



Fallbrook CA Branch

P.O. Box 1061, Fallbrook CA 92088-1016

Website: fallbrook-ca.aauw.net

# Women with Vision

volume 39, issue 6, January 2023

**Celebrating Our 76th year!**

## 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

**Temecula Valley AAUW** is celebrating 30 years of successes on Sunday, November 20th. Thanks to the Fallbrook branch for encouraging us in our endeavor and being a partner in our success over the years. Would like to invite all of you to come and help us celebrate. Thanks! Bobbie Jessup, President

**San Diego County InterBranch Council (SDC-IBC)**  
**Annual All-Branch Luncheon**  
**Saturday, January 28, 2023, 11:30am**



empowering women since 1881  
 Cabrillo-Diego  
 Carlsbad-Oceanside-Vista  
 Del Mar-Leucadia  
 Fallbrook  
 La Mesa-El Cajon  
 Poway-Pañosquitos  
 Rancho Bernardo  
 San Diego



**The Old Spaghetti Factory**  
 111 N. Twin Oaks Valley Rd  
 San Marcos

The Fallbrook and La Mesa-El Cajon Branches cordially invite you to join us for lunch and a good time together renewing old friendships, meeting new friends, bidding on enticing silent auction items to take home, and hearing what the other members have been up to. See you at the **Spaghetti Factory!**

**Our Special Guest Speaker:**  
**Guadalupe Corona, Ed.D.**  
 Director of the Office of Student Equity Programs & Services for the Southwestern Community College District. For over 25 years, Dr. Corona has dedicated her career to diversity, equity and inclusion efforts in higher education. In her role as Director, she oversees the Learning Community Hub, the SWC Dreamer Center and Student Equity.

OR  
 Check-in 11:30am  
 Lunch 12:30pm

Questions? Call or text Pam at (619) 855-4071, or e-mail [pamela.me4@gmail.com](mailto:pamela.me4@gmail.com)

**RSVPs are a Must - by January 23 please!!**

Yes, (name) \_\_\_\_\_ will be there.  
 And, I am bringing \_\_\_\_\_ guests:

Select Your Entrée(s):  Chicken Marsala  Mushroom & Marinara Spaghetti (veg.)  
 Mizithra Cheese & Browned Butter Spaghetti (with bacon)

Cost: \$35. Enclosed is my check payable to "SDC-IBC".  
 Tear off this reply & mail to: AAUW IBC Luncheon, PO Box 262012, San Diego, CA 92196

**This event will replace our regular January meeting.**



## *Table of contents*

Message from the President - 1  
Birthdays - 2  
AAUW Board Meeting – 3  
Red Stocking Dinner Party – 5  
Programs newsletter - 8  
Fund raising, AAUW Fallbrook Webpage,  
membership report – 10  
Diversity and Inclusion - 11  
Mentorship Program – 12  
Mentee Christmas Party - 14  
Club News – 17  
Officers, Chairs, and Contact Information - 19

## *January/February Birthdays*

*January 13 - Jeanie Curtright*

*January 14 - Cyrila Richardson*

*Feb 2 - Alice Orr*

*Feb 4 - Caron Lieber*

*Feb 10 - Sharon Robinson*

*Feb 28 Liz - Jamieson-Dunne*



**C**ontact Susan Duling/Maria Viernes, Co-Chair Corresponding Secretaries if you know of any member who needs a card or a note: [susancasoduling@yahoo.com](mailto:susancasoduling@yahoo.com) text 760-390-6069 or Maria Viernes, [maria\\_viernes@yahoo.com](mailto:maria_viernes@yahoo.com)

# *AAUW Board Meeting Minutes*

The meeting was held at Patti Carleson's home, Decembet 7, beginning at 10:21 am.

**Present:** Margie Mosavi, Patty Carlson, Carlene Friesen, Susan Duling, Diane Summers, , Pamela Nevills. Karen Trapane, and Karen Langer Baker

**Approval of Previous Minutes** - Suggested corrections by members were corrected prior to final minutes. Minutes were approved.

