



American Association of University Women

Alhambra - San Gabriel Branch



AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

September, 2016

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Newsletter: Kathleen & Jim Doty
Membership: Delora Brown

Alhambra- San Gabriel Branch invites you to



Meet the Girls of Tech Trek

Science and math camp designed to develop interest, excitement, and self-confidence in young women who entered the eighth grade this fall.

Luncheon and Program
Saturday, September 17th
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM

United Methodist Church
9 North Almansor Street
Alhambra, California

Come meet the Tech Trek campers our branch sponsored. See your Tech Trek donations at work as the girls share their camp experiences in their core classes and tell you about their group projects at the Santa Barbara and Whittier camps.

We look forward to seeing you! Cost of the luncheon is \$10 per person. The deadline for reservations is September 15th. A reservation form is provided inside this issue.

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.

President's Message

As America reaches 100 medals at the Olympics, the



Alhambra/San Gabriel AAUW sets its sights on having a Gold Medal year. Towards this: we started the year having a meeting with our newer members to talk about AAUW and our branch and to get ideas for new programs and activities. Next we had a party at the Doty's to enjoy each other and recruit new members.

Our September meeting will be celebrating our wonderful Tech Trek girls and hear about their experiences. I hope everyone can join us on September 17 for lunch at the First United Methodist Church, Alhambra.

I am looking forward to our winning year.

Cheryl

2016-17 Proposed Budget

Income:

Branch Dues (50 members @\$18)	\$ 900
Nite on the Town	100
Interest	2
Events	100
Total Income	\$ 1,102

Expenses:

Newsletter	\$ 50
Yearbook	125
Insurance	190
Rent	220
Memorial EF	10
National Convention	300
Programs	200
Hospitality	50
LACIC Assessment	25
AAUW Funds Assessment	35
Membership Scholarship	81
Speech Trek	100
Total Expenses	\$ 1,386

West Coast Global Forum

AAUW members are invited to attend the West Coast Global Forum: a luncheon event at which the 2016 Global Citizen Award will be presented to five individuals committed to making a difference in the health, human rights and quality of life of all people locally and globally.

Wednesday, September 28, 2016
Noon to 3:00 PM

The California Endowment
1000 N. Alameda Street
Los Angeles, California 90012
Free Parking

Go to www.una-socal.org/globalforum2016 for more details, register and purchase tickets online.

Ginny Hatfield is putting together a table at the luncheon. AAUW members qualify for the UNA member rate of \$40. You can register online but please contact Ginny () so she can keep track of who's attending.

Marion Smith

Membership News

I welcome you back after a summer rest or vacation time and hope to see all of you at our Summer Party on August 27. It has been a busy summer for me with sending out reminders and making phone calls to those who were delayed in sending your dues. As of the day of this article we have 41 members. A few members have not sent dues as yet, but I am looking for checks in the mail every day.

I would like to welcome two new members: Elena Velarde, a friend of Betty Morin, and John Zeigler, a referral from Jackie Fisher. You will find them in the new Yearbook, and I urge you to welcome them at the September 17 meeting.

Delora

Public Policy

AAUW is all about public policy and I hope to keep you all informed of what is going on in Sacramento and Washington DC that impacts AAUW's Mission. The State Legislature is still in session, so I don't have a final tally of the status of bills AAUW CA has been watching/working on. I will try to have a summary for the October newsletter. In the meantime, and in advance of our October meeting, I share the following information from Sue Miller, Co-Chair of the AAUW CA Public Policy Committee:

Your AAUW CA Public Policy Committee has developed an ambitious work plan for 2016-17. Our agenda includes supporting key legislation affecting women economically, encouraging branches to Get Out the Vote, updating AAUW CA's Public Policy Priorities, and increasing communication about public policy issues. We look to IBCs and branch leaders to provide information to their members and take action when requested.

The November ballot in California will contain 17 ballot measures, of which the Public Policy Committee reviewed and evaluated those related to AAUW's priorities and mission and took a position on five:

- Proposition 51, support – School Bonds. Funding for K-12 and Community College Facilities
- Proposition 52, support – The Medi-Cal Funding and Accountability Act, hospital fees that help fund Medi-Cal;
- Proposition 53, oppose – voter approval on specified bonds;
- Proposition 55, support – extend taxes for schools voted in Proposition 30;
- Proposition 58, support– The California Multilingual Education Act. allows structured bilingual education programs for English learners. A full report will be in the September edition of Perspective.

Kathleen

AAUW Fund

Welcome Back!

The summer is over and it is time to hit the ground running.

