# GREATER WHITTIER AREA BRANCH AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN



# NEWSLETTER

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## Linking you to Branch activities and to each other

**Soup For Scholars** is a fund raiser for the Myra Long Scholarship Fund. This is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit tax-deductible way to support Tech Trek, and local scholarships that advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education and research.

The kinds of "made from scratch" soups that will be served are; Bean Soup, Cheesy Potato, Chicken Noodle, Mushroom Barley, French Onion, Split Pea, Italian Sausage, Minestrone and Vegan Bean. The soup will be accompanied by bread and butter, a drink and homemade cookies. Come enjoy a hearty meal and raise some dough for AAUW projects.

**The tickets are \$20 and \$15 is tax deductible. Only 300 tickets will be sold.** Mark your calendars for Sunday, November 15, 5:30 to 7 PM at East Whittier Methodist Church, 10005 Cole Road Whittier, (three blocks South of Whittier Boulevard, and one block East of Colima Road)

**Bring your friends and family. Children under 5 are free** when accompanied by an adult. For information: Call Jan Berry (562) 691-6859 or <u>littlebit1023@verizon.net</u>

# **Speech Trek Breaking Through Barriers**

Speech Trek is an annual speech contest for high school students. The contestants compete locally for cash, prizes and the opportunity to become one of three finalists to present at the AAUW-CA convention. The 2010 contest, **Breaking Through Barrier**s will be held at the state convention in San Ramon, April 30 - May 2, 2010. Finalists will be asked to speak for five minutes on the following questions:

If you could organize 100,000 AAUW members, millions of dollars in resources and thousands of volunteer hours to bring equality to women in one area, what would that area be? Why?

The Whittier AAUW prize money is first place \$200, second place \$100, and third is \$50. La Cuisine Section donated \$100 to offset the expenses of sponsoring the contest. A workshop for the students will be held on Tuesday, November 10, at 7 PM in theWhittier Central Library Nixon Room 7344 South Washington Avenue, Whittier.



Alexandria Aiello 1st Place

On Saturday, December 5, from noon to 4 PM the applicants will present their speeches before the local judges at 15 minute intervals. As of this printing we have eleven applicants.

On Saturday, January 9, at 2PM, we will have the final DVD taping of the Whittier Branch winner at theSalvation Army Community Center located at 7926 Pickering Street, Whittier.

To view the 2009 Speech Trek winner and a video of the 2008 Winner go to:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A4SYztIg4r0



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# Notes from Brenda

\*\*\*Keep Calm and Carry On\*\*\*

November is here much to my astonishment. Two Branch meetings have passed, both of which offered outstanding programs. The membership voted to sign the Affiliate Agreement and the seven mandatory changes in our local by-laws. The Whittier AAUW Board will be forming a committee to study whether or not our Branch should become a 501 (c) (3) matching national AAUW. Another committee will be updating our local Standing Rules which were last revised in 2005. We will get back to you with our results.

Our Branch is sponsoring a Speech Trek event this year. It is exciting to witness the enthusiasm of the Speech coaches from our local high schools. The Speech Trek contest will take place on January 9, 2010 following our Branch meeting. You are all welcome to attend.

We do need your support by attending "Soup for Scholars" on November 15, at the East Whittier Methodist Church. This is a designated event to raise money for our Myra Long Scholarship Fund. Please bring your relatives and friends. It will be an enjoyable and delicious evening!

December 12 is our Christmas Program to be held at the California Country Club. Holiday Follies presented by Tiny's Troop will be the entertainment. We have some wonderful prizes for you. Colleen Tan will be offering her beautiful jewelry for purchase. Do your Christmas shopping at AAUW Whittier!

Finally, we want your input and ideas. Along that line, if you know someone who is not receiving the monthly newsletter by November 25, please advise us.

Our Board is outstanding and is determined that the membership will have an enjoyable and successful year.

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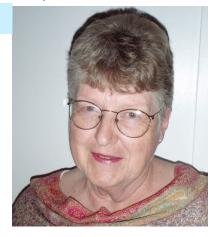
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# PUBLIC POLICY BY SHARON HECK

# **GET REAL ABOUT SEX EDUCATION**

AAUW supports the right of every woman to obtain medically accurate information about and access to safe and comprehensive reproductive health services. Because the United States has one of the highest rates of teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted infection in the developed world, AAUW supports comprehensive sexuality education programs that include information about both abstinence and contraception. Such programs are critical in helping to combat teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted infection.



