



Women with Vision

Fallbrook CA Branch

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Young women with dreams become women with vision

Our Mission: To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

Our vision: Equity for all.

Our values: Nonpartisan, fact-based, integrity, inclusion, and intersectionality.

President's Message August 2021

In view of the COVID-19 situation, the Board has decided to have a more casual tea this year (more information on Page 3). We have reserved outdoor space at the Hilltop Center.

Please come and bring a guest (or two!).

When I joined AAUW 5 years ago, it was mostly because, being new to Fallbrook, I saw it as a way to get involved locally in a community of amazing women. We'll be celebrating our 75th anniversary in September! But, as I have since learned, there are also many benefits to national AAUW membership. I'll be talking about them in the coming months.

~Margie



Our 2021-2022 Elected Officers: Elizabeth Leader, Kathy Bierbrauer, Margie Mosavi, Carolyn Thom, Pamela Nevills, and Susan Duling
Absent: Carlene Friesen and Sharon Robinson



*Congratulations
Kathy and Chet
Bierbrauer on your
50th wedding
anniversary*

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Programs

First VPs: Susan Duling and Carolyn Thom

*Please Note New Date, Time, and Venue for August Meeting
Be sure to RSVP for the Tea!*



Membership Tea

Saturday, August 21, 2021

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Come learn about AAUW's mission, meet our board members, see your friends, sign up for your special interest group, and EAT!

Bring a friend!

Hilltop Center Outdoor Spacious Patio

331 East Elder St. Fallbrook CA

LOOK For NEW Updated EVITE to RSVP

For questions and RSVP:

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Fallbrook AAUW Branch Celebrating our 75th Year

Menu: Catered deli sandwiches, fruit salad, mini-muffins, donut holes

Please plan to join us for our annual membership tea and invite potential members to learn about Fallbrook AAUW. At this event Chairs will present opportunities to be involved and take sign-ups for:

Mentoring, MahJong, Movie Critique, Book Group, Hiking Group, Writing Group, Tech Trek and High School Scholarships.

And save these dates for our future meetings:

Saturday September 11, 2021, 10:00 AM, Fallbrook Health District, Wellness Center

On September 30, 1946, an amazing group of women formed the AAUW Fallbrook Branch. Please join us to celebrate our 75th year with a showing of The Quad Collaborative+'s short documentary film:

“Women Talk: Women of History”

This film was produced by member Nancy Heins-Glaser; members Jeanie Curtright, Carolyn Thom, Lesley Ibaven, BJ Lane, and Cynthia Young are readers. See page 13 for more details about the project.

Come learn about our 75 years in Fallbrook, view our historical scrapbooks and displays, and enjoy a special cake.

October 2, 2021/ November 6, 2021

TBA

Friday October 15, 2021, Movie Night COSTUME PARTY

Chairs: Carole Hodges and Liz Jamieson-Dunn

December 4/5 or 11/12, 2021

Holiday Party. We are looking for a HOST to volunteer home and select date.

January 2022: Interbranch Council joint meeting of 7 San Diego County AAUW Branches.

February 5, 2022, 10:00 AM, Location TBA

Member and Public Policy Chair Joy Frew will present a program on AAUW National Public Policy.

March 2022 : On a rotating basis, this is our branch year to host Temecula Branch AAUW for the joint meeting.

And a final note from your Programs VPs:

Thank you for attending and supporting our scholarship recipients on June 5th. All the young women, their families, and the donors really appreciated the lovely event. More pictures later in the newsletter.



Left to right: Margie Mosavi, Liliana Mendoza, Alma Aguilar, Erica Rodas, Carla Mendoza, Yadira Duran, Carlene Friesen, Vanessa Hernandez, Laura Guzman, Barbara Cardozo, and Karen Langer Baker



Some of the girls who helped with all of the preparation and cleanup and acted as hostesses and greeters

Left to right: Paulina Gonzales, Giselle Figueroa, Ashley Guerra, and Aislinn Morales

From Our Recording Secretary Pamela Nevills

AAUW Board Minutes July 7, 2021

The meeting was held in person at Susan Duling's home. It was preceded by a potluck lunch.

