



# American Association of University Women

## Alhambra - San Gabriel Branch

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

September, 2017

## Alhambra- San Gabriel Branch invites you to



### Meet the Girls of Tech Trek

These young women attended the Tech Trek science and math camp this summer at Whittier College. The curriculum develops their interest, excitement and self-confidence as they continue to pursue their academic studies this fall.

Brunch and Program  
Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>  
11:00 AM

United Methodist Church  
9 North Almansor Street  
Alhambra, California 91801

Your Tech Trek donations and support provided our girls the opportunity to engage in this week-long camp experience at Whittier College. Come listen as the girls share their camp adventures. We'll hear about core classes, group projects and fun times living in the dorm. During the brunch we will congratulate and celebrate with them!

Please join us at our first meeting of the year. Invite your friends and family. This meeting will inspire us all! Adult brunch cost is \$10 per person. (Children age 12 and under cost \$5 per child.) The deadline for reservations is September 20<sup>th</sup>. Your 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.

# 2017-18 Proposed Budget

## Income:

Branch Dues (40 members @\$18)	\$ 720
Interest	2
Events	200
Donations	<u>100</u>

**Total Income** **\$ 1,102**

## Expenses:

Newsletter	\$ 50
Yearbook	125
Insurance	196
Rent	400
Memorial EF	10
National Convention	300
Programs	200
Hospitality	50
LACIC Assessment	25
AAUW Funds Assessment	138
Membership Scholarship	
Speech Trek	<u>70</u>

**Total Expenses** **\$ 1,409**

**Estimated Ending Balance** **\$ 2,523.23**

# President's Message

Welcome! A new year, a fresh start – isn't that how it always felt as children when we went back to school after summer break? Well, it is the same as we get back into the swing of things with AAUW!

This year we will be trying a few new things along with some of our favorites. We start with a long-time favorite; lunch with our 2017 Tech Trek Campers. Hope to see you all on September 23rd!



Kathleen Doty

You all need to know about a unique event for AAUW CA because you **all** need to participate. There will be an **EVERY MEMBER VOTE** this month on a **very** critical issue. The question is on changing AAUW CA back to a public benefit organization. The voting will begin on September 10 and end October 1. It is **vital** that every member cast a vote to make this change. If we do not vote to make the change, AAUW CA would be out of compliance with the Affiliation Agreement and that would potentially lead to our loss of AAUW affiliation. If we were no longer recognized as an AAUW entity, we would no longer be eligible to participate in any/all AAUW programs, such as Tech Trek. There is lots of information on this issue on the AAUW CA website and I will be happy to answer any of your questions. Please respond with a yes vote when voting begins!

*Kathleen*

# Fran Meyer Recuperating

Fran Meyer is recuperating at The Californian following surgery. She would appreciate cards and short visits.

120 Bellefontaine St  
Pasadena, CA 91105  
(626) 793-5114

<https://www.californianch.com/send-a-greeting/>

*Jane*

# AAUW Fund Luncheon

Each year AAUW California formally presents our fellowship and grant recipients at the Fall Fund Luncheons. Thanks to the longstanding, generous contributions of AAUW California members, a broader community of women continues gaining access to educational and economic opportunities.

Guarantee this luncheon will be very satisfying and inspiring after hearing from the recipients on their aspirations, accomplishments and their journey to receiving help from AAUW California Fund.

Save the date! Sunday, October 15th at Old Ranch Country Club in Seal Beach.

*Janice  
& Kacy*

# Ralphs Community Contribution Program

Would you like to help us raise money toward sending 7th grade girls to an AAUW sponsored STEM science camp called Tech Trek? Then please participate in the Ralphs Community Contribution Program. Last year we raised almost enough (\$850) to send one girl to camp. 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.

**This is an ongoing fundraiser for Tech Trek.  
You must register online each year  
on or after September 1.**

Go to the [www.ralphs.com](http://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 Sue Carr at (626) 808-5428 anytime you need help.

*Lilia & Sue*

## Tech Trek Luncheon

RESERVATION FORM

\$10 per person

\$5 Children 12 and under

Attendees Names:

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Please enclose check payable to:  
American Association of University Women

For \$10 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$5 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Cheryl Plotkin  
201 S Golden West Avenue  
Arcadia, CA 91007

Or call her at (626) 445-0886

Reservation Deadline is September 20<sup>th</sup>



save the date

**April 27-29, 2018**

Celebrate the advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research we do to achieve equity for women and girls! Connect with like-minded people. Attend revitalizing workshops. Hear entertaining speakers. Witness the Speech Trek competition. Celebrate the 20th anniversary of Tech Trek. Watch for more details as planning progresses – you won't want to miss this!