Earlier this year, Representative. Barbara Lee (D-CA) and Senator Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ) introduced the Responsible Education About Life (REAL) Act (H.R. 1551/S. 611). This bill would authorize federal funds for states to offer comprehensive, age-appropriate and medically accurate sexual education in their schools. The REAL Act is a comprehensive approach to sex education, education that promotes abstinence but includes information about contraception. The bill would also encourage family communication about sexuality, teach young people the skills to make responsible decisions about sexuality and explore the components of a healthy relationship.

While there are currently three separate federal programs that fund abstinence-only-until-marriage programs, there remains no federal funding specifically for comprehensive sex education in schools.

The high rates of pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections in this country threaten the lives and livelihoods of women and girls. That's why AAUW joined coalition partners and promoted October as Sex Ed Month of Action. However, your action will still be needed in November. During this time, we're encouraging women on college campuses and in communities across the country to urge their representatives to support the REAL Act. AAUW believes individuals should have complete and accurate information about their reproductive health and family planning options. Only with complete reproductive health information can young people make informed and appropriate decisions that will help them lead safe, healthy lives.

## Take Action!

Urge your representative to get REAL about sex education by co-sponsoring and supporting the **Responsible Education About Life Act (H.R. 1551).** Simply go on line at <u>AAUW.org.</u> Click on Public Policy, and then Two Minute Activist. You will be directed as to contacting your Representative in Washington, DC. **Do it today!** 

## Websites for:

American Association of University Women: AAUW National Association

<u>http://www.aauw.org/</u> AAUW California <u>http://www.aauw-ca.org/</u> AAUW Whittier Branch

http://www.aauwwhittier.info/

# GREATER WHITTIER AREA BRANCH

# AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN

#### **VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

At the October Branch meeting, the general membership voted on an AAUW Affiliate Agreement required by Association. The following is a brief summary of this agreement:

(1) The big issue is that the two Internal Revenue Service (IRS) tax categories that national has had for many years will now be reversed, i.e., the dominant membership structure will be 501 (c) (3) and the secondary political action structure will be 501 (c) (4). The impact on the individual members will be that donations to the national organization and most of the national dues will be deductible on our personal income tax returns. The tax deduction on national dues currently translates to \$46. The remaining \$3 will not be tax deductible since national uses it to support the political action structure.

(2)This national change means that those branches (i.e.,affiliates) that previously had not established their own 501 (c) (3) status may now receive such exemption under the new national group tax exemption status.

(3) The change in the group status that affects our Branch does not mean, however, that local and state dues and donations to the branch will be tax exempt. In order to be a fully functioning 501 (c) (3) branch, we must apply separately to the IRS. This is important primarily if we want all donations and local dues to the Branch to be tax deductible.

(4) In line with the changes in tax categories, national will undergo several name changes. The national organization, previously known as Association, will now be called American Association of University Women, or simply AAUW. The new political action entity will be called the AAUW Action Fund and will be the 501 (c) (4) arm of AAUW. The Educational Foundation (EF) will now be the American Association of University Women, Inc. Please note that the Legal Advocacy Fund was rolled into the Educational Foundation last year.

(5) National recommends that each branch have liability insurance for its directors and officers. Our Branch has general liability insurance through AAUW California. Our Branch does not have the special "directors and officers" liability coverage at this time.

(6) The decision was made is to accept the new structure that encompasses the above changes. We signed the new affiliate agreement and submitted it to national before October 31, 2009.

