



THE TWIG

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

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President's Corner

Our February 8th Tea this year will celebrate 100 years of Women's Right to Vote. Representatives from The League of Women Voters will present history of Women's Suffrage as well as the importance of exercising our right to vote under the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Women have come a long way since August, 1920. There are more women in the U.S. Congress than ever before. As of November 2019, women are 25% of the Senate and 23% of the House of Representatives. Women not only vote but are running for office and being elected in historic numbers. Our voices will be heard.

Be sure to attend our February 8th event, and if you like, wear a suffraget costume. Be sure to wear red on March 31 to celebrate 100 years of our Right to Vote!

Nominations for ESGV Branch officers are now open. (See Below) If anyone is interested in an elected Board position for 2020-2021 please contact me either by email (dsarenman@gmail.com) or phone (626-917-6191). Nominations will close by February 8th and voting will take place at that meeting. Elected and appointed positions will be installed at our June 27th meeting.

Dianne Saurenman, President

Board Nominations for East San Gabriel Valley Branch – AAUW 2020-2021

President
(second year of term)
Vice President--Programs
Vice President--Facilities
Financial Officer
Recording Secretary
STEM Tech Trek Director

Dianne Saurenman
Hope Holdsworth
Ruth Currie
Lucille Wright
Jill Quezada
Brenda Gulbranson

Nominations are open until February 8 when voting will take place at our Right to Vote Tea.

Denim and Diamonds

Date: Saturday, April 25, 2020

Place: Meeting House at Hillcrest in La Verne, CA

Time: Doors will open at 10:30 AM. Program and lunch will begin at approximately 12:00.

Come anytime between 10:30 and 12:00 – vendors will be waiting for you!

Cost: Tickets will be the same price as last year -\$40.

Attached to the newsletter is a sponsorship letter you can print out and distribute to any businesses you patronize or friends you have who might be interested in giving a tax free donation to AAUW STEM-Tech Trek. Every dollar raised is a big help and raffle prize items like gift certificates are also greatly appreciated!

Watch for the arrival of your invitation to the fashion show. It will be mailed to your home in early March.

RAFFLE BASKETS AND DOOR PRIZES FOR THE FASHION SHOW

This year's Fashion Show is on Saturday, April 25th. As in the past, we are asking each of you to donate either a gift basket (minimum value \$50), a door prize (minimum value \$25), or make a \$10 donation toward a basket in any Interest Group you are in. We ask if you are donating a door prize make sure it is a new item or something that has not been used. Last year we had many lovely gift baskets but were short on door prizes. Gift cards worth \$25 make wonderful door prizes.

Again, thank you so much for all your past donations. You may bring ones for this year to Hope Holdsworth between now and April 24th or bring them to the Hillcrest Meeting House on Friday, April 24th until 5:00 P.M.

Hope Holdsworth (626) 919-2410 or
wholdsworth@hotmail.com

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Board Meeting—Saturday, February 8, 10:00 a.m. at the Masonic Homes, Fellowcraft Room. We will meet early before the tea. If you are unable to attend, contact either Hope (626) 919-2410 or Dianne (626) 917-6191.

“Right to Vote” Tea—Saturday, February 8, 12:00 p.m. at Fellowcraft Room, Masonic Home, 1650 E. Old Badillo Rd., Covina. (Details & reservation on page 3)

Interest Groups

Daytime Books— Friday, February 14, 11 a.m. Meet at Marie Callender’s, Azusa (corner of Route 66 and Barranca). Read *The Orphan’s Tale* by Pam Jenoff. Contact: Jody Mentzer (909) 599-6023.

Daytime Books II— Monday, February 10, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Joey Sanchez. Read *Accidental Presidents* by Jared Cohen. Contact: Sue Johnson (626) 824-6228.

Evening Books—Wednesday, February 19, 7:00 p.m. Hillcrest Retirement Homes, Pinecrest Activity Room (1st floor), 2765 Mountain View Dr., La Verne. Read *The Orphan’s Tale* by Pam Jenoff. Contact: Judy Woodruff (909) 392-4046.

Bridge I—Monday, February 3, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Darlene Knox (951) 201-6483.

Bridge II— Tuesday, February 11, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Carol Callon. Call Carol (626) 488-9998.

Bridge III— Thursday, February 20, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Joey Sanchez (626) 915-0114.

Bridge IV—Friday, February 14, 9:30 a.m. Hillcrest Retirement Homes, Pinecrest Activity Room (1st floor) 2765 Mountain View, La Verne. Hostess: Donna Mason (909) 946-0115.

Daytime Bunco—Tuesday, February 4, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Dorothy Fountain (626) 335-3735.

Evening Bunco—Wednesday, February 26, 6:30 p.m. at the home of Dottie Grinstead. Call her (626) 918-8188 if you plan to play. (Note change of location from Karen Tanaka to Dottie Grinstead)

Needlework—Monday, February 17, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Hope Holdsworth.

