & Fun!

Renew acquaintances!

Make new ones!

Bring a friend!

Date: Saturday, September 9, 2023

Time: 10:00 am Social/chat time & refreshments

10:30 am-Noon Program & Mini-Meeting

Location: Encinitas Community Center

1140 Oakcrest Park Drive, Encinitas

Guests RSVP to: membership@aauwdml.org

👉 *We're celebrating being back in person by featuring our members, mission, and activities for the coming year.*

👉 *Officers and chairs will highlight what's happening, from public policy to philanthropies and special interest groups.*

👉 *We'll open the floor for members to share 2-minute overviews of their favorite AAUW activities and personal passions.*

Plan to attend! Friends and family welcome.



October Meeting

Solving Family Mysteries with DNA

Speaker: Linda Quinby

Date: Saturday, October 14, 2023

Time: 10:00 am Social/chat time
10:30 am-Noon Program

Location: Zoom

Members: No registration necessary.

Zoom link will be sent a couple days before the event.

Guests: Please RSVP to membership@aauwdml.org.

This month's program is about using both modern technology and traditional genealogy to identify an ancestor from 150 years ago. Learn how Linda and her cousin-collaborators used DNA to chip away at the proverbial "brick wall" and zero in on a previously unknown ancestor, and how you might apply DNA results to your family mysteries.

Linda has been researching her family tree off and on since about age 15. She is a member of the North San Diego County Genealogical Society, for which she has given several talks on family history methods and discoveries.

December 2nd “Meeting”

Holiday Social Venue Needed ...

On Saturday, December 2, we’re having a party... probably starting around 4 or 5 pm.

Only problem: We need somewhere to have it!

Do you like to entertain in your home around the holidays? Do you have a space to accommodate 30 to 40 guests (members & spouses/partners)?

The format will be like First Fridays in the past (without the Friday night traffic). Guests bring their own drinks (wine, beer, sodas) and a sweet or savory dish to share. The hostess provides the set-ups – cups/glasses, plates, utensils, and napkins.

If you’d like to host this year’s holiday party, please call or email Linda Quinby, 760-931-9789, quinby2@att.net.



2023-2024 – Branch Schedule of Events

Linda Quinby

This year's events are a mix of in person and Zoom, speakers and outings, mission and fun.

Most are held on the second Saturday of the month from 10 am to Noon.

Locations not stated are yet to be determined.

For Zoom events, you will be sent a link a couple days before the event.

ECC = Encinitas Community Center, 1140 Oakcrest Park Drive, Encinitas

MoMM = Museum of Making Music, 5790 Armada Drive, Carlsbad

Date	Location	Presentation
September 9, 2023	ECC	Members, Mission, & Fun!
October 14, 2023	Zoom	Solving Family Mysteries With DNA
November	---	No meeting
December 2, 2023		Holiday Social
January 13, 2024	MoMM	Making Music at the Museum
January 27, 2024		San Diego InterBranch Council (SDIBC) Annual Luncheon
February 10, 2024	ECC	CENSORED! Books, Libraries, and Schools Under Attack
March 9, 2024	ECC	Women's History Month
April	---	No meeting
May 11, 2024	ECC	Tech Trek Celebration
June 8, 2024		Installation & Awards Celebration

Message from the President

Linda Quinby



The President's Buzz

Welcome to our new year of pursuing equity for all women and girls... and having fun in the process. Your board has been hard at work this summer. As you might have noticed from our branch logo, our new theme is ***Forward Together!*** And we have exciting plans for the year ahead.

First, I'm looking forward to welcoming all of you back when we meet **IN PERSON** for our kick-off event on September 9th: ***Members, Mission, & Fun!*** Be there and bring a friend... or two! This will be a great way to introduce others to AAUW, our branch activities, and our wonderful members. We also have time set aside to get to know our fellow members better, when I hope you will share your favorite AAUW activities and your personal passions. We'll also be asking for your vote on the branch budget, approved by the board and printed in this edition of the *Coastline*.

