



# VERDUGO VIEWS

American Association of University Women Glendale Branch

## AAUW Glendale

### 2019-2020

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Barbara Bodden

## AAUW Glendale October Branch Meeting

**Date: October 12, 2019**

**Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

**Location: Oakmont Country Club**

**3100 Country Club Drive Glendale, CA 91208**

**Cost: \$28 per person**

**Please make your check payable to: AAUW Glendale**

**Please call Marilyn "Susie" Robinson to make  
your reservation by October 9, 2019**

**Home: (818) 951-6104 | Cell: (818) 317-5602**

## Branch Meeting Carpool

We are encouraging attendance for our members who are unable to drive and need a ride to the meeting. Please advise Susie when making your reservation. Carpools will be organized accordingly.



## October Program

### Women in STEM Careers - Challenges and Successes – Past and Present

Our speaker Laura Guillory will discuss the challenges many women face in pursuing STEM careers. She will share with you the challenges she faced and how she found mentoring and support from her teachers and managers at a time when women were discouraged from pursuing technical careers. Laura's presentation will include a brief historical perspective of often overlooked women scientists and inventors who have contributed much to our society.

Laura Smith Guillory was born and raised in Washington, DC. She started elementary school before the desegregation of schools in Washington, DC. She attended Howard University where she obtained her BS degree in Physics in 1966. Laura's pursuit of an advanced degree was interrupted when she and her husband, Prof. William Guillory, moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and then to Salt Lake City, Utah. Laura obtained her Master's degree in Physics in 1978 from the University of Utah. Her research involved the electrical stimulation of bone in slow healing fractures. That research laid the ground work for today's standard medical protocols in fracture treatments. After obtaining her degree, she worked as a network systems engineer for AT&T. Laura held various technical and managerial positions at AT&T in Salt Lake City, Denver, and Los Angeles.

In 1989, Laura began working at the California State University headquarters as a network manager. Her next job was a computer systems manager. Please join us to see how Laura and other scientists managed careers with twists and turns.

The October program will also include short reports from the Tech Trek campers the Glendale branch sponsored at Whittier College this summer.

### AAUW FUNDS LUNCHEON

There are 30 Fellows and Grant recipients studying in California in 2019-2020. We have an opportunity to meet some of these inspiring women at our annual AAUW Funds Luncheon, which will be held on Sunday, October 27, 2019, at the Old Ranch Country Club, 3901 Lampson Ave., Seal Beach, CA 90740. See and hear how our donations are helping women to achieve their educational goals! You can find a reservation form at [aauw-ca.org](http://aauw-ca.org). If you would like to participate in a carpool, please contact myself or Cathy Zitnick.

Mary Jo Brown  
AAUW Fund V.P.

### Movies at Mary E.'s

October 27th is the last Sunday of the month and we hope to see you there at 2 pm for the wonderful romantic film *A ROOM WITH A VIEW*, which you can enjoy after you nibble your fill of the refreshments,



Your \$15 will go into the Ways & Means coffer for the the benefit of our group! Do let Mary know by email or text if you will attend.

## Hello Glendale Branch:

October we meet again and get to hear what our Tech Trek girls have learned at the camp over the summer. I always enjoy hearing them talk about their experiences.

This year our National AAUW CEO, Kim Churches, is pushing a new program called the, “Five Star National Recognition Program: July 2019— June 2020”. An overview of the program is as follows:

“The Five Star National Recognition Program rewards affiliates (states, branches, and other organizations) for aligning their work with the AAUW strategic plan and other initiatives that foster the organization’s mission of advancing gender equity for women and girls. The program is designed to promote cohesion between AAUW national and affiliates and increase understanding and implementation of the strategic plan goals. National recognition allows AAUW National to acknowledge and celebrate affiliates that advance AAUW’s mission.”

Depending on how much a state, branch, or affiliate can complete, depends on how many stars (how much recognition) that entity gets from AAUW-National. Below I will pass on what the criteria for recognition is just in case those that qualify can complete the section that applies to them. I am not as up to date on some of these things as I would like to be, so if you have questions, you are not alone.

### V.P. of Programs

Host 3-5 strategic plan-related programs (e.g., Forum on Economic Security, Work Smart Online Training Day, Operation Equity: Reading for Results participation, a panel on woman and leadership) in the Fiscal Year 2020. Representatives from the Branch complete the Community Resource mapping exercise.

### V.P. of Membership

Retain 90% or more of your Branch membership and submit annual dues by September 30th.

### Funds Chair

\$30 per capita (member) gift raised for Greatest Needs Fund. Branch focus to shift from Fellowships and Grants/LAF to the Greatest Needs Fund or strategic plan focus areas by 50%.