**Correspondence** – AAUW Corresponding Secretary Log was submitted by Susan Duling and is attached at the end of this report of the minutes. Susan, as Corresponding Secretary, will check the chapter's Google Docs every three days or so and forward docs, as appropriate, to other board members.

**Treasurer's Report** – Karen Trapane stated that the bank accounts have been transferred to Chase Bank, Fallbrook. No changes in the savings or checking amounts from November. Karen will review the financial safeguard statements passed out the last meeting and report her recommendations at the January meeting. Karen volunteered to find ways to promote our local branch through her Chamber of Commerce membership on the board.

**Programs** – Note: Program Co-chairs will continue to send thank you cards to presenters of our programs.

Saturday, December 10, 5:30 pm – Christmas Party and Red Stocking event at the Hilltop Center. The address is 330 East Elder St.

Saturday January 28, 2023 – 11:30 am – Old Spaghetti Factory in San Marcos – This is the January meeting for AAUW Fallbrook. The cost will be \$35. per person. This is a joint meeting with the Inland Branch Council, and hosted by our branch. Members were reminded to sign-up. Three people are needed for sign-in. An opportunity basket will feature a Fallbrook theme.

February (second week) Public Policy, presented by Joy Frew. Location: Fallbrook Health District Office.

March 4, 2023 – joint mtg. with Temecula

April – program to be announced

April 4, 2023 (notice this is a Tuesday) – mentee career program, Carlene is the chair of the program. More information will be presented. She is looking for a community college (Palomar, Fallbrook) or UC San Marcos as a location. Suggestion, the membership program for April could also focus on current focus for career development of high school youth.

June 8, 2023 – 9:00 am. – AAUW Fallbrook Branch to host the Sun Uppers breakfast. A 20-minute presentation will introduce attendees to our AAUW Branch

**Membership** – Carlene reported on suggested qualifications and criteria for membership, student and partial-year membership. With minor adjustments the draft proposals were approved by motion and vote.

**Mentorship Program** – Karen Langer Baker reported on responsibilities of Mentors and on the involvement of mentees in relationship to student membership. Thank you, Karen for the interesting report in the Newsletter about the trip to San Diego’s Old Town.

**Tech Trek** – The Board was advised that there are funds in the state of California, called “special funds” for Tech Trek participants. It is important for us to know the balance of the account. Pam Meyers, treasurer, can be contacted for the amount.

**Scholarship** – Margie and Carlene attended a meeting at FHS for updated information and the calendar of dates for 2023. Recommendation: review our application for current information. Also, consider how the money is provided to the scholarship recipients. Pamela Nevills is the Scholarship Chairperson for 2023.

**Diversity** – Diane reported that she attended a state level meeting. A Regional meeting will be held to share what is being done to promote diversity in AAUW branches. She advised that we consider diversity in all that we do.

**Christmas Party** – Final details were discussed. Members were reminded to wear their name tags. People making donations and expecting a tax deduction can donate to a legacy account (Scholarship). Other donations can be designated for the work of the branch and are not deductible. It was suggested to use social media to invite friends and family to consider donations.

**Other Business/Reports –**

- ✓ Google docs – continue discussion of how Google email and docs are used by the branch.
- ✓ Rally for Children – Community Volunteer Idea, Carlene suggested we pick up on our volunteer booth for the Rally for Children’s fundraiser, Art in the Park. Discuss what our booth would be for this participation (Carolyn).

- ✓ Discuss another time of year for our fund raiser. Christmas time is a common time for EVERY organization to be asking for donations.

The next Board Meeting is Wednesday, January 11 at 10:00 am at Margie Mosavi's home. The February meeting will be at Carlene Friesen's home. Pamela Nevills has volunteered for March.

