



THE TWIG

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

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President's Corner

The Fall Equinox was September 23 and it feels like it is still summer! I haven't seen many fall leaves yet.

Our Author's luncheon is coming up on November 2. We will have four authors from Sisters in Crime to share their ideas about humor in crime novels. Don't miss this interesting event. It will be a buffet luncheon at Westminster Gardens.

Our Holiday Party will be December 14 at South Hills Country Club. If you attended last year you know what a lovely setting it is and will want to be there again.

A new interest group is forming. If you enjoy Live Theatre, you will want to join this group. Contact Lucille Wright if you are interested.

November 5 is Election Day. Be sure to vote and celebrate the 100th anniversary of the right of women to vote. We will hear from the League of Women Voters on February 16 about the struggle to gain suffrage.

AAUW's 138th Anniversary is November 28. Our organization has been continuing to support Women's Rights since 1881. Pretty impressive!

If you have not renewed your membership as yet, please renew right away. October 31 is the deadline for renewing members to remain in good standing. After November 30, non-renewed members will be removed from our branch roster.

Be kind to others and good to yourself.

Dianne Saurenman, President



Time to Clean out Your Closets!

On Saturday, November 16th we will be having a Gently used clothing drive to benefit our Scholarship Fund. The event will be held from 8 AM – 2 PM in the Parking Lot of Tri-Community Pioneer Adult School. 160 N. Barranca Ave., Covina, CA 91723. Our branch will earn money for your gently used clothing (Men's Women's and Children's) We will also accept shoes/belts, handbags/backpacks, linens/curtains and bedding. If you are unable to drop off items on the 16th contact Lucille Wright at (909)599-1878 to make arrangements for an early drop-off. Please share this information with friends and family.

Author's Luncheon

The annual Author's Luncheon will be held Saturday, November 2nd at Westminster, Gardens 1420 Santo Domingo Dr. Duarte, CA 91016. We will have a panel of three to four authors from Sisters in Crime. Sisters in Crime is a local organization that promotes the ongoing advancement, recognition and professional development of women crime writers. All the authors, on the panel, will be local writers and their topic will be humor in crime mysteries. Books will be available for sale after the presentation. We will have a short business meeting and a buffet lunch will be served. The cost is \$22 per person. Invite a friend or a potential new member.

**CONTACT LUCILLE WRIGHT
IF YOU WOULD STILL LIKE TO
ATTEND (909) 599-1878**

CALENDAR (CONT.)

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Board Meeting—Saturday, November 9, 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.

Author's Luncheon—Saturday, November 2, 11:30 a.m. Westminster Gardens, Duarte.

Clothing Drive—Saturday, November 16, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Parking Lot of Tri-Community Pioneer Adult School, 160 N. Barranca Ave., Covina

Interest Groups

Daytime Books— Friday, November 8, 11 a.m. Meet at Marie Callender's, Azusa (corner of Route 66 and Barranca). Read *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele Richardson. Contact: Jody Mentzer (909) 599-6023.

Daytime Books II— Monday, November 11, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Joey Sanchez. Read *The Bishop's Pawn* by Steve Berry. Contact: Sue Johnson (626) 824-6228.

Evening Books—Wednesday, November 20, 7:00 p.m. Hillcrest Retirement Homes, Pinecrest Activity Room (1st floor), 2765 Mountain View Dr., La Verne. Read *Daring to Drive* by Manal al-Sharif. Contact: Judy Woodruff (909) 392-4046.

Mystery Books—Tuesday, November 19, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Lucille Wright. Read *The Crow Trap* by Ann Cleeves.

Bridge I—Monday, November 4, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Marlene Jarvis. (818) 468-8579.

Bridge II— Tuesday, November 12, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Joey Sanchez. Call Joey (626) 915-0114.

Bridge III— Thursday, November 21, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Barbara Forgey (626) 338-6011.

Bridge IV—Friday, November 8, 9:30 a.m. Hillcrest Retirement Homes, Pinecrest Activity Room (1st floor) 2765 Mountain View, La Verne. Hostess: Sue Johnson (626) 824-6228.

Daytime Bunco—Tuesday, November 5, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Ila Harris (626) 335-6561.

Evening Bunco—Dark for November and December. We will resume on January 22nd at the home of Jeanette Gulli.

Needlework—Monday, November 18, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Joey Sanchez.

Playreading—Thursday, November 14, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Hope Holdsworth (626) 919-2410. Contact: Sandy Brancheau (626) 339-7181.

Great Decisions—Dark for November and December. We will resume in January.

International Lunch Bunch—No meeting in November. Contact: Darlene Knox (909) 594-3295.

Opera at the Theatre—Saturday, November 9, 9:55 a.m. AMC Theater, 1337 E. Gladstone St., Glendora. *Madama Butterfly* by Puccini. Contact: Mary Skavinski (626) 336-4959.

Opera at the Theatre (2)—Saturday, November 23, 9:55 a.m. AMC Theater, 1337 E. Gladstone St., Glendora. *Akh-naten* by Philip Glass. (Contact: Mary Skavinski (626) 336-4959.

