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# Dr. Sonja Yates, Executive Director for San Gabriel Valley Habitat for Humanity, will present

The work of the local **Habitat for Humanity** chapter. Details of the exciting new Desiderio Homes build will be shared, and we will learn how Habitat serves deserving low-income families, including recently completed builds and repair projects. Insight will be brought into how this organization was developed and why it has been helpful in many communities to resolve basic housing needs for some of its citizens.

**Dr. Sonja Yates** joined the efforts of San Gabriel Valley Habitat for Humanity in 2004. Since that time the affiliate has grown in house production, fundraising, visibility, and capacity. Restore (Builders Surplus Store) revenues have increased fivefold since FY 2004. Sonja's 15 years as Superintendent of Schools in Rancho Cucamonga's Central School District prepared her well for the vast and challenging responsibilities of the Executive Director position. She works enthusiastically and tirelessly for the mission and cause. Under her leadership San Gabriel Valley Habitat for Humanity is changing many lives and building stronger communities!

# AAUW Glendale Date: March 9, 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, **March 6, 2013**For reservations call: **Susie Robinson** 

Reservations made but not kept will be billed



# PRESIDENT'S VIEW

# Dear Members,

Be on alert for your Spring/Summer 2013 issue of AAUW's national publication *OUTLOOK* that will publish a member's voting guide to elect our national officers. To be elected in 2013: president, vice-president, and ten directors-at-large. All voting will take place online unless members request a paper ballot by May 2, 2013 and postmark it by May 17, 2013. This allows our members active participation in electing our national leaders.

#### Additional National AAUW NEWS

In the 2012-13 academic year AAUW provided more than 4.3 million in fellowships and grants for 278 outstanding women and non-profit organizations. The Legal Advocacy Fund supported seven new lawsuits, including military sexual assault cases and a pay discrimination suit against Wal-Mart.

#### WAYS and MEANS - PASADENA SHOWCASE HOUSE

As we go to press in mid-February Charlene Carnachan, Ways and Means Chairperson, reports that we have enough volunteers to serve as docents at the Pasadena Showcase. (April 21 to May 19 – three shifts Tuesday through Sunday) We need a few more participants to insure us against drop-outs (illness, etc.) Please contact Charlene if you can fill a four-hour post. Last year we earned needed money for our branch by volunteering in this venture. This can be an all-day treat for docents because the shops, gardens, and gourmet restaurant are part of this experience.

Mary Jo Brown, Chair of the Nominating Committee, reports we still have board posts to fill. Members should be aware that some officers have served for many, many years, and our branch's survival depends on service from members as well as general participation. Please say "yes" if you are asked to serve.

Sincerely, Sheila Koster, Co-President AAUW Glendale



# There was great rejoicing on the day you were born.



### March Birthdays

**6 Christine Walters** 

8 Mary McVay

15 Sheila Price

19 Betty Peterson

21 Ann Herrmann

27 Kim Westhoff

28 Linda Blackwell

29 Anna Donlin



# ...BOOK GROUPS

#### **EVENING GROUP**

Meets the 2nd Monday of the Month at 7:30 p.m.

<u>March 11, 2013</u>- at the home of Elaine Smith at 7:30pm. We will review "The biography of Walter Cronkite" by Brinkley and the leader is Anna Rundle.

#### DAY GROUP

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 10:00 a.m.

<u>March 19, 2013</u> at the home of Valerie Howard at 10 a.m. We will discuss "Falling Angels" by Tracy Chevalier, and the leader is Merry Franzen.

# **GLOBAL ISSUES**

Our Global Issues discussion group will meet Wednesday, March 13, 1:30 p.m., at the home of Shirley Buono. The topic is Egypt, and our leader is Mary Elgabazawi.

#### LACIC MEETING:

I recently attended a meeting of the Los Angeles County Interbranch Council (LACIC). This organization is comprised of AAUW California's 16 branches in L.A. County who meet in order to connect with one another, to connect with AAUW CA, and to connect with other like-minded organizations. Meetings are open to all AAUW members and are held bi-monthly to hear speakers from AAUW and increase communication between branches. The next meeting is on March 17, 2013, at the Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital in Whittier from 2 to 4 PM.

On January 20, Nancy Mahr, who is on the Calif. AAUW Public Policy Committee and a member of the Palos Verdes branch, spoke to the group. She stated that the Public Policy Committee reviews approximately 3000 bills introduced to the State Legislature for issues related to the interests of AAUW. They then decide which bills AAUW CA will support, oppose or "watch." Support consists of adding our organization name to the bill, volunteering to testify on its behalf or adding the support of our AAUW lobbyist. Bills supported usually relate to prevent discrimination against women or to increase pay equity. AAUW CA is actively involved on a daily basis in breaking through legal barriers so that all women have a fair chance.

Mary Jo Brown, AAUW Funds

## Meet Lilly Ledbetter on March 5, 2013

Hear the courageous woman whose discrimination battle inspired the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Restoration Act. We are invited to join the AAUW Redlands branch dinner meeting and hear Lilly speak after in the Memorial Chapel. It will be at 5:30 PM in the Casa Loma Room (next door to the Chapel) at the University of Redlands. The cost of the dinner and speech is \$17.00. Reservations are required for dinner by Feb. 26. Contact Kathy Toister for reservations or further information.

## 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**

# Sat., March 2 Volunteers are needed for SCIENCE DAY AT PCC for PUSD Middle

**School Students**. This event, started 14 years ago by AAUW, Pasadena Branch, PCC, and PUSD, gives students hands-on STEM workshops and encourages them to consider a career in a STEM field. Please volunteer for:

**Registration**: Check-in students at PCC from 7:30 - 9:30 AM or **Chaperone**: Accompany a group of girls to two different science Workshops 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Please contact Susan Streeter by Feb. 23.

| Sun                             | Mon                                 | Tue                              | Wed   | Thu | Fri | Sat  |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----|-----|--|
|                                 |                                     |                                  |   |     | 1   | 2  |
| 3                               | 4 Board Meeting<br>6:45 pm          | 5                                | 6   | 7   | 8   | <b>9</b> Branch Meeting –<br>Oakmont Country Club<br>9:00 am |
| 10                              | 11<br>Evening Book Group<br>7:30 am | 12                               | 13 Global Discussion<br>1:30 pm at the home of<br>Shirley Buono | 14  | 15  | 16   |
| 17                              | 18                                  | 19<br>Day Book Group<br>10:00 am | 20  | 21  | 22  | 23   |
| 24                              | 25                                  | 26                               | 27  | 28  | 29  | 30   |
| 31 Easter Sunday  Happy  Easter | Notes:                              |                                  |   |     |     |  |

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