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#### **AAUW Glendale- 90 Years**

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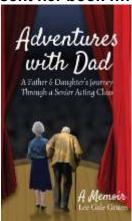
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AAUW Glendale April program features Lee Gale Gruen, actor and author, who will present her book .....



Author, Lee Gale Gruen ("Lee Gale" is her first name), had a 37 year career as a Probation Officer. After retiring at age 60, just for fun she started attending an acting class for seniors. A few weeks later her mother died, and she invited her grieving father, age 85, to come to the class with her. This is the true story of their magical journey attending that class for 3 years. Lee Gale wrote the comedy scenes they performed twice a year onstage in the class showcases. The father/daughter team became a popular item with their adoring audience. Included in the book are all 6 scenes along with her motivation and the process of writing them, rehearsing them and gathering the props. Lee Gale eventually transitioned into the world of professional acting. As her fledgling, second career started going uphill, her dad's health started going downhill. Lee Gale would recount to him each of her new experiences while she sat beside his bed at the nursing home where he resided in his final years.

This heartwarming, poignant story of the love and bonding that grew between a father and daughter, both in their later life, as they attended a senior acting class together, will resonate with Baby Boomers, seniors and their family members, friends and acquaintances everywhere.

#### AAUW Glendale Date: April 13, 2013

Place: Oakmont Country Club 3100 Country Club Dr Glendale, Ca.

Time: 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Cost: \$25 per person –Please make your check payable to: AAUW Glendale
Please reserve by Wednesday, April 10, 2013
For reservations call: Susie Robinson

Reservations made but not kept will be billed

#### PRESIDENT'S VIEW

Dear Members,

Our March branch meeting was sparked by an exciting movie about Habitat for Humanity housing in this area. Dr. Sonja Yates, Executive Director, talked about the many successful housing developments built for low-income families. We were edified by the cooperative efforts in which people pitch in and work on construction sites.

Springtime brings student interviews! The Tech Trek committee, under the aegis of Laura Guillory, has concluded interviewing well over fifty junior high school girls to qualify for the wonderful camp in Whittier this June. The interviewees were very enthusiastic, and it made it difficult for the committee to select winners. Our college scholarship committee is just beginning the interview process. Scholarship committee chair Edie Morrow reports that we have enough interviewers to cover the Glendale high schools and the Glendale Community College.

#### WAYS and MEANS PROJECTS

Charlene Carnachan, Ways and Means Chairperson, indicates that our volunteers for the Pasadena Showcase house will soon go to training sessions and then begin their stints as docents. So far it appears that we have enough substitutes to fulfill our minimum service. Charlene and a committee are also planning another fund raiser - a Cinco De Mayo party, a Sunday this year. Neda Fabris has generously offered her home for this festive event, and we anticipate good weather. Look for details in this Newsletter.

The branch would like to extend a big "Thank You" to the Tech Trek interviewers. It is one of the most important tasks in this project and it requires considerable time and effort. Our branch members who were so generous with their time and energy are Elsie Anderson, Mary Jo Brown, Paula Devine, Laura Guillory, Sheila Koster, and Edie Morrow.

Sincerely, Sheila Koster, Co-President AAUW Glendale

Annual dues for the 2013-2014 year are due by July 1. 2013. Branch members pay \$90.00 and Paid Life members pay \$41.00. Watch for your dues renewal envelopes in the mail.

There was great rejoicing on the day you were born.

**April Birthdays** 

23- Helen Fry 30- Florence Chase



#### VAWA Reauthorization Passed!

On February 28, 2013, the House of Representatives approved the Senate-passed Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) reauthorization that protects all victims and includes critical campus safety protections. This has been a long, hard battle, and AAUW has been very active in contacting elected officials for its passage.

AAUW fought for this version of VAWA because it will create meaningful change on college campuses, which is essential in light of high-profile cases of rape and sexual assault. We celebrate that colleges and universities will now be required to create prevention programs for students and have greater transparency in reporting and better services for victims. Additionally, we should all be proud that the House and Senate acted quickly in the 113th Congress to move a bipartisan Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act. The House's votes to reject a bad VAWA amendment and to approve the Senate-passed bill will send an inclusive VAWA reauthorization to the president's desk.

Today is a great day to be part of an organization whose volunteer Lobby Corps and members across the country have knocked on Congress' door for almost two years urging a VAWA that would protect all victims and improve campus safety. Thank you again for your advocacy and your support.

(Adapted from letter from Lisa Maatz, AAUW Director of Public Policy)



#### ...BOOK GROUPS

#### **EVENING GROUP**

Meets April 8, 2013- at the home of Neda Fabris at 7:30 pm. We will review "David Copperfield" by Dickens and the leader is Mary Pallares.

#### **DAY GROUP**

Meets Tuesday, April 16, at the home of Sheila Koster at 10 a.m. We will discuss "Great House" by Nicole Krauss, and the leader is Shirley Buono.

#### **GLOBAL ISSUES**

Meets Wednesday, April 10, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Rosa Frommer. The topic is NATO, and our leader is Shirley Buono.

### YWCA's 16th Annual Legacy Luncheon Heart & Excellence Awards

Thursday, April 25th, 11:00 a.m. Oakmont Country Club

our own Mary Margaret Smith is one of the awardees, nominated by her PEO group

tickets are \$90 up to April 18th, \$100 after April 18th

anyone interested in attending and supporting our very own member Mary Margaret Smith contact the YWCA, 735 E. Lexington Ave., Glendale

#### **Student Grant and You:**

It will soon be time for the student grant award brunch, our opportunity to listen to and learn about the college dreams of our young Glendale women. Those of us who interview the candidates for the student grant award come away from these interview meetings often inspired by their enthusiasms and their goals.

It is too easy to lose contact with this contagious young love of life's opportunities. If you wish to interview and hear some of this, contact me to get more details. If you wish to enjoy the awardees' words, make sure you attend the May branch meeting.

But if you want to be a part of this endeavor in the years ahead, consider participating by including student grants in your will or trust plans. Your assistance will be used to support young girls of our community as they move forward with their educational goals. It is a wonderful way to stay connected to this rich source of inspiration.

**Edie Morrow** 

#### **NOTES FROM OUR PASADENA BRANCH**

Our next meeting will be held on Saturday, April 20, 2013 with the Social Hour beginning at 11:15 am and the meeting starting at 11:45 am. The speaker will be Rachael Worby, who is the Artistic Director and Conductor for the Pasadena based MUSE/IQUE.



### GLENDALE AAUW

**Presents** 

## CINCO DE MAYO

Dínner/Social Sunday, May 5 4:00 p.m.

Menu: Chicken, rice, beans, salad, fruit, dessert Beverage (wine/beer available)

Home of Neda Fabris

Please make check payable to Glendale AAUW for \$25 per person Send to Charlene Carnachan Space is limited; checks must be received by April 30.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Board Meeting 123 No Jackson, Room 103- 6:45 pm	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Book Group 7:30 pm at the home of Neda	9	10 Global Issues 1:30 pm , home of Rosa Frommer	11	12	13 AAUW Glendale Branch meeting- Oakmont Country Club – 9:00 am
14	15	16 Day Group Book: 10:00 am at the home of -Sheila Koster.	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 YWCA 16 <sup>th</sup> Annual Legacy Awards- 11:00 am- Oakmont Country Club Rsvp	26	27
28	29	30	Notes: AAUW Glendale Social- Cinco De Mayo – May 5, 2013 at the home of Neda Fabris. Please mark your calendar.			



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