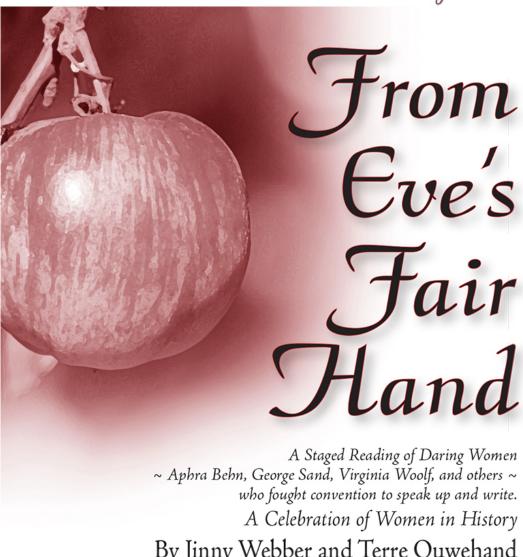


# monthly newsletter



By Jinny Webber and Terre Ouwehand

# Sunday, September 24 · 3pm

The Carpinteria Woman's Club

1059 Vallecito Road, Carpinteria (next to the Carpinteria Community Church) SUGGESTED DONATION AT THE DOOR: \$10

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Sponsored by the American Association of University Women (AAUW) Santa Barbara-Goleta Valley Branch

A talk-back will be held after the show with the playwrights and cast.

# Don't Miss Our September 24th Kick-off Event!

The celebrated DramaDogs Theater Company will perform "From Eve's Fair Hand" at our annual kick-off event on Sunday, September 24 at 3:00 at the Carpinteria Woman's Club.

You won't want to miss this celebration of women and "staged reading of poetry and prose from daring women who fought convention to speak up and write"!

Bring friends and family. Light refreshments will be served. (You may even want to come early and have lunch in Carpinteria.)

What: SB-GV Branch Kick-off Event featuring the DramaDogs Theater

Company

When: Sunday, September 24 at 3pm

Where: Carpinteria Woman's Club - 1059 Vallecito Road, Carpinteria (next to

the Carpinteria Community Church)

#### Suggested Donation at the door: \$10

# President's Message

I hope everyone enjoyed a lovely summer, whether that included trips to new or familiar places, or staycations at home! We had a wonderful time at the Interbranch event for the PCPA production of *Newsies* in Solvang. This year we had more SB-GV branch members than ever attend and I was so happy to see so many of you there.

Our annual Tech Trek Celebration will take place on Sept 10 at the Elks Lodge in Goleta (see info below for more details). Our branch will be having our Kick-off event on Sept 24 and welcoming a

#### 2017-18 OFFICERS

Co-Presidents:
Rae Hoyt
Jill Kingdon

**Secretary:** Diane Green

**Treasurer:** Carol Thompson

Asst. Treasurer: Irene Stone special performance by the Drama Dogs of *From Eve's Fair Hand*, a staged reading of daring women. You definitely won't want to miss it and if you haven't heard of the Drama Dogs they are a wonderful local theater company and you can learn more on their website.

The Steering Committee had our first meeting of the year two nights ago and we revisited our strategic plan and discussed our goals for the year. We also approved our 2017/18 operating budget and it can be downloaded by **clicking here**. If you have any questions, I'd be happy to talk them over with you.

Looking forward to a great year ahead!

Jill Kingdon SB-GV AAUW Co-President jill@dowitcherdesigns.com (805) 455-7890 Membership: Ginny Capra

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Jane Honikman
Lisa Kelly
Martha Lannan
Janice Rorick
Elly Rumelt

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#### Save the Date for the Empowered Woman Luncheon

We are pleased to honor Santa Barbara's first female police chief, Lori Luhnow

> March 8, 2018 Hyatt Santa Barbara

Tickets on sale soon!

## A Celebration of Tech Trek



# Come join us as we celebrate Tech Trek, AAUW's STEM camp for junior high girls!

We will hear from our local 2017 Tech Trek campers, campers from prior years, dorm moms, and Tech Trek staff.

Special guest Paige Garnick, a Web Engineering Manager at Procore Technologies and a former Tech Trek camper will speak about how Tech Trek impacted her life.

Where: Elks Club, 150 North Kellogg, Santa Barbara

When: Sunday, September 10, 2 to 4 p.m.

#### Ice Cream Sundaes will be served!

Bring friends and colleagues to introduce them to this wonderful program of AAUW!

Questions? Contact Barbara Levi at 962-8900 or by email at bglevi@msn.com.

#### What Tech Trek Meant to One Camper

Jordan Klanfer, August 20, 2017

My name is Jordan Klanfer and I was a Tech Trek camper in 2016. Tech Trek sparked my passion for science and gave me the tools and confidence to pursue my interests. At Tech Trek I was a coder and learned about the incredible minds behind the push of a button. Additionally, I was in the project group which decided what to do with a decommissioned oil rig. In the whirlwind of events which was Tech Trek I also made amazing friends and learned so much about the environment and careers in STEM.

This past summer of 2017 I had the opportunity to come back to Tech Trek and assist Scott in his Marine Science class. I got to connect with the girls for both sessions and help to inspire and educate them about the ocean. To look back and see how far I had come since just last year is incredible and I am excited to see what my future holds. The doors Tech Trek has opened for me are numerous and as I continue to pursue my passion I will always remember where it all started, as a young rising 8th grader in Santa Rosa Dorms.

