

Presidents' Message

Hello everyone:

Our branch had a table at the Tustin Sunset Market on Thursday, March 15. The Sunset Market is a nice way to spend the evening, eating and shopping in Old Town Tustin. We saw many friends and met new ones! We had nine people sign our interest list. We even met a mom whose daughter attended Tech Trek in Davis a few years ago! She was excited to meet us and wants to join AAUW to give back to our organization. We still need a few volunteers to help staff our table on <u>June 19</u>, 2025, so please let me know if you can volunteer.

Please join us at the Installation Dinner on <u>June 4, 2025</u>,* to acknowledge our outgoing and incoming Board for 2025-2026. We hope to see you there.

We will be "dark" in July, but please look for additional information about our Summer Social in August. Thank you!

Rebecca "Beckie" Gomez, PhD. RebGomezTOC@gmail.com

President, AAUW Tustin-Santa Ana-Orange

*RSVP by May 30!

Program - Picture from May meeting - Speaker Zuhal Atmar on challenges faced by Afghan women



Myra Radlow mradlow@sbcglobal.net

Membership

Judy Weissberg-Ortiz judywortiz@gmail.com
Sylvia Borovay sgborovay@gmail.com

Thank you to those who have agreed to serve on the 2025-26 Board of our Branch. Below is the list of elected and appointed members of our branch for the coming year. Please try to attend the Installation Dinner! RSVP by May 30!

AAUW TSAO BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR

The AAUW TSAO Nominating Committee proposes the follow slate of nominees for the Board of Directors. All nominees have consented to serve:

Executive Board:

President Rebecca "Beckie" Gomez

President Elect [Vacant]

Secretary Cathy de Mayo and Celine Osborn

Treasurer Nancy Fidel and Tarry Goeden

VP Membership Sylvia Borovay and Judy Ortiz

VP Programs Myra Radlow

AAUW Fund Connie Smith and Melissa Figge

Appointed Board:

Parliamentarian Dana Cox

Communications Lenore Simon

Web Master Tracey Clark

Branch Task Chairs:

Public Policy Donna Sutton and Debbie Knox

Tech Trek Mary Witten

Our AAUW TSAO Branch will be conducting our 2025-2026 Membership Drive from June 1 to 30, 2025. Please be sure to renew your membership before June 30!

The 2025-2026 Membership Form is attached. The 2025-2026 dues will be a total of \$121.00: National (\$74); State (\$30); Branch (\$17). You can renew online at auw.org, or you can write a renewal check in the amount of \$121.00 payable to "AAUW TSAO Branch" and send to Sylvia Borovay. Questions? Email Sylvia @ sgborovay@gmail.com

If you know of any family, friends or acquaintances who might be interested in joining our Branch this year, please direct them to our website: tustin-ca.aauw.net, or to our Membership Co-V.P.s: Sylvia

Borovay, sgborovay@gmail.com or Judy Ortiz, judywortiz@gmail.com.

Remember: New members who join our Branch at one of our meetings or events, can pay 50% of the National dues portion of our dues (\$37, instead of \$74, for a total of \$84.00, instead of \$121.00) for their first year of membership. A copy of our 2025-2026 Membership Form can be found at the end of this email and also on our Branch website: tustin-ca.aauw.net.

AAUW Fund

Connie Smith 1959cp@gmail.com

AAUW members have historically been generous supporters of our National philanthropy, the AAUW Fund. Last year our Tustin-Santa Ana-Orange branch members contributed \$6,435 to the AAUW Fund.

Mail a check to me in any amount and make it payable to AAUW Fund or hand it to me at our next meeting on May 7th. Donate online at: https://my.aauw.org/donation-product-detail

Always please mention 'TSAO branch' so that our branch receives credit for your donation. The generosity of our members helps to insure that AAUW's voice is heard on issues impacting women and girls. Thank you!

Tech Trek

Hi, everyone! Thank you for your support for this year's Tech Trek program! We have chosen 4 wonderful 7th grade girls to represent the AAUW Tustin - Santa Ana - Orange Branch at Whittier College June 15 - 21, 2025. The campers are encouraged to speak about their experience at our September meeting, giving our membership a glimpse of the wonderful STEM students who are involved in the Tech Trek program.

Mary Witten <u>mary.l.witten@gmail.com</u>

Public Policy

Donna Sutton
Debbie Knox

suttondonna45@gmail.com
debbieknox1234@gmail.com

AAUW TSAO INSTALLATION DINNER - come celebrate with us!

PLEASE NOTE: RSVP DATE IS MAY 30!

Mail a check for \$40 per person payable to 'AAUW TSAO', and send to AAUW Installation, 1602 S.E. Skyline, Santa Ana, CA 92705

Join us!

AAUW TSAO Installation

Wednesday, June 4, 2025

Avila's El Ranchito 2201 E. First St., Santa Ana 92705

6:00 p.m. No-Host Social Hour 7:00 p.m. Dinner and Program



To RSVP:

Bring a check for \$40 payable to "AAUW TSAO" and give to Tarry Goeden at the May 7 branch meeting

or

Mail a check for \$40 to: AAUW Installation 1602 S.E. Skyline Santa Ana 92705

Deadline for RSVP: May 30 Guests welcome

A time to enjoy fun, food and friends!