### Social Media Editor

All existing websites and social media presences include an Economic Security Focus and Work Smart Online. (Note: Monthly posts are required for social media; Work Smart Online must be included on the website home page.)

### Public Policy

The appointed Branch Public Policy Chair must collaborate with the State Public Policy Chair. Conduct an annual meeting with our local U.S. representative(s) and/or state

legislators around a strategic plan area of focus. Host at least one public event where Action Network sign-ups are collected.

**Governance & Sustainability** (Not a Chair in our Branch) Align planning with state and AAUW national strategic plans. Branch Board institutes a succession plan to ensure new ideas and perspectives are included in future leadership.

I believe our CEO has found out that across the country many branches are more social in nature, than focusing on carrying out the mission of the organization, and this is why she created this Recognition Program to encourage more enthusiasm about AAUW mission and goals. Some of these things are a must, while others are just for us to strive to do this year. Let’s lean on each other and see how much of this we can complete by June of next year.

I thank you all for your continued support, and I will see you at the October Branch Meeting.

**My AAUW Best Wishes to you,  
Cathy Zitnick  
President, AAUW-Glendale**

## AAUW Calendar October 2019

### 6th—Fannie Lou Hammer’s Birthday

Fannie Lou Hamer (1917-1977), civil rights leader and voting rights crusader, helped organize the Mississippi Freedom Summer (1964) <http://www.aauw.org/2014/07/01/honoring-women-civil-rights-movement/> <http://www.aauw.org/2014/06/30/untold-civil-rights-act-story/>

### 11th—Eleanor Roosevelt’s Birthday

Eleanor Roosevelt (1884-1962), civil rights advocate, feminist, author, world diplomat, former First Lady (1933-45), AAUW honorary member since 1929 AAUW National Convention speaker in 1959 <http://www.aauw.org/2014/10/31/eleanor-and-aauw/>

### 11th—International Day of the Girl Child

<http://www.un.org/en/events/girlchild/>

### 31st—Anniversary of the Pregnancy Discrimination Act (PDA)

In 1978, Congress passed the Pregnancy Discrimination Act (PDA) in an effort to eliminate pregnancy-based discrimination. Although the PDA and lawsuits filed under the PDA have helped alleviate some long-standing injustices, pregnancy discrimination is still a reality for many workers. AAUW is committed to alleviating pregnancy discrimination and ensuring workplace equity. <http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/legal-resources/know-your-rights-at-work/pregnancy-discrimination-act/>

## Special Interest Groups

### Evening Book Group

October 14, 7:30 p.m.

Home: Alannah Isherwood

Book: *Ghosts of Gold Mountain: The Epic Story of the Chinese Who Built the Transcontinental*

*Railroad* by Gordon Chang

Leader: Chris Christensen

### Global Issues Group

October 9, 2019, 1:30 PM

Home: Rosa Frommer

MonteCedro

2212 El Molino Ave, Unit H102, Altadena 91001

Topic: The US and Mexico/Partnership Tested

Leader: Mary McVay

RSVP to Barbara Bodden

[barbarabodden@sprintmail.com](mailto:barbarabodden@sprintmail.com); 818-396-5588

Please reaffirm your membership in this group by calling Barbara Merkle, 626-314-2002.

### Day Book Group

Date: October 15, 10:00 a.m.

Home: Leni Richardson (818) 246-2695

Book: *Three Men in a Boat*

Leader: Mary Elgabalawi.

## Senior Transitions

Ad hoc discussions of concerns and issues facing older women. We meet the first Wednesday of the month at noon, all year long, at the Ocean View Restaurant, 3826 Ocean View Blvd., Montrose, CA. An occasional field trip may be offered, attendance may be limited. To join the group or to make reservations for lunch, contact Barbara Bodden at [barbarabodden@sprintmail.com](mailto:barbarabodden@sprintmail.com) or (818) 396-5588. Barbara Bodden, Chair

## October Birthdays

1	Anna Hernandez-Torres
4	Jean Tanaka
7	Susan Carroll
8	Janet Gault
17	Norma Cunanan
17	Donnalee Monninger
24	Joyce Covey

## Member Message Board

Reminder from Mary Elgabalawi: Movie at Mary's Sunday, September 29 @ 2 pm The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel

For new membership applications see Elaine Smith or Susie Robinson.

### Welcome New Member:

Maureen Vignola  
2736 Sleepy Hollow Pl.  
Glendale CA 91206  
(917) 704-7431  
[momonroe11@aol.com](mailto:momonroe11@aol.com)

### Directory Update

Carolyn Lindberg  
3481 Stancrest Dr., #304  
Glendale CA 91208  
(818) 249-9444  
[drlindberg@hotmail.com](mailto:drlindberg@hotmail.com)





The AAUW California Fund Committee invites you to celebrate and honor our 2019-2020 California Fellowship and Grant Recipients!