Respectfully Submitted by Pamela Nevills, Recording Secretary

## *Red stocking dinner party and fundraiser at Hilltop Center*

Former mentees were honored at our red stocking dinner party. Most of them are still attending college, either as undergrads or going on for post-graduate degrees! The Board has decided to give free memberships in our chapter as long as they are still in school. Each of them spoke briefly about what they are studying and how their lives were impacted by being in our mentorship program. One gave a tremendous amount of credit to having participated as a contestant in our speech contest!



Stephanie Ortiz was Karen Langer Baker's first mentee. She graduated from Fallbrook High School in 2011 and UCI in 2015, was elected as a Director at the Fallbrook Regional Health District but recently resigned because she moved to Oceanside. Here, she is sitting next to Scotty Thom.

Yadira Zuniga, who graduated in 2021, is seen with her mentor, Karen Estes,



Chet and Kathy Bierbrauer, Michael Summers and Chris Assad enjoyed visiting with former mentees Bree Person and Alexis Lopez from the FUHS class of 2013

Daniela Castro, who was Grace Vanderwerf's mentee, brought her friend and enjoyed the evening at the table with Pamela and Neil Nevills along with Grace and her husband, Phillip



Lily Mendoza, plus Monse and Alma Aquilar visit with Alma's mentor Sharon Robinson and her husband.



Socializing at the party is Iris and Paul Bourque at the table with Carlene Friesen and husband Jeff Welch, who are talking with Susan Duling. Standing at the table behind them is Margie Mosavi, who's chatting with Karen Weisberger

# *Programs - Newsletter December 2022*

Patty Gibson Carlson and Diane Summers Co-Chairs

Members- Margot Dokken, Carolyn Thom, Nancy Heins-Glazer

## **Looking forward to AAUW 2023**

We ended the AAUW year with a great holiday celebration of friendship, and at the same time helping to raise the funds to enhance our mission for young women of our



community. Thank you to all who made it possible. Diane and Michael Summers for their donation to enable us to have this at the lovely Hilltop Center. We enjoyed the music with our professional DJ and got to “cut a rug” with dancing...even a fun Electric Slide. We thoroughly enjoyed getting to hear from some of our former mentees and see their successes and the importance of AAUW mentee experience was for them. We never cease to be

amazed at the culinary expertise of our members. It takes a PotLuck and turns it into a gourmet delight. Our Christmas committee made our Christmas décor beautiful and thanks for the elves and spouses that helped with the set up and take down. As a fundraiser, it was a big success too! Thank you for your support and generosity.



## Upcoming dates – Mark your Calendars:

### Date

**The JANUARY Meeting is in conjunction with the AAUW Carlsbad, Oceanside and Vista.**



Saturday January 28 11:30 AAUW – IBC – Old Spaghetti Factory in San Marcos – This IS the January meeting including AAUW Fallbrook. PLEASE SEND YOUR RSVP and lunch payment. See attached form. Delicious lunch planned.

Saturday February 11 10AM The annual public policy meeting. Fallbrook Health District – Community Room - 1636 East Mission.

March – joint mtg. with Temecula

April – mentee career program, Carlene is the chair of the program. More information will be presented. Suggestion, the membership program for April could also focus on career development of high school students

# *Fundraising for Programs*

## Fallbrook Avocado Themed Silent Auction Basket for IBC Luncheon

The Inter-Branch Luncheon on Saturday January 28, 2023 at The Old Spaghetti Factory will have a “Silent Auction” opportunity for fundraising. If you have items for A Fallbrook themed basket, please contact Susan Duling. (There will be a minimum bid so please value your item.)

## *Branch Webpage*

Please check out our Fallbrook Branch Webpage at [www.Fallbrook-CA.AAUW.net](http://www.Fallbrook-CA.AAUW.net)

Newsletters are added ASAP. Click on Newsletter Tab, hover cursor over month and click to read.

If you have a photo of LESS than 3.0 Mb that you would like to see on our webpage, email it at LESS than 3Mb to [susancasoduling@yahoo.com](mailto:susancasoduling@yahoo.com) with the accompanying text/names/date and where, location/tab on webpage you want it added.

There are several items that need updating. Please send updated TEXT and information to Susan in a WORD document. This is a Word Press webpage: if you can help, please contact Susan.

