

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



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#### President's Corner

This month is a great opportunity to express our appreciation to East San Gabriel Valley members as to how important you are to our organization. Your membership in ESGV -AAUW is extremely valued. How great it is to participate in a women's association that values the lives of women and girls. This branch celebrated its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2017 and we want to continue celebrating the accomplishments of women and girls. Please join us on March 17, "The Day of the Woman" luncheon at 10:30 am and participate in activities to continue living a healthy and happy life for many years.

The flu bug has bitten many of you and I sincerely hope your health is back and you are able to join our activities. This flu bug has been a severe health challenge for a great many of our members. I wish you well.

Our Fashion Show Committee has started meeting once a month to plan for the June 2 Fashion Show. This year the theme will be "Notes on Fashion". Stick a pin in that date. You will soon receive an invitation to participate and invite your family, friends and neighbors. This year, we will be fundraising for STEM-Tech Trek and scholarships. Stein Mart will again be the clothing store that will dress the models and offer purchase discounts. Mary Kay Ogden and Susan Curtis are committee chairs. If you wish to join the committee, give them a call.

Hope Holdsworth is the coordinator of the "Selection Committee" to invite members to join the ESGV Branch's Board of Directors and Appointed Chairs of Committees. Hope is contacting members who are interested in stepping up and helping to make a difference in ESGV Branch. If you are interested in participating, please phone Hope.

Happy Valentine's Day,

Lucille Wright, Branch President

## FEBRUARY CALENDAR

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

### **Interest Groups**

<u>Daytime Books</u>— Friday, February 9, 11 a.m. Meet at Marie Callender's, Azusa (corner of Route 66 and Barranca). Read *Winter Garden* by Kristin Hannah. Contact: Jody Mentzer (909) 599-6023. (See Page 2).

**Evening Books I**— **Monday**, February 26, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Sue Johnson. Read *Forged in Crisis: The Power of Courageous Leadership in Turbulent Times* by Nancy Koehn. Contact: Sue Johnson (626) 963-5623.

Evening Books II—Wednesday, February 21, 7:00 p.m. Hillcrest Retirement Homes, Pinecrest Activity Room (1st floor), 2765 Mountain View Dr., La Verne. Read *Winter Garden* by Kristin Hannah. New members welcome! Contact: Judy Woodruff (909) 392-4046.

Bridge I—Monday, February 5, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Darlene Knox (909) 594-3295.

Bridge II – Tuesday, February 13, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Ila Harris. Call Ila at (626) 335-6561.

Bridge III (Beginning)— Thursday, February 15, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Darlene Knox (909) 594-3295.

**Bridge IV**—Friday, February 9, 9:30 a.m. San Antonio Gardens.

**Daytime Bunco**— Tuesday, February 6, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Dorothy Fountain (626) 335-3735.

Evening Bunco—Wednesday, February 28, 7 p.m. at the home of Karen Tanaka (626) 335-9286.

Needlework—Monday, February 19, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Irene Parker.

<u>Playreading</u>—Thursday, February 8, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Hope Holdsworth. RSVP to Hope (626) 919-2410.

<u>Great Decisions</u> —Thursday, February 15, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jane Glenn. Topic: "Russia's Foreign Policy" (More details on page 2).

<u>Opera at the Theatre</u>—Saturday, February 24, 9:55 a.m. AMC Theater, 1337 E. Gladstone St., Glendora. Puccini's *La Boheme* (Contact: Mary Skavinski (626) 336-4959.

International Lunch Bunch— Friday, February 2, 11:30 a.m., Yiannis Greek Restaurant, 238 Yale Avenue, Claremont.. Call Darlene Knox (909) 594-3295.

# Slate of Officers 2018-2019

President—Lucille Wright Vice President Programs— Financial Officer— Recording Secretary—Maureen Moctezuma and? Membership Director—Karen Tanaka AAUW Funds EOF—Jeanette Gulli AAUW Funds LAF-Delores Martenson

As you can see from the above list, there are several offices yet to be filled. Lucille Wright has graciously agreed to serve a third year as president (the normal term of office is two years) and both Jeanette Gulli and Delores Martenson have served in their respective positions for many years. Our organization, AAUW ESGV, can't continue without your help. If you have never served on the Board of Officers, now is the time to start. If you were once active, but have been off the board for a while, we'd love to have you back. AAUW ESGV needs your help!

