



THE TWIG

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

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President's Corner

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It is time for us to review our events over the past year and request feedback from our members. Our event attendance has been down the last twelve months and we hope to increase it with events that appeal to our membership. A short survey will be sent out soon to all members. Please take a few minutes to answer the few questions to assist your East San Gabriel Valley Board in planning the 2020-2021 event calendar.

Our next event will be celebrating 100 years of Women's Suffrage on February 8 at our Spring Tea. A speaker from the League of Women Voters will be providing us with information regarding our voting rights. Members are encouraged to wear 1920 style Suffragette outfits—long black skirts and white blouses and hats appropriate to the times at our celebration. A registration for this event is included in this TWIG.

There have been 12 bills supporting women's rights passed this legislative session supported by AAUW California and signed by Governor Newsom. As you can see, women's rights have been front and center in the California legislature.

Happy New Year and many good wishes for a safe and healthy 2020 to all of you.

Dianne Saurenman, President

Thank You!

Thank you to members, friends and family who donated used clothing for our Clothing Drive in November. We collected 867 pounds of clothing, for a profit of over \$300, which will go toward our scholarship fund.

Thank You!

LAF News

Thanks to all of you who donated to LAF this year. We took in a grand total of \$1335.00.

DVAC News

January 14 is Human Trafficking Awareness Day.

DVAC is collecting items such as diapers, cleaning supplies, purses, small hygiene items that can be used by women in need. Contact Karen Tanaka if you can help: karentanaka1983@yahoo.com



HAPPY NEW YEAR

JANUARY CALENDAR

Board Meeting—Saturday, January 11, 10:00 a.m. at the home of Hope Holdsworth. If you are unable to attend, contact either Hope (626) 919-2410 or Dianne (626) 917-6191.

Committee Meeting for “Right to Vote” Tea—Wednesday, January 8, 10:00 a.m. at Fellowcraft Room, Masonic Home, 1650 E. Old Badillo Rd., Covina. If you would like to serve on this committee please join us at the Masonic Home at 10:00 AM for a short committee meeting. We will go over logistics and complete plans for the tea. If you have questions call Jackie Littrell at (626) 319-0897

Interest Groups

Daytime Books—Friday, January 10, 11 a.m. Meet at Marie Callender’s, Azusa (corner of Route 66 and Barranca). Read *Leaving Time* by Jodi Picoult. Contact: Jody Mentzer (909) 599-6023.

Daytime Books II—Monday, January 13, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Joey Sanchez. Read *Women Rowing North: Navigating Life’s Currents and Flourishing As We Age* by Mary Pipher. Contact: Sue Johnson (626) 824-6228.

Evening Books—Wednesday, January 15, 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.

Mystery Books—Tuesday, January 21, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Ruth Currie. Read *The 71/2 Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle* by Stuart Turton.

Bridge I—Monday, January 6, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Jane Glenn (626) 332-6451.

Bridge II—Tuesday, January 14, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Alice Stewart. Call Alice (909) 624-7668.

Bridge III—Thursday, January 16, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Vera Drino (626) 339-6522.

Bridge IV—Friday, January 10, 9:30 a.m. Hillcrest Retirement Homes, Pinecrest Activity Room (1st floor) 2765 Mountain View, La Verne. Hostess: Sally Mabry (909) 985-7064.

Daytime Bunco—Tuesday, January 7, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Teri Kennan (909) 599-2189.

Evening Bunco—Wednesday, January 22, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jeanette Gulli. Call her (909) 599-1904 if you plan to play.

Needlework—Monday, January 20, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Vera Drino.

Playreading—No information. Contact: Sandy Brancheau (626) 339-7181 for information.

International Lunch Bunch—Friday, January 3, 12:00 p.m. at GS Café and Ethiopian Cuisine, 1068 N. Citrus, Covina, (626) 332-0585. Contact: Darlene Knox (909) 594-3295.

Live Theatre—Thursday, January 2, 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!

7—Joyce Cool
9—Sakeena Ali
26—Betsy Kaplan
28—Phyllis Wenner

Welcome New Member!

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(909) 636-9468
Univ. of Missouri, St. Louis, BA

(Please add to Page 22 of your directory)

Denim and Diamonds

Your fashion show committee has been hard at work since October planning another special fashion show and luncheon event for members and their guests. Our theme this year includes both casual (denim) and dressy (diamonds) fashion selections, so you will see outfits for all types of occasions.

Since this is our biggest fund-raising effort of the year, we hope all of you will be able to participate. Here are the details so you can plan to attend and begin thinking about guests you might like to invite. Your invitations will be sent to your homes by U.S. mail in early March.

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.

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 aluminum and plastic **beverage** containers (no glass). 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! For more information or arrange pickup of items contact Dee at (909) 597-4694
deekisgr8@yahoo.com

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!



Get Ready for 2020!

2020 is upon us, and it is going to be an eventful year... we will celebrate the 100th anniversary of women getting the right to vote, as well as the most important election in our lifetime where issues that matter the most to us are at risk. Primary elections are coming up **March 3**. Women who vote can influence the outcome of an election!

What opportunities should be considered?

Voter Registration

AAUW CA is well positioned to undertake voter registration. Millennial women are an important target group. Research shows that a lack of information on the candidates and a lack of policy debates on issues of importance is the main reason some millennial women don't participate in the election process, and may not even register to vote.

Voter Education

AAUW aims to increase women's political influence and educate voters on issues that are important to women and girls. These targeted efforts help increase the number of women voting.

AAUW's key issues:

Equal Pay for Equal Work

Investing in Education

Reducing Student Debt

Strengthening Social Security

Implementing Paid Leave

Educate yourself on the issues

Take the time to encourage women to register to vote and VOTE in March and November.

Every vote counts!

Submitted by Jill Quezada