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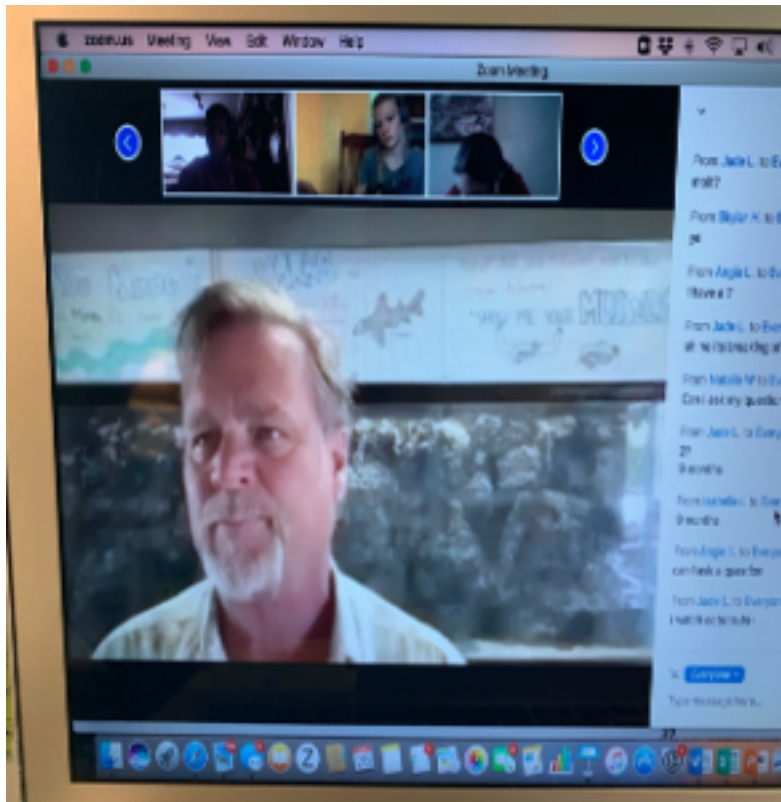
TTAG's Virtual STEM Camp- July 27-31, 2020

- Week-long camp, 3 ½ hours per day, 10a.m.-1:30p.m. with Chemistry, Marine Science, and Forensic Science classes. (See [Class Schedule](#) and link for [Camp Program](#).)
- Included presentations on High School Prep, Life Skills and Tech/Graphic Design Career.
- At the TTAC meeting on May 30th, our TTAG Committee empathetically agreed that some kind of camp experience had to be provided for the 2020 TT girls who were unable to attend camp due to the pandemic. And, after many meetings and much planning, together we did!
- This was an amazing experience for the 14 TTAC members who worked on it as presenters and Discussion Group Leaders (similar to Jr. Counselors), as well as for the campers themselves. Four (4) teachers/presenters (selected by the Branch TTAG Advisors) from previous Tech Trek Camps volunteered (some with honorariums) to give their presentations, whether one class or 3 classes over the 5-day period. It modeled a lot of what the TTAG members remembered from their camp days. Together our 3 branches- Beach Cities, Palos Verdes and Torrance Branch- had *52 campers attending!*

PHOTOS:



“Zoom screen of girls in Marine Biology class. All cameras must be on!”



“Scott Simon, Professor at UCSB Marine Lab”

LINKS BELOW FOR TTAG VIRTUAL CAMP SCHEDULE AND PROGRAM

[*2020 Schedule TTAG Virtual Camp*](#)

[*2020 Program-TTAG Virtual Camp*](#)

2019

Women in Stem (Oct. 19, 2019)



WOMEN IN STEM CAREERS

**Saturday, October 19th
Lawndale Library
1-3 p.m.**

Come listen to women in various
professional STEM fields discuss their
careers and pathways!

ALL STUDENTS, ALL AGES WELCOME!