#### **Directory Corrections**

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## Happy Birthday!

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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 February 15 meeting:

### Russia's Foreign Policy

Under President Vladimir Putin, Russia is projecting an autocratic model of governance abroad and working to undermine the influence of liberal democracies, namely along Russia's historical borderlands. Russia caused an international uproar in 2016, when it interfered in the U.S. presidential contest. But Putin's foreign policy toolkit includes other instruments, from alliances with autocrats to proxy wars with the U.S. in Georgia, Ukraine and Syria. How does Putin conceive of national interests, and why do Russian citizens support him? How should the United States respond to Putin's foreign policy ambitions?

### Contribute to the Cause!

**Think**: Before you head out the door to your next Interest Group meeting, see if you have any recyclables to take along with you. It's an easy way to help our causes.

An easy way to benefit our group is to save your recyclable beverage plastic containers. No glass. NOTE: Only plastic that contained beverages can be turned in for \$ Bring them to the next interest group meeting or other AAUW event that you attend. Any board member in the group will make sure that your contributions get to Dee Smist. It's an easy way to help out. Thank you, Dee, for organizing this effort! Contact: deekisgr8@yahoo.com

"Day of the Woman"
Saturday, March 17, 2018
10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Hughes Community Center
1700 Danbury Road, Claremont
Luncheon Cost: \$20

# Three inspiring speakers you won't want to Miss!!!!

Performer Judith Helton takes us on a guided tour of life in the 18th century as she presents a one-woman historical show on Abigail Adams. This former First Lady and pioneer of women's rights gives us a guided tour of her life and times.



Mary Dyer, RN, BSN will present "Healthy Living Through the Decades: Practical Information on Women's Health". She will focus on health, wellness and restoration, hormone balance, supplements, and nutrition. She will also share tips to maintain quality of life into the senior years.

A third speaker will present on another aspect of quality of life for women in today's world. (More on this in the next Twig)

Cut out and mail with your check) ------

"Day of the Woman" Luncheon Saturday, March 17, 2018 10:30 a.m.

Location: Hughes Community Center, 1700 Danbury Road, Claremont

Luncheon Reservation (\$20 per person)

Mail check to: Ila Harris

458 Heatherglen Lane San Dimas, CA 91773

Check should be payable to: AAUW ESGV Branch. Deadline date: 03/13/2018 Member's Name and Guests:

Would like to attend, but need a ride? Check here and someone will contact you about transportation



# World Day of Social Justice – 20 February

**World Day of Social Justice** is a day recognizing the need to promote efforts to tackle issues such as poverty, exclusion and unemployment. The United Nations General Assembly has decided to observe 20 February annually, approved on 26 November 2007 and starting in 2009, as the World Day of Social Justice.

For the United Nations, the pursuit of social justice for all is at the core of our global mission to promote development and human dignity. The adoption by the International Labour Organization of the Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization is just one recent example of the UN system's commitment to social justice. The Declaration focuses on guaranteeing fair outcomes for all through employment, social protection, social dialogue, and fundamental principles and rights at work.

**SOCIAL** development aims at social justice, solidarity, harmony and equality within and among countries and social justice, equality and equity constitute the fundamental values of all societies.

**PLEDGE** to promote the equitable distribution of income and greater access to resources through equity and equality and opportunity for all.

**ECONOMIC** growth should promote equity and social justice and that "a society for all" must be based on social justice and respect for all human rights and fundamental freedoms.

Social justice is an underlying principle for peaceful and prosperous coexistence within and among nations. We uphold the principles of social justice when we promote gender equality or the rights of indigenous peoples and migrants. We advance social justice when we remove barriers that people face because of gender, age, race, ethnicity, religion, culture or disability.

Observance of World Day of Social Justice should support efforts of the international community in poverty eradication, the promotion of full employment and decent work, gender equity and access to social well-being and justice for all.

Submitted by Jill Quezada