# Meet Our New Member: Carol Fritz

Carol Fritz has recently joined our Santa Barbara-Goleta branch. Since she is a new member, this will let you know a little about her. She is a native Californian, having been born in San Diego, growing up there, and graduating in Music from the University of San Diego, College for Women. There used to be a men's college and a women's college on the same campus. Years ago they combined to be the University of San Diego that is there now. She worked her way through school



at Sears and then began teaching 2nd grade in a local parochial school upon graduation. She went on to get her teaching credential from the University of San Francisco and also taught many years in Pacific Palisades and Santa Barbara.

She met her husband Paul at a bachelor officers' dance in San Diego at MCRD. They were married almost 41 years when he died unexpectedly in 2011. She has a daughter Kate who is married with 3 children and a son Steven who is also married and has 2 children. Both families are close by, so Carol spends a lot of time helping take care of her delightful grandkids! She also enjoys cooking, reading, listening to a variety of music, church activities, and traveling. Thanks to Paul, she has enjoyed road trips throughout the USA, trips abroad, and many short jaunts to Avalon, Catalina, their favorite get-away spot. She and her daughter have also enjoyed trips together, her favorite being to Thailand and the Philippines. Right now, she is looking forward to a Hawaiian cruise in November - another of their favorite destinations over the years.

Jane Honikman invited her to join the local branch, and Ginny Capra put it all together for her.. She is looking forward to joining in some of the group activities and thus getting to meet some other members.

# **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS 2017–2018**

REBECCA POWERS

ANITA STURM

TERRI EDDY

CAROL FRITZ

MARTI SCHWARTZ

FRANCES FERRIS-BAILEY

M. JEANNE WOOD

#### **Not Too Late to Renew!**

If you have not yet renewed, youi should have recently received a letter or email reminder. If you want to pay online with a credit card, please call me or email me to request an email from me with a direct link for online renewal. When you pay online, AAUW National takes their portion of the dues (\$49), sends California AAUW \$20 and deposits our branch local dues (\$21) directly into our branch bank account. If you prefer to pay by check, you may send one for \$90 made out to SBGV AAUW to:

Carol Thompson 721 Dorado Dr. Santa Barbara, CA 93111

Please include any new contact information, phone numbers, address, email address. Feel free to email me at <a href="mailto:cmuusthomp@aol.com">cmuusthomp@aol.com</a> or call at 805-451-5115 if you have any questions.

Thank you to all of you who have already renewed.

Carol Thompson Treasurer SBGV AAUW

## September, 2017 Calendar

"My favorite poem is the one that starts 'Thirty days hath September' because it actually tells you something." Groucho Marx

#### September 5, Tuesday – 2:00 p.m.

**Writing Group -** Bring a story to Dena Stein's house, 1272 Bel Air Drive. Please R.S.V.P. so we can tell you how many copies of your stories to bring. Contact Dena at <a href="mailto:denastein0@gmail.com">denastein0@gmail.com</a> or 650-269-3666.

#### **September 10, Sunday – 9:00 am – 12:00 p.m.**

Coalition Against Gun Violence, Suicide Prevention Walk - Leadbetter Beach, for more details <u>visit the website</u> or contact Elly Rumelt, 563-8040.

#### **September 10, Sunday - 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

**Tech Trek Celebration** - At the Elks Club, 150 North Kellogg. See article earlier in this newsletter for details!

#### September 11, Monday – 7:00 p.m.

Smart Talk - We'll meet at the home of Jane Honikman, 927 N. Kellogg, SB. The topic is "Memory."

#### September 14, Thursday - 12:00 noon

**Lunch Bunch** - *Please note the change of day, just for this month.* We will meet at the Santa Barbara Yacht Club at the harbor near the Maritime Museum. Our thanks to Susan Engles for arranging this special lunch! Please call Claire VanBlaricum at 967-7523 or email <a href="mailto:clairevanb@cox.net">clairevanb@cox.net</a> by **Monday** afternoon for reservations. We have to give our count by Tuesday.

#### September 18, Monday – 10:00 a.m.

**Craft Group** - The group meets the third Monday of every month at Beverly Kowalsky-Ching's home, 462 S. San Marcos Rd., Santa Barbara. Call Beverly at 964-5411 for more information.

#### September 19, Tuesday - 7:00 p.m.

**Book Ends** - We will meet at Jane DeSelm's home, 619 Camino Campana, Santa Barbara (off Kellogg), to discuss *The Looming Tower: Al-Qaeda and the Road to 9/11* by Lawrence Wright. Available in paperback. Our October book will be *Euphoria* by Lily King.

#### September 20, Wednesday – 12:00–2:00 p.m.

**League of Women Voters - Community Forum:** Protecting our elections and voting rights: how safe was our last election? Faulkner Gallery, Santa Barbara Central Library, 40 E. Anapamu.

#### September 24, Sunday – 3 p.m.

**SB-GV Branch Kick-off Event** - *From Eve's Fair Hand* featuring the DramaDogs Theater Company. See flyer and article at the beginning of the newsletter for details!

#### September 25, Monday – 7:00 p.m.

**Smart Talk -** We'll meet at the home of Elly Rumelt 205 East Calle Laureles, Santa Barbara. The topic is "Gender Differences: Nature or Nurture?"

#### September 26, Tuesday

**Movie Night** - Please watch for an email the weekend before with information on the film, time and theater location.

# **Looking Ahead**

#### October 13, Friday – 10:30 a.m.

Outing to Fernald House - Details to follow in October newsletter

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

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

Membership in AAUW is open to people who hold an associate degree or higher. Branch membership offers friendship with like-minded people and an arena for making a positive contribution to your community. Benefits include a subscription to California PERSPECTIVE, our quarterly publication. You can join our e-mail lists and attend our annual convention. Membership dues at the branch level include California and National dues.

If you know of someone who you believe would appreciate the opportunity to join our branch, please send them the link to our <u>website</u> and give her name and contact information to Ginny Capra at <u>ginnycapra@cox.net</u>.