## *Fallbrook AAUW Member*

Membership News 2022 was a great year for our Fallbrook Chapter...and we expect 2023 to be even better! The Board of Elected Officers has adopted two additional “paths” for joining our AAUW Chapter in 2023. Student Membership: The purpose of a “Student Fallbrook Membership” is to provide a means for current and past mentees and scholarship recipients to connect with and stay in touch with our local Branch as long as they are in school. This category of free membership supports our diversity and inclusion values, and hopefully encourages students to become full participating members once they have completed their formal education. Many students have already joined, and will be participating in our General Meetings as their busy schedules allow. Partial-Year Fallbrook Membership: This new category of membership is offered to members who join our Chapter late in the membership year (January - June). It provides an opportunity to engage in our local chapter, without paying the full National dues for only a few months benefit. Partial-year Membership cost will equal the current Fallbrook Membership dues. Bottom line...your friends can join our Fallbrook Chapter now for \$20 until July 1st. It’s an offer they can’t refuse! Bring them to a General Meeting and we’ll welcome them aboard.

# *Diversity and Inclusion*



On December 8<sup>th</sup> our President Margie Mosavi and I attended a Town Hall Meeting at Temple Emanuel in San Diego. The panel included Mayor Todd Gloria, City Board Members, the City Attorney and executive members from The Anti-Defamation League. Topics included Antisemitism along with many other socialisms that bring oppression to the community. While a lot was told about shooting at the Chabad Temple in Poway several years ago, members on the panel included the positive actions of many to stop hate. One was to take people on field trips to the Holocaust Museum in Los Angeles. We were able to meet Robert Hicks, ADL's Assistant Regional Director who was very gracious. (Photo included)



The DEI pilot group of Margie Mosavi, Karen Arter, Noreen Honea and myself will be opening our membership to all our chapter members in February. Date pending.

Submitted by Diane Summers

Diversity Equity and Inclusion Chair

# *Mentorship Program*

*Karen Langer Baker*

## *Outings with the mentees*



Sharon Robinson not only sponsored the concert at the Mission Theater, but she also took her mentee, Aracely Palma. It was a great concert and a wonderful opportunity to share this experience with her!



Karen's two mentees, Xitlali Ortiz and Alicia Tomas, are enjoying seeing her winning artwork on the walls of The Gallery. Here they are in front of her 1st place collage, "Nowhere to Hide."



Chris Assad and Karen Langer Baker enjoyed Fallbrook Art Association's Christmas party with their mentees.

Left to right: Xitlali Ortiz, Karen, Lanique Boling, Chris, and Alicia Tomas

## Cookie Baking

In preparation for the mentorship group's holiday party, Norine Honea and her mentee, Sara Solano, met with Karen Langer Baker and her two mentees, Xitlali Ortiz and Alicia Tomas to bake cookies at Lesley Ibaven's house with Lesley's mom, Nancy Heins-Glaser and former mentee Ashley Osuna.



# *Mentee group Christmas Party*



Kathy Bierbrauer once again hosted our mentorship group Christmas party in her beautiful home. Here's the whole gang about to help themselves to a magnificent array of mentor-created meals, followed by cookies that mentees and their mentors had made.



*It was a perfect day to be outside*



## Gift exchange time around the tree



The girls played the gift exchange game, but there was still not one steal! Everyone was either too polite or they really loved the gift they received.



All of the mentees and mentors stood in a circle. Each was given a Christmas wrapped hardbound book by a female author that Karen had purchased for 10 cents each at the Bottom Shelf. Karen explained how everyone would need to pass the package they were holding to the right or left based on hearing her recite the entire poem where those words have been inserted throughout. At the end, they got to keep the book as well as extras that were there for those who wanted more.



