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# CALIFORNIA *Perspective*

## ADVOCACY: WHY? WHEN? HOW?

Sue Miller, Co-Chair  
Public Policy Committee

**Why?** It is easy to be cynical about politics, especially in this time of extreme partisanship at both national and state levels. Conservatives in Congress repeatedly vote against women having control over their reproductive rights, and presidential candidates make similar promises. The Affordable Care Act (ACA) continues to be under fire. In California we see programs that serve low income residents, many of whom are women and children, underfunded. However, we need to remember that many significant, positive societal changes in the last 60 years came about because of strong advocacy efforts on the part of many individuals and groups, including AAUW: Medicare; major environmental protections; women gaining rights over their bodies, including the right to a legal abortion; women outnumbering men in college; a woman presidential candidate, to name just a few. Real progress is still possible, with patience and hard work. We, as intelligent, educated women working together, can help make progress on today's pressing issues and prevent society from slipping backward. You can help make a difference!

**Why Now In California?** AAUW CA is part of The Stronger California Advocates Network, a collaboration of advocates working on legislation to advance the economic security of women in California. Over a dozen bills are moving through the legislature that will help meet basic needs and provide better income support, achieve fair pay and working conditions, support workforce development, encourage asset building, and ensure work- family flexibility and access to quality child care. AAUW CA members can support the passage of these bills and urge Governor Brown to sign them. Sign up for AAUW Action Alerts and respond!

**Why Now Nationally?** One of the most important elections in our lifetime is coming up in 2016, when a new President, new Senator from California, and members of Congress will be elected. Where do the

candidates stand on issues important to women, such as assuring the right to make decisions about their bodies, retaining the Affordable Care Act, supporting a strong system of high quality public education? AAUW CA branches soon need to consider how they can help register and educate voters, and get out the vote.

**How to be an Advocate?** Whether ACA, Equal Pay, Immigration, Education Funding or other issues are of concern to you, **become informed**. AAUW offers resources at both the national website, [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org) and the state site, [www.aauw-ca.org/publicpolicy](http://www.aauw-ca.org/publicpolicy) where you can get information and **take action**. As legislation moves forward, use Action Alerts to let your elected representatives know your position. Sign up for Action Alerts on the national website to be notified when action is needed. This will also enroll you for AAUW CA Action Alerts. **Get to know your legislators**. Members of Congress and state legislators are in their home offices often in the last 3 months of the year – visit them, taking a copy of the AAUW CA Public Policy Priorities which you can print from the state website. Remind them that you are an informed voter! Remember: You have no chance to help bring about change if you assume you have no chance! Be part of AAUW California's collective voice demanding equality for women!

## CONVENTION VOLUNTEER = REDUCED REGISTRATION RATE

Cathy Foxhoven, Local Arrangements Chair  
AAUW CA Convention Committee

It is a simple equation! Spend some fun time with like-minded individuals in assuring a smooth, organized event, and get a reduced registration rate.

Even if you are not mathematically-inclined, volunteering will be easy. "Volunteer Spot" will be available through the [aauw-ca.org](http://aauw-ca.org) website soon to choose your times. There will be a meeting in November to answer your questions and get your suggestions.

**We need you to help make Convention 2016 the Best!**

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## LOOKING FORWARD

Kathleen Doty, President

Ah, the end of summer and, in spite of the heat and drought, I begin to think of fall and the start of the AAUW program year. I know the AAUW CA branches are putting the finishing touches on their programs for the year ahead; mission based programs full of opportunity for putting the mission into action. I look forward to learning about all that is going on in the many branch newsletters I receive each month. And I hope you will invite me to attend some of your programs so I can see firsthand the wonderful things going on in AAUW in California.



