



# RIVERSIDE PIPELINE

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

## SEPTEMBER 2015

### MEETINGS

**Book Group**—Thursday, Sept. 3rd at 1:00 pm at Stella Fife’a—*Mrs. Lincoln’s Dressmaker* by Jennifer Chiaberini

**Board Meeting**—Monday, Sept. 7 at 10:00 am at Jo Turner’s

**Book Group**—Thursday, Sept. 10th at 7:00 pm at Jo Turner’s—*The Watchmaker of Filigree Street* by Natasha Pulley

**Great Decisions**—Tuesday, Sept. 22nd at 7:00 pm at Jo Turner’s—”Brazil’s Metamorphosis”

**Healthy Hearts**—Friday, Sept. 18th at Noon at Cynthia Sprague’s.

**TECH TREK—SATURDAY, SEPT.26 AT 10:00 AM AT ALTURA CREDIT UNION.**

**Current Affairs**—Monday, Sept. 28th at 1:00 pm at Jo Turner’s

**Bridge Group**—Monday, Sept. 28th at 7:00 PM.



***TECH TREK***  
***SEPTEMBER 26th at***  
***10:00 AM***

Come to the *Altura Credit Union, 2847 Campus Parkway*, to hear the Tech Trek girls talk about their remarkable experiences at the University of San Diego camp this summer.

**By Christine Morgando**

“It is so awesome to meet new people who have a love of science and math like me,” Avery Morse, 2015 selected Tech Trek camper and entering the 8<sup>th</sup> grade at Central Middle School in RUSD.

All 13 AAUW Riverside selected campers attended Tech Trek camp at UC San Diego where they experienced STEM subjects like never before. They saw; demonstrations of elemental reactions, created balloon cars to study Newton’s Third Law, dissected squids, took field trips to ViaSat (a company that launches satellites), and built robots.

“Tech Trek has made me like science and math more than before, and it inspired me to continue to pursue my dreams of engineering,” said Sophia Hernandez, 2015 selected Tech Trek camper and entering the 8<sup>th</sup> grade at Vista Heights Middle School in MVUSD. *(continued on page 3)*

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### INTEREST GROUPS & OTHERS

Book Group—1st Thursday at 1 pm	Stella Fife
Book Group—2nd Thursday at 1 pm	Lisa Newhall
Great Decisions—3rd Tuesday at 7 pm	Jo Turner
Healthy Hearts—3rd Friday at Noon	Marilyn Dunagan
Current Affairs—4th Monday at 1:00 pm	Marilyn Dunagan
Out & About—dates and times vary	Jo Turner
Bridge Group—4th Monday at 7:00 pm	Muriel Berger
UCR Coordinators	Carole Nagengast
	Luisa Tassan



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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

**Barb Ryon**

Welcome to another year of gatherings and friendship and work. Your board met over the summer and has worked hard to put together a variety of programs that are mission based, educational and we hope address many areas of interest. We encourage you to invite friends to come with you to our general meetings, out and about, book clubs, Great Decisions discussions and other activities as increasing our outreach and membership is always our priority.

We look forward to seeing many of you at the Tech Trek meeting on September 26, 2015. Christina Morgando and her committee have been busy getting ready by contacting the 2015 campers and collecting pictures. This promises to be another inspiring morning and it is just wonderful to hear what this week has meant to these young women.

Past Tech Trek Chair Lisa Newhall has kept in contact with former Tech Trek girls. Each year girls from the past year meet with the current girls to answer questions about what their week will be like on a college campus. Former campers have been called upon to speak to groups like Zonta, and California Retired Teachers Association. Many of these former girls have gone on to colleges and universities and have continued their interest in the area of math and science.

Four Riverside Branch members attended the National AAUW convention in San Diego. We were impressed by the interesting and informative Break-out sessions. Jo Turner is already recruiting members to attend the CA Convention April 15-17, 2016 at the San Mateo Marriott near the San Francisco Airport.