Live Theatre—Thursday, November 7, 1:30 p.m. at the home of Lucille Wright. A new Interest Group has been formed. The Interest Group is "Live Theatre". The meetings are held each month to discuss and select performances to attend. Members who are interested in attending Live Theatre performances are invited to attend to help select the performances. Please phone or email Lucille Wright and let her know if you are interested. (951-398-9022 or lucille_10@verizon.net)

Happy Birthday!

- 1—Karen Praeger
- 1—Rosie Herrera
- 12—Marlene Jarvis
- 15—Janet Bartel
- 15—Tressa Kentner
- 16—Debra White
- 16—Sarah Byer
- 18—Susan Curtis
- 19—Alice Stewart
- 28—Jody Mentzer



**AAUW-ESGV Holiday
Luncheon Reservation Form
December 14, 2019, 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
South Hills Country Club
2655 S. Citrus St., West Covina
\$22 per person**

*Check should be payable to: AAUW ESGV Branch.
Deadline date: 12/09/2019
Mail check to: Lucille Wright, P.O. Box 626, San Dimas, CA 91773*

*Member's Name and
Guests:* _____

Car pooling will be arranged for the event
Do you want to car pool (yes) (no). Would you be one of the drivers (yes) (no)



CHANGES IN THE VOTING PROCESS – KEY POINTS

The old voter Roster will be replaced by an electronic check-in.

The old technology served us well for 50 years. Register on-line as late as Election Day, it will be a provisional ballot. Voters will no longer be assigned to a specific location.

Voters can change their addresses and change from mail-in to in-person all on Election Day. There will be an interactive sample ballot.

All ballots will be available in all languages spoken in LA County and verbally for the visually impaired.

Sample ballots will have locations for the 11 day and 4-day vote centers.

25,000 poll workers currently needed for every LA County election in the past – In the future they will be needed for a longer period of time but fewer staff will need to be on hand.

The votes are not connected to the internet. There is an air gap (internet block) for the actual room where the votes are tallied.

There has never been a successful hack into the LA County voter system.

You no longer need a stamp to return your vote by mail ballot.

The current tally machine is quite quick. You are welcome to go to the facility. Reservations are recommended.

There will be 150 free standing ballot boxes.

Confirm and then print your ballot. Ballot boxes will not be left unattended in vote centers.

This system will prevent over-voting (voting for more than 1 person in an election which voids your vote on that election) and unintentionally skipping a voting selection.

Upcoming Activities and Milestone:

- Mock Elections
- Demo Centers
- Full implementation by March 2020
- It cost over 300 Million Dollars for the cost of the new system.
- SB450 – Vote center model.
- Reregister with a new signature.
- Adopt a vote center initiative. ADA, connectivity, and high electrical consumption. Every Cal State and USC are currently on board. Platinum package has people and space available.
- The 2000 locations are online. 50 mock sites in LA County. Vote for your favorite park. There will be 5 large, 20 medium, and 25 small vote locations.
- **5.3 million Voters in LA County more votes than in 44 states.**

Submitted by Jill Quezada

AAUW FUND

A copy of this letter and the donation envelopes were mailed to you in early October, or use the tear-off below!

Dear Member,

October 1, 2019

AAUW has a long and distinguished history of advancing educational and professional opportunities for women in the United States and around the globe. It is one of the world’s largest sources of funding for graduate women. Due to the generous contributions from you, its members, many deserving women are aided in their important work and advanced studies and continue to gain access to educational and economic opportunities – breaking through barriers so that all women have a fair chance. Since 1888, AAUW has provided more than \$100 million in funding for more than 12,000 fellowships and grants to outstanding women and nonprofit organizations in all 50 states and 140 countries.

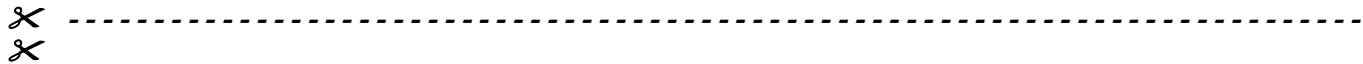
Now is the time to make your tax deductible donations to *any* or *all* of the funds listed below.

- 1) **LAF** (Check payable to AAUW Fund)
- 2) **EOF** (Check payable to AAUW Fund)
- 3) **STEM-TECH TREK** (Check payable to ESGV Branch AAUW)
- 4) **COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS** (Check payable to ESGV Branch AAUW)

Please write a *separate* check for each donation with its fund name listed in the memo section of each check.

Place checks in the pre-addressed, fund-labeled envelopes provided (addresses listed below)

LAF (Legal Advocacy Fund)	Hope Holdsworth 2110 E. Cameron Ave. West Covina, CA 91791
EOF (Educational Opportunity Fund)	Jeanette Gulli 1729 Paseo Mundo San Dimas, CA 91773
STEM-TECH TREK	Ruth Currie 2035 Calle Tomas San Dimas, CA 91773
COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS	Ruth Currie 2035 Calle Tomas San Dimas, CA 91773



Yes, I want to support our ESGV commitment to support women whose intellect, courage and effort require financial assistance to realize their fullest potential. My check is enclosed. Mail to appropriate address above.

Name of Member _____ **Deadline: November 15, 2019**

\$__ **EOF Donation (\$100 or more will be named Century Club Donors)**

\$__ **LAF Donation (\$100 or more will be named Century Club Donors)**

\$__ **STEM Tech Trek Donation**