AAUW CA is providing opportunities for our members to put the mission into action as well. As I write this, I am looking forward to attending the L.A. Sparks WNBA game on September 6<sup>th</sup> – a wonderful opportunity to show our support for Title IX. Did you know that Title IX requires that every school have at least one employee who is responsible for coordinating compliance with the law at that school? This person is the Title IX coordinator. Have the schools in your community identified their Title IX coordinators? Do you know who they are? Take some time to download and share the newest Title IX resources. Remind your local schools that Title IX is more than just athletics. The resources can be found at:

[www.aauw.org/resource/TitleIXDelivery](http://www.aauw.org/resource/TitleIXDelivery)

In addition to the Title IX opportunities, the 2015 Southern and Northern California AAUW Fund Luncheons have been scheduled. The Southern California luncheon will be held at the Irvine Marriott on October 18<sup>th</sup> and the Northern California luncheon will be held at the Crow Canyon Country Club on October 25<sup>th</sup>. These are great opportunities to see our philanthropy at work. California always has a large number of AAUW Fund recipients and it is a treat to see how our donations are helping to change their lives.

Another opportunity for those who would like to encourage younger women and men to join AAUW is the Younger Women's Task Force (YWTF). AAUW CA will be working on expanding this program from the one new chapter formed in June in Los Angeles to, we hope, five chapters in California. Learn more about YWTF at [aauw.org](http://aauw.org) and contact Charmen Goehring if you want to be part of this expansion.

Gender equity is still an issue and, every day we in AAUW make strides toward eliminating that inequity because we belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women and girls have a fair chance.

# YOUR MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Kathy Andreini and Ginny Hatfield, Co-Chairs  
Membership Committee

Introducing your Membership Team for 2015-16: Kathy Andreini and Ginny Hatfield, Co-Chairs; Carol Anderson, Sallyann Berendsen, Claire McDonald, Kay Odgers, Ronda Sanders, Jo Turner, Tina Byrne (College/University Partners Representative), Peggy Jaffe (C/U Team), Dale Satake (C/U Team), and Carol Patrick, Diversity Representative.

Last Spring we told you about the top 10 ways AAUW CA branches brought in new members. Numbers 10, 5 and 1 are particularly relevant right now:

**10** Scheduling a special meeting in the Summer or Fall, to which members invite prospective members and which highlights AAUW programs and activities.

**5** Taking advantage of the Shape the Future Campaign.

**1** Members inviting friends and acquaintances to join AAUW! The Membership Team would like to challenge you all to bring at least one prospective new member to your next Branch meeting. If that person joins at a meeting that is open to the public, the Shape the Future Campaign applies, and they enjoy a 50% discount on their national dues and your branch receives one free National membership for each two new members joining under STF Campaign – it's a Win, Win!

In thinking about a prospective member, consider the AAUW goal of increasing diversity in our ranks. We encourage all AAUW members to explore the possibilities of working with, recruiting, and seeking out people outside of their comfort zone. Diversity means difference in gender, age, sexual preference, race, economic status, education level and physical challenges.

In the coming year, the Membership Team will be sharing ideas with branches on ways that active branches are involving and retaining new members and increasing the diversity of their branches. If you have a great idea to share please let us know!

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## Remember YOU ARE ON THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE!

Yes, you, the branch member who is reading this article. You can recruit new members and help your branch thrive! Here are some easy ways you can help:

- Always carry a membership brochure with you. You never know when you may be talking with a prospective member.
- Ask what the person is looking for in an organization. Show how AAUW can fill that need.
- Tell her/him why you joined.
- At meetings, introduce yourself to those you don't know. Make them feel welcome.

## FINANCIAL LITERACY

Jan Cook, Financial Literacy Representative  
Program Committee

Financial literacy in today's world is almost as important as learning to read and write. A goal we all share is that of financial responsibility and success. Most people are not prepared to manage their money, yet all people handle money.

Check out these two sites I discovered:

**bizkids.com** - KOCE has a program for teens on Saturday morning at 8:30 PT called "Biz Kid\$". Biz Kid\$ is the place where kids teach kids about money. I watched the program focused on buying a car. Below are the steps to follow. They can be useful for anyone buying any product. Remember BROWN.

- B Budget
- R Research
- O Own your decision
- W Walk away
- N Negotiate

Be proud of your decision because you followed all the steps and you own your decision.

