



Upcoming Branch Events

Join us for our first meeting of the year on September the 14th!

Most events are held on the **second Saturday of the month from 10 am- Noon**. Locations not stated will be announced later.

ECC = Encinitas Community Center, 1140 Oakcrest Park Dr.

Date/time/Venue	Program
Sat, Sept. 14 10 am-noon ECC Ballroom	Mission, Philanthropy, and Fun! Highlighting scholarship recipients, Named Gift & Shape the Future honorees, interest groups, worthy book reveal, raffle, and more!
Sat, Oct. 19 10 am-noon ECC Ballroom	Focus on Election Issues with League of Women Voters Proposition Pros & Cons, plus school board elections Joint event with Carlsbad-Oceanside-Vista (COV) Branch
Sat, Nov. 9 10 am-noon ECC Ballroom	Leading an Adventuresome Life! Featuring our adventuresome members
Sat, Dec. 7 4:30-6:30 pm Member's Home	Holiday Social



Forward Together



Standing together for equity

Kickoff – The Start of Something Grand!

Date: Saturday, September 14, 2024

Time: 10:00 am Social time, refreshments, interest groups
10:30 am - 12:00 noon Program & mini-meeting

Location: Encinitas Community Center
1140 Oakcrest Park Drive, Encinitas

Bring a Friend

Let The Cat Out of the Bag!
Meet Tech Trek & Scholarship Guests
Announce Named Gift Honoree
Disclose Shape the Future Awardees
Reveal Worthy Book for Discussion
Discover the Fun of Interest Groups
Win Special Raffle Prizes



Mission, Philanthropy & Fun!

**League of Women Voters presents:
2024 Ballot Propositions Pros/Cons**

**Co-Sponsored by AAUW Del Mar-Leucadia
and AAUW Carlsbad-Oceanside-Vista Branches**

Date: Saturday, October 19

Time: 10.00 am - Noon

Social time 10-10:30; Program 10:30-Noon

Location: Encinitas Community Center Ballroom

1140 Oakcrest Park Dr., Encinitas

- ✓ **Non-Partisan**
- ✓ **Public invited**
- ✓ **Pros/Cons**

Public Welcome!

Using the Pros and Cons format, North County League experts will explain the issues each measure addresses and what a Yes or No vote on each ballot measure means. Also, an expert on the local school board races will explain the functions and importance of school board elections.



Seena Trigas COV president and member of
the State School Board Project



Leading an Adventurous Life

Date: Saturday, November 9

Time: 10 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Social time, refreshments
10:30 a.m.-Noon Program

Location: Encinitas Community Center Ballroom
1140 Oakcrest Park Dr., Encinitas

What constitutes an adventuresome life?

Worldwide travel? Boogie-boarding? A walk in the park?

**Come, find out
as we feature some of our own adventuresome members.**

**Learn how you can create an adventuresome life and keep your mind
and body healthy**

Public Welcome!



It's time to Party! - Holiday Social

Date: Saturday, December 7th, 2024

Time: 4.30 – 6.30pm

Place: Member's Home TBA

Celebrate Our accomplishments

Bring Your partners

Savor Catching up with old and new
Friends

Enjoy Refreshments. Bring a beverage
of your choice and a plate to share.

The President's Buzz

Linda Quinby



It's a new year... a new program year, that is! Your branch officers and chairs have been “busy bees” this summer, putting together engaging and enlightening programs for the coming year – including old favorites and timely topics... and experimenting with new ideas.

“Bee” with us on September 14th as we kick off the new year and get the “buzz” on what’s happening. This is a great time to introduce friends and/or family members to AAUW as we highlight our interest groups (including a brand new one!), philanthropies (including a new partnership with CSUSM), branch superstars (including our Named Gift and Shape the Future honorees), and programs for the year ahead. The book selection team will reveal this year’s “book worthy of serious discussion”; there’ll be a raffle with special (and “worthy”) prizes; and there’ll be time to renew acquaintances and make new ones.

