



THE TWIG

East San Gabriel Valley Branch, California
American Association of University Women

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Happy New Year!

President's Corner

This has been a very successful 2017 year for East San Gabriel Valley Branch of AAUW.

The closing of 2017 year was celebrated at the Christmas Party held at South Hills Country Club. Many thanks to Hope Holdsworth for arranging for the food and venue, and thanks to Carrie Bass for the ideas of an Ice Breaker and ornament exchange. Your work was very much appreciated and enjoyed by all.

In 2017, ESGV sent 15 middle school girls to STEM Summer Camps, celebrated their achievements with their parents and family at the Ice Cream Social, and walked with them in the Charter Oak Parade in December. These are very talented young girls.

ESGV members hosted a very successful Fashion Show in June 2017, which raised the necessary funds to send another 15 middle school girls to 2018 STEM Summer Camps. Planning for the June 2018 Fashion Show will begin in January 2018. Susan Curtis and Mary Kay Ogden will chair the committee. Please consider getting involved in the planning for the 2018 Fashion Show that will again be held at Hillcrest.

Unfortunately, during 2017 several of our members passed and will be missed.

Our 2018 calendar looks exciting and now is the time to stick a pin your calendar for the coming events:

On January 20th, the Pennyroyal Players will entertain us with an array of music and songs. This event will be held at the La Verne Church of the Brethren, in the Social Hall.

On March 17th, a new forum "Day of the Woman" program will assist us in becoming aware of how women in this era can continue to live healthy and happy lives.

April 14th is our Spring Tea with a view of our history. There will be "Historical" albums from yester years so that you can enjoy pictures and stories of our branch from the past 40 years.

On June 2nd is our Fashion Show at Hillcrest.

The TWIG will help to remind you to send in your reservations for these events, but it would help to mark your calendar now to prevent conflicts.

A Branch is only as strong as it members' participation.

Lucille Wright,
Branch President

JANUARY CALENDAR

Board Meeting — Saturday, January 13, 10:00 a.m. at Glenwood Townhomes Clubhouse, 1289 Tarryglen Lane, San Dimas. (This is the townhome complex where Ila Harris lives).

Pennyroyal Players — Saturday, January 20, 10 to 11:30 a.m., La Verne Church of the Brethren Social Hall, 2425 "E" Street, La Verne. (Details on Page 3)

Interest Groups

Daytime Books — Friday, January 12, 11 a.m. Meet at Marie Callender's, Azusa (corner of Route 66 and Barranca). Read *Big Little Lies* by Liane Moriarty. Contact: Jody Mentzer (909) 599-6023. (See Page 2).

Evening Books I — **Monday**, January 22, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Sue Johnson. Read *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann. Contact: Sue Johnson (626) 963-5623. (See Page 2)

Evening Books II — Wednesday, January 17, 7:00 p.m. Hillcrest Retirement Homes, Pinecrest Activity Room (1st floor), 2765 Mountain View Dr., La Verne. Read *The Last Runaway* by Tracy Chevalier. New members welcome! Contact: Judy Woodruff (909) 392-4046.

Mystery Books — Tuesday, January 16, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Lucille Wright. Read *Tears of the Giraffe* by Alexander McCall Smith. Contact: Hope Holdsworth (626) 919-2410.

Bridge I — No meeting in January.

Bridge II — Tuesday, January 9, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Carol Callon. Call Carol at (626) 488-9998.

Bridge III (Beginning) — Thursday, January 18, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Ila Harris (626) 335-6561.

Bridge IV — Friday, January 12, 9:30 a.m. San Antonio Gardens.

Daytime Bunco — Tuesday, January 9, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Teri Kennan (909) 599-2189.

Evening Bunco — Wednesday, January 24, 7 p.m. at the home of Hope Holdsworth (626) 919-2410

Needlework — Monday, January 15, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Vera Drino.

Playreading — Thursday, January 11, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Vera Drino. RSVP to Vera (626) 339-6522.

Great Decisions — Thursday, January 18, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jane Glenn. Topic: The Waning of Pax Americana? (More details on page 3).

Couples Gourmet — Saturday, January 6, 4:00 p.m. at the home of Dottie and Ted Grinstead. New Year Party. Call Hope for a recipe category of either soup, salad or dessert. (626) 919-2410.

Opera at the Theatre — Saturday, January 27, 9:55 a.m. AMC Theater, 1337 E. Gladstone St., Glendora. Puccini's *Tosca* (Contact: Mary Skavinski (626) 336-4959)

International Lunch Bunch — Friday, January 5, 11:00 a.m., Anaheim Packing House, 440 Anaheim Blvd., Anaheim. Visit the website to view the International Restaurants in the Food Court area. Carpooling recommended. Call Darlene Knox (909) 594-3295.



DAYTIME BOOKS

Daytime books will meet January 12th, for lunch and to discuss Big Little Lies by Liane Moriarty. We will meet at the Marie Callender's, on the corner of Barranca Ave and Alosta, in Azusa, at 11:00.

