# THE MONTAGE

# President Message

Hello branch members! I am honored to serve as your new branch President. I was introduced to AAUW by my Mom, and have been a member since 1984 starting in the Hayward-Castro Valley branch. I joined Turlock/Modesto when I moved to Ceres in 2017. I am also a member of the CA Online branch, and serve as the Assistant Treasurer of the AAUW California Special Projects Fund. My older sister and her oldest granddaughter are also AAUW members. It's a family affair. Do you know someone in your family that might enjoy AAUW membership? Invite them to an event or program.



I want to thank Wanda Bonnell for her outstanding service over the past three years as the President. Wanda is continuing to serve our branch as both the chair of our Scholarship Committee, and as our branch College University Relations representative. Thank you!

I also want to welcome Angelica Slater Contreras as our new Montage editor. Angelica joined our branch in 2022. When you see her at branch functions please thank her for her service. Thanks also to Nedra Voorhees, our outgoing editor, for her years at the helm.

As we begin our coming year we will continue to focus on education and equity for our community through championing women and girls. To start, join us on Saturday, Sept. 6 for our kick-off Potluck Membership Brunch where we will hear our Tech Trek campers share their experiences. Glynis Dove, our new Membership VP, will chair this event. We look forward to sharing a morning of inspiration, connection, and community with you. Make sure to RSVP by Wednesday, Sept 3, and invite someone to join you. (see flyer in this issue) Thanks, Sophie Nemeth for your leadership as Membership VP last year.

Our Program Committee plans to repeat our Teen Mental Health Issues program in October. Cheryl Carmichael has agreed to be our Program Committee Chair. Thanks, Sedonia Estacio for your outstanding service as Program VP the past two years.

Mark your calendars also to save the date of Sunday, Nov. 2 for our Scholarship Fundraiser chaired by Funds VP, Valerie Doherty. More details and information will follow.

I want to encourage each of you to take full advantage of the member perks and discounts that are offered through AAUW. Check out the information on a few of them in the AAUW National News section later in this issue.

With gratitude & excitement, Nancy Turner



- · Saturday, Sept 6 2025 Arrive 10AM Membership Brunch @ Sue Baldwin's
  - RSVP via email/text to Susan @ tobald@aol.com/(209) 668-2483
- · Sunday, November 2 2025 Scholarship Fundraiser Dinner @ Assyrian American Civic Club
  - SAVE THE DATE Digital flyer/RSVP coming soon!



# Hello

# August is Here!

- · August is Make-A-Will Month!
  - Make your will today to build your legacy of empowerment. (link)
- Scholarship Fundraising Committee Meeting:
  - Tuesday August 12<sup>th</sup> @ 2:30 PM
  - Contact Valerie Doherty for more information if you're interested in getting invovled and helping your branch plan <u>valeried@charter.net</u> or (209) 765-7196



# Update Past Events

#### **Elections**

Amy Hom & Melissa Maceyko are continuing as California State Co-Director of the Public Policy
 Committee

#### California Dues Increase

- New California annual dues amount is \$30 starting July 1. Students fees unchanged at \$10
   Public Policy
- To see the full 2025 Legislative Agenda, please go to the <u>Bill Tracking Report</u>. This report is a living document that will be updated as the bills move through the legislative process, so you will always be able to see the latest status.
- use AAUW National's 2-minute activities platform to voice your opposition to the SAVE Act

#### Tech Trek

 Over 1200 nominations with 1000 completed applications for nine weeks of Tech Trek camps were submitted in the last two months for approximately 800 camper spots.

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# Membership Renewal Information

- Follow link → How to self-renew for existing members
  - https://www.aauw.org/app/uploads/2022/05/AAUW-Community-Hub-How-to-Self-Renew-5.24.22.pdf
- Did you know it pays to be a member?
- · Discounts & Perks!