Parliamentarian

Dana Cox. <u>dbcd49@gmail.com</u>
Stay tuned for updates to policies and procedures.

Webmaster:

Tracey Clark <u>ttermath@sbcglobal.net</u>

Our TSAO branch website is beginning to be updated.

Eventually it will contain our branch calendar, copies of the newsletter and more, take a look: https://tustin-ca.aauw.net/

Interest Groups:

If anyone would like to revive the Games Group, Happy Hour, Movie Goers, Lunch Bunch, or Dlning Out groups - or start a new social group within the branch - Please let me know (Lenore@lenoresimon.com) and I will place your info in the newsletter!

Morning Books:

Dana Cox dbcdb49@gmail.com & Judy w. Ortiz judywortiz@gmail.com

Monday, June 9 - Planning Luncheon Potluck

11:00 am @ home of Dana Cox (email above for address)

Please send book ideas to Judy or Dana. Include title, author and a brief summary, as soon as possible.

RSVP to Dana. Dbcdb49@gmail.com

Evening Books

Ann Nicholson & Jean Paris

New email address for Ann Nicholson:

arnich47@gmail.com

May 21 - The Humans by Matt Haig

Hostess: Zoom

Reviewer: Mary Witten

June 18 - Planning Lunch - 11:30am

Hostess: Ann Nicholson - bring your own lunch!

Urban Explorers

Robbin Burton OCRobbin@gmail.com

Watch for upcoming events in the fall...

SAVE the DATE:

June - no meeting PLEASE join us for our Branch Installation Dinner on June 4 - RSVP BY MAY 30!

July - no meeting

<u>August</u> - no meeting - Summer Social TBD <u>September 3</u> - Tech Trek girls recognition

October 8 - moved to 2nd week in observance of Yom Kippur

November 5

December - no meeting - Holiday Party TBD

Secretary

Cathy de Mayo. cathydemayo@gmail.com celine Osborn celineosborn@gmail.com

Minutes: Tustin-Santa Ana-Orange - Board Meeting -

April 2, 2025, at Aldersgate Church, Beckie Gomez, President

Attendance:, Dana Cox, Celine Osborn, Lenore Simon, Tarry Goeden, Mary Witten, Beckie Gomez, Cathy de Mayo,

Connie Smith, Myra Radlow, Judy Ortiz, Nancy Fidel and Sylvia Borovay, Donna Sutton, Debbie Knox

Absent: Tracey Clark

Called to order at 5:11 p.m.

Agenda: Approved:.

Minutes: Approved

Treasurer's Report: Filed for audit (copy attached) Current Balance is \$16,012.31

Membership Report:

- Form is ready to go but waiting until know the amount of State Dues
- Members will be voting on the proposed \$10 State dues increase. The outcome won't be known until May 16
- · Members will now have their own renewal dates based on when they joined.

Programs Report:

- Myra Radlow announced the May program.
- Myra asked members to let her know their thoughts on this year's programs and let her know any ideas for future

programs.

AAUW Fund: Connie Smith updated information on the April 19th Fundraiser. There is still space available.

Tech Trek:

- · Interviews have begun
- We have space for 4 girls
- Funds currently are \$7,324.97
- ACTION ITEM: Celine Osborn made the following motion: The Board recommends that our Branch only send girls to Tech Trek from our Branch that reside in the Tustin, Santa Ana or Orange School Districts. Motion seconded.

Discussion followed. Motion Carried.

<u>Webmaster:</u> Tracey Clark has updated the web site and has asked members to review it and give her input. Please send her pictures from events so that the Web Page looks more exciting.

Board asked her to remove phone numbers and addresses of members and just list emails.

Newsletter: Deadline is April 12

Public Policy:

- Donna Sutton reported on Associations updated list of priorities. (can be found at https://www.aauw-ca.org/public-policy
- Debbie Knox reported on Lobby Day agenda:
- For : SB 771 Social Media Platforms Endangering Californians (AAUW California Sponsored)
- For SB 418 Ensure Equal Access to Care For All
- Against AB 579 Yaeli's Law

IBC Report: Interbranch Council will meet May 14 (correction: May 19)

Nominating Committee: Slate Presented and copy attached.

President's Report:

- Our Branch will participate in the Sunset Market in Tustin 3rd Thursday of month May through September. Need a pop up for this. (Celine has one).
- Our sign is great.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Treasurers:

Tarry Goedentarrygoeden@yahoo.comNancy Fideljustaskmom27@gmail.com

Please update your Membership BEFORE the end of June!

If there are no changes to your contact info you do not need to send a new form, just a check made out to AAUW TSAO Branch.



2025-2026 Membership Form AAUW Tustin-Santa Ana-Orange (TSAO) Branch

Mail to: AAUW Membership, Sylvia Borovay, 17421 Amaganset Way, Tustin, CA 92780.

Questions? Call Sylvia at 714-812-5565

Voluntary Contributions

AAUW - TSAO Branch Annual Dues

	e membership application/renewal f	orm Please include separate	Please include separate checks made payable to	
below. Make check	s payable to: AAUW TSAO Branch.	AAUW Fund	\$	
National	\$74.00*	AADW Fullu	3	
State	\$30.00	AAUW CA-SPF	\$	
Branch	\$17.00	(Tech Trek)		
TOTAL	\$121.00			
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