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**Tech Trek** is an all-scholarship, all volunteer science and math camp for our local girls entering 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Because they are exposed to many kinds of exciting science, technology, engineering and math and to women working in these areas, a great many of our campers will choose college majors and careers in those fields—far beyond normally expected rates. This is AAUW's part in increasing the number of women in STEM careers.

Tech Trek had exactly the impact AAUW Riverside was anticipating by selecting these 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls. "Listening to professional women talk about their careers inspired me to pursue a STEM career myself," said Isabela Galoustian, 2015 selected Tech Trek camper who is entering the 8<sup>th</sup> grade at Riverside STEM Academy in RUSD.

Hear more from the selected 2015 Tech Trek campers. This year, Altura Credit Union donated their community room for AAUW Riverside's use at 2847 Campus Parkway, Riverside 92507. Entrance is \$15 per person, or you could donate \$50 to Tech Trek at the door and accept our gratitude with a free brunch.

## NEW MEMBER

Recently joining the Riverside AAUW Branch is **Charlotte Lucy**. She received her B.A. degree from Holy Names College with a major in Spanish and a M.A. degree in Education (Curriculum) from the University of Redlands. Charlotte is now retired after 20 years as the Registrar at the University of Redlands.

*Mind your own biscuits and your life  
will be gravy*

**SAVE THE DATE !**

**AAUW CA FUNDS LUNCHWON**

Sunday, October 18, 2015, 12 – 3:00 pm

Irvine Marriott Hotel

\$40.00 per person – RSVP deadline: Oct. 7

click [HERE](#) to download the mail-in form

**PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR !**

**CA STATE CONVENTION**

April 15, 16 & 17

San Mateo Marriott,

San Francisco Airport

**BOOKS FOR SEPTEMBER**

The discussions at both book groups are always lively, enlightening and fun. Why don't you join us and see for yourself?

**1:00 P.M. BOOK GROUP**

at Stella Fife's House

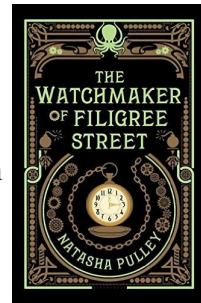


In the novel, *Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker*, Elizabeth Keckley is no stranger to suffering. Born into slavery, forced to submit to her white master and giving birth to her son George, bearing years of the indignities of slavery and finally painstakingly saving enough to buy her own freedom. She has gradually developed into a skillful dressmaker in Washington, D.C. and earns enough clientele of the well to do that she immediately comes to the attention of Mrs. Lincoln, an enigmatic personality who nonetheless comes to cherish Elizabeth as a dear friend.

**7:00 P.M. BOOK GROUP**

at Jo Turner's House

*The Watchmaker of Filigree Street* is a sweeping, atmospheric narrative that takes the reader on an unexpected journey through Victorian London, Japan as its civil war crumbles long-standing traditions, and beyond. Blending historical events with dazzling flights of fancy, it opens doors to a strange and magical past.



**BIRTHDAYS**

Look on the calendar on page 2 to find all six of our Birthday gals. Each month you will find them on the calendar in red. Be sure and wish them a Happy Birthday.

**GREAT DECISIONS**

Great Decisions will again meet on the third Tuesdays of every month. This month it's on September 27th at 7:00 PM and always at Jo Turner's. This month the topic will be "**Brazil's Metamorphosis**," and it's only 2 pages long. I have an extra copy. Do come join us.

**VALUE PROMISE**

By joining AAUW, we belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

## **Elizabeth Nash's Report on the AAUW National Convention - June 18-20, 2015**

**By Elizabeth Nash -- President, AAUW Palm Springs Branch**

My attendance and participation at the 2015 AAUW National Convention in San Diego with 1,000 members was an outstanding experience! The theme of the Convention was "Catch the Wave." This first day was filled with "Job Alike" workshops and meetings for AAUW members and leaders. We learned that California is the leading state in making donations to various AAUW Funds.