Our book for February 9th will be Winter Garden by Kristin Hannah.

We'd love to have you join us for lunch as we have a lively discussion and enjoy ourselves so much.



Evening Books I: is now meeting on Monday at a new location:

We have changed our meeting date to the fourth Monday of the month. We hope that more of you will be able to join us on that day of the week. We will meet at Sue Johnson's home in January, February, and March at 7:00 p.m. Our book for January 22nd will be Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI, by David Grann. We will be meeting, at the home of Sue Johnson.

On February 26th our book will be Forged in Crisis: The Power of Courageous Leadership in Turbulent Times, by Nancy Koehn and March 26th we will be discussing Winter Garden by Kristin Hannah.

We'd love to have you join our group.

We have a new chair: Sue Johnson

Happy Birthday!

12—Karen Cahill
28—Phyllis Wenner

If you have not already submitted your birthdate, please do it now, so we can continue this monthly tribute.

Please send it to Karen Praeger:
karenpraeger111@hotmail.com



Topic for the January 18 meeting:

The Waning of Pax Americana?

During the first months of Donald Trump's presidency, the U.S. began a historic shift away from Pax Americana, the liberal international order that was established in the wake of World War II. Since 1945, Pax Americana has promised peaceful international relations and an open economy, buttressed by U.S. military power. In championing "America First" isolationism and protectionism, President Trump has shifted the political mood toward selective U.S. engagement, where foreign commitments are limited to areas of vital U.S. interest and economic nationalism is the order of the day. Geopolitical allies and challengers alike are paying close attention.

Directory Corrections

Jeanne Verbera: New e-mail: J_bearz@outlook.com
(Page 25)

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(Page 13)

New information for Evening Books I: Meets on the 4th Monday, New Chair: Sue Johnson (Page 9)

Welcome to our newest member:

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Mt. Mary College, BS; Chapman College, MS

Pennyroyal Players



**January 20, 2018 Is a Performance
you won't want to miss!!!!**

MARK YOUR **CALENDAR NOW** FOR A DELIGHTFULLY UP-LIFTING PROGRAM OF SONG AND STORY. HOLD ON TO YOUR HATS AND TUNE UP YOUR EARS FOR THE PENNYROYAL'S PERFORMANCE ON SATURDAY, THE 20TH OF JANUARY, 2018, IN THE SOCIAL HALL OF THE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN , 2425 E STREET , LA VERNE 91750 (E STREET IS JUST OFF OF BONITA. TO FIND THE SOCIAL HALL, ENTER THE PATIO AREA OF THE CHURCH FROM E STREET AND LOOK FOR OUR AAUW DIRECTIONAL SIGNS)

RESERVATIONS SOLICITED SO THAT WE MAY HAVE ENOUGH "GOODIES" AND COFFEE FOR ALL ATTENDING. PLEASE SEND YOUR CHECK OF \$10.00 TO **ILA HARRIS** BY **JANUARY 16TH**. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, THE \$10.00 CAN NOT BE REFUNDED. GUESTS ARE WELCOME.

ILA HARRIS
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LEGISLATION UPDATE

CA ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 643 – Domestic Violence Prevention Education

Amends the sexual health education act to require education that is focused on recognizing and preventing domestic violence and abusive relationships to augment existing health relationship education requirements. Approved by the Governor of California on October 17, 2017 and filed with the Secretary of State the same day.

Unhealthy and abusive relationships are often developed at an early age due to exposure to behaviour inside and outside of the home and family. This bill seeks to provide students with the educational resources they need to recognize and prevent domestic violence wherever they encounter it. Existing law, the California Healthy Youth Act, requires school districts to ensure that all pupils in grades 7 to 12, inclusive, receive comprehensive sexual health education and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) prevention education. This bill requires the information include adolescent relationship abuse and intimate partner violence to also include the early warning signs thereof. **More young women will recognize the early signs of relationship abuse.**

It passed by the CA Assembly 78-0 and Senate 40-0 on September 14 and September 13, 2017 respectfully. It is supported by the California AAUW.

Appropriation

The program costs attributed to this mandate have been around \$1.5 million. This bill expands the existing mandate and costs are likely to increase. This bill would allow even those school districts currently in compliance to claim reimbursement from the state. However, long term costs will decrease as increased awareness of abuse may lessen other government support and services.

Supporting Statistics (The California Women's Health Survey and CA Department of Justice)

Approximately **40%** of California women experience physical intimate partner violence in their lifetimes. Younger women, **18-24 years of age**, were significantly more likely (**11%**) to be victims of physical intimate partner violence in the past year.

In **2015**, there were 118 domestic violence fatalities, accounting for **10.5% of all homicides** in California. In the same year, California law enforcement agencies received **162,302 domestic violence-related calls, 68,585 of which included a weapon.**

This bill benefits young women and their families by teaching the early signs of domestic violence which is dangerous and detrimental to their well-being.

Submitted by Jill Quezada