**Centsables.com** - FBN Fox Business News has a program on Saturday morning for younger kids called "Centsables". Look! On the air! Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No - it's The Centsables, TV's newest superfriends. Bank employees by day and superheroes by choice, the Centsables are on a mission: to embark on exciting adventures that save the day for the citizens of Centsinnati, and ensure a better future for your kids...

There is so much financial literacy information on the web. These two sites have lesson plans, videos and so much more. Search "Financial Literacy" on your computer and you will be amazed at the information that you will find.

And now I have a wonderful opportunity for you: I would like to invite you to be a member of the Financial Literacy Committee. Let me know. We need to market these programs and I need assistance. You can reach me at [jcrumble@aol.com](mailto:jcrumble@aol.com), home phone 760-247-1750, or cell phone 760-985-2850.



## MISSING!

We have lost track of our AAUW California tablecloth. If you know where it is, please contact us at [statepresident@aauw-ca.org](mailto:statepresident@aauw-ca.org).

## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Susan Negrete & Sandi Gabe, Co-Chairs  
Leadership Development Committee

In spring, 2015 Leadership Development created and delivered seven new leadership skills workshops that provided training for 64 branches and 157 members at venues in Hayward and Manhattan Beach, California. These spring events were focused on bringing leader skills and best practices to both seasoned and new leaders. These useful workshops and materials are now posted on AAUW CA website.

The incoming Leadership Development Committee will continue the work to provide topical training that will invigorate and inspire AAUW CA leaders. Before year-end, branches will receive a short survey that will give them the opportunity to engage with the Committee and have a voice in future workshop subjects. Based on this feedback, new workshops will be delivered at the AAUW CA Convention in San Mateo and previewed at two venues in southern California.

In addition, the popular Leader on Loan (LOL) continues to serve the branches by recommending and providing speakers and resources that bring in-branch programs, training and leadership support. These services can be requested by contacting Sandi at [leaderonloan@aauw-ca.org](mailto:leaderonloan@aauw-ca.org).



## AAUW CA BOARD OF DIRECTORS



(left to right) Jim Doty (President's Assistant, Perspective Editor); Susan Negrete (Director, Leadership Development Chair); Kathy Andreini (Director, Membership Chair); Charmen Goehring (Director, Younger Women's Task Force Chair); Pat Ferrer (Chief Financial Officer, Finance Chair); Donna Mertens (President Elect, Development and Marketing Chair); Kathleen Doty (President); Jane Niemeier (Director, State Projects Oversight Chair); Sharon Westafer (Director, AAUW Fund Chair); Virginia Beck (Director, Branch Support Chair); Lynne Batchelor (Director, Program Development Chair); Nancy Mahr (Director, Public Policy Chair); and Deanna Arthur (Secretary, Communications Chair).

## CommComm Faces a Challenging Year

**Deanna Arthur, Chair  
Communications Committee**

The huge dot-coms make it look easy, but keeping over 12,000 members, 1,000 branch officers, 137 branches, 19 interbranch councils, and 14 state committees suitably informed and sharing information through multiple media is anything but easy. The Communications Committee is anticipating another challenging AAUW-CA year.

Our first priority is to support branches, board, and committees by responding to all requests within 24 hours. We are faced with email issues on a daily basis. While we work to resolve systemic issues, you can help resolve the problems by doing two things. First, verify that the AAUW Member Services Database lists your

correct email address: log into the National website <https://www.aauw.org/login/> and select "my profile" (in a menu that drops down from the arrow next to your name). Second, let your email provider know that mail from [aauw-ca.org](mailto:aauw-ca.org) is not spam.

We will be cleaning out the website of older information, trying to make the website easier to navigate and keeping the information up to date.

We will be invigorating the blog and the photo file.

Finally, we are refreshing our technical guides and training materials.

Please continue to share your communication ideas and concerns with the communications team. Our committee has more than doubled in membership, but we can always use more help. Please fill out a vita if you want to help ([aauw-ca.org](https://www.aauw-ca.org) > AAUW CA Business > Board > Application Form (Vita Form) for State Appointments).



