



AAUW TORRANCE TELEGRAM

DECEMBER, 2018



Join us for our Annual Torrance AAUW

Holiday Party!

Members, family, and significant others are invited to join us to celebrate the holiday season and support UCLA Harbor Donation Center and Paradise Branch Members

Saturday, December 8, 2018

5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

at the home of **Patricia Arnett**

1803 W. 248th Street, Lomita, CA 90717

Bring an appetizer/dessert to serve 8 to 10 people

RSVP by December 4th, 2018 to Indrani Chatterjee

ichat905@gmail.com

Please contact Kabita Kumar to coordinate the food selection at 310-728-5981 or

Send email to kabitarebecca@gmail.com

UCLA Harbor Donation Center needs gift cards. Dr. Kathleen Yip can collect on 8th for the donation center.

AAUW California Paradise branch members need our help (From AAUW CA)

Members can donate gift cards such as Target, JC Penny's, Macy's, K Mart, CVS, Rite Aid, Safeway, Walmart, Raley's etc. Send any gift cards to the state office directly- **AAUW of California, 1331, Garden Highway, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95833.**

December Message from President

Dear Torrance Members,

The holidays are upon us and a wonderful time for all of us to gather and simply enjoy the friendship that we have fostered.

This year, our annual Holiday Party will be held on Saturday, December 8th at Patricia Arnett's Home. The flyer has more detail information. I am looking forward to seeing you all there!

On January 12, 2019 Tri-Branch (Torrance - Beach Cities - Palos Verdes Peninsula) program meeting will be at Torrance Airport meeting room. The program information is in the Telegram.

I wanted to take this time to thank all of you for your passion, your dedication and your time that you donate to help the fulfill AAUW missions that we are all a part of.

Regards,
Indrani



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Upcoming Events

January 12, 2019	Tri-Branch Program Meeting Celebration of Women Empowerment
February 9, 2019	“How Education Can Change Life?” Open Forum
March 9, 2019	Women in History National & International
April, 2019	TBD
May 4, 2019	Afternoon Tea & Fundraising at Chado Tea Room
June 8, 2019	Year-End Meeting & New Board Members Installation

AAUW Fund Update

Save the Date!

Treat your mother to an early Mother's Day tea a week before Mother's Day at Chado's Tea Room in downtown Torrance (see flyer).

Remember, last time, we sold out at the Toyota Museum, so buy your tickets early! Reservations are made by sending in your payment. To ensure your friends can sit together, consider buying a table. Tables will be open seating. Send checks to Alice Matthews (see flyer).

Athena Paquette Cormier has graciously agreed to make arrangements for the silent auction. Please donate items, and think about people or businesses you can ask to donate items. We have a donor request letter available.

- Gloria Liu, glsb7891@gmail.com, 310 683-3695

Membership Updates

AAUW Torrance welcomes new branch members:

Louisa McHugh (guest of Janice Pomerantz),
Rachel Mariscal-Creasey (guest of new member Kabita Kumar),
Britta Lindgren (Member At Large, guest of Cami Hamilton).

Go For 10 updates: Torrance branch has welcomed 5 new members since September Welcome Back brunch. A big thanks to all members who invite guests to attend meetings and events. Please consider inviting guests to January's joint branch meeting and May's Afternoon Tea event!

AAUW membership leadership Kendra Davis and Claudia Richards shared in a recent communication that the organization's goal is to reach pay equity by 2030. In order to achieve this, AAUW programs like Work Smart Online tool, Start Smart, and Tech Trek are a great way to encourage community partners and prospective members to get involved. The Shape the Future offer (half off national dues) for new AAUW members is going strong! (We warmly welcome Members At Large to join the branch but no discount applies.)

Look for your membership directory updates insert coming soon via email AND looking forward to seeing you all at the holiday party!

Cami Hamilton, Membership VP

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EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

Please come to our EPC meeting on **Thursday, December 13 at 6:30pm at the home of Kabita Kumar, 1928 W. 183rd St., Torrance 90504** kabitarebecca@gmail.com
Please rsvp to Kabita.

We have begun contacting the 8 middle schools from Torrance, 2 from Redondo Beach, and 5 from Los Angeles Unified to request camper nominations for Tech Trek Camp 2019. **We will once again be asking for school buddies** to go to a school or schools to meet and interview the five seventh grade girls from each school who have been nominated by their math or science teachers. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet the candidates and is a very necessary part of the selection of girls for Tech Trek Camp next summer. The time commitment is usually during lunchtime on a school day and will be between **January 11 and January 24, 2019**. New volunteers may, if they prefer, first go with a veteran school buddy to see the interview process before going on their own. School buddies also read and oversee the reading of the applications for their school. **We need you!** Additional readers will be needed to read the five camper applications from each school. Reading takes place between **March 12 and March 22**. **Please contact Peggy Monga filmgroup@earthlink.net if you would like to serve as a school buddy and/or be a reader ...or if you have any questions.** We are most appreciative of your help! Based on sponsorship projections we are hopeful that we will send 30 campers again next year. We are most grateful for the sponsorships we have already received from **Karen Peters, Kabita Kumar, Continental Development Corporation, Alcoa Foundation and Price Philanthropic Foundation**. **Dorm moms will also be needed at the camps. If you need more information, our members, Alice Hill, Judith Hill, Susan Negrete, and Karen Peters have served as dorm moms and would be happy to share their experiences with you.** We are so appreciative of their commitment! We hope that **YOU** will be a part of this exciting STEM program...please join us. See you on the 13th!

Warmest wishes for a beautiful Christmas and a very happy holiday season!

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Evening Literary Group

Holiday gathering potluck:

Date & Time: December 11th at Noon

Place: At the home of Betsy Adams. Please see the Directory for the address.

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Women In Transition (WIT) Meeting

Holiday Celebration & Potluck

Date & Time: Wednesday 5th from 7 PM to 9 PM

PLACE: Private Residence. Please see the directory for the address

If you plan to attend, please RSVP by Monday December 3rd, 2018 to
SUSAN: susan.e.negrete@gmail.com or if questions, call: 310-377-0642