For subsequent programs, we'll be mixing it up a bit, with a combination of in person and virtual, speakers and outings, mission and fun. Look for the full schedule in this *Coastline*.

Meanwhile, we are still looking for volunteers for Program Coordinator, Speech Trek, and Gov Trek. As for Program Coordinator, the board has selected the topics, and we have volunteers to coordinate the speakers and outings. What we need is someone to handle the logistics, such as refreshments and coordination with the venue for in-person meetings. Volunteering for a branch position is a great way to get involved, to help further our mission, and to get better acquainted with other branch members. Call me!

See you on September 9th.
Linda

2023-2024 Board of Directors

Executive Board	
President	Linda Quinby
Vice President	Carol Waltz
Secretary	Christine Oster
Finance	Judy Foland
Appointed Officers	
AAUW Fund	Carol Pletcher
Membership	Rebecca Hill
Public Policy	Janice Muller
Communications	Bobbi Karnes
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)	Norelynn Pion-Goureau
Tech Trek	Judy Verbanets
College/University Liaison (College Scholarships)	Jane Sanders



Back row: Christine Oster, Bobbi Karnes, Judy Foland, Janice Muller, Rebecca Hill, Judy Verbanets

Front row: Carol Waltz, Linda Quinby, Norelynn Pion-Goureau, Jane Sanders

Not present: Carol Pletcher.

2023-2024 – Budget for Member Approval

Linda Quinby

This proposed budget was approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting on August 8, 2023. At our event on September 9th, members will be asked to approve it. Please review before the meeting and contact Linda Quinby if you have any questions.

Operating Revenue:

Local membership dues (80 * \$23)	1,840
Interest	6
Angel Fund for Dues	254
Amazon/Benevity	500
Undesignated donations	1,000
Total Ops Revenue	\$ 3,600

Operating Expense:

Angel Fund for Dues	10
Branch Directory	360
CA Atty General Annual Registration	25
Insurance & Fund Assessment, AAUW CA	459
Interbranch Dues	40
Mailbox	200
President Expenses	100
Membership Expenses	300
Technology (Zoom, Dropbox, MailChimp, etc.)	500
Programs	100
Speaker Honoraria	200
Programs Meeting Room Rental	900
Public Policy	50
Treasurer/Banking	100
Marketing/Promotion	100
Social Events	75
Undesignated expenses	81
Total Ops Expense	\$ 3,600

Philanthropic Revenue (goals):

Philanthropic Undesignated	150
AAUW Fund (National)	2,000
Fran Miller Memorial College Scholarship	1,600
College Scholarships	4,500
NCCWSL Scholarship	1,200
Speech Trek	1,300
Tech Trek	10,000
Total Philanthropic Revenue	\$ 20,750

Philanthropic Expense:

Philanthropic Undesignated	150
AAUW Fund (National)	2,000
Fran Miller Memorial College Scholarship	1,600
College Scholarships (3 @ \$1500)	4,500
NCCWSL Scholarship	1,200
Speech Trek	1,300
Tech Trek (8 girls)	10,000
	\$20,750

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Norelynn Pio-Goureau DEI Director

AAUW Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) officer for our Del Mar-Leucadia Branch, Norelynn Pion-Goureau, will be continuing in her job and collaborating with new Public Policy Officer, Janice Mullen, to ensure that AAUW policies and positions on Censorship and Book Banning are publicized and result in local activism.

To that end, both board members are planning a joint meeting in February on the topic of book banning and how it affects not only libraries, but schools and our young learners. The recent attempts to control access to information, rewrite or ignore historical facts, and restrict schools from teaching historical incidents that give students context and important information about how the past has created the issues we face today, gives us all pause. Recent international history with images of book burnings, arrests of writers, teachers, and members of opposition political parties, as well as the restriction of education to all women in Afghanistan, stand as potent reminders of how societies can fall from democratic practices by embracing only one point of view and banning information about other faiths, gender choices, and groups within a society.