Present: Charlotte Seidman, Elizabeth Leader, Joy Frew, Karen Langer Baker, Margie Mosavi, Nancy Heins Glaser, Pamela Nevills, Susan Duling, Carolyn Thom, Maria Viernes

Correspondence: no report

Minutes Approval: approved as corrected. The Google docs access information will be used. Minutes from June 2019 to present will be saved in the file.

Treasurer's Report: For FY 2020–2021 (July 1, 2020–June 30, 2021) expenses exceeded income by \$1198.00. Current bank balance totals \$38,518, with \$9400 in the checking account. The budget for the coming year will be proposed at the next meeting. Membership and Renewals were reviewed. Board members will call those who have not renewed with a reminder.

Programs: August 14 will be the Membership Brunch (changed from a tea) at the Wellness Center on Mission Road in Fallbrook. **(NOTE: This has since changed.)** The Wellness Center and its counterpart, the Fallbrook Health District office are available to AAUW, as a nonprofit, at no cost. Charlotte is revising the trifold handout from 2018 to represent current activities and will have the pamphlet available for members to use as they invite others to the event. Food will be pre-purchased from Costco, and board members will serve food in light of current concerns for COVID. Food to include sandwiches, fruit salad, green salad, and dessert. Coffee and water will be available. Margie will explain the AAUW organization and major volunteer activities will be described. Members and proposed members will be encouraged to sign up for volunteer activities and interest groups.

The September 11th meeting will be in honor of AAUW Fallbrook's 75th anniversary. It was founded on September 30, 1946. Nancy will organize this meeting. Included will be memorabilia albums and the film *Women Talk: Women of History*. A couple of the scarecrow models of honored women will grace the event. We will be serving a 75th Anniversary cake.

October 2 or November 6 will be a social event hosted by a Fallbrook winery. The second event is suggested to be a talk for membership, mentors, mentees, and participants of the AVID program. A guest speaker could talk about preparing for post high school education and accessing scholarships and acceptance at a higher education program.

December 4 or 5, optional 11 or 12 Holiday party. We need a host to volunteer a home and select a date. It is anticipated there will be 50–60 people. Parking must be considered.

February 5, 2022, Joy Frew will give a program featuring AAUW National Public Policy at the Fallbrook Regional Health Center. Audio-visual equipment is available at that site.

InterBranch Council: Margie reported on the recent council meeting for San Diego Branches of AAUW. A current focus is to attract younger women to AAUW membership. For this purpose, branches are encouraged to offer programs that help members to advance their careers, provide networking opportunities, and develop leadership skills. Karen is the liaison with the *Village News*, and Margie will be providing an article and picture one time a month. These themes can be incorporated, as our organization is presented to the community. Through the *Village News* the awareness of the Fallbrook branch of AAUW's presence as a group to join to advocate for women's issues.

AAUW California sponsors webinars available July 10, 11, 24, and 25. The current focus is on "running for public office." Margie also provided information about other chapter's fund-raising events. Running a virtual auction and online author event were mentioned. There was no report for TechTrek for 2022.

Newsletter: Charlotte will provide a list of due dates for the monthly AAUW Newsletter. Take note—no reminders, so mark your calendars and submit your material on time. Articles are due 10 days prior to the next AAUW Membership event.

TechTrek: AAUW Fallbrook did not participate in the summer program, as it was online and not appealing for the students to spend more screen time.

Reminder: The next Board Meeting is August 4, time to be determined. Items carried over from July meeting, Report on Webinar: Encouraging Volunteering, Elizabeth. Discussion items: Publicity, Fund raising, Attracting new members, and Political Action.

Respectfully Submitted

Pamela Nevills

Reports from Appointed Chairs

AVID Mentorship Program

Karen Langer-Baker

The Fallbrook branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) has created a mentorship program for girls whose AVID teachers have recommended them. To remain in good standing in the AVID program, they must maintain a high grade-point average, perform community service for a minimum of 50 hours per year, and commit to attend a four-year university.