# Key Dates Mentorship Program

- **All Group Activity: Friday, January 27, 6 PM Speech Contest Fallbrook Library Community Room.** Mentors coach mentees who wish to participate, but all mentees attend the activity and help for set up and clean-up.
- **All Group Activity: Tuesday, February 21, Balboa Park Museum Visit by carpool,** possible picnic lunch, Diane checking on museums
- **All Group Activity: April 3,4,5,6, or 8 TBD Career Day** in a mentor's home, Carlene working on this
- **All Group Activity: Saturday, June 10 Graduation Party**

## Additional Discussions:

- Mentors should be sure to meet with Mentee parents.
- Encourage mentees to write, email, text, or phone thank-you
- Invite mentees to AAUW meetings

## ATTENTION ALL MENTORS...DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that your current mentee (or prior mentee who is now attending college) is eligible for a FREE 2022-2023 Fallbrook Chapter membership? Please invite them to the next General Meeting, and we'll be happy to welcome them aboard!

## Mah Jong (Meets TBD)

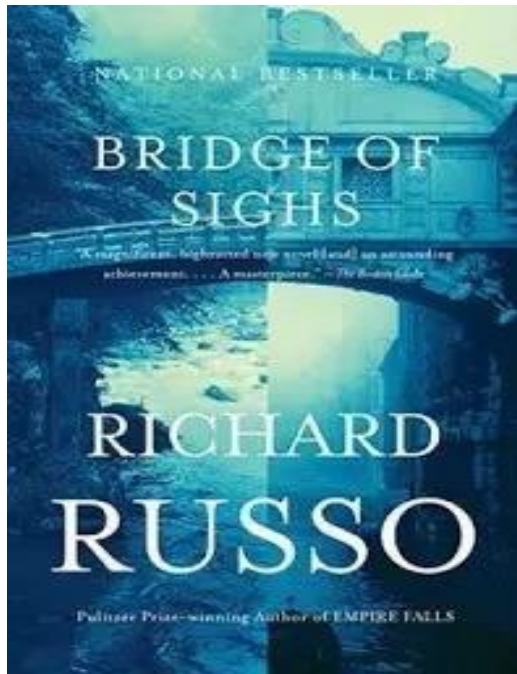
All contact Kathy Bierbrauer ([ckbierbr@gmail.com](mailto:ckbierbr@gmail.com)) if they're interested in getting together for mah jong once a month?

## Book Club (Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 10:30)

*The Bibliobabes*, as we affectionately call the members of our Fallbrook AAUW book club, continue to meet monthly.

January 16 - Joy's selection, "Bridge of Sighs" by Richard Russo

Lucy and Sarah are also preparing for a once-in-a-lifetime trip to Italy, where his oldest friend, a renowned painter, has exiled himself far from anything they'd known in childhood. In fact, the exact nature of their friendship is one of the many mysteries Lucy hopes to untangle in the "history" he's writing of his hometown and family. And with his story interspersed with that of Noonan, the native son who'd fled so long ago, the destinies building up around both of them (and Sarah, too) are relentless, constantly surprising, and utterly revealing.



Bridge of Sighs is classic Russo, coursing with small-town rhythms and the claims of family, yet it is brilliantly enlarged by an expatriate whose motivations and experiences—often contrary, sometimes not—prove every bit as mesmerizing as they resonate through these richly different lives. Here is a town, as well as a world, defined by magnificent and nearly devastating contradictions.

Movie Group Our next meeting is Friday, January 13. It will be a pot-luck at the home of Marli Shoop. Karen Weisenberger will review "**She said.**"



The New York Times journalists Megan Twohey and Jodi Kantor publish a report that exposes sexual abuse allegations against powerful Hollywood producer Harvey Weinstein. The shocking story also serves as a launching pad for the #MeToo movement, shattering decades of silence around the subject of sexual assault and harassment

# AAUW Fallbrook CA Branch

## Officers and Committee Chair for 2022-2023

### Elected Officers:

President

**President Elect**

1st VP, Programs

2<sup>nd</sup> VP Programs

2nd VP, Membership

3rd VP, AAUW Fund

Finance Officer

Recording Secretary

Corresponding Secretary

Parliamentarian

Margie Mosavi

**Karen Langer Baker**

Patty Carlson

Dianne Summers

Carlene Friesen

AAUW Board

Karen Trapane

Pamela Nevills

Susan Duling

Elizabeth Leader

[margaret.mosavi@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.mosavi@gmail.com)

