**WELCOME TO AAUW FALLBROOK BRANCH**

Thank you for your interest in the Fallbrook  of AAUW - We hope you find our community of women to be both welcoming and inspirational!

AAUW is the nation’s leading organization for advancing equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.  By joining AAUW, you belong to an active local, state and national community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so all women and girls have a fair chance.

**FALLBROOK BRANCH:**  ([fallbrook-ca-aauw.net](http://fallbrook-ca-aauw.net/))

The Fallbrook AAUW Branch meets monthly for updates on branch initiatives, a special speaker, and networking with each other.  In addition, you may choose to participate in one or more of the local AAUW initiatives and activities.

* Mentoring:  High school AVID sophomore girls apply, and if qualified, are paired with an AAUW Mentor.  The Mentors provide enriching activities through the senior year, in groups and one-on-one.  Mentees often report that their mentoring relationship has been hugely influential in their decision to continue on to college.
* Scholarships:  High School AVID senior girls apply and compete for scholarships funded by our local AAUW Branch.   Every year 10-12 girls receive a significant scholarship for their freshman year in the college or university of their choice.
* Tech Trek:  For 25 years, our Branch has sponsored 8th girls to a one-week summer STEM, Science, Technology, Engineering and Math, camp on site at the UCSD campus.  The girls are immersed in topics like Forensics, Chemistry, Anatomy, Engineering, Physics, and Robotics.  In this way, we are excited to contribute to the expansion of women in STEM careers.
* Book Group:  Meets once a month (usually in someone’s home) to discuss a book chosen by the group.  Conversation is lively!
* Walking Group:  Meets every month to explore a new hiking/walking destination…and lunch of course!
* Movie Group:  Meets one evening each month to review a movie of choice and enjoy a potluck dinner together. Spouses, partners and friends are welcome!
* Mahjong Group:  Meets once a month to enjoy a friendly game of Mahjong, usually in a member’s home.  The Branch also sponsors an annual Mahjong tournament to raise funds for the Scholarship Program.  Competition and Door Prizes are included!
* Hospitality Group:  Members arrive a bit earlier to General Meetings to set up the meeting room making sure it is warm and inviting.  They also set up snacks that have been graciously donated by fellow members.
* Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Group:  This is a new group for AAUW, Fallbrook, since 2021 requested from National AAUW to focus on this national concern.  We typically meet the third Wednesday of every month at 10:00 AM at the Chair, Diane Summer’s home for coffee and snacks.  This group discusses issues of concern of our local community with action items towards positive outcomes for everyone.

**STATE**   ([aauw-ca.org](http://aauw-ca.org/))

* 12,000 Members - 125 Branches

* Check out the website for information about legislative advocacy, social issues and the many forms of support provided to our local Branch and membership.

**NATIONAL**   ([**aauw.org**](http://aauw.org/))

* The website highlights opportunities for advocacy and educational resources for all 170,000 Members.

* Interesting fact:  Founded in 1881, the AAUW has provided more than $115 Million in fellowships and grants to more than 13,000 scholars and organizations around the world!

JOIN US!

“We are tenacious and trailblazing - advocating for women and girls since 1881 and into the future.”

Questions?

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