What is a mentor? A mentor is someone a girl can confide in, trust, listen to, interact with, and be guided by on her journey through high school. Many girls continue to keep in touch with their mentors for years after they graduate.

Learn more about our Mentoring Program at:

<https://fallbrook-ca.aauw.net/mentorship-program/>

The 2021 Fallbrook AAUW scholarship award ceremony, which followed the installation of new officers and chairs of committees, was held Saturday, June 5, at the Hilltop Center, with 60 people in attendance.

It was a beautiful sunny day. Guests were treated to all kinds of delicious snacks and beverages, which they enjoyed while sitting under the canopy on the patio. The tables inside were decorated with massively filled vases of roses from Nancy Heins-Glaser's garden. Outside on the table lay huge bouquets of flowers that had been arranged in advance by the event committee, which was headed by Susan Duling and Carolyn Thom, from other members' gardens. Celebratory balloons decorated the patio. Each honoree received a beautiful certificate, one of the bouquets of flowers, a decorative balloon, and a beautiful charm bracelet. They were also given complimentary memberships in Fallbrook AAUW.

Several of the scholarship donors attended and had the opportunity to meet their scholarship awardees. Former mentor Lin Gaffney Payne's son, Matt Gaffney (who donated an award with his wife, brother, and sister-in-law) met Liliana Mendoza and her sisters who attended with her. Chris Young's daughter, Julie Shimaji (who gave the scholarship with her husband) met Alma Aguilar, Erica Rodas, Carla Mendoza, Yadira Duran, Laura Guzman, and Vanessa Hernandez, with various members of their families. They shared parts of the extremely generous scholarship award her family donated in honor of Chris.

Joe Ajello got to meet Yadira Duran, who received her scholarship in honor of his wife, Barbara, who had been a director of the mentoring program before she passed away. Mentors and their husbands Kathy Bierbrauer, Terri Keyes, and Elizabeth Leader donated awards to Barbara Cardoso, Vanessa Hernandez, and Carla Mendoza in honor of their parents. Unable to attend was Sten Thordarson, who no longer lives in Fallbrook but donated a scholarship to Laura Guzman in honor of his wife Beverly, who had also been a mentor before her death.

Barbara Luther between Laura Guzman and
Yadira Duran
(Co-mentor was Karen Estes)



Yadira Duran with mom and Carlene Friesen



Alma Aguilar with mentor
Sharon Robinson



Barbara Cardoso with her mother



Elizabeth Leader and
Kathy Bierbrauer



AAUW Fallbrook Sponsors a Yearly Speech Contest

Learning to speak publicly is a skill that our mentees will use going forward in both college and life. Please contact Karen for more information.



Seven contestants attended several coaching sessions in a classroom at FUHS to prepare for Fallbrook AAUW mentoring group's speech contest, held in the Community Room of the Fallbrook Library Friday, January 24.

Standing in the back are coaches and mentors Lesley Ibaven and Karen Langer Baker.

Seated, from left, are Aislinn Morales, Lily Mendoza, Alma Aguilar, Erica Rodas, mentor Kathy Bierbrauer, mentor Elizabeth Leader, Jimena Ramirez, Dolores Pascual, and Lizette Mendoza

Reports from Special Interest Groups

Book Group: Cynthia Young

Striking a pose
for prose!

Joy Frew, Margie Mosavi,
Charlotte Seidman, Elizabeth
Leader, Leslie Ibaven, and
Cynthia Young



The Book Group continues to meet through thick and thin. Since June, we've met outdoors and enjoyed actual face-to-face discussion. The "Bibliobabes" prove you just can't keep a good reader down—nor ever find time enough for all the enticing books on our constantly growing list.

In August we read "American Dirt," a powerful novel that captures the experience of a woman and her young son fleeing Cartel violence in Acapulco and joining the stream of people seeking safety and security in the United States. Accusations of cultural appropriation show up among the criticisms of this very well-crafted book. Do read it and see if you agree with them!

Next month we talk about "The Tiger's Wife" by Tea Obrecht on Leslie Ibaiven's breezy deck, and mentally inhabit the lives of people in a part of the world few of us have visited.