#### **AAUW National News**

#### Members Not Receiving Messages from AAUW

- Share this resubscribe link with members who are not receiving AAUW emails: <a href="https://secure.everyaction.com/p/8fvkD0F\_gkmwgU">https://secure.everyaction.com/p/8fvkD0F\_gkmwgU</a> N5RDy1tw2.
- AAUW Fellowship & Grant Applications Open August 1
  - AAUW supports women pursuing academic, research, and professional opportunities that advance equity for women and girls.
  - Spread the word, <u>applications close September</u>
     30!
  - Encourage eligible students, scholars, and community leaders to apply today (link).
- Make Your Will and Advance Equity for Women and Girls
  - Protect your loved ones, ensure your assets reflect your values, and make a lasting impact on the lives of women and girls across the country.
  - AAUW partnered with FreeWill to offer a secure, easy-to-use tool that helps you create your will online in just 20 minutes-at no cost to you.
  - Including an optional gift to AAUW in your plans will help advance equity in education, economic security, and leadership for generations to come.
  - Make your will today to build your legacy of empowerment. (link)
- Member Benefit: ODP Business Solutions
  - Take advantage of your AAUW membership to stock up on eco-friendly essentials. (link)
  - From office supplies to environmentally conscious break-room products Office Depot provides products to ensure a cleaner office and a greener planet.

#### AAUW California News

#### · California Book Club

- Statewide book study this year, The Four Pivots: Reimagining Justice, Reimagining Ourselves by Dr. Shawn Ginwright.
- · Open to all members.
- SAVE THE DATE, keep a lookout in September's montage. I hope you will plan to join in!

# Meet Your Board Members

President - Nancy Turner

Fiance - Susan Baldwin

Secretary - Gail Benge

Membership VP - Glynis Dove

Funds VP - Valerie Doherty

Programs - Program Committee Chair

Appointed Officers

Newsletter/Montage - Angelica Slater Contreras

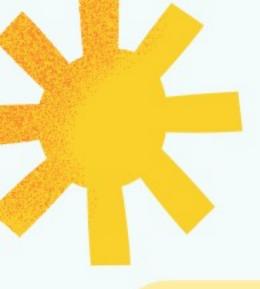
Tech Trek - Beverly Schlegel

Public Policy - Open Position

Diversity Chair - Open Position

Contact Nancy Turner with questions/inquiries regarding open positions @ (510) 690-7550





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# Upcoming AAUW Event Calendar

- · Work Smart Know Your Value and Get Paid
  - Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 2025
- · AAUW Start Smart
  - Sept 24<sup>th</sup> 2025
- · AAUW Money Smart: Smart Foundations
  - Sept 30<sup>th</sup> 2025
- Follow link for more information/registration → https://my.aauw.org/eventcalendardirectory
  - · All events are free and hosted online!





#### Invite a Member

Become a member and connect through our website, plus enjoy special members-only discounts, e-newsletters, webinars, calls to action and more.

- · National Membership Dues: \$74/annual
- · California Dues: \$30/annual
- AAUW Turlock/Modesto Dues: \$16/annual
- Total Dues = \$120/annually
  - https://www.aauw.org/resources/member/why-join/
  - NATIONAL DUES FULLY TAX DEDUCTIBLE

Sign Up



## Branch Interest Groups

#### · Book Club (Turlock)

- Group meets the second Monday of the month at 4:00 p.m.
- Call the August/Sept host Sue Baldwin @ 209-535-0954 for questions.
- Next reading → September 8 The Berry Pickers by Amanda Peters

#### Bridge

- Meets at 1 o'clock on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at the home of a hosting member.
- If interested, call Marilynn Brunton 209-648-6046 or Nedra Voorhees 209-613-2521.





#### Branch Interest Groups

#### · Book Club (Modesto)

- · Group meets the third Thursday of the month at 1:30 p.m.
- Call the August/Sept host Fran Ewald @ 209-409-2208 for questions.
- Next reading → Stay tuned for our Sept montage!

#### · Game Night

- Next gathering will be Saturday, August 16th at 7:00 pm (dates/hosts vary monthly)
- Address → 1420 N Quincy Road in Turlock
- o RSVP: Valerie Doherty 209-765-7196 or valeried@charter.net

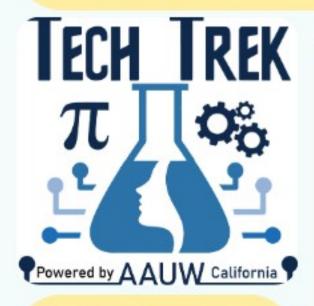


#### Tech Trek 2025 Turlock/Modesto Branch

Six young women from our Branch area schools attended Tech Trek 2025 camp at CSU, Fresno from June 15 to 21. They participated in various STEM activities and classes plus team building and a new session this year on speaking to groups. Girls are asked to stay involved in Tech Trek activities for 5 years after camp. Each camp is planned by, directed by, and classes taught by women. Girls will be sharing their experiences at Camp at our Branch Membership event on September 6th.