#### 2009-10 Elected Officers

President Brenda J. Jahn (562) 691-2419 p\_and\_b\_jahn@msn.com

President-Elect Shirley Stewart (562) 944-4556 shirleys.creations@verizon.net

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Membership Vice-President Joyce Paul (909) 620-1202 jojcem.paul@yahoo.com

Membership Vice-President Yvette H. Rawlinson (562) 698-6867

Membership Treasurer Kaye Kidwell. (562) 902-8207 kayedauna@aol.com

Educational Foundation / Legal Advocacy Vice-President Peggy J. Fretz (562) 698-6563 <u>PJFretz@aol.com</u>

Recording Secretary Pamela Holmes (562) 693-0170 pamela.holmes@doj.ca.gov

#### GREATER WHITTIER AREA BRANCH

#### 2009-10 Elected Officers

**continued**-----Corresponding Secretary Margot Kamens (562) 699-6898 mrsmwk@aol.com

Treasurer Jill C. Smith Whittier, CA 90602 (562) 698-3949 jillpc@charter.net

Hospitality Vice-President Peggy Burlingham (626) 443-4945 wburlingham5@yahoo.com

Hospitality Vice-President Barbara Nichols (562) 696-4474 <u>blnich@verizon.net</u>

The newsletter is professionally edited by Margot Kamens. The target date for the newsletter release is the 25th of each month. This month has been an exception.

If you have not received your copy please email or phone for a speedy delivery.

If you like the newsletter tell someone. If you don't like something in the newsletter please tell me! Editor, Barbara Gile (562) 693-7279 or <u>barbaragile@me.com</u> The website is remodeled and

updated. Try some of the related links at: <u>http://</u> www.aauwwhittier.info/

#### AAUW NEWS

An <u>important report</u> was released on Friday, October 16, regarding the current state of women in our society. **The** 

**Shriver Report** — A Woman's Nation Changes Everything is a project of the Center for American Progress, and AAUW has been eagerly anticipating the launch of this study.

Carolyn H. Garfein, President AAUW said, "I am particularly pleased to tell you that one of the co-editors of the report, Heather Boushey, is a former AAUW fellow who often says, 'AAUW's support saved my life.' Boushey is a senior economist at the Center for American"

AAUW thrives when we band together and raise our nationwide voice to break through barriers for women and girls. Together, we educate and activate others about our issues. We have a united front when contacting legislators to garner support for legislation and policies. We continue to fulfill our mission while building the visibility of AAUW and our branches through our collective efforts.

Excerpt from <u>WWW.aauW.org</u>

The Whittier Area Literacy Council is considering a tutoring project with East Whittier Middle School. It is investigating the possibility of supporting the school's after school tutoring project, and looking for tutors who would be willing to tutor on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 4PM at the school.

Each tutor would work with up to 8 students. The training would be provided by Whittier Area Literacy Council. It is possible for two tutors to split one assignment so that the each would commit to just one day a week. The students would remain the same from week to week. Tutors would be required to become members of the Literacy Council.

Anyone interested should contact Pat Almada at (562) 698-8744. The project will probably start in January.Thank you for your interest.

#### Get Well Wishes To:

- Sue Turco who is on the mend after back surgery.
- Mary Ellen Mead is recuperating from knee surgery in the same facility as her husband Orin. They are both receiving physical therapy at Air Force Village West, 17050 Arnold Drive in Riverside, CA 92518

#### Section Notices

# **First Friday**

November 6, 6-8 PM Carol and John Shupek will host First Friday in their home located at 6204 Southwind Whittier. Bring a hearty appetizer to share and your drink of choice.

Directions: North on Painter, turn right on Hadley (East) go up the hill and turn left (North) on Southwind to 6204, the white house with green shutters.

#### **GUESTS ARE WELCOME**

#### Saturday Night Bridge isNovember 28. We play party bridge and singles are Welcome!

While Mary Ellen Mead recovers from knee surgery please call Barbara Gile to reserve your place (562) 693-)7279

# **International Concerns**

International Concerns will meet on Tuesday, November 10, 10 AM at Ellen Larson's home (Whittier Beverly Park, 12031 Beverly Blvd, #2D). Our topic is "The Global Food Crisis." Please bring suggestions for a lunch venue for the December meeting.

For further information contact Maurine Behrens, Section Chair (562) 695-8436 or <u>maurineb@verizon.net</u>. **Memories** .... a section that encourages members to write their memoirs, usually meets the fourth Wednesday of each month.