AAUW has come out early and firmly against the practice of censorship and stands opposed to book banning and censoring others' free access to information. San Diego has not been immune to attempts to censor libraries, change school curriculum, and seize control of school and local civic boards to ensure that only one point of view is heard. We need to promote active, informed participation in school council and city council meetings to protest this fundamental right to have uncensored access to information.

DEI/Public Policy Webinar

Janice Muller, Public Policy Director

AAUW CA is preparing to FIGHT against the book banning and censorship creeping into California schools. To learn what the team is doing about this, please register on the aauw-ca.org website for the upcoming webinar Book Banning and Curricula Censorship in California? AAUW California to the Rescue! on Thursday, September 21st at 7:00PM.

Janice Muller, Public Policy Director

Public Policy

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The Equal Rights Amendment (ERA)

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the introduction of the ERA. While the text of the ERA is simple, “Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex,” the impact would be profound.

The majority of Americans *mistakenly* believe that women and men have equal rights under the Constitution. However, while the 14th Amendment of the Constitution explicitly states that men are guaranteed equality under law, it is sadly silent about women.

The advancement of women’s equality continues incrementally through patchwork legislation and court decisions, but women’s equality under law remains misleading as these laws can be changed or even revoked at the whim of legislators and judges.

The ERA would provide, once and for all, the constitutional guarantee that all men and women are truly equal under the law and that these rights cannot easily be abridged. This is a position supported by an overwhelming majority (85%) of Americans across gender and party lines who support the Equal Rights Amendment.

Which is why AAUW’s 2023-25 Public Policy Priorities state that AAUW advocates ratification and passage of the Equal Rights Amendment “to guarantee equality, individual rights, and social justice for a diverse and inclusive society.”

Multiple paths are being pursued in the current session of Congress to affirm the ERA as the 28th Amendment. AAUW supports all of the multiple efforts to advance the amendment.

Sometimes being 100 years old is good other times



Sometimes being 100 years old is good. Like for a Giant Sequoia or a fun grandma who knows how to text. It’s not good for the ERA. The Equal Rights Amendment which provides a constitutional guarantee that all men and women are truly equal under the law was introduced 100 years ago. It’s still waiting to be published as the 28th Amendment to the Constitution. Really? That’s even longer than standing in line for a Taylor Swift concert. Take action [HERE](#) and tell your elected officials to support the resolution to affirm the ERA. A fun grandma would.

Our Branch in the News

Bobbi Karnes

Aug. 10, 2023

Del Mar Times, Carmel Valley News, Solana Beach Sun, Rancho Santa Fe Review



Del Mar-Leucadia branch of American Association of University Women recently announced that AAUW is accepting applications for its 2024-25 fellowships and grants for women pursuing academic work or leading innovative community projects to empower women and girls. Women can see if there is an AAUW fellowship or grant that matches their academic or professional goals as well as tips for getting funding at aauw.org/resources/programs/fellowships-grants. The applications are due Nov. 15.

AAUW set a new record in the 2023-24 year by awarding \$6.3 million to 285 individuals through the Fellowships and Grants program. Since 1888, AAUW has been one of the largest funders of women's graduate education, investing in women who go on to be award-winning authors, scientists, scholars and trailblazers.

AAUW is a national organization that advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. Membership is open to all college graduates with an associate or higher degree. AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership.

The Del Mar-Leucadia Branch serves coastal San Diego communities and reflects the varied interests of its members with monthly events (open to the public) and special interest groups such as Great Decisions, casual dining, three book groups, movies, and a bridge group. The branch welcomes new members.

This local AAUW branch provides scholarships for local college students and for local middle school girls who are chosen to attend AAUW's Tech Trek, a STEM camp for girls. The branch also supports Speech Trek for local high school students and the AAUW Greatest Needs Fund.

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

College Scholarships

Jane Sanders

Thank you to all our generous members who have given donations toward helping other women achieve their college education. We are proud to announce that this year we will be awarding:

- 2 Fran Miller (former branch President) scholarships to women in the field of education
- 3 scholarships to local college women in all fields of study.
- We will also be sending \$2000 to AAUW Fund (national) for women doing graduate work.