Two of our Alumni girls were selected to serve as Camp assistants. One at CSU, Fresno and the other at University of San Diego. One of our Alumni was an Alternate at UC, Davis. Past Tech Trek participants may apply their Sophomore year of high school; each camp selects its Camp assistants.

- Beverly Schlegel



#### Feedback

We value your input!
Email or text Angelica
Contreras with questions or
comments regarding your
branch newsletter

209-338-4176 or

angelica.slater@outlook.com

### Websites & Networking

BRANCH WEBSITE: https://turlock-ca.aauw.net

FACEBOOK: https://www.facebook.com/groups/TurlockModestoAAUW/

STATE WEBSITE: https://www.aauw-ca.org
NATIONAL WEBSITE: https://www.aauw.org

NATIONAL FACEBOOK: https://www.facebook.com/AAUW.National/

AAUW CA FACEBOOK:

https://www.facebook.com/AAUWCA

AAUW CA INSTAGRAM:

https://www.instagram.com/aauwca/

NATIONAL INSTAGRAM: https://www.instagram.com/aauwnational/

PUBLIC POLICY: https://www.aauw-ca.org/PUBLIC-POLICY/

AAUW NEWS & INSIGHTS: https://www.aauw.org/resources/news/media/

AAUW TAKE ACTION: https://www.aauw.org/act/

(click each link to be taken directly to website)





# Proposed budget 2025-2026

#### Proposed BRANCH BUDGET 2025-26

Statement of Activities

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	Budget 2	24-25	Actual 24-25	Budget for 2025-26
Revenues:				
Operating				
Income Branch	800		972	800
Dues Income	960		1,459	1,500
AAUW Funds	900		420	750
Luncheon	-		78	- 2
Installation/Scholarship	12		1	
Luncheon Misc. Income	2,672		2,930	3,052
Interest Income				
Project Income	2,500		2,350	2,000
Fundraising Income	2,000		550	2,000
Tech Trek Donations	18,000		16,188	16,500
HS Scholarships Donations	1000000000		0.0000000	-
Fundraiser Income				
Misc Donations Income				
CONTRACTOR INCOME	22,500		19,088	20,500
Total Revenues.	25,172		22,018	23,552
Notaliation/Sch Luncheon Expense Hospitality Expense Newsletter Expense Directory Expense PO Box Rental Expense Convention State Expense Administrative/Finance Expense	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	50 \$ 50 \$ 250 \$ 185 \$ 500 \$	273 102 192 224	\$ 100 \$ 50 \$ 150 \$ 192 \$ 100
Program Expense	\$	200 \$	748	\$ 500
Publicity Expense	\$	25		\$ 25
Community Organization Expense	\$	25		\$-
Membership Expense	\$	100 \$	106	\$ 100
Communication/Phonevite Expense	\$	30		\$ 30
Contingency	\$	- \$	•	\$710
	\$	4,045 \$	3,947	\$ 4,252
Project Expenditures				
Fundraiser Expenses	\$	6,077 \$	6,153	\$ 6,000
Funds Paid (net)				
AAUW Funds	\$	2,300 \$	765	\$ 2,300
Tech Trek	\$	6,000 \$	2,306	\$ 5,000
HS Scholarships	\$	6,750 \$	6,000	\$ 6,000
	\$	21,127	7 \$. 15,224	\$ 19,300
Total Ex	25,172	2 \$. 19,171	\$ 23,552	
Excess Revenues Over Ex	penses	0	2,847	-



Potluck by last name: A-J breakfast main dish, K-N fruit or veggies and O-Z rolls, muffins or pastry

Saturday Sept. 6, 2025 @ 10am

2255 Castleview Dr., Turlock, 95382

RSV/2 by 9/3 to Glynis Dove 209-614-2053