On October 28, we will meet at the home of Sally Schmidt and share our memories of a house where we have lived. Each person is encouraged to draw a floor plan that will hopefully bring forth memories of your childhood. Sally lives at 7751 Bowen Drive in Whittier. Directions: From Mar Vista Drive go North on Bacon Road, turn left on Bronte Drive and right on Bowen Drive. The driveway is on the West side of the street and there is parking in the back

of the house. The next meeting is November 18, (due to Thanksgiving the following week) at 1:30 PM, in the home of Gwen Woirhaye, 5810 Friends Avenue. Suggested topic is Music (suggestion only; write about what you are most interested in at the moment). Join us and be inspired and entertained as we accomplish our goals, sharing what we are ready to share.

Directions: Beverly Boulevard to Friends Avenue (1 block west of Painter); North to end of streetlast house on the right.For further information contact Gwen Woirhaye at (562) 696-6405 or gwen@woirhaye.com

#### **Triple P's**

December 16, Holiday Get-Together.

Jane, Sue and Gwen are the hostesses at Jane Dicus' home, 11736 Rancho Verde Drive in Whittier. Directions: North on Workman Mill Road, left on Spy Glass Hill Road up the hill and around the curve, turn right on Rancho Verde Drive to 11736 in the cul de sac.

We decided to support the Holiday Boutique with a basket of gift wrapping supplies,

See Colleen Tan about the February trip to the Fullerton Light Opera. The December newsletter will have all the details.

Section Chair Gen'nel Walters (562) 943-5333

#### Announcements and Reminders

# The AAUW Whittier Branch Yearbooks will be available at the December Branch meeting.

Each member will receive one Yearbook. If the Yearbooks are mailed the costs are: \$2 to mail paper directories, to be paid by member before mailing.

\$6.50 to mail paper directories with binder, to be paid by member before mailing.

\$5 to purchase a binder if the member wants one, to be paid by member at the meeting or before mailing.

Yearbooks that were not picked up at the October meeting will be available at the December meeting unless other arrangements are made. Contact Kaye Kidwell at <u>Kayedauna@aol.com</u>

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE MATH/SCIENCE CONFERENCE

FEBRUARY 26, 2010 9AM TO NOON WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

Go to the Website:

http://www.aauwwhittier.info/projects.html

Click on Projects

Click on Math/Science Conference

All the information is posted on the website

for your convenience

For further information contact Marian Locke

univminn57@yahoo.com

#### The website for La Cuisine is:

www.skytamer.net/AAUW/index.html (see recipes section) Your username is: lacuisine Your password is: Food2009 (both are case sensitive) For further information contact Section Chair, Carol Shupek at <u>cshupek@yahoo.com</u>

#### Section Notices

#### **Garden Section**

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 3, at 1 PM. We will meet at Jan Berry's home. Since parking is an issue we will car pool. Call for arrangements.

Shirley Stewart, Section Coordinator (562) 944-4556

## Walkers

Thursday, October 29, 9 AM Uptown Neighborhood -Meet at Northwest corner of Central Park.

Thursday, November 5, 9 AM La Mirada Creek Park -Meet in parking lot off of Santa Gertrudes Avenue.

Thursday, November 12, 9AM, Whittwood Town Center Walking Path -Meet in parking lot by the Food Court area.

Thursday, November 19, 9AM Greenway Trail Meet in the Palm Park parking lot.

Thursday, November 26, All Give THANKS As you walk around the feast table.

For further information contact: Shirley Ann Stewart at <u>shirleys.creations@verizon.net</u> or (562) 944-4556.

We hope Ann Farmer will be able to join us soon, and we hope Malcolm will continue to regain his health.

AAUW celebrates Carol Greider, AAUW memberat-large and winner of the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine along with her two colleagues, Elizabeth Blackburn and Jack Szostak. Greider has been a member of AAUW since 2002. READ all about it at

http://www.aauw.org/About/newsroom/pressreleases/ Nobel\_102209.cfm

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## Mystery Mavens Wednesday, November 18, 6:30 PM Murder on Astor Place by Victoria Thompson Reviewer – Sharon Heck Sprinkled with fascinating details of turn-of-the-

century New York City, Thompson's old-fashioned mystery takes the reader from the mansions of Fifth Avenue to the flophouses of the Lower East Side. Sarah Brandt is a midwife who has been estranged from her wealthy family for years. When Alicia Van Damn, a young woman from a prominent family, is murdered, Sarah must return to the upper-class society she has scorned to find the killer. Haunted by her past and disgusted by police department corruption, Sarah takes it upon herself to avenge the girl's death. Annoyed at first by her interference, Detective Sergeant Frank Malloy asks for Sarah's help only when he has been taken off the case at the request of the victim's scandalfearing family. The midwife and the policeman grudgingly become allies in their search for justice. In this first installment in a new series of historical mysteries, Thompson vividly recreates the gas-lit world of old New York, concluding her mystery with revelations that will shock even 20th-century readers. 