In the photo, Ryan Burwinkel, Jane Niemeier, Donna Lilly, Cathy Burciaga.

## AAUW NATIONAL CONVENTION 2015 GREAT SUCCESS

Jane Niemeier  
Local Host Committee

The local host committee, consisting of AAUW members Donna Lilly, Cathy Burciaga, Eunice Christensen, and Jane Niemeier was happy to host the AAUW National Convention in San Diego in June of 2015. The results of two years of planning and working with the national office paid off with dividends! Hats off to the national staff Ryan Burwinkel, Deepti Gudipati, Matt Eddy, President Patricia Ho and CEO Linda Hallman who found the speakers and organized the workshops and other activities.

In 2015, there were 1004 attendees as compared to 732 in New Orleans in 2013. There were 20 speakers, 46 breakouts and 21 roundtables (9 speakers, 55 breakouts, no roundtables in 2013). Members in 2015, gave \$14,600 to the AAUW Fund and volunteered for 655 hours. The staff in Washington, DC is tabulating the evaluations, but the first comments that they have seen have all been positive.

AAUW CA was well represented with over 300 attending including our President, Kathleen Doty, and most of the AAUW CA directors. Some of our members also presented workshops and roundtables.

There were many wonderful moments, but one of them was when former Tech Trekker, Rae'Bel Neary, presented a bouquet of flowers to Tech Trek Founder, Marie Wolbach at the "Women and Girls in STEM" session. One of the most inspiring speakers was Juanita Johnson-Bailey, the 2015 Eleanor Roosevelt Fund Awardee. She spoke of the obstacles she has overcome first of all as a woman and second of all as a woman of color. She has worked to convince young women that "Gender is still as issue."

If you go to the national website, you will be able to download the workshop and presentation information to use in your branches. I hope that you plan on attending a national convention in the future, perhaps Washington, DC in 2017!

## PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Lynne Batchelor, Chair  
Programs Committee

Greetings from your program committee whose members are: Indrani Chattergee (International), Helene Carr, Jan Cook (Financial Literacy), Cathy Foxhoven (Speech Trek), Alicia Hetman (Title IX), Bakula Manier, Claire Noonan and Lynne Batchelor (Chair).

The committee continues to help you deliver mission-based programming through Program in a Box, a revised program assessment guide, and information and links to various program opportunities, ideas, and events. Because a **strong mission based program emphasis is the key to making a difference in the lives of women and girls and to recruiting and retaining members**, we will continue to recognize your outstanding mission based programs on a monthly basis and at convention. In addition we will be planning the program part of the 2016 convention.

We need your help to ensure that this convention is exemplary by providing the very best in speakers, panels, plenaries and workshops. If you have suggestions for topics, workshops, programming ideas or speaker contact information, please send this information to any member of our committee. In January your program committee will launch a new state wide emphasis for programming; look for the details in the winter *California Perspective*.





## YWTF COMES TO CALIFORNIA

**Charmen Goehring, Chair  
Young Women's Task Force Committee**

We are excited to announce the formation of the Los Angeles Chapter of the Younger Women's Task Force (YWTF). YWTF, a movement begun in 2004 by and for younger women to fight for social justice, became an affiliate of AAUW in 2013.

"YWTF – powered by AAUW" is an opportunity for us to reach that demographic that often alludes our branches: the under-40 professional woman.

YWTF chapters are each unique to their area and members' interests. They might collaborate on events with other organizations in their community. They may have monthly meet ups with other young professionals. They might staff a community event. The underlying goal is to give younger women an avenue to be activists on issues of importance to them. Networking with like-minded individuals is a key benefit. The issues they work on and care about fall under the AAUW mission.

What YWTF is NOT is a way to drain younger members from our branches. They are not going to

replace our AAUW branches. YWTF chapters will provide a path for new branch members by bridging the gap between college and university student affiliates and AAUW branches. Three separate AAUW entities working towards the same end, working and learning together, and keeping our mission at the forefront of all that we do.



