

AAUW Glendale- 90 Years

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Lieutenant Scott Bickle
Glendale Police Department

Lt. Bickle's presentation will include an overview of the Glendale Police Department, introduction of community based policing, explanation of the newly formed crime prevention programs including the Burglary Task Force.

He will also review crime trends in our community as well as SCAMS targeting the elderly, sometimes labeled "Grandparents Scam" which is the actual loss of money through the use of telephonic means.

Lt. Bickle is a wealth of information. Let us learn from his experiences, ways in which to protect ourselves from harm and be alert to our environment. Please invite members of your families and friends to meet Lieutenant Bickle.

AAUW Glendale

Date: November 10, 2012

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

Time: 9:00 am to 10:30 am

Cost: **\$25 per person** –Please make your check payable to: AAUW Glendale

Please reserve by Wednesday, **November 7, 2012**

For reservations call: **Susie Robinson**

Reservations made but not kept will be billed



PRESIDENT'S VIEW

Dear Members,

This past year our branch added several names to our membership roster. We enthusiastically welcome the following:

Marie Chen is a financial planner at Morgan Stanley Smith Barney. Since she has already agreed to serve as one of our hospitality liaisons, our members will quickly become acquainted with her. She holds a BA from USC.

Joyce Davison was recruited when she was our featured speaker at our May meeting! Members will remember her inspiring talk about the efficacy of horse therapy in treating disabled, disadvantaged and special-needs children. Originally hailing from Chicago, Illinois, she graduated from Pasadena City College in 1978 with a degree in Library Science. She has been a member of Oakmont Country Club since 1999.

Paula Devine currently serves as Chair of the Commission on the Status of Women. She originally hailed from West Virginia where she earned her undergraduate degree. She gravitated to California to take a teaching position, and subsequently earned her MA from CSU Los Angeles. She has been a Glendale resident for twenty-five years.

Hillary Kim is a dentist in practice with her husband Raymond Kowk in downtown Glendale. Reared in California, she earned her biochemistry degree as well as a master's in Public Health from UCLA. She then attended Tufts School of Dental Medicine in Boston where she met her husband. Dr. Kim is fluent in English and Korean.

Donnalee Monninger has lived her whole life in Glendale. For many years she taught in our local school system, usually in the third grade level. She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from Cal State Long Beach. She is enjoying her retirement, and we were pleased to introduce her to our membership at our October branch meeting.

Kim Rodgers Westoff is the General Counsel for the Los Angeles County Building and Safety department. She earned her undergraduate degree from USC and her law degree from Southwest Law School. She says her "greatest achievement" is being the mother of two girls, one recently enrolled in law school and the other earning her undergrad degree.

Sincerely,
Sheila Koster, Co-President
AAUW Glendale



Mark your Calendar.

Once again Mary and Oscar Pallares have graciously offered to host the **AAUW Glendale Holiday Get Together** this year at their home on **Saturday, December 15, 2012**. The dinner will be a very festive holiday buffet and will start at **4:00 P.M.** Members may bring spouses, significant others, prospective members or guests. The cost is **\$35.00** per person.

Tech Trek:



Tech Treks at AAUW are, from left, Zhanna Arsenyan, 13; Arina Megerdichian, 13; Lia Gharabeg, 13; Aga Nogalska, 13; Amira Al Hadeed, 14; and Jana Haddad-Lott, 13. (Courtesy photo / October 16, 2012)

The brunch meeting of the American Assn. of University Women (AAUW) opened with pizzazz as six young women, all beneficiaries of scholarships to Tech Trek, were introduced. Tech Trek is a one-week immersion into science and technology for girls from Wilson and Toll middle schools. The program is sponsored and, in part, financed by AAUW, Glendale Chapter. Members of the Glendale Soroptimists also contribute funds.

On Saturday (Oct. 13) at the Oakmont Country Club, some 60 members and guests were treated to the young women's remarks. Jana Haddad-Lott, 13, was first at the podium. She is on Wilson's Marching Band and is the daughter of Lana Haddad, an analyst at Glendale Water and Power. Mom was right by daughter's side for brunch, but to present her remarks, Jana was entirely on her own.

Jana regaled her audience with techie stories from Tech Trek, held during the summer at Whittier College. She learned how to write a check, balance a checkbook and dissect the heart of a pig. The only thing she minded was the smell of formaldehyde. Jana plans to become a marine biologist, largely due to her experiences at Tech Trek. Tech Trek Coordinator Laura Guillory introduced the remaining girls. Besides Jana, others from Wilson were Amira Al Hadeed, 14; Lia Gharabeg, 13; and Aga Nogalska, 13. Toll students were Arina Megerdichian, 13; and Zhana Arsenyan, 13.

After brunch the remainder of the program was devoted to speaker Christel J. Sutterley, who teaches physics at UC San Diego. She spoke on "Stars, Particles, the Universe and Evolution of Science and Technology" — a topic that was probably more understandable to the Tech Trek girls than any of us in the room.

The meeting ended with AAUW Glendale branch member Leni Richardson and President Sheila Koster announcing the group's gourmet dinner on Oct. 26.