I would like to have 2-3 members join me on the scholarship committee to make contact with Cal State San Marcos, MiraCosta and Palomar to help with the application process and review. We need leads of people on campus who could help connect us with women who might need some financial help.

Please join me in this gratifying work by our branch.

Jane Sanders, jsanders1107@gmail.com, 760-505-0185

AAUW Tech Trek – AAUW California



Nothing stops Tech Trek. Not 103 degree temps. Not spotty internet or slips and falls. Not gloppy cafeteria mac and cheese or lost Invisaligns®. It was another banner year. Here are the deets for you deetheads: Eight in-person camps. One virtual camp. 110 branches. More than 800 campers. 250 volunteers. Zero high speed car chases. Hats off to the Tech Trek leadership, camp staff, volunteers, curious campers, and all the parents who mastered CampDoc.

AAUW Tech Trek – Summer 2023

Judy Verbanets

AAUW has been sponsoring “Tech Trek,” a STEM camp for middle school girls, for the past 25 years. This year was another success with 120 twelve- to thirteen-year-old girls attending the week-long residential camp at UCSD. A group of girls were nominated by their science and math teachers and final participants were selected based on a nomination score and the strength of their application. The Del Mar-Leucadia branch of AAUW sponsored 8 girls from the San Dieguito Union High School District. The attendees were: Lyra Graziano and Cecilia Rimer (Earl Warren), Roxanna Arezi and Bex Tuchman (Oakcrest), Alicia Chappaz and Lili Nishioka (Carmel Valley Middle School), Camila Montes (Diegueno), and Daryn Tarasewicz (Pacific Trails Middle School).

The camp was an intense experience with each girl assigned to a core class of either physics, engineering, robotics, anatomy, or forensics. Afternoons were filled with hands-on classes in chemistry, engineering, and physics. Dr. Stacey Brydges from the UCSD Chemistry department gave a special evening presentation with experimental demonstrations on polymers. Other special events included an afternoon field trip to Viasat for an interesting look at the topic of satellites and their use for communication worldwide. A trip to General Atomics introduced the students to the topic of atomic fusion.

One of the goals of this STEM camp is to provide girls, who may not have a comprehensive awareness of STEM, with knowledge of the breadth of the fields and the roles and opportunities for women in these fields. Participants typically uncover interests and competence they were not aware they possessed. Most of the participants commented that it was wonderful to make friends with a diverse group of girls who shared the same interests and to have experiences together in class. One participant was placed in an engineering core class and had her heart set on anatomy. By the end of the camp, she commented:



“Before this camp I was not familiar with engineering. By the end, I realized that engineering was interesting and that I was pretty good at it.”

New Member - Welcome Diane Eriksen

Karen Dorney



Originally from Michigan with a short detour in Raleigh North Carolina I have enjoyed the California sun for 35 years. I also enjoyed a very fast paced, ushering in the digital book age and interesting, securing books for people all over the world, career. Fortunately, for me in retirement, I have been able to visit many of those places.

Now, closer to home I am having a very rewarding experience, visiting a variety of places and people with my therapy dog. It's so wonderful to see the joy a dog can bring into people's lives.

Annual AAUW FUND

Carol Pletcher



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.

The AAUW Fund is the sole provider of monetary contributions to the AAUW mission. During the upcoming year you will hear more about where to direct your philanthropic donations. Our branch will set the goal high so that we can make a significant contribution. In 2022-2023 AAUW nationally gave over \$6M of grants and fellowships, distributed to over 250 women and community projects.