For those of you that have not yet heard, an honorarium was established to honor Kathleen Doty: the "Kathleen Doty/Alhambra -San Gabriel (CA) Branch Honorary Fund" (fund number 4413). We have made great strides toward completing Kathleen's honorarium, but we have only two years to complete it. You may give me a check or make a donation to the AAUW Fund via the website.

Kathleen chose to have her honorarium in the field of leadership development. Programs such as Elect Her and NCCWSL will receive monies from her selection.

The honorariums are different from the traditional educational endowments we are all accustomed to supporting. Because traditional endowments now require a minimum of \$70,000, they are becoming a fond memory as a method of recognizing those that have gone above and beyond supporting AAUW.

There will be more information about other parts of the Fund in upcoming months.

Deanna

IT'S MY VOTE



I WILL BE HEARD



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Ralphs Community Contribution Program

It's time to register and re-register for the new term with the Ralphs Community Contribution Program. On September 1st, 2016, you will be able to register for the program if you haven't already done so, and if you are already registered, you will need to re-register in order to be a part of the program for the upcoming contribution term which is September 1, 2016, through August 30, 2017. Please ask your friends, neighbors and relatives to also participate. If they are already signed up, please remind them to re-register this year. The more people we can get registered, the more money we will be able to raise for our Tech Trek girls. Last year we earned over \$500!

This is an ongoing fundraiser for Tech Trek. This fundraiser doesn't cost you anything nor reduce your rewards! You simply need to link your Ralphs card to our organization. Once you have done this, Ralphs will send us money thru next August and all of that money will go toward funding Tech Trek. If you have a Ralphs card, live in California, and are not already linked to another nonprofit in the Ralphs Community Contribution Program, you are eligible to participate. This is good for one year and then next September, you can continue to support us by relinking your card to our branch. If you have used the SCAN BAR letter in the past, this method will no longer work. You must register online.

Go to the www.ralphs.com website. If you are already an online Ralphs customer, click on "Sign In" in the top right hand corner. If you don't have an online Ralphs account, click on "No Account? Register" in the top right hand corner and follow the steps to create an online account.

When you are signed in as an online Ralphs customer, link your Ralphs card to your organization by clicking on "Community Rewards - Enroll" or "Community Rewards - Re-enroll". Type our NPO number (94583) or our organization name (AAUW Alhambra/San Gabriel Branch). Remember to click on the circle to the left of our organization name. Click on ENROLL to finish your enrollment process.

You can call us anytime if you need help: Lilia Hall
and Sue Carr .

Tech Trek

The Tech Trek Committee would like to thank all our members, their families and friends for all the support you have given us this past year. As we start this new program year, we will start raising money to send our 2017 campers to the Whittier Tech Trek Camp. Don't forget to sign up again for our Ralphs Community Contribution Program.

We will be announcing our fund raisers in each newsletter. If you have any suggestions for the committee to raise money, call Lilia Hall at _____ or e-mail her at liliaehall@gmail.com. If you would like to be part of the committee, we invite you to join us. This AAUW Community Project has made an important difference in the lives of so many local girls interested in the STEM areas. Please plan to join us at the September general meeting and hear from these wonderful girls.

Lilia

Tech Trek Luncheon

RESERVATION FORM

\$10.00 per person

Attendees Names:

Enclose check payable to:

American Association of University Women
for \$10 x ____ = \$ _____

Mail to: Lilia Hall
334 Story Place
Alhambra, CA 91801

or call her at

Deadline for reservations is September 15th.

ACTIVITIES

Professional Women Gourmets are gathering September 3rd at Bella Sera Trattoria, 422 S. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia. Hosted by Bonnie and Chuck Gonzalez.

Restaurant Gourmets: Spouses, children, friends and neighbors are welcome! Contact Deanna Arthur, , for information, reservations and directions.

Drama will read our first play starting at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, October 10th in Kathleen Doty's home, 1224 S. 4th St., Alhambra. EVERYONE is welcome!

Evening Books will get together September 26th at 7:30 p.m. to review our summer reading and to pick a book to discuss in October. Kathleen Doty's home, 1224 S. 4th St., Alhambra. EVERYONE is welcome!

Board Meeting: Monday, September 5th, in Cheryl Plotkin's home, 201 S. Golden West Ave., Arcadia. 7:00 p.m. socialize, 7:30 p.m. meeting.

General Meeting: Meet our returning Tech Trekkers, Saturday, September 17th, 11:00 a.m. See page 1 for details.

Walkettes meets every Sunday morning at 7:30 a.m. We walk for approximately one hour and have breakfast at approximately 8:30 a.m. In case of rainy or doubtful weather we meet at the restaurant at 8:00 a.m. For further information or directions, please call Mary Smeritschnig,

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