CO-SPONSORED BY:

American Association of University Women (AAUW)
South Bay Tech Trek Alumnae Group (TTAG)
Lawndale Library

Event Address: 14675 Burin Ave, Lawndale, CA 90260
Questions? Contact: techtrekalum@yahoo.com

October 19, 2019 1pm to 3pm

Lawndale Library

14675 Burin Ave, Lawndale, CA



Denise DeVenuto, TTAG Coordinator PV, starts the program by introducing the TTAG girls.

TTAG girls, in turn, introduce the speakers.

Guest speakers: Women in Stem



Women in Stem and TTAG Girls

Women in Stem (March 23, 2019)



WOMEN IN STEM

SATURDAY, MARCH 23
REDONDO BEACH LIBRARY
1 - 3 PM

Come listen to women in various professional STEM fields discuss their careers and pathways!

- Doctors using technology
- Systems Engineer
- Audio Engineer
- And more!

CO-SPONSORED BY:

American Association of University Women (AAUW)
South Bay Tech Trek Alumni Group (TTAG)
Redondo Beach Public Library

Event Address: 303 N. PCH in Redondo Beach
Questions? Contact techtrekalum@yahoo.com

March 23, 2019 1pm to 3pm

Redondo Beach Main Library

303 N. PCH, Redondo Beach



Our great turnout for Women in Stem

March 2019, Redondo Beach Library



- **Geataeus Willocks**, Aerospace Engineer
- **Elaine Lee**, Architect
- **Linda Gedemer**, Audio Engineer

- **Holly Hipwell Durand**, Executive Sales Representative, Intuitive, Los Angeles
- **Dr. Sonia Rebeles**, M.D., F.A.C.O.G.



Back Row L to R: **Terry Hays-Horner, Sonia Rebeles, Holly Hipwell Durand, Mia DiCostanzo, Pam Kenoyer, Denise DeVenuto**

Front Row L to R: **Charlotte Maguy, Victoria Lowe, Elaine Lee, Khushi Kumra, Alexis Kim, Lahari Arun**

2018

College Prep 101 Presentation 2018



Panel of presenters at **College Prep 101 event** held at the Redondo Beach Library on **Oct. 27, 2018**, represented UC Riverside, UCLA, El Camino College and the Student Perspective - by our own College TTAG young woman, Ana Guillen. Ana went to Tech Trek in 2009.





Top Picture:

Back row L to R: 1) PV 2) PV 3) Lydia 4) Celeste 5) Logan, 6) Elena 7) Vanessa Aviles (TT2008, BC Member, Camp Dorm Mom) 8) Ana Guillen (TT2009, Speaker)

Front Row L toR 1) Karen M. 2) Valeria L. 3) Amy J., and 4) Khushi K.

Bottom Picture: Amy J., speaking at podium, is a TTAG junior from Hawthorne Math and Science Academy who chaired the event. She went to Tech Trek in 2015.

Winter Holiday Party 2018

TTAG girls are munching on pizza, watching Wonder Woman movie, while also making Operation Gratitude rip cord bracelets to send to servicemen.



Amy Jo (TT 2015) and sister, Andrea Rodas (TT 2010), so far are our only sisters who attended Tech Trek through Beach Cities, and both are in TTAG!



The movie, *Wonder Woman*, inspired us.



Amy Jo and Andrea Rodas, two sisters who both attended *Tech Trek*. Amy is currently in 11th grade at Hawthorne Math and Science Academy; Andrea just finished her BS in Biology at Boston University.

2017

Women in Stem 2017; RB Library, 1 to 3pm--Huge Hit!



The Women in STEM Forum held on Sat., 2/25/17, at the Redondo Beach Library was a wonderful success! The four varied career women presenters were each enthusiastic and enlightening, prompting many questions from the audience. Approximately 30 adults and 40 students attended.



TTAG member and 8th grader, Khushi K., on left, was the chairperson of the event. TTAG liaisons who were paired with each of the presenters to initiate and maintain contact in obtaining bios and digital presentations were: Khushi K., Jazmine G.(on right w/Denise Chyette), Sabrina A. and Logan H.