Playreading—Thursday, February 13, 1:00 p.m., at the home of Pauline Duplessis. Contact: Sandy Brancheau (626) 339-7181 for information.

International Lunch Bunch—(now meeting on third Friday, instead of first Friday) Friday, February 21, 11:30 a.m. at Red Lantern, 926 S. Grand Ave., Glendora. Contact: Darlene Knox (909) 594-3295.

Live Theatre—Thursday, February 6, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Lucille Wright. Please phone or email Lucille Wright and let her know if you are interested. 951-398-9022 or lucille_10@verizon.net)

Happy Birthday!

14—Helen Crawford
20—Louise Newman
20—Erma Layman
24—Jackie Littrell

Hi Ladies

Happy Valentine's Day

Daytime books will once again meet for lunch at Marie Callender’s on February 14th. We would love to have you join us even if you haven’t read the book. We have a great time and manage to discuss the book too. This month’s book is **The Orphan’s Tale**, by Pam Jenoff. Hope you can make it. Call Jody at 909.599.6023

Our book for March, which will be **Little Fires Everywhere**, by Celeste Ng, is a riveting story that traces the intertwined fates of the picture-perfect Richardson family and the enigmatic mother and daughter who upend their lives.

Hope you can join us.

Jody Mentzer



LIVE THEATRE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Live Theatre Interest Group will be attending a live performance of the “Sister Act” on March 8th at 2:00 p.m. at the Victoria Gardens. We are inviting ESGV Branch members and their friends to join us. If you, your family members or friends would like to attend this live performance with us, tickets are \$32.50. The deadline for reserving a ticket is February 10th. If you are interested in participating, please contact Lucille Wright at 951-398-9022

Thank You

Thank you, both EOF and LAF funds are completed for 2019. Jeanette Gulli and Hope Holdsworth would like to thank our members who donated a total of \$2,850.00 for the AAUW fund.

Right to Vote Tea
Celebration of Women's Suffrage
Saturday, February 8, 2020
12:00 PM – 2:30 PM
Masonic Homes of America
1650 E. Old Badillo Rd.
Covina, CA 91724



Join members and guests as we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Women's Right to Vote. It will be a delightful afternoon of visiting with friends and honoring Suffragettes who worked so hard to ensure our right to vote. Members of the League of Women Voters will present a program on Women's Suffrage. To get into the spirit of the event dress like a Suffragette!

If you would like to contribute to our festivities please feel free to bring some of your favorite sandwiches, finger foods or a dessert.

Member Name _____

Guest Names _____

Contribution:



Sandwiches _____ Finger Foods _____ Dessert _____

If you need a ride check here and someone will contact you about transportation. _____

Please contact Jackie Littrell with your reservation information: jackielittrell@yahoo.com (626) 319-0897
You could also mail in the form: 175 E. Meda, #3, Glendora, CA 91741

There is no charge for this event, but we would like to know you're coming, for planning purposes. Thank You!

Please let us know by February 3, so we can know how many to expect. Thank You!



Equal Pay Day – Wear Red – March 31

The next **Equal Pay Day (EPD) is Tuesday, March 31, 2020**. This date symbolizes how far into the year women must work to earn what men earned in the previous year. The National Committee on Pay Equity <https://www.pay-equity.org/day.html> reminds us to **wear red** to symbolize how far women and minorities are “in the red” with their pay.

AAUW’s updated publication *The Simple Truth* is based on the most recently released data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

In 2018, women received just 82 cents for every dollar paid to a man.

Women of color often face a wider gap compared to white men; Black women make 62 cents on the dollar; and Latinas make 54 cents on the dollar.

The pay gap has only decreased by a nickel in the 21st Century. For more information on the Gender Pay Gap, and ideas for EPD events, check out <https://www.aauw.org/resource/how-to-equal-pay-day/>.

On the National Level, the *Paycheck Fairness Act* passed the House of Representatives and languishes in the Senate with no action yet taken. The Equal Pay Act requires that men and women be given equal pay for equal work in the same establishment. The jobs need not be identical, but they must be substantially equal. It is job content, not job titles, that determines whether jobs are substantially equal. Specifically, the EPA provides that employers may not pay unequal wages to men and women who perform jobs that require substantially equal skill, effort and responsibility, and that are performed under similar working conditions within the same establishment.

According to WAGE (Women Are Getting Even), women earn one million less than men in their lifetime.

AAUW has facilitated *Start Smart* and *Work Smart Workshops* to help close the gap, and you can learn more about these workshops at the website: <https://www.pay-equity.org/day-kit.html>. AAUW now offers an online one-hour Work Smart Workshop accessed from the www.aauw.org for salary negotiation skills.

REMEMBER TO WEAR RED ON MARCH 31, 2020

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