YWTF Los Angeles Chapter co-presidents  
Christine Morrice and Stacey Fonseca

AAUW CA has created a statewide committee to develop YWTF in California. If you are interested in working on this committee, starting a YWTF chapter in your area, or just want more information, please contact Charmen Goehring at [cgoehring@aauw-ca.org](mailto:cgoehring@aauw-ca.org) or 207-756-0406.

**YWTF chapters will provide a path for new branch members by bridging the gap between college and university student affiliates and AAUW branches.**

## BACK TO COLLEGE!

Dale Satake, C/U Partners Team Member  
Membership Committee

It's that time of year! Colleges and universities are alive with activity. An ideal time to make an appearance at your local college/university partners. Remember that the e-affiliate members can be a good base for starting a student chapter on your college/university partner's campus.

A great opportunity for refreshing the AAUW image is to have a booth at your college/university partner's orientation day. Most orientation day events highlight the local clubs and services that are available.

Last year, AAUW Marin had a booth at Dominican University and signed up 31 e-affiliate members for national membership. Remember that every undergraduate student at your college/university partner is eligible for a free e-affiliate national membership, but he or she must sign-up. AAUW Marin recommends that you have a sign-up sheet and have the students sign up on the spot with the appropriate information rather than having them sign up online themselves. Tell the students you will register them with the national organization so they will get their e-mailed newsletter and information on other benefits.

AAUW Marin added a sticker (using an address label as the base) on the front of the "AAUW Student Membership" brochure, saying "Dominican is an AAUW College/University Partner. This entitles you to FREE E-AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP. See details inside on signing up." This is necessary since this brochure is used for both college/university partners as well for non-partners. They also added an insert with the "6 REASONS TO JOIN."

If you do not have a college/ university partner, the "AAUW Student Membership" brochure can be used for non-partner colleges and universities also. However, national membership for undergraduate students at non-partner colleges and universities is \$17 per year. For graduate students, it is \$18.81 per year.

C/U Chairs – SAVE THE DATE – Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM PST- Webinar "Orientation for C/U Chairs." It is free. Sign up on the national website. Go to "Issues" then "Campus." While you are on the website, take a look at the schedule for three other C/U

related Webinars in September. "Student Organization 101 - How to Bring an AAUW Student Organization to Your Campus" Webinar is on Tuesday, September 8 from 3:30-4:30 PM PST.

Another activity for this time of year is visiting your local college/university partner representative with the latest brochures and articles from AAUW. Check out the national website for the available materials. Give the representative a portfolio with separate sections on student loans, sexual harassment, safe campuses, Title IX, gender pay issues, women in STEM, etc. This helps the college/university representative buy into the mission of AAUW and gives her or him supporting materials to use on campus.

Happy Recruiting from the C/U Partners Team:  
Tina Byrne, Chair ([tina.byrne@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tina.byrne@sbcglobal.net)),  
Dale Satake ([dsatake@comcast.net](mailto:dsatake@comcast.net)) and Peggy Jaffe ([peggyjaffe@cox.net](mailto:peggyjaffe@cox.net)).

## INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY

Indrani Chatterjee  
International Advocacy Representative  
Program Committee

In April 2015, UN Women launched its flagship report "Progress of the World's Women 2015-2016: Transforming Economies, Realizing Rights" (available at [http://progress.unwomen.org/en/2015/pdf/UNW\\_progressreport.pdf](http://progress.unwomen.org/en/2015/pdf/UNW_progressreport.pdf)).

Globally only half of women participate in the labor force compared to three quarters of men. Women's earnings averaged **24% less than men**. South Asia has the world's most skewed gender wage gap. Millions of women are still consigned to work in low paid, poor quality jobs, denied even basic levels of health care, without access to clean water and decent sanitation.