Our other upcoming programs are also timely, enlightening, and fun! In October, members of the Carlsbad-Oceanside-Vista Branch will join us as the League of Women Voters presents Pros and Cons on ballot propositions, and we’ll offer insights on school board elections from the AAUW CA School Board Project. In November we’ll focus on “Leading an Adventuresome Life!” – featuring some of our own adventuresome members. And in December, we’ll kick off the holidays with a party!

Want to help our branch while contributing to your own wellbeing and that of others? Here’s how!

1. **Invite a friend!** Membership is the life’s blood of any organization, including ours. Think about friends who share the values and mission of AAUW and would enjoy being involved with a group of like-minded people. Invite them to an upcoming event!
2. **Get involved!** Volunteerism is what keeps our organization moving forward in support of equity and education. Think about areas of interest to you, then contact the appropriate officer or chair and offer your help! They’ll appreciate it, and you’ll develop deeper connections with fellow members.

Social connections and a sense of purpose are critical to our health and happiness. Contribute to your own and that of others by getting involved and inviting a friend!

Forward Together!

Linda

Linda (aka Queen Bee)

2024-2025 Board of Directors

In May the branch elected our executive board officers for the coming year, and in June President Linda Quinby (aka Queen Bee) and her team of “busy bees” were installed with a fun theme put together by installing officer Sallie Piccorillo and Bobbi Karnes. In July the executive board confirmed Linda’s appointments for the remaining offices. Here is the complete roster.

Executive Officers

President	Linda Quinby
Vice President	Carol Waltz
Secretary	Christine Oster
Finance	Judy Foland

Appointed Officers

AAUW Fund/College Scholarships	Carol Pletcher
Membership	Rebecca Hill
Programs-Hospitality	Jane Sanders
Public Policy	Janice Muller
Communications	Bobbi Karnes
Tech Trek	Judy Verbanets
Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI)	Norelynn Pion-Goureau

AAUW Del Mar-Leucadia in the News

Bobbi Karnes

Encinitas Advocate April 12, 2024

AAUW branch installs board, announces future events

The Del Mar-Leucadia Branch of the American Association of University Women recently installed its 2024-25 Executive Board. Sallie Piccorillo, a past branch president, was the installing officer. The executive officers are President Linda Quinby, Vice President Carol Waltz, Secretary Christine Oster, and Treasurer Judy Foland. The public is invited to two future branch events which will be held at the Encinitas Community Center, 1140 Oakcrest Park Dr., Encinitas. A kick-off meeting featuring branch scholarship recipients, special interest groups and

upcoming programs will be Saturday, Sept. 14, 10 a.m. to noon. Visitors can learn about AAUW and its mission of equity and education for all women and girls. On Saturday Oct. 19, 10 a.m. to noon, the public can learn the pros and cons of the ballot propositions for the upcoming election as the AAUW branch hosts a panel from North County League of Women Voters. AAUW is a national organization that advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. Membership in AAUW is open to

anyone with a two-year college degree or higher. AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. The Del Mar-Leucadia Branch serves coastal San Diego communities. It reflects the varied interests of its members with programs open to the public and special interest groups such as Great Decisions, casual dining, three book groups, and a bridge group. New members are always welcome, according to a news release. For more information, visit delmarleucadia-ca.aauw.net or contact Rebecca Hill, membership@aauidml.org.



AAUW Del Mar-Leucadia Branch 2024-25 Executive Board (l-r): Sallie Piccorillo, Christine Oster, Judy Foland, Carol Waltz, Linda Quinby. **BOBBI KARNES**

Proposed Budget YR 2025-2026

The following budget was approved by the branch board of directors on July 30.
 At the September 14th branch event, members will be asked to give final approval.
 Please review and contact president or treasurer if you have any questions.