Our Grand-Opening Speaker was Attorney Catherine Lhamon, U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Civil Rights. She provided us with shocking statistics about the number of Title IX (verified) complaints that her office investigates and prosecutes in the areas of race, disabilities and sex discrimination. AAUW members nationwide are asked to deliver new resources to the Title IX coordinators at their local schools, and to begin this vital step as soon as possible. We received the "Ten Facts About Title IX." Details of how best to deliver these resources are in an article available on AAUW's website: [www.aauw.org/resource/TitleIXDelivery](http://www.aauw.org/resource/TitleIXDelivery)

I received some excellent information from the Workshops on "Program, Passion, People, the prescription for recruitment success," "Retention of new members," and "Fearless Fundraising." (This information will be discussed and included in our Strategic Plan, where appropriate.)

Our National President, Patricia Fae Ho, provided us with an update on the status of AAUW. She stated that the AAUW budget is \$21 million. (\$11 million comes from membership dues and endowment spending, and \$10 million comes from donations from members.) There was great emphasis on the new AAUW "Charting the Course" Fundraising program designed to raise \$1 million dollars in unrestricted funds. This money will be used to ensure that AAUW is well prepared to meet the issues facing women and girls today, and in the future.

Leadership Development- The Future of AAUW: Start Smart for college women, and Work Smart, for any woman, will have updated programs that will be re-launched in the Fall of 2015. AAUW will provide 2,500 workshops across the country, and will be training 100,000 women to negotiate their salaries.

It was very enlightening to hear from successful women who are working in the STEM area of Engineering. They encouraged other young women to select employment in the STEM areas and to look forward to having rewarding careers.

Our Panelists on Saturday morning were experts in "What Does It Take To Make a Woman Leader." Members of this very informative panel were: Noorjahan Akbar from Afghanistan, Lilly Ledbetter, Don McPherson and Kate Farrer, moderated by Marianne Schnall. Some of their key points were: "Women are afraid to reach for the top positions," "Men get very selfish and learn that it is ok to be wrong, and gain knowledge. They believe being wrong is how you grow," "Women must learn to support and mentor each other. The attitude of I win, you lose, is bad for women."

Lilly Ledbetter's advice was to look up your legal rights at the job. Be responsible for knowing the laws. After other excellent comments, she closed by saying: "Women, never give up. Place your shoulders back, put your lipstick on, and FIGHT!"

During our AAUW Annual meeting luncheon, we were provided with information from our President about the Voting Results: 4 out of 5 important proposed Bylaws passed. The controversial issue of eliminating the college degree requirement for membership in AAUW was defeated by 55 % of the voting members. The announcement that President Patricia Fae Ho was re-elected for another term was welcomed news.

Our final event, the 2015 AAUW National Convention Banquet, featured outstanding awardees and speakers. The Eleanor Roosevelt Fund Awardee and guest speaker was Juanita Johnson-Bailey, Director, Institute for Women's Studies, University of Georgia.

I came away from the Convention renewed, excited, better educated, and more enthusiastic than ever about the wonderful work being done by AAUW for Women and Girls throughout the United States.

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## END THE PAY GAP IN FIFA

It is no secret that there is a gender pay gap in the workplace—but Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-VT) wants the world to know that there is also a gender pay gap on the soccer field. Sen. Leahy introduced a resolution (S.Res.222) that would demand the board of the international soccer organization, FIFA, to implement pay equity. Currently, women’s World Cup champions earn significantly less than men’s championship teams.

The 2014 USA men’s team earned \$8 million after being eliminated in the second round and the women’s team earned \$2 million after winning the 2015 World Cup. That’s right—the men’s team received quadruple the earnings of the women’s championship team for a second round loss.

It was a proud moment for the United States as our women’s team won its first World Cup in over 15 years. **Urge your senator to demand pay equity in FIFA by cosponsoring Senator Leahy’s resolution.** By passing this resolution, the Senate will be on record as sending a strong message to FIFA that it must change its policy.

Other sports tournaments such as Wimbledon have recently implemented pay equity policies—FIFA can change its policy if your voice is heard. Tell your senator to cosponsor Sen. Leahy’s resolution!

Tell your senator to cosponsor Sen. Leahy’s resolution! Click [HERE](#).