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## COMETS ON OUR HORIZON



Jet Propulsion Laboratory astrophysicist Dr. Emily Kramer is to be our speaker in our monthly meeting at the Oakmont Country Club. This remarkable young woman is a NASA Postdoctoral Program Fellow and has spent the last eight years researching the infrared imaging of cometary dust. In simple English, she is an expert in comets. She earned a PhD in Planetary Sciences from the University of Central Florida, and her undergraduate degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and has been the recipient of awards and fellowships from 2014 to the present. And not least noteworthy, she has published extensively in her field.

Who is this remarkable woman, we must all wonder? And that is precisely what Dr. Kramer will tell us. Her presentation will be, "From New Hampshire to New Comets: How I Became an Astronomer." For those of us who care very much about the advancement of women in society, this promises to be a real treat. And for the young guests who will be with us that day, selected to be exposed this summer to STEM careers, this will be an exposure to a remarkable role model.

## AAUW GLENDALE MAY BRANCH MEETING

Date: May 13, 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 May 10, 2017

Call Susie Robinson to RSVP

Home- 818-951-6104

Cell: 818-317-5602

Reservations made but not kept will be billed

## Dear Members:

The month of May is AAUW's **Asian Pacific American Heritage Month**. Although several barrier-breaking Asian Pacific American women have run for elected office, the population is still severely *underrepresented* in political leadership. Programs such as [Elect Her](#) and organizations like the [Asian American Women's Political Initiative](#) are working to change that by training and engaging women in politics from a young age.

As of last year, elected officials ranging from student government representatives to U.S. Senators, make up the pipeline for future politicians. Currently, seven Asian Pacific American women are in Congress: [Sen. Mazie Hirono](#) (D-HI), [Rep. Judy Chu](#) (D-CA), [Rep. Tammy Duckworth](#) (D-IL), [Rep. Tulsi Gabbard](#) (D-HI), [Rep. Doris Matsui](#) (D-CA), [Rep. Grace Meng](#) (D-NY), and [Rep. Amata Radewagen](#) (R-American Samoa).

Evidently every May AAUW held a Conference on Women's Graduate and Professional Education at the AAUW Educational Center. From what I can gather, the Conference seemed to cease to exist in the mid-to-late 1970's. It seemed to be a great idea of educators from various universities and colleges across the country getting together under one roof. A previous building site of AAUW in D.C. had a huge room with catering facilities where AAUW used to hold different conferences, which was called the Educational Center. I have not been able to ascertain whether the educators were people selected by their colleges/universities to attend the conference, or they were AAUW's College/University Representatives from the different Branches around the country. Either way, it is hard for me to imagine that the need for this conference ceased to exist. As with many of our programs, times change and so do the necessity for those programs. *Below is an example of one of the conferences where the Speaker was a Professional Woman and of Asian descent.* I am sure AAUW was very proud to have such a professional speak that year.

### May 1974: AAUW Holds Conference on Women's Graduate and Professional Education

AAUW holds a conference about graduate and professional education for women.

Eighty women educators attended the meeting at the AAUW Educational Center and hear [Rep. Patsy Mink](#) (D-HI) speak on the importance of addressing discrimination through the legal system. "If you would really [like to] achieve change, don't bark — bite!" she says.



Rep. Patsy Mink  
(D-HI)

*Please ladies, let us all acknowledge the contributions to our Branch and AAUW by our Asian American members! They are so very much appreciated for everything they bring to our organization.*

### Southeast Asia



Join AAUW and [iAdelante! Book of the Month Club](#) in celebrating Asian Pacific American Heritage Month on May 2<sup>nd</sup> as we talk with 2013–14 AAUW American Fellow [Patricia Park](#) about her book *Re Jane*, a "[breezy, engaging](#)" first novel that "[grapples with real issues of identity, race, and culture from global and historical perspectives](#)" at 7:30pm EST (or 4:30pm PST).

The month of May also has **Mothers' Day**. According to AAUW's 2016 report [Barriers and Bias: The Status of Women in Leadership](#), motherhood comes with "powerful negative competence and commitment assumptions," while fatherhood has the opposite effect. It also reports that after becoming fathers, men see a 6 percent increase in earnings — even after controlling for factors such as hours worked and marital status — while new mothers see a 4 percent decrease per child. Research has shown that employers are less likely to hire mothers compared with child-free women, and when employers do make an offer to a mother, they offer her a lower salary than they do other women. Fathers, in contrast, **do not** suffer a penalty compared with child-free men. One huge step in helping to close the pay gap would be to strengthen pay equity laws federally, with the [Paycheck Fairness Act](#), and in states with laws [like California's](#). Since the United States is one of the few countries [without mandated paid family or paid sick leave, states and cities can pass paid leave measures](#), and the U.S. Congress can and should support the federal [Healthy Families Act](#). We need to promote the health of women and families with strong workplace policies and ensure that women are not forced out of their jobs or denied leadership opportunities. *May all you ladies have a wonderful Mothers' Day!*

*AAUW touches every aspect of our lives in one way or another, and May is just an example of all the people's lives you can touch through AAUW.*

Cathy Zitnick, Co-President 2016-2017

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## WOMEN MAKE MAJOR GAINS IN CONGRESS

Women made impressive progress in congressional representation in the 2016 election cycle. In 2017 there will be 21 women serving in the U.S. Senate--the highest number in history. The chamber will also feature a record number of women of color: Senators Tammy Duckworth (D-IL), Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV), and Kamala Harris (D-CA) made history by becoming the first Thai American, first Latina, and first biracial--black and Indian American--woman, respectively, to serve in the Senate.

(From AAUW Outlook)

### American Association of University Women 2017- 2018 Annual Dues

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Paid Life</u>	<u>Student Affiliate</u>
Association	\$ 49.00	\$0.00	\$17.00
California State Division	20.00	20.00	10.00
Glendale Branch	<u>30.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>
	\$ 99.00	\$50.00	\$57.00

Honorary Life Members do not owe any annual dues.

\$46.00 of regular dues is deductible as a charitable contribution for federal income tax purposes.

Checks must be received by July 1, 2017

The reminders were already mailed .

Thank you for your prompt reply. Your support is greatly appreciated.



### MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 8 Mary McVay
- 15 Sheila Price
- 21 Ann Hermann
- 28 Linda Blackwell
- 29 Anna Donlin



### Special Interest Groups

Evening Book Group: May 8, 2017; 7:30 pm

Home: Anna H Torres

Leader: Felicia Soissons-Segal

Book: The Notorious RBG

Global Issues: May 10, 1:30 pm

Home: Mary Elgabalawi

Leader: Diane Kightlinger

Topic: Saudi Arabia

Refreshment: Barbara Merkle

Day Book Group: **May 16, 10:00 am**

Home: Clarli Wilson

Leader: Barbara Merkle

Book: Queen Bee of Tuscany

Senior Transitions Group: Please contact Susan Carroll for more information

LACIC'S (Los Angeles Interbranch Council Meeting):

May 21, 2017, 2:00pm to 4:00 pm 12401 Washington Blvd., Whittier

May 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Board Meeting 6:30 pm Gusd- Room 103	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Evening Book Group 7:30 pm Home: Anna Torres	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Global Issues Discussion Group , 1:30 pm Home: Mary Elgabawli	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Branch Meeting 9:00 am Oakmont Country Club
<b>14</b> 	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Day Book Group 10:00 am Home: Clarli Wilson	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> LACIC Meeting 2pm to 4pm, 12401 Washington Blvd, Whittier	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Notes:</b>		



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