

# **Verdugo Views**

#### AAUW Glendale- 91 Years

#### 2013 - 2014 Directors

Co-Presidents: Nancy Ellyson Patricia Wilson AAUW Funds VP -MaryJo Brown Program VP -Sheila Koster Membership VP -JC Chauvin-Byer Recording Secretary Susan Hallgren Corresponding Secretary -MaryJo Brown Treasurer-Elaine Smith Financial Secretary -Kathleen Dupree

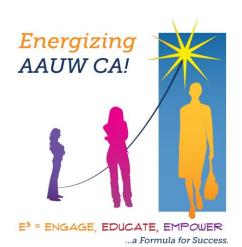
#### Standing Committees

By – Laws Communications &
Publication –
Finance - Elaine Smith
Public Policy –
Barbara Bodden
Student Grants and
Investments
Edie Morrow
Tech Trek –
Laura Guillory

#### **Branch Committees**

Past Presidents -Neda Fabris Historian Florence Chase Hospitality-Hannah Cline Pat Donlin Newsletter -Norma M Cunanan Newsletter Mailing MaryJo Brown Reservations -Susie Robinson Telephone Tree and Email Charlene Carnachan Yearbook -Nancy Ellyson

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## **Convention 2014: Energizing AAUW CA**

Friday, April 11- Sunday, April 13, 2014 Los Angeles Airport Marriot Hotel 5855 W. Century Blvd., Los Angeles

ENGAGE, EDUCATE, EMPOWER: This is the theme of this year's AAUW State Convention and this is the formula for success for AAUW CA. Our Glendale branch will not have a meeting this month so that our members can attend the Convention. We can energize our branches and our lives by attending workshops, listening to outstanding speakers and socializing with members from other branches. A number of engaging workshops will help educate us in a wide variety of topics from diversity to financial literacy to membership retention.

On Saturday, April 12, Linda Alepin, AAUW's 2013 Eleanor Roosevelt Award winner will be the featured speaker at lunch. Also, in the afternoon, three Speech Trek finalists will give their speeches on the topic: "Women at the top....Why not?" In the evening, at the Gala Dinner, Oscar-winning actress Geena Davis will speak on "Gender Equality in the Media." Ms. Davis has set up a foundation to lead the battle for equity for women in the entertainment industry.

This Convention will give all of us the tools to make our own formula for success! We will feel energized and ready to take the next steps to help women and girls break through barriers. To register, go to the aauw-ca.org website or contact Nancy Ellyson or Mary Jo Brown for a registration form.

#### **Presidents Message**



#### **March Meeting**

Joan Moran's dynamic presentation at our March meeting was very inspiring. It included tips on foods to eat, the benefits of meditation, memory and brain quizzes, and the brain benefits of exercise.

#### **Nominating Committee -**

The slates of officers for the 2014-2015 year are the following:

President – Open

Program VP – Mary Jo Brown

Membership VP – JC Chauvin-Byer and Margo Nenzell

AAUW Funds – Cathy Zitnick and Nancy Ellyson

Treasurer – Elaine Smith

Financial Secretary – Kathy Dupree

Recording Secretary – Shirley Buono

Corresponding Secretary – Elsie Anderson

The branch will be voting on these nominations at the **May** meeting.

#### State Dues Increase -

A dues increase of \$4 for AAUW-CA is being proposed beginning in the 2015-16 year and beyond. AAUW-CA has not had an increase in the past ten years. You will receive an email message or a postcard with instructions for voting. Online voting will be open from April 12 to May 2. If you vote by mail your ballot must be received by May 2. PLEASE VOTE!

Nancy Ellyson, Co-President
Patricia Wilson, Co-President
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"Life is all about how you handle Plan B."



Happy Birthday to all APRIL Birthdays!!!!

23 Helen Frys

30 Florence Chase

### **Special Interest Groups**



#### **Global Issues**

April 9, 2014 1:30 pm

Home: Jeri Hughes
Topic: Turkey's Challenges

Leader: Edie Morrow Hostess: Jeri Hughes

#### **Evening Book Group**

April 14, 2014 7:30 p.m. **Home**: Pat Donlin

**Book**: Things Fall Apart **Leader**: Mary Pallares

#### **Day Book Group**

April 22, 2014 10:00 a.m.

Home: Edie Morrow Book: Rules of Civility Leader: Charlene Carnachan

<u>Neda Fabris:</u> Our hearts and prayers go out to Neda, who is currently recuperating from heart surgery. Her daughter has been keeping us updated about her progress through email and we wish her a speedy recovery and hope to see her back to all her activities soon.

#### **Gourmet Dinner Group:**

Thanks to Leni Richardson for arranging our delicious dinner at the Brand 158 in Glendale on February 28. On this dark and stormy night, 22 people showed up for good food, good conversation, and good wine! The restaurant includes the tip in their menu prices so it is quite a bargain. The service was excellent and a good time was had by all!

#### **AAUW PUBLIC POLICY -- April 2014**

I was listening to C-SPAN3 which was showing a Congressional hearing on Medicare/Medicaid Fraud. This is an on-going problem which we all are paying for, and obviously affects all women. Do you get monthly or periodic letters from CMS (Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services)? These are notices of the doctor's visits and medical procedures you have received. Do you look at them, groan, and toss them in the permanent circular file without looking at them? If so, you are abetting potential fraud. You also probably receive notices from your supplementary insurers. Do you toss these too?

It is important that you read them and make sure that the bills cited apply to you. If not, please report them immediately to Medicare.gov or CMS.gov or call one of them on the phone. We all need to pitch in and try to stop any abuse we notice.

Did you know that you can subscribe to my medicare.gov and see your summary of medical services? You can also do this with your supplementary insurer. We all need to be vigilant in how our tax dollars are being spent.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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6	7	8	9 Global Issues 1:30 pm, Home: Jeri Hughes Topic: Turkeys Challenges	10	11 AAUW Convention 2014 Friday – April 11 to 13 Los Angeles Airport Marriot	12 AAUW Convention 2014 Friday – April 11 to 13 Los Angeles Airport Marriot
13 Palm Sunday  AAUW Convention 2014  Friday – April 11 to 13  Los Angeles Airport Marriot	14 Evening Book Book : 7:30 pm Home: Pat Donlin Book: Things Fall Apart	15 Day Book Group 10:00 am Home: Edie Morrow Book: Rules of Civility	16	17 Holy Thursday	18 Good Friday	19
20 Easter Sunday	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	Notes:		



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