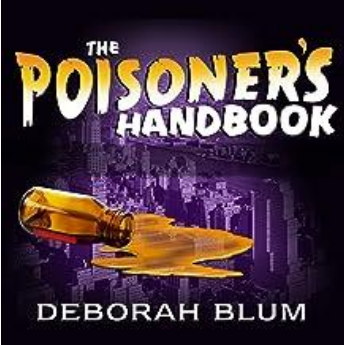
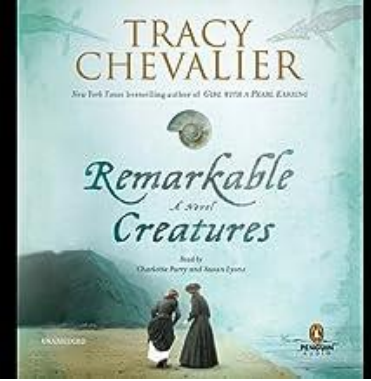
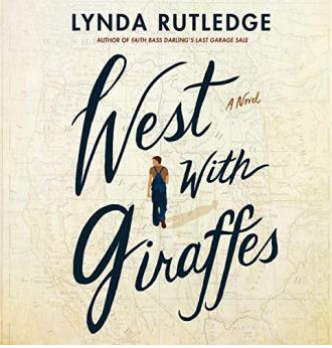
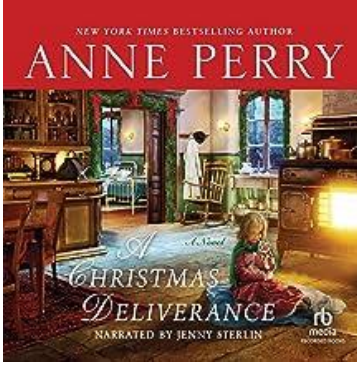
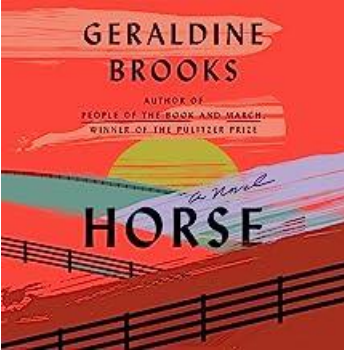
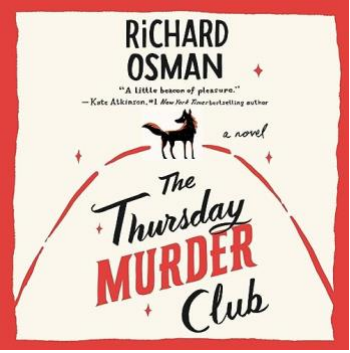
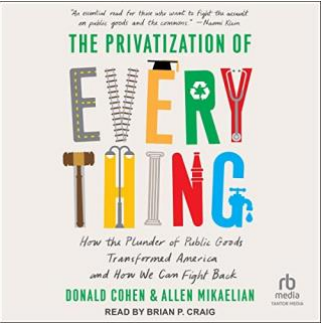
AAUW Fund CA – See where your AAUW Fund dollars go!

AAUW Fund awarded **\$6 million in Fellowships and Grants** this year to 320 recipients; 49 of these are in California. There will be four Zoom meetings featuring many of these recipients as speakers. You will hear fascinating stories of their research. **Registration will start in September for meetings on the following dates: Oct. 15, Oct. 22, Oct. 23, Nov. 12.** This is your chance to see where your AAUW Fund dollars go! Karen Vanderwerken, Director, AAUW Fund Committee Chair 2022-23, aaufund@aauw-ca.org

Special Interest Groups

Novel Lovers Book Group

Novel Lovers will meet at 4:00pm on Zoom on the 4th Monday of each month. Unfortunately, right now we are at 11 members, our limit, and closed to new members. Contact: Nancy L. Kohrs, nancykohrs1@gmail.com, 858-220-1951

<p>Sept.-25</p> <p>The Poisoner's Handbook-Deborah Blum (Connie Harney)</p> 	<p>October 23</p> <p>Remarkable Creatures-Tracey Chevalier (Char Gumbrel)</p> 	<p>November 27</p> <p>West with Giraffes-Lynda Rutledge (Linda Quinby)</p> 	<p>December</p> <p>No Meeting, but here's a Christmas story- A Christmas Deliverance - Anne Parry</p> 
<p>January 22, 2024,</p> <p>Horse -Geraldine Brooks (Lori Graham)</p> 	<p>February 26</p> <p>The Thursday Murder Club-Richard Osman (Bobbi Karnes)</p> 	<p>March 25</p> <p>Privatization of Everything- Donald Cohen & Allen Mikaelian (Norelynn Pion-Goreau)</p> 	

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, michelemcneil45@gmail.com or 606-776-775

Special Interest Groups ...cont.

