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AAUW Glendale-92 Years

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SPEAKER ALERT -- ATTENTION TRAVELERS

ROAD SCHOLAR

Adventures in Lifelong Learning

Jill Swaim, a seasoned Road Scholar Ambassador volunteer, will explore paths to educational travel adventures. Road Scholar is the name for the programs created by Elderhostel, Inc., the world's leading not-for-profit educational travel organization.

The Road Scholar program is an affordable educational opportunities for adults. Many of our members have already experienced the avenues opened by this organization. Jill will open our eyes to new and innovative adventures in learning and traveling with like-minded people. A resident of Carlsbad, Jill will be staying overnight with a friend so she can communicate with us this coming Saturday morning. She will detail new avenues in travel/ learning.

Each year over 100,000 participants have participated in 6,500 programs across the United States and 150 countries.

AAUW Glendale November Branch Meeting

Date: November 8, 2014

Place:



3100 Country Club Dr Glendale, Ca.

Time: 9:00 am to 11:00 pm
Cost: \$25 per person –Please make your check payable to: AAUW Glendale

Please reserve by Wednesday, **November 5, 2014**For reservations call: **Susie Robinson**

Reservations made but not kept will be billed

Ad Hoc President's Column



In the absence of an elected president for 2014- 2015, former officers are taking turns in the management of our branch this year. As I take my turn in writing the customary president's column I can testify that the year is progressing, but we cannot assume that this ad hoc arrangement will continue indefinitely.

We continue to enjoy branch meetings at the Oakmont Country Club. It would be impossible to replicate the ambience and services offered there. Our \$25.00 charge includes the brunch, waiter tips and the seasonal center pieces which once were provided by an AAUW committee. The valet and speaker costs are actually subsidized by our branch budget. (The valet service, an independent contractor, is not under the aegis of the club.)

Several years ago I served on the committee that searched for a new meeting location. (At that time members were unhappy when the Elks club frequently relegated us to the small bar section featuring a neon beer sign.) We discovered that most available venues charged us for the room itself (\$500. at one location!), and some required a minimal payment for forty people!! The cost of our meetings, therefore, would be much higher at other venues.

Through the graciousness of club member J.C. Byer, Membership V.P. and former president, we convene at the beautiful Oakmont club without the customary extra charges required at other venues.

We anticipate a full year of solid programs and high membership participation, and look forward to expanded participation in our leadership.

Sheila Mulligan Koster

NEW MEMBER FOCUS

Beverly Van Citters, Ph.D. is a long-time AAUW member but new to our branch. A former Pennsylvania resident, "Bev" earned her doctorate at the University of Pittsburgh. She currently serves on the Citrus College faculty in the Language Arts Department. Her specialty these days: teaching other faculty members how to teach online. "Bev" attended our October branch meeting with Joyce Davison, her neighbor, who recruited her. We urge all of our members to urge friends to join our branch. (Current membership nears 100!)

TECH TREK NEWS:

At the October meeting we look forward to hearing about the Tech Trek camp experience of three of our campers. On top of the science they learn in camp, their brief presentations help them develop poise and confidence needed in their future careers.

This year the funds generated by the sale of gift baskets and donations at the January Founders' day luncheon will be used to fund Tech Trek campers. Everyone enjoyed it last year; so start thinking about what you can donate to help make this event a success. In addition to gift baskets, handmade items, original art, unique ceramics, new handbags, event tickets, spa services have also been popular items. In December I'll be requesting the name or theme of your basket or donation. The Tech Trek committee would really appreciate some volunteers to sell tickets at the event. Please call Laura Guillory if can help us out on this event.

Thank you.



November Birthdays

- 5- Kathleen Dupree
- 11- Donna Franklin
- 11- Joan Benson
- 12- Mary Elgabalawi
- 14- Valerie Howard
- 15- Margo Nenzell
- 15- Janet Bartel



SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Evening Book Group

November 10 7:30 p.m.

Home: Neda Fabris Book: The Orphan Train Leader: Anna Donlin

Global Issues

November 12 1:30 p.m.

Home: Shirley Buono Topic: U.S. Trade Policy Leader: Kathy Dupree Hostess: Phyllis Fernandez

Day Book Group

November 18 10 a.m.

Home: Mary Elgabalawi

Book: The Elegance of the Hedgehog

Leader: Mary Elgabalawi

NOVEMBER YEARBOOK UPDATES

Sharon E. Strand

B.A., College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, MN. M.A., Washington College, Chestertown, MD. PhD., Bowling Green State Univ., Bowling Green, OH.

Janet Bartel

B.A., University of Colorado **Beverly Van Citters**

B.S., M. Ed., Penn State University Ph.D., University of Pittsburgh

GET READY TO VOTE ON NOVEMBER 4TH!

This year, there will be five measures on the ballot. AAUW of CA recommends:

Proposition 1: Water Quality, Supply and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014

This initiative is consistent with AAUW's Public Policy Priorities promoting the economic, social, and physical well-being of all persons.

AAUW CA supports the passage of this initiative.

Proposition 2: State Budget. Budget Stabilization. Legislative Constitutional Amendment.

Due to uncertainty as to the funding mechanism, AAUW CA remains neutral on this proposition.

Proposition 45: Healthcare Insurance. Rate Changes. Initiative Statute.

AAUW's Public Policy Priorities promote "quality affordable and accessible health care" for all. This proposition holds no commitment to meeting this assurance, thus AAUW CA recommends an <u>oppose</u> position on Proposition 45.

Proposition 46: Drug & Alcohol Testing of Doctors. Medical Negligence Lawsuits. Initiative Statute.

Because AAUW supports access to quality, affordable health care, it opposes this initiative and recommends a NO vote.

Proposition 47: Criminal Sentences. Misdemeanor Penalties. Initiative Statute.

Basic to all AAUW's public policy efforts is the understanding that true equity requires a balance between the rights of the individual and the needs of the community. AAUW CA recommends a support position on this initiative.

Proposition 48: Indian Gaming Compacts. Referendum.

AAUW CA did not study this initiative, as it is not related to the AAUW CA Public Policy Priorities.

To see AAUW CA's full position on these ballot measures, go to aauw-ca.org and then click on "Public Policy."

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◆ October	~ November 2014 ~					<u>December</u> ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 AAUW Glendale Gourmet Dining – Akuma Japanese Restaurant in Glendale
2 Daylight Saving Time Ends	3 AAUW Board Meeting 6:45 pm GUSD- 123 No. Jackson , Rm 103	4 Election Day	5	6	7	8 Branch Meeting 9:00 am Oakmont Country Club
9	10 Evening Book Club 7:30 pm	11 Veterans' Day	12 Global Issues 1:00 pm	13	14	15
16	17	18 Day Book Club 10:00 am	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Thanksgiving Day	28	29
30	Notes: Save the Date We are happy to announce that our annual Christmas Party will be held at the lovely, home of Mary and Oscar Pallares on Saturday, December 13, 2014, from 4 to 8 pm. This is a wonderful time for us to share the Christmas spirit (and spirits) with each other during the holiday season!					



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