	2024-25 Budget
Operating Revenue:	
Local membership dues (97 * \$23)	2231
Interest	1200
Angel Fund for Dues	20
Amazon/Benevity	64
Prior year carryover	1280
Undesignated donations	50
Total Ops Revenue	\$ 4,845

Operating Expense:	
Angel Fund for Dues	20
Branch Directory	365
CA Atty General Annual Registration	45
Insurance & Fund Assessment, AAUW CA	460
Interbranch Dues	40
Mailbox	200
President Expenses	50
Membership Expenses	220
Technology (Zoom, Dropbox, MailChimp, etc.)	510
Programs	100
Programs - Hospitality	250
Speaker Honoraria	200
Programs Meeting Room Rental	2000
Public Policy	50
Treasurer/Banking	60
Marketing/Promotion	100
Social Events	75
Undesignated expenses	100
Total Ops Expense	\$ 4,845

	2024-25 Budget
Philanthropic Revenue (goals):	
Philanthropic Undesignated	100
AAUW Fund (National)	2000
Fran Miller Memorial College Scholarship (CSUSM)	3000
In Memory of Matt Scholarship (CSUSM)	6000
Branch CSUSM Scholarships	6000
MiraCosta Scholarships	2000
NCCWSL Scholarship	1400
Speech Trek	0
Tech Trek	12,000
Total Philanthropic Revenue	\$ 32,500

Philanthropic Expense:	
Philanthropic Undesignated	100
AAUW Fund (National)	2000
Fran Miller Memorial College Scholarship (1@\$3000)	3000
In Memory of Matt Scholarship (CSUSM) (2@\$3000 in FY2025)	6000
Branch CSUSM Scholarships (2@\$3000)	6000
Branch MiraCosta Scholarships	2000
NCCWSL Scholarship	1400
Speech Trek	0
Tech Trek (8 girls)	12,000
Total Philanthropic Expense	\$ 32,500



Members and guests enjoyed Barbara's hospitality and amazing Asian garden

1st Line, L to R Janice, Christine, Lynette. Sharon, Bob, Sharon. Sallie, Judy, Linda, Karen.
 2nd Line, L to R Jess, Barbara, Carol, Willene. Joanna, Percy, Marilyn, Carol. Lynette, Rebecca, Norelynn.
 3rd Line. Arlene, Rebecca, Sharlene. Bobbi & Gene, Dave. Linda, Marilyn, Judy.



Barbara's garden has been publicly recognized for its character and beauty.

Barbara's "world" dress has special meaning as she has visited every country in the world!

Owning her own Travel Agency helped make planning easier!

Public Policy

Janice Muller

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

Three bills on the AAUW CA Public Policy Agenda, AB1955, AB1790 and AB2608, have been signed by the Governor!

AB 1955 will prohibit school districts from requiring staff to notify parents if a student uses a different name or pronouns or identifies as a different gender than what is on their birth certificate. California is the first state in the nation to ban forced outings of transgender students.

AB 1790 will strengthen protections against sexual assault and harassment at California State University (CSU) campuses by requiring two reports from CSU on the status of their implementation of the State Auditor recommendations.

AB 2608 will require the California Community Colleges and the CSUs, and request the University of California, to provide educational and preventive information on sexual violence and harassment, including how to recognize if someone is at risk of drug-facilitated sexual assault.

ELECTION ACTIVITIES:

AAUW CA and AAUW National are making plans for the upcoming election. AAUW CA will be rolling out the Get Out The Vote (GOTV) resources beginning in September. They will also be creating and releasing profiles for all the candidates who are competing in a number of competitive California districts.

ACTION ALERT REMINDER:

If you would like to receive alerts about how you can take action to advance AAUW California's priority legislation (focused on CA state legislation), please sign up [HERE](#) for Action Alerts!

Membership

Rebecca Hill

The new membership directory will be updated in September. Please submit any corrections and updates to Jess Gadsby by September 20.

Open Book Group Meeting for 2025

Linda Quinby and Carol Pletcher



Let's take a peek!

Worthy Book Reveal at the Branch Kickoff Event!

Win one of these books in the raffle!

