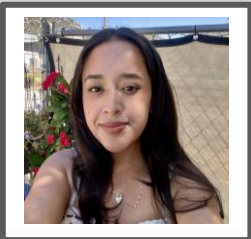


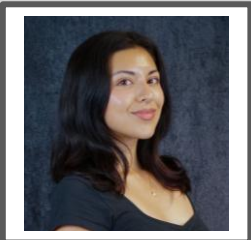
**AAUW COV November Branch Meeting**  
**Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 am**  
**Harding Center, Carlsbad**  
**Meet the 2025 Scholarship Recipients**  
**IT'S GAME DAY!!!!**



**Naomi Shetula** attends MiraCosta College and is earning an Associate's degree in Liberal Arts with a concentration in the Humanities. After earning an Associate's at MiraCosta, she plans to transfer to an in-state institution and major in Speech Language Pathology or Communicative Disorders. She plans to apply to Master's programs around the nation after her Bachelor's. She eventually wants to work in school districts as a speech therapist where she can advocate for children with developmental disorders. She also remains involved with the Black community.



**Maria Martinez** has had the opportunity to study in Mexico and the United States, which has allowed her academic journey to become multicultural. She understands how incredible it is to be able to speak more than one language. Her goal is to help others acquire this linguistic skill. She is about to complete her BA in Spanish and then begin a credential program to become a Spanish and ELD teacher at the high school level. She hopes to help as many students as possible become bilingual.



**Monica White** is a student at California State University San Marcos, majoring in Speech-Language Pathology with a minor in Psychology. Psychology gives her an added perspective on how people think and learn, which strengthens her path in speech-language pathology. Her goal is to pursue graduate school in SLP and use this background to support individuals in reaching their communication goals.



**Ariel Sanchez** began her studies in the Joint Doctoral Program in Audiology at San Diego State University and UC San Diego. Over the next four years, she will complete coursework, clinical rotations, and research as she works toward her Doctor of Audiology. Her interests include pediatric audiology and multiculturalism in hearing healthcare. She hopes to one day open a private practice in the San Diego area to serve these communities.

## Co-Presidents' Message



Faye has done it again presenting an informative meeting on Tech Trek with the summer 2025 campers rotating at our tables.

It was an amazing group of young ladies (middle schoolers) who validated for us the reason why we are invested in the program; its paying forward with a new generation of women leaders in the science field. For those who were unable to attend, please consider donating for the 2026 Tech Trek camp; we are fortunate to have a donor who will match up to \$5,000.00 so we can send a number of girls to camp.

This leads us into our program for November and the presentations from our 2025 scholarship winners. An added excitement to the day is the fund raising "Game Day" and brunch buffet. Please note that page 7 is our Game Day registration form - send it with your check to Dennis Capps. The day will be one of hearing the stories of our Scholarship winners, as well as enjoying good food and playing to win during the early afternoon.

A final reminder to Vote Nov 4<sup>th</sup> or prior mail-in ballot. Prop 50 supports our public policy positions and is the only issue on the ballot.

We hope to see a great turnout for Game Day and meeting our Scholarship winners!

*Belle & Seena*

### AAUW MISSION STATEMENT:

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

**AAUW DIVERSITY STATEMENT:** 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.

### CARLSBAD-OCEANSIDE-VISTA BRANCH

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National Website: [aauw.org](http://aauw.org)



# Interest Groups

## NOVEMBER



**CRUNCH BUNCH** – Will meet Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am at the home of Edith Richman. It is a Vegan Cooking Class. Notify Edith Richman if you have questions: 760-855-1660 or email [edithrichman2@gmail.com](mailto:edithrichman2@gmail.com).

**EXPLORING CALIFORNIA** – Will meet Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am at the home of Edith Richman. Any questions: Contact Debby Parks at [bridgebud2@yahoo.com](mailto:bridgebud2@yahoo.com) or 760-505-0384.