**N CALIFORNIA – SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO**

**October 5, 2019**

**September 20, 2019**

**10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

**(Registration at 11:30 AM)**

**Cultural Center**

**1000 Broadway Ave - South San Francisco, CA 94080**

**Meal Selection (choose one):**

- Chicken with Mushroom Sauce
- Vegetarian Penne Pasta

**Registration Link:**

[https://2019-aauw-fund\\_southsanfrancisco.eventbrite.com](https://2019-aauw-fund_southsanfrancisco.eventbrite.com)

**N CALIFORNIA – DANVILLE**

**October 6, 2019**

**September 20, 2019**

**10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

**(Registration at 11:30 AM)**

**Iron Country Club**

**1000 Lake Drive – Danville, CA 94526**

**Meal Selection (choose one):**

- Sunburst Chicken Salad with Berries, Oranges
- Vegetarian Sunburst Salad

**Registration Link:**

<https://2019-aauw-fund-danville.eventbrite.com>

**N CALIFORNIA – SEAL BEACH**

**October 27, 2019**

**September 11, 2019**

**10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

**(Registration at 11:30 AM)**

**Country Club**

**10000 Mission Avenue – Seal Beach, CA 90740**

**Meal Selection (choose one):**

- Harvest Chicken Salad with Blueberries, Strawberries
- Harvest Vegetarian Salad

**Registration Link:**

<https://2019-aauw-fund-sealbeach.eventbrite.com>

**AAUW FUND LUNCHEON RESERVATION**

Reserve online through Eventbrite (see links above for choice of luncheon events). – OR –  
Reserve by sending a \$45.00 check (payable to AAUW CA) or credit card information to 1331 Garden Highway, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA 95833

Name: \_\_\_\_\_; Branch: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_; Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_; Email: \_\_\_\_\_

No. \_\_\_\_\_; Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (on back): \_\_\_\_\_

For questions about the events, call the AAUW CA Office at 916-448-7795

## What's AAUW Public Policy All About?

Since AAUW's founding in 1881, our advocates have taken positions on the fundamental issues of the day – educational, social, economic, and political. Our positions emanate from our Mission, Vision, and Values:

- Mission: To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy
- Vision: Equity for all
- Values: Nonpartisan. Fact based. Integrity. Inclusion. Intersectionality.

Our positions are rooted in our member-approved Public Policy Priorities at both the national and state levels. The AAUW California Public Policy Priorities for 2019-2021 were approved by our members this spring and can be found on the website [www.aauw-ca.org](http://www.aauw-ca.org). The AAUW CA, Public Policy Committee, meets early in each legislative session to review bills and determine those on which to take action. In Washington, AAUW staff and volunteer advocates communicate with both Congress and the administration. In California, we employ a part-time lobbyist to represent AAUW CA in the California Legislature.

Economic Security is a critical issue for women of all ages, a foundational aspect of everyday life, and is particularly important to women's ability to support themselves and their families. Many continue to struggle with economic insecurity, wage discrimination, and employment benefits. Legislated solutions could benefit many women.

Real change in federal and state policy, however, will only come about when our elected officials hear from voters, like us! It is so important that branch members be up to date on AAUW positions on federal and state legislation consistent with AAUW's mission, and contact elected officials to share our positions. And we must hold those we have elected accountable as they vote on issues affecting women and girls.

Become involved with your branch's Public Policy Committee. If your branch doesn't have one, start one! You can download and print a copy of the Public Policy Priorities from [aauw-ca/category/public-policy](http://aauw-ca/category/public-policy). Become an activist, by signing up on the national website [aauw.org/resource/two-minute-activist](http://aauw.org/resource/two-minute-activist). This will connect you with both state and national calls to action.

Start now! It's not too soon to begin educating yourself about the issues in the important 2020 elections!

The above article was submitted by Susan Hallgren at the request of Ginny Hatfield, a liaison to AAUW Public Policy Committee and also, CO-Chair for LACIC. Susan Hallgren is the Glendale Branch Public Policy Chair.

**For Lost and Found: At end of meeting, please take any found items to the Oakmont front desk. If you have lost an item, see the front desk or call the front desk at (818) 542-4260.**



# October 2019

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
	1		2 Senior Transitions Noon Ocean View Restaurant	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Global Issues 1:30 PM Rosa Frommer home	10	11	12 Branch Meeting Oakmont 9 a.m. to 12 noon
13	14 Evening Book Group 7:30 p.m Alannah Isherwood home	15 Day Book Group 10:00 a.m. Leni Richardson home	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 AAUW Funds Luncheon Seal Beach CA Movies at Mary E. 2 p.m.	28	29	30	31		



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