Purchase raffle tickets to have a chance at this and many other prizes.

Raffle proceeds will benefit our branch philanthropic projects.

WHAT'S THE BOOK?

Do you mean the all branch 2025 book for discussion?

Yes, but WHAT'S THE BOOK?

You mean

- 📖 A book worthy of thoughtful consideration**
- 📖 A compelling narrative of the human story**
- 📖 Lively, rich, full of surprises**
- 📖 Stunning Insights**
- 📖 Potential to transform the way one thinks**
- 📖 Goldilocks size: Not too big, not too small, just right**
- 📖 Page turner**
- 📖 Relevant**

Yes, but WHAT'S THE BOOK?

League of Women Voters Pros and Cons 2024

Norelynn Pion-Goureau

The American Association of University Women, Del Mar-Leucadia and Carlsbad-Oceanside-Vista branches, are pleased to collaborate with the League of Women Voters North County to present an informative, non-partisan explanation of the local and state-wide measures to be voted on in the 2024 elections. Using the Pros and Cons format, League experts will explain the issues each measure addresses and what a Yes or No vote on each measure means.

Additionally, AAUW has arranged for our AAUW expert on local school board races, Seena Trigas, to explain the functions and importance of school board elections. AAUW will make available its recommendations for candidates whose positions align with AAUW statewide educational policy goals. Members of public are warmly invited to take part in this non-partisan educational opportunity to learn the issues before voting, so let your friends and family know. The event will be held Saturday October 19 at the Encinitas Community and Senior Center, 1140 Oakcrest Park Drive, Encinitas 92024.

You might be thinking, "well I don't really need that, I can read," but in fact you might be surprised to know that often propositions are deliberately written in misleading language to fool voters. In recent years we have had multiple propositions put to voters that sounded like the same issue but in fact were supported and paid for by opposing groups, and votes for or against them would in some cases nullify the results, so it is helpful to know, "if I vote this way on this measure, does it mean what I want it to?"

Further, there is no fact-checking so proponents of a proposition can say what they want to without it necessarily being true. That is why Pros and Cons researches every proposition from multiple official documents, traces the money behind each proposition and who is for and against it, and presents you with this information, leaving it up to you—the voter—to decide how you want to vote based on the facts, and understanding what your vote means.

Both League of Women Voters and the American Association of University Women are non-partisan non-profits; their goals are to promote informed voting, not the aims of any political party or candidate.

Censorship in our Schools

Norelynn Pion-Goureau DEI Director

Thursday, May 23 (at the request of Seena Trigas of the AAUW CA State School Board Project), I attended the Encinitas Elementary School District School Council meeting to deliver a short address on behalf of the American Association of University Women reminding the audience of a State law pertaining to the choice of instructional materials and affirming AAUW's position on censorship and our commitment to the principles of diversity, equity and Inclusion in reading materials.

The meeting was called to protest a kindergarten book being read by 5th graders with their younger counterparts as part of a peer reading support program which had been very successful in previous years.



It was my first encounter with Moms for Liberty and their evangelical supporters. I cannot adequately express my shock and horror at the manner in which these groups conducted themselves, as a bullying mob. Seeing a huge sign saying "Repent" among other religious ideas when I entered the board room added to the unreal ambience. Pastors and laypeople pointed their fingers and assured council members and the many teachers present that they were minions of the devil or, at best, incompetents.

Two participants used the biblical quote from Luke 17:2 about having a rope put around their necks and being thrown into the sea in reference to the school board and teachers who used a book they didn't like. Is this civil discourse or have we abdicated our roles as parents and responsible adults in allowing a mob to dominate our democratic society? The group had arrived hours early and taken almost all of the white cards to be on the agenda, ensuring that theirs were almost the only voices heard. I arrived at 5 for the 6 o'clock meeting and was one of the final speakers; needless to say the Moms for Liberty and their supporters left as soon as they were finished speaking, leaving their trash scattered all over the grounds for the janitors to pick up.

