



Humboldt Inc. (CA) Branch



## The Branch

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September Meeting: Impacts on  
Humboldt's Housing Market:

Trends & Forecast

Reconnect with your AAUW Friends and find out the  
newest information on our local real estate market.

Date: September 10, 2022  
Place: Wharfinger Building, 1 Marina Way, Eureka  
Schedule: 10:00 Registration, Food, Social  
10:45 Introductions, Announcements

11:00 Tech Trek Girls

Speaker, Annalise von Borstel

Questions and Sharing

Cost: \$18.00 with food, \$12.00 Beverage only

Menu: Bagels by Los Bagels, Fruit, Cookies, Coffee and Tea

Phone chain callers will collect reservations; they are due on August 31. Contact Maggie Augustine, if you are not contacted by a caller.

Fully vaccinated is required. Masks optional.

Zoom link will be sent out on Weds. Sept. 7 so that members can join by Zoom if they wish.

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## September Speaker

Local real estate expert, Annalise von Borstel partners with her clients to understand and achieve their real estate and financial goals while strengthening and generating economic growth for the community of Humboldt. As a Broker Associate with Better Homes & Gardens Ming Tree, she has dedicated her career to empowering clients with the knowledge they need to understand the transaction process. Annalise is deeply invested in the community, and leverages the relationships she has built to help her clients succeed.



Prior to her time as a Realtor, Annalise worked in the finance industry as a loan specialist and branch manager. Her strong financial background and drive to contribute to the well-being of this community make her an expert on today's market.

Annalise has dedicated her career to helping clients feel confident when it comes to buying and selling their homes. She has extensive knowledge and experience in Humboldt County and can find exactly what her clients need. When not selling real estate Annalise serves as President for Business Networking International - Northcoast Networkers, President Elect for Rotary Club of Eureka 1923, and Secretary for Compass Community Credit Union Board of Directors. She also loves the outdoors and exploring all that Humboldt has to offer.



## President's Message

Hello everyone and welcome to the beginning of the 2022-2023 year for our Humboldt Branch of AAUW. Nothing happens in the Branch from the May meeting until the September meeting each year. Right? Not at all. Lots of things have been happening this summer. Board members have been hard at work planning facilities, food, and speakers for the coming year. Our Treasurer and Membership Chair have been handling renewals sent in and following up where needed. Four girls had an exciting week at Tech Trek, which we will hear more about at our Branch meetings. Page Turners Book Group met twice in person in June and August. New member Ruth Richard started a Mah Jongg group which is turning out to be very challenging and fun. Anything else? Let us know by writing about it for the newsletter. Thanks to everyone who has

worked over the summer to make this year a success.

We hope to have a good turnout for our first Branch meeting on September 10. It will be held in the light and airy Great Room of the Wharfinger Building with views of the Marina and Bay and access to the outdoor deck. It will be a great chance to reconnect with friends, meet new members, and share AAUW news. Our speaker, Annelise von Borstel, will share about real estate and answer questions. Join us by zoom if you can't be there in person.

AAUW's mission: To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy. I am honored to serve as Branch President for a second year. This year I would like us to reflect on the mission of AAUW and the important work being done to achieve it. I was fortunate to be able to visit Tech Trek for a day in June and meet girls sent by our Branch and many others as well. Seeing their enthusiasm for learning and hearing about their goals was inspiring. This is one of the ways that AAUW promotes achievement in STEM for girls. The example provided by being taught by real women scientists and engineers and hearing about their real careers will have a lasting impact on their futures. You can hear from two of our girls at the September meeting.

I hope to see you at the September 10 Branch meeting. I'm looking forward to it!

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## Branch News

Members who need rides to Branch meetings should tell their caller when they make a reservation for the meeting. Maggie Augustine will try to arrange a ride for you.

If you are able to provide rides, please let Maggie know so that she can match up rides with members who need them.

Projects that are being funded by the Branch this year include Re-entry Scholarship, Children's Author Festival, Chromebooks for Continuation High School Grads, Tech Trek.

Directories will be distributed at the September 10 Branch Meeting. They will be delivered or mailed to those not able to attend.