**LUNCH BUNCH** – Will meet Friday November 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 am. Location: La Papagayo, 660 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. For Information: Ellie Burton 760-518-8825 or Janet Bryant 760-434-2116

**MOSTLY BOOKS** – Dark in November. Will meet Tuesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 pm at Belle Bohn's. We will discuss *The God of the Woods* by Liz Moore, a psychological thriller about a teenager vanishing from her summer camp, which causes two time periods to collide. New members and guests are always welcome. Please contact Leslie Clark at [fltc6585@gmail.com](mailto:fltc6585@gmail.com)

**MYSTERY BOOKS** - Will meet Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1:00 pm at MaryJean Giotta's home. *The It Girl* by Ruth Ware is our mystery for the month. For information, contact Sing Baker, 760-644-4732, [singb@roadrunner.com](mailto:singb@roadrunner.com)

**WEDNESDAY WALKERS** – Will meet Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at Agua Hedionda, Harbor Drive Trail, cul-de-sac off Chinquapin Ave. Carlsbad. Any questions: Belle Johnson Bohn - [bjbohn1@mac.com](mailto:bjbohn1@mac.com).

*QUOTE OF THE MONTH: We could learn a lot from crayons... Some are sharp, some are pretty and some are dull. Some have weird names, and all are different colors, but they all have to live in the same box.*

**BOARD ZOOM MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS.  
NOTIFY BELLE BOHN IF YOU WANT THE ZOOM LINK.**

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:  
MONDAY NOVEMBER 10TH AT 8:30**

# MEMBERSHIP CORNER

**Happy  
Birthday!!**

Esther Rodriguez – 8<sup>th</sup>  
Christine Dicken – 10<sup>th</sup>  
Denise Truett – 11<sup>th</sup>  
Cynthia Guguere – 21<sup>st</sup>

NOVEMBER



## MEMBERSHIP MATTERS ...

### Meet our Newest Members



Elise Jackson



Suzi Westmoreland

kindness  
**ALWAYS**  
matters

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## FUND

*Under the umbrella of the FUND is the ACTION FUND! This fund advances equity for women and girls through member activism and voter mobilization.*

*Politicians and policy makers routinely make decisions about issues that directly affect women and families, including our paychecks, access to reproductive health care, and education funding. But more often than not, these conversations lack women's voices. To create real change, women must be part of the conversation, and the most powerful place for us to chime in is at the polls.*

*With so much at stake each time Americans head to the ballot box, it's more important than ever to identify those candidates who would best represent our values and those who would roll back our rights. The AAUW Action Fund produces nonpartisan voter education materials each election cycle to provide all women voters with the information they need to cast their ballots.*

*Voter Guides: For pressing races across the country, the AAUW Action Fund provides nonpartisan information about candidate's positions on issues like equal pay, education, campaign finance, and reproductive rights.*

*Training Webinars: Our series of training webinars include topics such as AAUW Priorities in the 2025 Election, Leveraging Traditional and Social Media for Voter Education; and voter registration training. For more information notify Sally Cummins, Co-VP Fund.*

## ***UPCOMING EVENTS.....***

NOVEMBER 15	SCHOLARSHIP Game Day and Salad Lunch <b>REGISTRATION FORM ON PAGE 7</b>	\$40
DECEMBER 5	FRIDAY-HOLIDAY LUNCHEON Shadowridge Golf Club <b>REGISTRATION FORM ON PAGE 8</b>	\$50
JANUARY 24	INTER-BRANCH COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON Lomas Santa Fe Country Club	\$50
FEBRUARY 21	ALL ABOUT FRAUD-most recent Sr. scams	Lunch Bunch
MARCH 21	JOINT MEETING- DML @ HC COV Host-Suffragists of California	\$25 Exploring CA Gourmet Breakfast
APRIL 11	AAUW FUND SPEAKER: TBA AAUW-COV Annual Meeting	Mystery Books
APRIL 18	ZOOM CA AAUW MEETING	N/A
MAY 16	THE ARTS AND ARTISTS	Mostly Books
JUNE 13	INSTALLATION LUNCHEON	\$ TBA

***Photos of our events & happenings  
are all posted on our Facebook  
account. "AAUW-COV"***



# ***PUBLIC POLICY***

## **ANALYSIS OF MEASURE 50**

**U.S. Congress.** The U.S. Congress is the part of the federal government that makes laws. Congress has two parts: the U.S. Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives (House). Each of the 50 states is represented by 2 senators, with 100 senators in total. The House has 435 members. The number of representatives in the House for each state depends on how many people live in that state. Each member in the House represents an area of the state called a congressional district. California currently has 52 congressional districts. Voters who live in each congressional district elect one member of the House every two years to represent them. The next election for all 435 representatives will be in 2026.