Cloak and Dagger Mystery Book Group

The C & D mystery mavens will gather at Karen Dorney's September 12 for their annual potluck luncheon and book selection social. Members choose the books that beckon for the upcoming reading season.

Meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m. 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. Contact: Marlene Gerber Gale, mgerbm@aol.com, 858-775-4722

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.

September 7th	Global Famine
October 5th	Iran at a Crossroad
November 2nd	Climate Migration



We will resume with Zoom meetings each month on Thursday at 7:00pm, but I am hoping we may sneak in another 'in person' meeting before the year ends.

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

Special Interest Groups ...cont.

Out to Lunch Bunch

Join us for fun and casual dining together!

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

September 19 Giaola Italian Kitchen 2668 Gateway Rd. #180, Carlsbad.	October 17 Adelaide Auberge, Del Mar	November 21 Torsap Thai Kitchen Carlsbad
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Contact: Carol Waltz, cfw6124@gmail.com, 619-208-8240



Special Interest Groups cont. ...

Morning Literature:

Meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 9:30 a.m. Meetings are in person Books discussed alternate between a selection of a Great Books series, novels and short stories. Our September selection is Atlas Shrugged by Ayn Rand.

Contact Arlene Lighthall at alight23@gmail.com.

September	Atlas Shrugged – Ayn Rand
October	The Story of a Panic – E. M. Forster
November	English Creek – Ivan Doig
December	SOCIAL
January	This Heavy Load - William March
February	Tartuffe - Moliere
March	Hejda - Anais Nin
April	Fire Next Time - James Baldwin
May	The Young Man Who Lived Alone - Mohammed Mrabet and New Life at Kyerefaso - E.F. Sutherland
June	The Stranger - Albert Camus
July	Poetry – Members' choice
August	SOCIAL

Getting the word about DML AAUW out

Bobbi Karnes

NEXTDOOR: Are you a member of Nextdoor?

Are you willing to occasionally submit a prepared branch article on Nextdoor?

The article will be ready to submit and will help publicize our branch.

We can help you submit the article if you want.

Since Nextdoor is for local communities, we need submissions from many areas.

Please contact Bobbi Karnes, Communications Director, at bobbikarnes@roadrunner.com

Paying it forward and back within AAUW

MAUI Fires



In 2018, when the town of Paradise, CA, burned to the ground and 40 of 45 Paradise AAUW members, and two from Chico, CA lost their homes, AAUW members from California and across the country stepped up to help. The result was more than \$70,000 in gift cards plus other needed items. These gifts helped our AAUW members - and some Tech Trek families - begin to recover.

Now another town, in another state, has burned and we have a new chance to help those who lost everything they owned. While, as far as we know, no AAUW members lost their homes, we have all [seen the pictures of Lahaina, Maui and mourn with its residents.](#)

AAUW California has been in touch with its counterparts in Maui to learn how we can help Lahaina and pay forward the outpouring of concern we received here in California. It was suggested that members who want to help can take action on their own by making a monetary donation to either of these agencies suggested by officials:

- [Hawaii Community Foundation](#) (Maui Strong Fund)
- [Maui Unitedway](#) (Disaster Relief Page)

Or check out additional places that have been suggested:

- [Maui Nui Strong](#)
- [Maui Food Bank](#)
- [Hawaii Animal Rescue Foundation](#)

We are all saddened by this tragedy.

Sincerely,

Sandi Gabe

AAUW California President