### International Days to Remember:

September	8	International Literacy Day
September	21	International Day of Peace
October	5	World Teachers' Day
November	25	International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women
December	10	Human Rights Day



# A CALL FOR CANDIDATES

Jean Simutis, Chair  
Nominations and Elections Committee

The next election for positions on the AAUW CA Board of Directors will be held following the annual meeting at the biennial convention in April 2016. The voting period will be April 16 to May 6, 2016.

We seek candidates for AAUW CA secretary and six director positions. The job descriptions for these positions can be found in Article VI and VII of the AAUW CA bylaws, available on our website [www.aauw-ca.org](http://www.aauw-ca.org) in the Forms & Documents section under Governance. You must be an AAUW CA member in good standing to qualify as a candidate.

You must submit the following nomination documents electronically, attached to an email message sent to [nominating@aauw-ca.org](mailto:nominating@aauw-ca.org).

1. **Candidate Information Form.** Use the form available on the AAUW CA website, [www.aauw-ca.org](http://www.aauw-ca.org), in the Elections section. Save the form on your computer, complete it, and attach it to your email message. Include information about your AAUW experience, employment, and skills.
2. **Statement of Goals.** Submit a statement of goals not to exceed 75 words. It will be posted on the state website, and published with your photo in the winter issue of *California Perspective*.
3. **Photo.** Your photo should be in color but black & white is acceptable. The *California Perspective* is published in two versions: on-line full color and mailed black & white). It should be no smaller than 2" x 2" and no larger than 8" x 10" to include full head and top of shoulders. It will be printed no larger than 2" square, so your head should be centered in the frame and occupying half to two-thirds of the frame. Avoid shadows on the face and distracting backgrounds. Digital graphics files (jpg, tif, etc.) are preferred. Please send the photo as a separate attachment to your email message.
4. **Acknowledgement of Campaign Rules.** Use the form available on the AAUW CA website in the Elections section (also in the AAUW CA Policies &

Procedures). Save the form on your computer, complete it, and attach it to your email message.

5. **Video Speech.** While not required, each candidate is encouraged to create a 2-minute video campaign speech. Post your video on YouTube, copy and send the embedding code to [nominating@aauw-ca.org](mailto:nominating@aauw-ca.org). Videos will be posted on our website in the Elections section and will also be linked to the online ballot.

The deadline for submitting nomination documents is 5:00 PM, December 8, 2015. Questions? Email the AAUW CA Nominations/Elections Chair, [nominating@aauw-ca.org](mailto:nominating@aauw-ca.org).

ADVANCING EQUITY FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS  
THROUGH ADVOCACY, EDUCATION,  
PHILANTHROPY, AND RESEARCH

## APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED AAUW-CA SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Amy Harbin, Vice President  
AAUW CA Special Projects Fund  
Chair, SPF Board Nominating Committee

Are you interesting in learning about the non-profit 501(c)3 entity that supports AAUW CA projects and local Branch scholarships that further education and equity for women and girls in communities served by AAUW CA Branches? Do you want to work with a group of fabulous and background diverse AAUW CA members? The AAUW CA SPF Nominating Committee is accepting applications from applicants for appointment to the AAUW CA SPF Board of Directors. Applications are due October 1 for terms beginning January 1, 2016. Links to the AAUW CA SPF Board application can be found at [aauw-ca.org](http://aauw-ca.org) under the AAUW CA Special Projects Fund tab. For more information please contact Amy Harbin, SPF Board Nominating Committee Chair at [spfndominating@aauw-ca.org](mailto:spfndominating@aauw-ca.org)

## SPEECH TREK STREAMS IN 2015-2016 WITH 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY TECHNOLOGY!

Cathy Foxhoven  
Speech Trek Coordinator  
State Projects Oversight Committee

SPEECH TREK will be making a telepresence with the aide of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Technology in 2015-2016.

**OUT** are the DVDs!

**IN** are the 1<sup>st</sup> place speeches on YouTube!

For the first time, branches will be sending their 1<sup>st</sup> place Speech Trek winners via YouTube to be considered for the finalist competition. There are many advantages

for all with this change: 1) ease of delivery – no more overnight package expenses to make that March 1<sup>st</sup> deadline, 2) availability for finalist judges to view the submissions in the comfort of their own homes and 3) no more headaches and expense for the Speech Trek coordinator or treasurer to return the DVD's to the branches!