Meet at Marie Callender's restaurant at 9829 South La Serna Drive, Whittier (near Whittier Boulevard) in the library room.

Reservations - Carol K. Anderson (562) 943-0728.

# **More Than Words**

Contact Rosanne Seitz for further information: (626) 330-5383

# Modern Trends in Literature

Dolores Seidman will review *The Zookeeper's Wife: A War Story* by Diane Ackerman on Thursday, November 19. Please note that this is the **third** Thursday of the month. Home of Carol Shupek, 6204 Southwind Drive, Whittier. Directions: from Whittier Boulevard, go North on Painter turn right (East) on Hadley and proceed up the hill to Southwind, turn left (North), go to number on the right (East) side of the street.

Everyone is welcome!

Section Chair Carol Shupek

(562) 945-4931

# **Morning Book**

Morning Book will discuss "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society," by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows, at 10 AM on Monday, November 23, at Marian Locke's home. Carol K. Anderson will lead the discussion; Rosanne Seitz is co-hostess.

Told in an exchange of letters between Juliet Ashton, a London newspaper columnist, and members of a reading group that calls itself the Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society, the book combines quirky and delightful characters with fascinating history, bringing alive the five-year occupation of Guernsey, one of the Channel Islands, by the Nazis during World War II. "Guernsey..." is a small masterpiece about love, war and the immeasurable sustenance to be found in good books and good friends.

Directions to Marian Locke's home, 15555 La Monde Street, Hacienda Heights, (626) 336-3430 Colima Road to Hacienda Boulevard, left on Hacienda, left on Newton, left on Joan, to La Monde, right on La Monde (15555 is on the corner, has blue shutters).

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# EF/LAF AAUW FUNDS (EF/LAF)

Help AAUW continue its long and distinguished history of advancing educational and professional opportunities for women. More than 200 grants have been given to outstanding women and nonprofit organizations this year.

The Legal Advocacy Fund works to combat sex discrimination in higher education and the workplace. Both of these areas are worthy of our continued support

The funding year is drawing to a close. If you wish to support these causes, you may donate to AAUW Funds by sending your check to me.

You may designate how you want your donation to be used for Educational Foundation causes or for Legal Advocacy causes. Please send your check to me and I'll submit it to the state director so our Branch will get credit. Peggy Fretz, 14852 Jupiter Street, Whittier 90603.

If you have questions you may contact me at <u>PJFretz@aol.com</u> or (562) 698-6563. Peggy Fretz, EF/LAF Vice-President

#### 2010 Math/Science Conference

As I write this article on October 14, it is John Wooden's ninety-ninth birthday. In the sports section of the Los Angeles Times, they listed 99 facts about this legendary teacher and UCLA basketball coach. *continued in next. column.* 

#### Math/Science Conference continued.....

One of his quotes is *"The main ingredient of stardom is the rest of the team."* I am very fortunate to have an amazing team assisting me with the 17th Math/ Science Conference for Eighth Grade Girls.

Our event will be Friday, February 26, 2010 at Rio Hondo College. There will be no opening session because of college construction. Our workshop schedule will be is as follows: 9-9:55; 10-10:55: 11-11:55 AM. The students will depart after the third session to have lunch back at their schools. We will ask our speakers to explain their careers for 15 minutes and then spend 10 minutes doing a hands-on activity either with selected students or the entire group. We will serve students a snack and provide a continental breakfast and lunch for the speakers and AAUW members.

The dates for activities are as follows: Middle School Teacher Meeting/Distribute Brochure - January 13, 2010 Workshop Choices Returned - Jan. 27, 2010 Choices in Envelopes - February 10, 2010 Packet Party at Barbara Gile's home - February 18.

