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AAUW Glendale-  
2016-2017

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Book Clubs:

Day-

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Duplicate, Great Eight,

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Global Issues:

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## CAN POETRY KEEP YOU YOUNG?

### “SCIENCE IS STILL OUT, BUT THE HEART SAYS YES”

This was the title of the National Public Radio segment broadcast on the “Morning Edition” on February 20, 2017 which introduced Dr. Janet Hoult’s poetry workshop held in the Culver City Senior Center. This place is where older adults (the oldest pupil is 91 years old) meet once a week to read and listen to poems of fellow group members under the leadership of Dr. Hoult who strives to improve their poetry.

Dr. Hoult retired in 2000 after an illustrious career as a professor and administrator at the University of Southern California and California State University Los Angeles. She also taught as a Fulbright Fellow and lecturer around the world. As a retiree she is very active in the Culver City community and in the Cal State University Emeriti Association.

Janet started her poetry writing in 1999 after her son was killed in a traffic accident. “Poetry helped me focus on how I felt about losing my son” she says, “when you lose, you also remember what you had before the loss and it allows you to look at a relationship, at what was of value to you”.

Janet published her first book of poems about aging “**Body Parts**” ( it won a Reader’s **Favorite Award in 2010**). It was followed by “**Where Did the Sun Go?**” Myths and Legends of Solar Eclipses which won the same award in 2013, and “**Body Language**” another collection of poems about aging which was published in 2015. Dr. Janet Hoult is currently the Culver City Poet Laureate which is an honorary and unpaid position.

## AAUW GLENDALE JUNE BRANCH MEETING

Date: June 10, 2017

Place: Oakmont Country Club

3100 Country Club Dr.  
Glendale, Ca 91208

Time: 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Cost: \$25 per person

Please make your reservation by June 7, 2017

**Call Susie Robinson to RSVP**

**Home- 818-951-6104**

**Cell: 818-317-5602**

Reservations made but not kept will be billed

**Dear Members:**

Thank you for another wonderful year! At last month's branch meeting, we broke bread with six student grant recipients and seven Tech Trek Campers including their families. Kudos to Mary Jo Brown and her team for taking over the student grant responsibilities for Edie Morrow. A million thanks to Laura Guillory for the countless hours she spent in coordinating and contacting the Tech Trek campers and families. Once again, AAUW has achieved its mission of touching and inspiring girls and women to become and create a better future.

Lastly Cathy and I, we thank our board members, appointed officers and committee chairs for their dedication and perseverance in continuing the efforts to achieve AAUW's goals. We look forward to seeing you at the June 12 meeting.

Sincerely,

Anna Hernandez-Torres  
Co-President



**Our Student Grant Recipients:**

Ivonne Torres (Hoover High), Christina Zatourian(Clark), Melissa Juarez (Glendale), Dr. Emily Kramer (speaker), Joanna Shihn (Verdugo), Laura Byun (CrescentaValley), and Elin Mikaelian (Glendale CC).



Six of our nine Tech Trek campers were able to attend our May meeting. They were very inspired by the presentation by Dr. Emily Kramer from the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. The campers attending back row l-r: Jasmine Gonzales, Lilly Armstrong, Dr. Emily Kramer, Noemi Mesrobian, Laura Guillory. In the front row Charly Scott, Nicole Wong, Sarine Mardirosian

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**AAUW FUND REPORT**

This past 2016 year, Glendale branch donated a total of \$8,537.00 in this manner the AAUW Fund (\$2,150) and to Tech Trek (\$6,387).

Each year we give special recognition to those who have contributed \$100 or more to these funds.

Last year, those members were: Barbara Merkle, Melanie Doody, Mary Wagner, Barbara Bodden, Jeri Hughes, Jean Christensen, Patricia Donlin, Susie Robinson, Clarli Wilson, Hasmik Ajemyan, and the Glendale Kiwanis Foundation. The Board also selects two Named Gift Honorees who have contributed significantly to the leadership of our branch. The Honorees for this year are Jeri Hughes and Pat Donlin (in memoriam).

They will be recognized at our June 10 branch meeting.

Thanks to all who donated to these funds.

Mary Jo Brown, AAUW Fund V.P.

**AAUW GLENDALE ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 2016-2017**

These members will be installed at our June 10 branch meeting:

- Co-Presidents: Anna Hernandez-Torres and Cathy Zitnick
- Co-Program Vice-Presidents: Sheila Koster and Sharon Ouellette
- Membership Vice-President: Marjorie Newton
- Treasurer: Anna Donlin
- Membership Treasurer: Kathy Dupree
- Recording Secretary: Susie Robinson
- AAUW Funds Vice-President: Mary Jo Brown

**THE VON KARMAN LECTURE SERIES**

For those of you who were inspired by the recent presentation by Dr. Emily Kramer and are interested in learning more about the fascinating topics to be found in the JPL monthly lecture series, here is their website with information about the place, the times, and the subjects to be covered.

<https://www.jpl.nasa.gov/events/lectures.php>

These lectures are given by JPL scientists and engineers, for the benefit of the general public, and they are geared at laypersons such as ourselves. On Thursdays they take place in the beautiful Von Karman Auditorium, and although the seating is first-come, first-served, the lectures are free. They are interesting and informative, to say the least



**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 Mary Jo Brown
- 1 Clarli Wilson
- 9 Eileen Givens
- 9 Cathy Zitnick
- 13 Anna Rundle
- 17 Lynn Nickel
- 30 Felicia Soissons Segal



Special Interest Groups

Evening Book Group: June 12, 2017; 6:00 pm  
Home: Mary Margaret Smith  
Planning dinner: Call hostess for details  
Bring book recommendations

Global Issues: June 14, 1:30 pm  
Home: Kathy Dupree  
Leader: Marjorie Newton  
Topic: Geopolitics of Energy  
Refreshment: Marjorie Newton

Day Book Group: June 20, 10:00 am  
Home: Mary Elgabalawi  
Call hostess for details on potluck lunch  
Bring book recommendation

Bridge End of Year Party: June 22, 1:00 pm  
Home: Donnalee Monninger  
Call hostess and bring snacks  
All bridge players are invited

June 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Board Meeting: 6:45 PM GUSD, Room 103	6	7	8	9	10 Branch Meeting 9:00 AM, Oakmont Country Club
11	12 Evening Book Group 6:00 PM, Home: Mary Margaret Smith	13	14 Global Issues 1:30 pm Home: Kathy Dupree	15	16	17
18	19	20 Day Book Group. 10:00 am, Planning Meeting, Home: Mary Elgabalawi.	21	22 Bridge End of year party, 1:00 pm; Home: Donnalee Monninger	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	Notes: Have a Great Summer!! 



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