[karenlangerbaker@gmail.com](mailto:karenlangerbaker@gmail.com)

[poochielyn444@gmail.com](mailto:poochielyn444@gmail.com)

[dianesummers04@gmail.com](mailto:dianesummers04@gmail.com)

[carlenefriesen01@gmail.com](mailto:carlenefriesen01@gmail.com)

[ktrocks25@gmail.com](mailto:ktrocks25@gmail.com)

[panevills@earthlink.net](mailto:panevills@earthlink.net)

[susancasoduling@yahoo.com](mailto:susancasoduling@yahoo.com)

[Elizabeth.leader@gmail.com](mailto:Elizabeth.leader@gmail.com)

### Appointed Chairs:

AVID Mentorship Program

Directory

Diversity

Historian

Hospitality

MahJong

MahJong Tournament

Newsletter Editor

Photographer

Public Policy

Public Relations/Publicity

Scholarships

Tech Trek

Website Manager

Karen Langer Baker

Carlene Friesen

Charlotte Seidman

Diane Summers

Nancy Heins-Glaser

Maria Viernes

Alice Orr

Kathy Bierbrauer

Araxy Moosa

Kathy Bierbrauer

Lesley Ibaven.

Cynthia Young.

Nancy Heins-Glaser

Joy Frew

Margie Mosavi

Carlene Friesen

Sharon Robinson

Susan Duling

[karenlangerbaker@gmail.com](mailto:karenlangerbaker@gmail.com)

[carlenefriesen01@gmail.com](mailto:carlenefriesen01@gmail.com)

[cseidman7@gmail.com](mailto:cseidman7@gmail.com)

[dianesummers04@gmail.com](mailto:dianesummers04@gmail.com)

[misswiss1965@gmail.com](mailto:misswiss1965@gmail.com)

[maria\\_viernes@yahoo.com](mailto:maria_viernes@yahoo.com)

[alliekorr@yahoo.com](mailto:alliekorr@yahoo.com)

[ckbierbr@gmail.com](mailto:ckbierbr@gmail.com)

[araxymoosa@gmail.com](mailto:araxymoosa@gmail.com)

[ckbierbr@gmail.com](mailto:ckbierbr@gmail.com)

[lesleyibaven@gmail.com](mailto:lesleyibaven@gmail.com)

[mscynyoung@gmail.com](mailto:mscynyoung@gmail.com)

[misswiss1965@gmail.com](mailto:misswiss1965@gmail.com)

[JoyFrew@gmail.com](mailto:JoyFrew@gmail.com)

[margaret.mosavi@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.mosavi@gmail.com)

[carlenefriesen01@gmail.com](mailto:carlenefriesen01@gmail.com)

[sharonrobinsongroup@gmail.com](mailto:sharonrobinsongroup@gmail.com)

[susancasoduling@yahoo.com](mailto:susancasoduling@yahoo.com)

### Special Interest Chairs:

Book Group

Hiking Group

MahJong Group

MahJong Tournament

Movie Review Group

Cynthia Young

Carolyn Thom

Kathy Bierbrauer

Kathy Bierbrauer

Araxy Moosa

Carole Hodges

Liz Jamieson-Dunne

[mscynyoung@gmail.com](mailto:mscynyoung@gmail.com)

[carolynthom1@gmail.com](mailto:carolynthom1@gmail.com)

[ckbierbr@gmail.com](mailto:ckbierbr@gmail.com)

[ckbierbr@gmail.com](mailto:ckbierbr@gmail.com)

[araxymoosa@gmail.com](mailto:araxymoosa@gmail.com)

[carole@carolehodges.com](mailto:carole@carolehodges.com)

[bjdmarketer@gmail.com](mailto:bjdmarketer@gmail.com)