



The Fall Branch Meeting Featuring Tech Trek attendee, Annie White Wednesday, September 8, 7pm

Annie, a Los Alamos student, is a dual graduate of Tech Trek. In 2020, Annie participated via 'Tech Trek in a Box'; this summer, she attended the one week virtual camp. She will share her experiences with the two different formats. Hearing her first-hand account will reinforce our branch's strong support of Tech Trek.

The business meeting will follow and will include approval of the budget. We must have a quorum present to conduct business; please place this meeting on your calendar. The proposed budget is page 4 of this newsletter.

Study Group leaders will discuss the options for the 2021-2022 year.

An invitation to attend the Zoom meeting will be sent to all branch members a few days before the meeting. Visitors are welcome; they should send a request for an invitation to AAUWLA@icloud.com.

Branch News

The 2021-2022 coordinating council met over the summer and had been planning for an in-person fall luncheon and start-up meeting when the Delta Variant put an unwelcome stop to our plans. We are all hoping that we will be able to get together as a group soon. Until then, our branch meetings will be by Zoom. The benefit of Zoom is that we can see each other's faces and hear each other speak since we will not have to wear masks.

Study Groups may choose to meet in-person, or via Zoom or in a hybrid mode. That decision will be up to the Study Groups and the meeting hosts.

The members of the Coordinating Council, their positions and their contact information are listed at the end of this newsletter.

Our branch achieved 5-star status awarded by National AAUW. We are the only branch in New Mexico to achieve this honor. After receiving the award, we were asked to submit a paragraph and a photo. Here they are:

AAUW–Los Alamos, NM on Five Star Success

Earning Five Stars was a product of our branch being well-aligned with AAUW priorities and pitching in to complete “missing” program criteria. Examples of alignment include co-sponsoring an annual Legislative Preview with our state legislators, promoting Action Network signups, funding college scholarships for nontraditional women students, and supporting Tech Trek New Mexico. These activities also promoted membership retention. Drafting a succession plan helped us clarify and document what’s needed to keep our branch vibrant. Bottom line: lessons learned and dedication rewarded.



Our branch is indebted to Marilyn Minshall for the meticulous chronicling of and scrapbooking of years of branch history. Marilyn Doolen has assumed the role of historian from Marilyn Minshall. Marilyn D reminds us that “History is in the making”; so, she asks that we save any articles about current or past members. She will collect them for inclusion in the branch scrapbook.

AAUW is encouraging us to think about DIVERSITY this year, and Marilyn Doolen is our Diversity, Equity, Inclusion chair. She asks: “Do we represent diversity in our branch-that which makes us different and unique? I think we do in an interesting way. Consider our college majors we list in the roster. Here are a few: sociology, nursing, computer science, criminal justice, the stem disciplines, occupational therapy, engineering, education. No wonder the discussions in our study groups are so energetic and thought provoking!” Maya Angelou writes “Believe a person when she tells you who she is..the first time”

Book Group

Rozelle Wright will be hosting both the September 6th, 7pm and the September 7th, 1pm Zoom meetings. The book is Mr Penubra’s 24-hour Bookstore by Robin Sloane. Watch your e-mail for the zoom link.

The year’s schedule is under the **study group** tab of our website at: [2021-2022 Book Group Schedule](#).

If you wish to be added to the book group membership list contact Karin Roberts (672-9625, karinroberts875@icloud.com).

Nonfiction Book Group

The next Zoom meeting is September 20th, 7pm. The book is The Lost World of the Old Ones by David Roberts. Helena Whyte will host the Zoom meeting and lead the discussion. She will send out the meeting link.

Calendar

Sept 6,7	Book Group
Sept 8	Branch Meeting
Sept 27	Nonfiction Book Group

Coordinating Council 2021-2022

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Open	Hospitality		

**AAUW Los Alamos
Proposed Budget (FY 2021- 2022)**

	Last Year's Actuals	Last Year's Budget	New Budget
Revenues:			
Branch Dues	\$1,935.50	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Donations	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest	\$0.37	\$0.36	\$0.36
Fall Luncheon	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$5.06	\$108.64	\$133.64
Total Revenues	\$1,990.93	\$1,109.00	\$1,134.00
Expenditures:			
Officers:			
Historian	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Yearbook	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Newsletter	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Facility Rental	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Programs	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
EF Fund Raising	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Membership	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Hospitality	\$18.00	\$45.00	\$45.00
Treasurer	\$29.50	\$20.00	\$20.00
President Fund	\$0.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
Sponsorships:			
Science Fair	\$110.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Conventions	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
LWV	\$50.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
Administrative:			
Post Office Box	\$106.00	\$92.00	\$106.00
NM Corp Report	\$11.95	\$12.00	\$12.00
AHT Insurance	\$196.00	\$185.00	\$196.00
Miscellaneous			
Fall Luncheon	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Misc	\$250.00	\$0.00	
Total Expenditures	\$771.45	\$1,109.00	\$1,134.00
07/01/2020	\$3,997.69		
7/1/21	\$4,393.11		