"Ability is a poor man's wealth." J. Wooden. These are the AAUW members sharing their abilities: Middle School Liaison - Jan Berry Treasurer and Speaker Check-in Table - Jill Smith Workshop Computer Choices - Ginny Ball Student Registration Sorting at Marian's home -Marian Locke (need three more volunteers) Name Tags - Kaye Kidwell Make Signs - Barbara Gile Post Signs - Marge Bates (need one more volunteer) Nurse - Ellen Paik Food - Carol K. Anderson, Peggy Burlingham and Virginia Kite Moderators - Carol J. Anderson, Janice Geiger, Dolores Seidman, Ruth White, Louise Holden, Shirley Ann Stewart, Carol Shupek, Peggy Kiefer, Carol Black, Jackie Brearley, Brenda Jahn and Rosanne Seitz (need two more volunteers) Insurance/Conference Supplies/ Donations/ Speakers/Publicity/Brochure - Marían Locke, Math Science Coordinator.

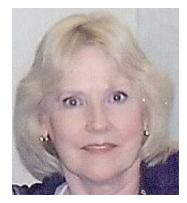
# Linking you to Branch activities and to each other Dates To Remember

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|------------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| Wednesday, October 28  | 1:30 PM           | Memories Draw A Floor Plan of Your Home         |  |
|                        |                   | Meet at Sally Schmidt's Home                    |  |
| Thursday, October 29   | 9 AM              | Walkers Uptown Neighborhood                     |  |
|                        | 10.000            | Meet at Central Park.                           |  |
| Thursday November 1    | 12 -3 PM          | AAUW-CA EF/LAF Luncheon                         |  |
|                        | 7.01/             | at Knott's Berry Farm Hotel                     |  |
| Tuesday, November 3    | 7 PM              | Whittier Branch Board Meeting @ WCCS            |  |
| Tuesday, November 3    | 1 PM              | Gardening Meet at Jan Berry's home              |  |
| Tuesday, November 3    |                   | Vote - Local Elections                          |  |
| Thursday, November 5   | 9 AM              | Walkers La Mirada Creek Park                    |  |
|                        |                   | Meet in parking lot off of Santa Gertrudes      |  |
| Friday, November 6     | 6 - 8 PM          | First Friday @ Carol Shupek's                   |  |
| Tuesday, November 10   | 10 AM             | International Concerns Meet at Ellen Larson's   |  |
| Tuesday, November 10   | 7 PM              | Speech Trek Workshop Central Library            |  |
| Wednesday, November 11 | 7:30 - 9:30 AM    | Wake Up Whittier @ PIH                          |  |
|                        |                   | 12401 Washington Boulevard                      |  |
| Thursday, November 12  | 9AM               | Walkers Whittwood Town Center Walking Path      |  |
|                        |                   | Meet in parking lot by the Food Court area      |  |
| Saturday, November 14  | 6:30 PM           | La Cuisine (recipes section)                    |  |
|                        |                   | www.skytamer.net/AAUW/index.html                |  |
| Sunday, November 15    | 5:30 -7PM         | SOUP FOR SCHOLARS Fundraiser                    |  |
|                        |                   | East Whittier Methodist Church                  |  |
|                        |                   | 10005 Cole Road Whittier 90603                  |  |
| Sunday, November 15    | Midnight          | Newsletter Deadline <u>whittieraauw@mac.com</u> |  |
| Tuesday, November 17   | 7 PM              | Myra Long Scholarship Meeting                   |  |
|                        |                   | First Friends Church- Board Room                |  |
|                        |                   | 13205 Philadelphia Street                       |  |
| Wednesday, November 18 | 1:30 PM           | Memories Meet at Gwen Woirhaye's home           |  |
| Wednesday, November 18 | 7 PM              | Mystery Mavens Marie Callender's La Sierra      |  |
| Thursday, November 19  | 9AM               | Walkers Greenway Trail                          |  |
|                        |                   | Meet in the Palm Park parking lot               |  |
| Thursday, November 19  | 7:30 PM           | Modern Trends in Literature @ Carol Shupek's    |  |
| Monday, November 23    | 10 AM             | Morning Book Meet in Marian Locke's home        |  |
| Thursday, November 26  |                   | Happy Thanksgiving                              |  |
| Saturday, November 28  | 7 PM              | Saturday Night Bridge @Barbara Gile's           |  |
| Tuesday, December 1    | 7 PM              | Whittier Branch Board Meeting @ WCCS            |  |
| Tuesday, December 1    | 1 PM              | Gardening Meet in Margot Kamens' home           |  |
| Thursday December 3    | 9AM               | Walkers Whittwood Town Center Walking Path      |  |
| J                      |                   | Meet by the Food Court Area                     |  |
| Friday, December 4     | 6 – 8 PM          | First Friday @ TBA                              |  |
| Saturday, December 5   | Noon – 4PM        | Speech Trek contest Central Library Nixon Room  |  |
|                        |                   |   |  |
| Saturday, December 12  | 10 AM             | Whittier Branch Meeting                         |  |
|                        |                   | California Country Club                         |  |
|                        |                   | 1509 South Workman Mill Road Whittier 90601     |  |