How to make Tech Trek contributions tax deductible: If you would like your contribution to be tax deductible when you pay your dues, you will need to write a second check made out to AAUW CA SPF if you send your donation to the Financial Secretary along with your dues. SPF stands for special projects fund which is a 501(c3) entity. As an alternative you may send your contribution directly to Laura Guillory.

Tech Trek Fund Raiser on Founder's Day

This year the funds raised by the sale of gift baskets and donations at the January Founders' day luncheon will be used to fund Tech Trek campers. To ensure that we have sufficient display tables, please contact Laura Guillory and let me know the theme and contents of your basket or donation by January 6, 2012. If do not plan to attend the meeting on January 12, please let me know so I can arrange to pick up your basket/donation. In addition to gift baskets, handmade items, original art, unique ceramics, new handbags, event tickets, spa services have also been popular items. The Tech Trek committee would really appreciate some volunteers to help sell tickets at the event. . Please call Laura Guillory if you can help us out.

AAUW Pasadena does not have a November Membership Meeting.

AAUW Pasadena will have on Saturday, December 8 at 9:30 AM, a Brunch and its Annual Holiday Musical Program with the Washington Middle School Glee Club and Cindy Abbott, Conductor.

Charlene Suneson- AAUW Pasadena

EMAIL AND TELEPHONE TREE:

If your email address is not listed in our new yearbook and you wish to be on our email list to receive current news, please contact Charlene Carnachan. If you do not have email and wish to be included on our telephone tree list, please also contact Charlene.

GLOBAL ISSUES DISCUSSION GROUP

November 14 (Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.)

Topic: Energy

Home: Edie Morrow

...BOOK GROUPS

EVENING GROUP

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

November 12, Book: In the Garden of Beasts, Larson

Home: Anna Hernandez-Torres

DAY GROUP

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

November 20 , Book: Farenheit 451, Bradbury

Home: Edie Morrow

There was great rejoicing on the day you were born.



November Birthdays

- 5 Kathleen Dupree
- 11 Donna Franklin
- 11 Joan Benson
- 14 Valerie Howard
- 15 Margo Nenzell

Public Policy

2012 Ballot Propositions: Our Positions

In order to determine positions and potential endorsements, the AAUW CA Public Policy Committee has reviewed the ballot measures that have qualified for the November 2012 ballot, in the context of the approved Public Policy Priorities. The committee determined that four Initiatives and one Referendum are relevant to AAUW Priorities.

Proposition 30 – Temporary Taxes to Fund Education. Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding.

AAUW CA recommends a Yes vote, consistent with its positions supporting adequate and equitable funding for quality public education as well as safe communities. The passage of Proposition 30 will generate much-needed new revenues for schools and provide funds to counties for public safety, through increased income tax on the wealthy and a quarter percent increase in the sales tax, for a period of seven years.

Proposition 31 – State Budget Process

In 2011, AAUW CA studied California's budget problems, and prepared a Position Paper on the *California Budget: "Revenues, Reductions, and Reforms"*. Budget reforms are long overdue. However, while Proposition 31 contains positive elements of reform, it also includes troubling policy changes such as giving the governor authority to reduce spending in fiscal emergencies, and places specified state and local budget processes in the state constitution, making these difficult to change in the future. AAUW CA recommends a No vote on Proposition 31.

Proposition 35 – Human Trafficking

AAUW CA opposes human trafficking and supports bringing offenders to justice. This proposition, however, has major flaws, and is contradictory in some elements. It focuses on sex trafficking rather than human trafficking for purposes of "slavery", although forced labor comprises 90% of human trafficking. It pits victims against each other with greater penalties for sex trafficking than for rape in current law. When a poorly written initiative alters the state statutes, any future change becomes difficult, requiring yet another initiative. Members should study this carefully.

Proposition 38 – Tax for Education and Early Childhood Programs

While AAUW CA favors increased revenues for improving education in the state, this ballot measure raises concerns. It would raise taxes on all but those in the lowest tax bracket, and continue the taxes for a lengthy period of 13 years. It also prohibits the Legislature from making any modifications to the measure – it could only be amended by a future ballot measure. AAUW CA takes a Neutral position on Proposition 38.

Proposition 40 – Referendum on the Citizens Redistricting Commission Senate District Boundaries.

State Senate districts are revised every ten years following the federal census. This year, the California Citizens Redistricting Commission, approved by voters in 2008, revised the boundaries of the State Senate districts. This referendum petition is confusing in how it is written. A No vote would prevent the revised State Senate boundaries from taking effect and sanction the state Supreme Court to appoint special masters to draw new Senate boundaries. AAUW CA urges a Yes vote on this referendum to keep the boundaries as drawn, believing that the Citizens Commission is the fairest, most equitable mechanism for revising district boundaries, and its results should remain in effect.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 Board Meeting 123 N. Jackson Rm 123	6 Election- Please go out and Vote	7	8	9	10 Branch Meeting 9:00 AM- Oakmont CC 3100 Country Club Dr.
11	12 Evening Book Group- 7:30 pm	13	14 Global Issues Discussion Group 1:30 pm	15	16	17
18	19	20 Day Book Group- 10:00 am	21	22 THANKSGIVING  DAY	23 Have a great Shopping Day!	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	Notes: December 15, 2012 AAUW Glendale Christmas Party- 4:00pm

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