First, there is the question of imposing one's personal religious beliefs on others. While I personally am a Christian, educated in Christian schools K-16, it is abhorrent to me, as to any American, to see one group, with one set of religious beliefs, try to impose them on our schools in a country that is dedicated to respecting all and no religious beliefs. Second, those of us who believe in our democracy and its principles need to get out and start pushing back when these fanatics try to bully our public entities, or we will lose our precious freedoms. This meeting was posted on Nextdoor.com among other media, with what to say, what ideas to support, and what to say in response. This group is not "spontaneous" in its reactions in any way; this is planned outrage. Interestingly, members of the group also wore black shirts lampooning the concepts of DEI with other, objectionable words substituted.

Norelynn Pion-Goureau, AAUW Del Mar-Leucadia Branch Diversity Equity Inclusion board member.

Special Interest Groups

Novel Lovers Book Group September 2024- May 2025

September 23 – Bobbi 	October 28– Norelynn 	November 23 – Lorraine <i>NB: NO Dec. Meeting</i> 	January 27 - Pat 
February 24 – Jackie 	March 24 – Char 	April 28 – Connie 	May 26 – Rebecca 

Novel Lovers meets at **4:00pm on Zoom on the 4th Monday** of each month. New people welcome.

Contact: Nancy L. Kohrs, Nancykohrs1@gmail.com, 858 220 1951

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, michelemcnei45@gmail.com or 606-776-7757

Fun, Food and Friends

Fall groups for Fun, Food and Friends have been completed and sent out to members. If there are still members who would like to participate, they can contact Nancy Kohrs. We have a great group!

Contact: nancykohrs1@gmail.com, 858-220-1951

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., mostly in outdoor settings. All welcome. Contact: Carol Waltz, cfw6124@gmail.com, 619-208-824

Sep 17, 11,30 am Fish 101 Leucadia	Oct 15, 11.30 am Nick's on State Carlsbad	Nov 19, 11.30 am Ambrogio15 Del Mar
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Cloak and Dagger Mystery Book Group

Cloak and Dagger Mystery Book Group meets next on September 10 for our annual book selection and potluck luncheon. We will choose books for the upcoming reading season.

New members are most welcome.

Readers with “mystery on the mind” who enjoy lively book discussions select books from lists from that include the New York Times, British Literature, Best sellers and literature prize winners. Cloak and Dagger meets on the first Tuesday of the month, in the afternoon.

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 in person. Books discussed alternate between a selection from a Great Books series, novels and short stories.

Contact Arlene Lighthall at alight23@gmail.com

We are currently at our maximum number of members. To go onto the wait list please contact Arlene.

Sep 9	At the Bridge - Arthur Miller
Oct 14	Civil Disobedience – Henry David Thoreau
Nov 11	The Legend of St. Julian The Hospitaller – Gustav Faubert – Short Story
Dec	No Meeting
Jan 13	Lord Jim (long book) – Joseph Conrad
Feb 10	The Dragon -Ryunosuke Akutagawa – Short Story
Mar 10	Drive your Plow Over the Bones of the Dead – Olga Tokarczuk
Apr 14	Predestined Marriage and the Poor – Li Fu Yen and R.L.Stevenson – Short Story
May 12	The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store – James McBride
Jun 9	The Death of Bed Number 12 – Ghassan Kanafani - Short Story
July 14	Poetry – Members’ choice
Aug 1	The Color Purple – Alice Walker

Special Interest Groups ...cont.

Great Decisions

We plan to do in person meetings, with a zoom option. We read a short article on each topic, and then meet for a 1.5 hour discussion the first Thursday of most months. No previous knowledge of the subjects is necessary. Our goal is to learn in a relaxed, friendly setting with a minimal time commitment.

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

August 1	NATO's Future
September 5	Understanding Indonesia
October 3	High Seas Treaty
November 7	Pandemic Preparedness

Anyone is invited to attend since we are very open to new members.