# Membership

Welcome to the new branch membership year. Looking forward to a year of change, experimenting, and getting new members.

If you missed it, the membership sip and chat was beautiful as always. We had returning members, potential members, new friends, old friends and an evening of lovely conversation and hearing about what we did over the summer.

We tried moving our event to a weeknight (thanks Janice Lee for the suggestion and finding two lovely wines to bring). Jim and Kathleen Doty posted our event on Meetup, an internet site where people with common interests can form groups and where people can learn about events in their community. We are looking to try something new (different) every month.

Jim and Kathleen also hosted the event in their backyard and provided all the food except the taquitos (thanks Christina Karagias).

Christina brought a friend with her Christine Lee.



Christine joined, so we have a new member. You will hear more about Christine in the October newsletter.

We enjoyed a visit from former member Enid Ottem. We hope she will re-join the branch.

Janice also brought Teresa Tran, a grad student from Biola, she is mentoring. Teresa expressed an interest in playing adult soccer and immediately got a contact name and number. There are always connections we can make.

We had a visit from a really younger future member, Emilia Arthur, who attended the event with her mother. We only have to wait 14 years for her to be a student affiliate. More importantly, when we get moms with small

children as members they will feel comfortable bringing their young well-behaved little ones with them.

We had a few nibbles from Meetup and one person, Merisa Camacho, actually attended. She lives in Alhambra and has lots to share.

We had a visit from Cory Reano, who we hope will transfer from the Camarillo branch to the Alhambra-San Gabriel branch. Some of us were lucky enough to meet



her at the AAUW National Convention in Washington D.C. She would be a great addition to the branch.

**In the spirit of trying the new, we will try a no-host "Sip and Share" on Wednesday, September 20th, 7 PM. Hope to see the old and new at Vino at Trios, 47 W. Main Street, Alhambra. It is just around the corner of 1<sup>st</sup> and Main.**

Last year Elena and Joe joined the branch and have brought new life and new eyes to the branch business and groups. Let's continue to find and nurture these new members. Have an idea? Please share.

Remember we ALL belong to the membership committee.

*Deanna*



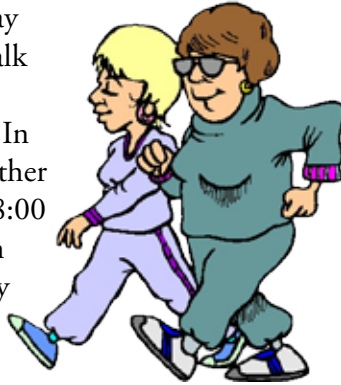
# ACTIVITIES

Where the Fun will be in September

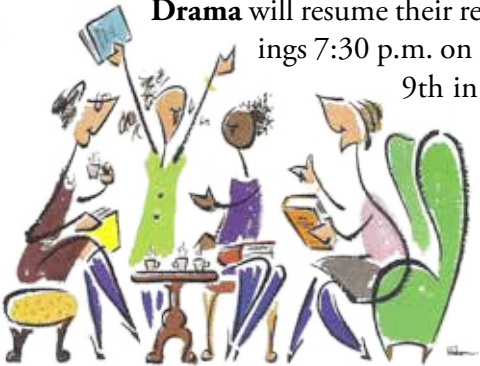
Join Us! New faces--even used ones--are always welcomed!

**Board Meeting** will be on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. (socializing starts at 7:00 p.m.) in Kathleen Doty's home, 1224 S. 4th St., Alhambra.

**Walkettes** meets every Sunday morning at 7:30 a.m. We walk for about one hour and have breakfast at about 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.



**Drama** will resume their readings 7:30 p.m. on Monday, **October 9th** in the Dotys' home, 1224 S. 4th St., Alhambra. Look for details in the October newsletter.



**Professional Women Gourmets** will be hostessed by Janice Mangerino at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at the Colonial Kitchen, 1110 Huntington Dr., San Marino.



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**General Meeting:** Celebrate our Tech Trekkers on Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 11:00 a.m. (see Page 1).

**Evening Books** will get together at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> to share our summer reading and select the next book in Kathleen Doty's home, 1224 S. 4th St., Alhambra.



**Restaurant Gourmets** will dine on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM, at Engine Company Number 28, 644 S. Figueroa Street, Los Angeles. Please call for reservations. For information, contact Deanna Arthur.



**Find us on Meetup.com**

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**Our Alhambra-San Gabriel Branch website is**  
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