Tentative Board Meeting dates for 2023:

January 14

March 11

May 20

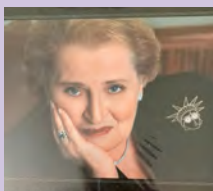
Budget Planning Meeting – February 8

Board Meetings are held on Zoom beginning at 10:00 am. Please contact Rosemarie Weaver at [roseweave52@gmail.com](mailto:roseweave52@gmail.com) for the link if you wish to attend.

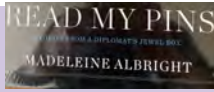
Rose Ann Hurst is continuing to do the job of Courtesies, sending cards to members when needed. Please call her at 707-443-0742 if you know of needs for sympathy, get well wishes, or congratulations. Thank you, Rose Ann, for doing this important job.

Interest groups and contact persons are listed in the directory and on the Website. Please send interest group news and pictures to Shelley for the Newsletter. Before the pandemic, we agreed that interest groups would be encouraged to donate \$1 per person per meeting to the scholarship fund.

Many thanks to Shelley Mitchell for putting out the newsletter, Nancy Dean for putting together the Directory, Peggy Smart for arranging food, Alex Stillman, and Connie Stewart for arranging speakers for the meetings, Nancy Kay and Karole Ely for handling membership renewals, Jeanne Harris and Gail Freeman for collecting advertisers, Dorothy Skjonsby and Mary Lou Lowry for coordinating Tech Trek, Gina Rogers and Sharon Ferrett for publicity, Margaret Wallace for chairing the Scholarship Committee, Maggie Augustine for organizing the phone chain, Becky MacQuarrie for taking Board Meeting minutes, and Judy Bennett for organizing the December Gala. You are all appreciated very much.



Jean Guthrie is donating a new, unopened, copy of Madeleine Albright's book, *Read My Pins* to raise money for the scholarship fund. Jean told us some interesting facts about Albright's career and accomplishments during our April



meeting. You can bid for the book by silent auction at the September meeting. If you won't be there, email your bid to Margaret Wallace [marjean116@gmail.com](mailto:marjean116@gmail.com) by September 9th. Thank you, Jean!



Rumor has it that the prim ladies hosted by the Historic Sites Society of Arcata (HSSA) enjoying a genteel game of mahjong are actually members of our new Mahjong Group. Right, Rosemarie Weaver, Judy Bennett, Karole Ely, Marjorie Zwerdling and Nancy Kay of AAUW (American Association of University Women) Humboldt.

Our Tech Trek Delegation and the letters they sent to thank us



Thank You



Dear Humboldt Branch,

This past week I have learned so much in the S.T.E.A.M. Field, but also how to work + communicate with others and take what I have learned and apply it to real world scenarios. Throughout the week we, as a dorm, attended various work shops, including multiple coding programs, engineering projects, chemistry experiments, biological experiments and even some construction competitions. We heard from former Tech Trek Campers of many different years. College + Highschool students held a Q&A Panel, chemist, Astronomer, Engineers and Biologist talked about their careers + experiences at AAUW.

I have learned so much this past week, but I also learned how to further my knowledge in the future. Thank you all again for this once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Sincerely,  
Sabrina Macdonald



## Save the Dates!

The annual AAUW CA Funds events, now on Zoom, will be coming in October and November. This year, there will be four events to choose from, or attend all four! We have a record number of Fellows and grant recipients this year in CA- a whopping 49! Watch the AAUW CA website and CA

Connection for sign up information.

Saturday, October 15, 2022  
Sunday, October 23, 2022

Saturday, October 22, 2022  
Saturday, November 12, 2022

## Gender Equity and Our Mission

Since at least 2018, AAUW's mission has mentioned "gender equity" not gender equality. What is the difference. Jean Guthrie shared an article that includes an accessible explanation.

"Gender equality, equality between men and women...does not mean that women and men have to become the same, but that their rights, responsibilities and opportunities will not depend on whether they were born male or female. Gender equity means fairness of treatment for men and women according to their respective needs. This may include equal treatment or treatment that is different but which is considered equivalent in terms of rights, benefits, obligations, and opportunities." –United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization ([UNESDOC](#))"

To Read the whole article, [HERE](#)

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AAUW is the nation’s leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls. Since our founding in 1881, AAUW members have examined and taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day — educational, social, economic, and political.

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