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# ABOUT OUR MEMBERS



Yvette Rawlínson

Joyce Paul

We now officially have 130 paid members. We are still accepting applications for membership. Please try to bring a guest or potential new member with you to any of the upcoming events and meetings. Sponsors, please encourage your new member or members to attend the Branch meetings and other activities. Please make a call to remind them of what is happening each month. Our newest members are: Phoemie Aghili, Brent Berry, Kelly Collazo, Virginia Holloway, Carole Restovich, Wilma Santana, Cherie Trapani, Brigitta Weger and Kiersten Whitaker. Please continue to welcome our new members when you see them at activities or meetings.

You may email Joyce Paul at joycem.paul@yahoo.com or call a (909)-620-1202 or call Yvette Rawlinson at (562) 698-6867. Provide either of us with a name of a person who may be interested and we will contact her and send a membership application. It is not too late. We are only into the third month of this new year. Let's share our group, our goals, our mission and the enjoyment of being a part of this organization.

Two new members not listed in the Yearbook are: (1) Brent Berry 2323 Ardsheal Drive La Habra Heights, CA 90631 home phone: (562) 691-6859 work phone:(562)-693-5566 email: <u>bberry@brentwberry.com</u>

(2) Brigitta Weger 6333 Bright Avenue#1-B Whittier, CA 90601 phone: (562) 698-7394 email: <u>brigweg@aol.com</u>

Other changes for the Yearbook:

Cherie **Trapani** is the correct spelling. She let us know her name is misspelled in the Yearbook and her **masters degree** is from Whittier College (not Cal Lutheran), which is also incorrect in the Yearbook.

Virginia Rickman's current email is: vrickman@aol.com.

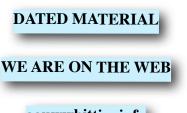
We found a new address for Glenus Batemen at Post Office Box 9107 Whittier, CA 90608.

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#### About AAUW

MISSION STATEMENT: AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, and research.

**The American Association of University Women (AAUW)** founded in 1881, is the nation's leading organization advocating equity for women and girls. Its national membership of 100,000 seeks to be a catalyst for change to improve women's lives, promote education and research to ensure our future. People of every race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin and level of physical ability are invited to join.

**AAUW California** was launched in San Francisco in 1886 and began lobbying immediately. It remains the state's most active and diverse organization for women with 14,000 members in more than 150 branches, plus 6,000 members-at-large.

The **AAUW Educational Foundation (EF)** supports women scholars around the globe, local teachers and activists. It funds:groundbreaking research. Its first research in 1885 dispelled the notion that higher education is detrimental to women's health. The AAUW EF is now engaged in cutting edge research such as the widely publicized 2008 report

#### Where the Girls Are: The Facts About Gender Equity in Education. AAUW funds:

- Fellowships and Grants
- · Special Awards
- Symposia, Roundtables and Forums

#### AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF)

This arm of AAUW combats sex discrimination in higher education and the workplace through community and campus outreach programs, a resource library, online advocacy tools, various research opportunities for education and discussion on topics of equity, discrimination and tenure at California universities and colleges.

AAUW also encourages women to become involved in every level of the political process. We actively support legislation on educational equity and diversity in public schools, pay equity, reproductive choice, child care, school-based health care, civil rights and responsible funding for public education.

To further its objectives AAUW has established the Women's Network for Change, a coalition of organizations working together to effect change.