The participating branches will continue to film their local contests and then post their 1<sup>st</sup> place winner immediately to YouTube. They simply need to send the URL to the Speech Trek Coordinator. The coordinator will then disseminate the postings to the selected, experienced judges to determine the top three finalists for Convention 2016.

The new toolkit will be available at [www.aauw-ca.org](http://www.aauw-ca.org) by the end of August.

## TECH TREK 2015

Linda Stinebaugh  
Tech Trek Coordinator  
State Projects Oversight Committee

I would like to extend a big thank-you to all AAUW members who participated in the Tech Trek process this year. That includes any member who served as staff, worked on the branch level to select girls, or who donated money to send campers. We have just completed another fantastic year with our ten Tech Trek camps serving over 800 girls!

We have three new Camp Directors taking over next year in the South: Nicole Simmons, a long-time teacher

at the UCSB camps, will be taking over directorship of the Whittier camp; Toni Lopez, with help from Cynthia Martinez and Chris Ingalls, will take over the UCSD camp; and Sylvia Fath will be flying solo next year as Director of the UC Irvine camp. Please let them know if you are willing to help out at the camps next year! Welcome ladies, and thank you for stepping up!

For more information  
about Tech Trek, visit our  
web page at  
[aauw-techtrek.org](http://aauw-techtrek.org)

Also, we will be working on the transition of the California Tech Trek camps to the National program. One camp Director from each camp will be traveling to DC for a meeting in September. We look forward to this transition, and

hope to make it as seamless as possible for those of you who support the camps.



Nicole Simmons  
Whittier Camp Director



Toni Lopez  
UC San Diego Camp Director



Sylvia Fath  
UC Irvine Camp Director

# AAUW FUND LUNCHEONS

Sharon Westafer, Director  
Chair, AAUW Fund committee

The AAUW CA Fund Committee invites you to a Celebration Luncheon honoring the 2015-2016 AAUW Fund Fellows and Grant Recipients studying in California. Select from one of the following venues:

<b>Southern California</b> Irvine Sunday, October 18 12:00 - 3:00 p.m. (Registration 11:30 a.m.)	<b>Northern California</b> Danville Sunday, October 25 12:00 - 3:00 p.m. (Registration 11:30 a.m.)
<b>Irvine Marriott Hotel</b> 18000 Von Karman Ave Irvine, CA 92612	<b>Crow Canyon Country Club</b> 711 Silver Lake Dr Danville, CA 94526
<i>\$40.00 per person</i> <b>RSVP by: October 6</b>	<i>\$40.00 per person</i> <b>RSVP by: October 13</b>

According to the preliminary list of Fellowship and Grant recipients, there will be 30 studying in California this year. (The list will be finalized after the deadline for Perspective articles). Because the money funding Fellowship and Grant recipients represents the interest

earned from completed endowments, we encourage you to donate to the unfinished California endowments so the interest generated by them can be put to work. A list of current unfinished endowments can be accessed at [www.aauw-ca.org](http://www.aauw-ca.org) and clicking on AAUW Funds.

Congratulations to Vicki DeMasi and the Marin branch for recently completing her endowment!

Those of you who attended the National Convention in San Diego may recall the new focus of AAUW, "One AAUW, One Mission, One Fund". The emphasis of the campaign is on unrestricted giving. While some of the programs under the Fund are well financed, such as Fellowships and Grants, other programs such as \$tart \$mart and Elect Her, as well as the Legal Advocacy Fund, are always in need of money. The Fellowships and Grants are supported by only the interest generated from the endowments. All of the other AAUW programs rely on new money, because it is spent on the programs as it is received.

It may be difficult to decide whether to give to the unfinished endowments or to unrestricted giving, so why not donate to both? We appreciate your generosity regardless of how you designate your donations and look forward to another year of generous giving.

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☐ Sunburst Chicken Salad

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