Contact Cynthia Young (559-356-2536) if you think you'd like to join our group.

Movie Review Group: Carole Hodges

The Movie Group will resume in September on Friday the 10th at the home of Liz Jamieson-Dunne and Carole Hodges. With our extended time away from movies, we will change our plan slightly. Many of us have been watching series online. We welcome five volunteer couples to share their favorite series. Tell us what it is about and what you like about it. This change will give us all some new ideas for viewing.

It is still too soon to confirm sharing food, based on the recent COVID Delta variant flare-up. However, we can meet outside in September.

If you would like to be notified by email for each of the Movie Group events, please call or email Carole Hodges to be placed on the email list. Carole@CaroleHodges.com or 310-471-5219.



Historian: Nancy Heins-Glaser

The Quad Collaborative+ began as a group of interested AAUW members and Fallbrook Scarecrow builders. There are five “crows” that have been sponsored in name and energy by AAUW Fallbrook for the last several years. Several AAUW members joined in at various times and have participated in the making of women of note:



Beginning with Mme. Marie Curie (shown on the left), Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Megan Rapinoe, Justice Sonia Sotomayor and Greta Thunberg, the “Sculptettes” were added on during the 2018 International Women’s Day Event created in a collaborative manner with artist BJ Lane jumping on board to create the following faces and costume designs which began with BJ (Peggy Scudder); Jeanie Curtright and Nancy Heins-Glaser (Harriet Tubman, Frida Kahlo, and Eleanor Roosevelt who represented the world-changing work done by women she-roes).

Along came Author Sarah Bates, who was selected to present her book *The Lost Diaries of Elizabeth Cady Stanton* before AAUW meeting,

and we just HAD TO create a “real” Elizabeth

Cady Stanton to add a visual story to Bate’s words to enhance the experience with the AAUW attendees.

Right: Artist BJ Lane and Author Sarah Bates, with BJ’s creation of Elizabeth Cady Stanton

This began a new pathway to teach about women’s history. Voila the creative salad bowl created “The Quad Collaborative+” that grew to include leaders and readers Lesley Ibaoven (successful aerospace leader); Cynthia Young (retired scientist); Jean Benson (librarian and Scarecrow creator); Christal Gaines Emory (writer /journalism student); Tania Aguirre (homeschool teacher/mom); and recognized LatinX rights activist Leticia Maldonado Stamos.



The creation of a staged play reading evolved, and a production was mounted

after carefully researched history was crafted into a script following group discussions. After much editorial scripting and shared work, Patricia Watt's narrative text along with Jean Benson's adept graphic design evolved—somehow—into a finished product.

Thanks to the magic of moviemakers Logan McLaughlin and TV teacher/IB Director George Herring, the documentary was completed in a matter of months, using one digital recording session at our local historic Reche schoolhouse.

Left: Laura Scudder and BJ Lane

We are pleased to present the finished movie: *Women Talk: Women of History*, a 34-minute film covering 50 undersung

women she-oes through time.

Each person involved in this production contributed to the final product, which we are honored to present for AAUW's 75th-anniversary program. There will be time allowed for question and answers following the presentation of the movie itself.

Greta Thunberg, Megan Rapinoe,
Sonia Sotomayor,
Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and Frida Kahlo





Aug 5 – Maria Viernes
 Aug 19 – Marilee Ragland

Sept 4 – Elizabeth Leader
 Sept 23 – Margie Mosavi

Newsletter Editor: Charlotte Seidman

Please mark your calendars with these dates if you're intending to submit any material for publication in *Women with Vision*. Thanks!

Send your material to cseidman7@gmail.com or call 760-451-6232 with questions.

Material to Charlotte (Wednesday)	Newsletter Distributed (Monday before the meeting)	Meeting Date (Saturday, 2021)
September 1	September 6	September 11
September 22	September 27	October 2
October 27	November 1	November 6

Contact Kathy Bierbrauer, our corresponding secretary, if you know of any member who needs a card or note: ckbierbr@gmail.com

AAUW FALLBROOK CA BRANCH
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