Presenters were: Dilrukshie Cooray, M.D. of Rheumatology at Torrance Memorial Medical Center; Denise Cheyette, DPT, Physical Therapist and owner of the Wellness Bank in Manhattan Beach who also talked about learning how to run a business that gives back to communities; Lauren Tojo, a Test Equipment Project



Engineer at Moog Inc. in Torrance; and Ximena Mutis, a UI/UX graphic designer for Symantec Corp., specializing in branding and infographic (icon) design. Her slide show of her personal albums that she created in elementary through high school really spoke to the girls who could see a connection between art and science.

Additional TTAG girls present (who are holding the AAUW sign in the picture) were: Sabrina, Drunara, Logan, Katelyn, Alexis and Khushi.

Women in STEM is an annual event. The next public TTAG event, **College Prep 101**, will be held in October 7, 2017. Mark your calendars!

<https://beachcities-ca.aauw.net/files/2015/07/Women-in-STEM-Flyer-2-27-17.pdf>

Space X--Helps in Three Ways

The annual SpaceX Tour is coordinated by Terry Hays-Horner exclusively for



Beach Cities

TTAG'17 girls – Date: August 12 --

SpaceX has started a wonderful new workshop for our Tech Trekkers. It is put on by Space X female employees and is titled “Engineering Workshop for Girls.” This program will be for Beach Cities TTAG girls-

SpaceX has for the past two or three years provided funding for two girls in Hawthorne to attend Tech Trek STEM Summer Camp.

Movie "He Named Me Mahala" Summer Event

*TTAG Summer Movie event, **He Named Me Malala**, ---- **Saturday, August 12, 5:00-8:00pm.**, at Saatchi & Saatchi building, 3501 Sepulveda Bl., Torrance. Pizza, salad and make-your-own-sundae are food highlights. Invitations will be e-mailed to all TTAG girls during the summer with the RSVP information. For TTAG girls only.*

At the Saatchi & Saatchi Advertising Corp building, meet in the media meeting area- bring pillows and blankets- to watch “He Named Me Malala” on **Saturday, August 12, 5:00-8:00pm.**

Address is *3501 Sepulveda Bl., Torrance.*



Quotes from Malala

"We realize the importance of our voices only when we are silenced."

"One child, one teacher, one book, one pen can change the world."

"When the whole world is silent, even one voice becomes powerful."

Symantec Tour

Symantec Tour- **Friday, Nov. 10, 2017.** Come and learn about Cyber Security and see Symantec's facilities. Li



mitted to TTAG girls (and advisor as chaperone).

2016

Operation Gratitude



Then on 12/29/16 ended the year with lots of food, fun and social activism! The 20+ girls from Beach Cities, Torrance and PV Branches wrote Thank You letters to servicemen overseas through Operation Gratitude and made lanyard rip cord bracelets for them. In addition, girls donated 20+ bags of clothing and other goods for the Downtown Women's Center. Susan Negrete, chair of LACIC and a member of the

PV/Torrance Branches, spoke to the girls about LACIC and, also about the purpose and goals of the DWC in L.A. (See photo.) College girls and tech Trek Alums, Stephanie Tran '09 (CSUDH) and Nikki Chan '08 (UCSD), spoke about their college experiences. Beach Cities members, Alice Hill and Terry Horner, attended. TECH TREK ALUMNI GROUP (TTAG) NEWS

Tech Trek Alumni Group's Summer Picnic

What a fun, relaxing, and, yet, uplifting day in the park on July 25th! We're so glad that our TTAG young ladies could connect and "bond" together. We have to thank Sophie Maguy, the TTAG founder and '12 Tech Trek camper, for coming up with this idea and making it happen. Here are a few photos to show proof of the wonderful day!

We want all former Tech Trekkers to join TTAG to get on Sophie's list to be notified of all future TTAG events, like the next Women in STEM Careers panel, coming up on Saturday, September 26 at the Redondo Beach Library.

Enjoy the rest of your summer...and stay in touch! (*Check out more pictures and info on our Beach Cities Facebook page, @AAUW Beach Cities.*)



Summer Picnic 2015