**U.S. Census Counts States' Populations Every Ten Years.** The number of people living in an area goes up and down over time. Every ten years, the U.S. Census counts the number of people who live in the U.S. The last census was in 2020, and the next census is in 2030.

**Each State Draws Congressional District Maps Following the U.S. Census.** Every ten years, after the U.S. Census is completed, states draw new congressional district maps to reflect their number of House representatives and where people live. This process is called "redistricting." Each state decides what process to use to draw its new district maps. When drawing new maps, each state must follow federal laws.

**States Typically Do Not Redistrict Sooner Than Every Ten Years.** States typically only draw congressional district maps every ten years, unless a court orders changes to comply with the law. In August 2025, however, the Texas Legislature passed a bill to adopt new maps for the 2026 elections without a court order.

**Congressional Redistricting in California.** State legislatures draw congressional district maps in most states, but some states use commissions to do this job. Before 2010, the California Legislature drew the state's congressional district maps. In 2010, California voters gave this job to an independent commission known as the California Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission). The Commission includes 14 members: 5 Democratic members, 5 Republican members, and 4 members who are not registered with either of those political parties. When the Commission draws new congressional district maps, it must follow federal and state laws. For example, state law requires, among other things, the Commission to avoid splitting up neighborhoods or local communities of interest to the extent possible. State law also prohibits the Commission from considering political parties, current office holders, or people running for office when it draws the maps.

**California's Congressional District Maps Use Legislatively Drawn Congressional District Maps Until After the Next Census.**

**Proposition 50 replaces California's current congressional district maps with new, legislatively drawn maps. (The total number of districts would not change.) Proposition 50's maps must follow federal law, but they are not required to follow the state requirements placed on the Commission. The state would use Proposition 50's maps for congressional elections starting in 2026. The state would use these maps until the Commission draws new district maps, following the 2030 U.S. Census.**

# Scholarship Game Day Brunch

Saturday, November 15 Harding Center

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

\$40.00



Game Day is back!! Come and hear our 2025 scholarship winners speak, have a tasty brunch, and play your favorite games!

The \$40 charge will go entirely to our 2026 scholarships. This is our only fundraiser for scholarships this year. We want to be able to continue to support our local women scholars with as many \$2,000 scholarships as possible. So please remember: There is no maximum!

Using the tear-off section below, please indicate the game you want to play and your donation level. Send your check made out to AAUW-COV to:

Faye Capps 7111 El Fuerte St. Carlsbad, CA 92009

Attn: Game Day

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Name \_\_\_\_\_


Donation level:

\_\_\_\_ \$40  
\_\_\_\_ \$60  
\_\_\_\_ \$80  
\_\_\_\_ \$100  
\_\_\_\_ \$100+

Game choice:

\_\_\_\_ Bridge  
\_\_\_\_ MahJong  
\_\_\_\_ Scrabble  
\_\_\_\_ Uno  
\_\_\_\_ Yahtzee





## AAUW Annual Holiday Luncheon

Come and Celebrate the Season Together

**Friday, Dec. 5, 2025 10:30 am – 2:00 pm.**

**Shadowridge Golf Club – The Ridge Room**

**1980 Gateway Drive, Vista 92081**

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**COST: \$50. Deadline: Friday, November 28, 2025.**

**This deadline date is firm. No exceptions.**

***Make check payable to: AAUW-COV***

**Mail to: Dennis Capps**

**7111 El Fuerte Street , Carlsbad 92009**

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### **Reservations & Entrée Choice:**

**Name: (print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Select One Entrée:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Herb Roasted Chicken**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Pan Seared Salmon**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Wild Mushroom Croquettes (vegan)**

- **Organic Mixed Greens**
  - **Dessert: Brownies & Cookies**
  - **Non-alcoholic Beverages Included**
  - **Alcoholic Beverages available for purchase**
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## ***NOVEMBER 2025***

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Mystery Books 1:00 pm @ MJ Giotta's	4	5 Wednesday Walkers 10:00 am @ Agua Hedionda	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 Lunch Bunch 11:45 am @ La Papagayo	15 Branch Meeting 9:00 am @ Harding Center
16	17 Exploring California 9:30 am @ Edith Richman's	18	19 Crunch Brunch 9:30 am @ Edith Richman's	20	21	22
23/30	24	25 Mostly Books 1:00 pm @ Belle's	26	27	28	29