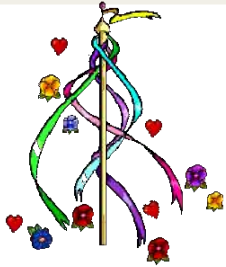




GREATER WHITTIER AREA BRANCH AAUW NEWSLETTER

<http://whittier-ca.aauw.net>



MAY

The world's favorite
season is the spring.
All things seem possible
in May
Edwin Way Teale

BRANCH MEETING
SATURDAY, May 13, 2017
11:30 AM
ELK'S CLUB, WHITTIER

The May program is celebratory and full of surprises. Lupe Alfaro will have display boards with photographs and memorabilia from our Las Distinguidas honorees. See if you can guess who they are. Other members of Las Distinguidas will tell us about the lives and many contributions of these honorees to the city of Whittier and the surrounding communities.

The second part of the program will be the introduction of our Tech Trek Scholarship Winners by Tech Trek co-chairs Pat Dudley and Ann Chambers. Family and friends will support the Tech Trek Scholarship Winners. Please take the time to introduce yourself to these amazing young women and their families.

Lunch will be salsa and chips as appetizers, chicken taco, cheese enchilada, beans, rice, salad, dessert, coffee, tea, and water. Other offerings with advanced notice: Vegetable Pasta Florentine, Chef's Salad with Grilled Chicken Breast and grilled Portobello mushroom sandwich with potato salad. Enjoy table decorations provided by Morning Book Section.

Reservations for the Branch meeting are due by May 10, noon. Please send an email to DeDe Shatzen at aauwrsvp@gmail.com. If you are without email, call DeDe at 310-617-7768. Your reservation will be confirmed. Cost of lunch is \$20.00. We will be in the Ballroom. The entrance to the Ballroom and parking are behind the building. Look for the AAUW signs. Elks Lodge is located at 13620 Whittier Blvd., Whittier.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



What Has AAUW Done For Me?

For many years—and up until very recently—I had longed to become a philanthropist. I secretly hoped to accumulate the financial resources to start a foundation that would help others have a better life through education, empowerment, business or to meet a health need.

While reading an article by Laura Arrillaga-Andreessen, “who has chosen to use her life achievements for the betterment of others”, I discovered that, unknowingly, I had achieved my goal of becoming a philanthropist. Why? Because, it is not about how much one has monetarily but rather it is about one’s generosity. Laura has three qualifying factors to becoming a philanthropist. These are, 1) **finding your passion** (what you believe in); 2) **taking stock of your giving resources** (financial, expertise or time), and 3) **striving to be narrow and deep** (focusing on an issue and/or organization with a mission that works on that issue).

So, what has AAUW done for me? AAUW has helped me achieve a life goal, helping others through philanthropy. The organization aligns with 1) my personal passion—the empowerment of women, 2) it multiplies my individual resources, and 3) the organization focuses, uncompromisingly, on issues that are meaningful to me.

Dolores Gonzalez-Hayes

MYRA LONG SCHOLARSHIP FUND CHALLENGE

Angels are real! Our angel is an anonymous donor who has pledged to **match up to \$20,000** all of the money we raise this fiscal year for the Myra Long Scholarship Fund. So far, we have raised \$17,557.

We are so close to \$20,000. Let’s not lose a single dollar of this incredible matching donation.



We know there are many worthy charitable organizations vying for our donations. One of the beautiful benefits of the Myra Long Scholarship Fund is that we see our donations at work locally – scholarships for community college women who are continuing their studies to earn four-year degrees, the annual Math/Science Conference for eighth grade girls from 27 middle schools and Tech Trek Camp for girls entering eighth grade.

Please help us meet this remarkable challenge. Make your check out to AAUW-MLSF and send it to:

AAUW-MLSF
P.O. Box 5333
Whittier, CA 90607-5333

If you have any questions, please contact Kaye Kidwell, MLSF Treasurer, at 562-902-8207 or email at kayedauna@aol.com.

AAUW FUND

Support us through AAUW Fund

You can...create change, advance equity, and empower women and girls with a single donation to the Fund. Gifts to the National Fund are dispensed as needed to impact projects that advance the mission of AAUW. **All donations to the Fund are tax-deductible.** California donors contributed over 700,000 dollars to the National AAUW Fund.

Thanks to everyone! The following donations include Educational Opportunities, AAUW Fund, Charting the Course Campaign, LAF, Public Policy, and NCCWSL Each donation adds up, no matter the size! This list was compiled from the Whittier Branch Fund Donations from Sharon Westafer, AAUW-CA Fund State Director. Thanks to everyone for your support of the AAUW Fund.

Whittier Branch Contributions 2016:

Lupe Alfaro
Cecilia Bartlow
Glenus Bateman
Janice Biby
Rozanne Child
Diana Clark
Earlyne Clemons
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Patricia Dudley
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Lynda Richardson
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Shirley Stewart
Colleen Tan
Gwen Woirhaye

- Greater Whittier Area Branch
Tech Trek Donations
- Branch Fund Assessment -
GWA Members \$2.00/ each
- Christmas Boutique Donation
2016



CONGRATULATIONS TO GWA-AAUW'S 2016/17 NAMED GIFT HONOREES

Each year AAUW allows a branch to recognize members who provide leadership and contribute to the success of the programs and goals of the branch. These members are the ambassadors who promote the mission of AAUW. Thanks to the members of the AAUW Named Gift Selection Committee: Pat Dudley, DeDe Shatzen and Dolores Seidman for their assistance in the selection process.

The first nominee is a woman who always can be counted on to participate in any deserving cause. She always says, "Yes". Never looking for the limelight she often serves behind the scenes. She has been a member of the Tech Trek committee since 2012-13 interviewing and selecting the campers. She hosted her home for a welcoming dinner for teachers and other staff of Whittier Tech Trek.

She has been active as an "elf" for the Holiday Boutique, and has even donated time at their vacation home for auction at the Boutique. As the co-membership V.P. in 2016-17 she co-sponsored the "Really Great Stuff" fundraiser as well as the "Meet and Greet" for prospective and new members and initiated the Big Sister program along with co-VP Karen Van Der Baan.

She is also a member of the Morning Book Section, served several years as one of the moderators at the Math/Science Conference for 8th grade girls on the Whittier College campus and participated in the Women's March in Pasadena on January 21, 2017.

Her caring nature has extended into the community where as a kindergarten teacher in the Montebello Unified School District she was the teacher who quietly accepted the "difficult kids". She is quietly charitable in many ways from donations during the holidays to food banks, and to offering financial and emotional support to a young woman struggling to get an education. She has also worked with the Women's and Children's Crisis Center in Whittier.

A recipient of a BA from Whittier College and a MA from Pacific Oaks, An AAUW member since 2011 MAURA GREELY is supportive of all of our activities and puts her "heart" into all of our projects. And those are some of the many reasons we have chosen Maura for his honor.

The second nominee is a woman with extensive executive and managerial experience, which she has brought to AAUW in relatively recent years, focusing on AAUW's mission of bettering the situation for women and girls. A list of her positions and accomplishments literally takes many pages, but some highlights include working for community revitalization, empowering employees, and developing an on-line tutorial for new home buyers/borrowers. She has done this through her work as Senior Advisor to U.S. Member of Congress Loretta Sanchez (2007-2010), Community Development Manager for E-Trade Financial, Director of Housing for the City of Baldwin Park, and Housing and Community Development Manager for the City of Montebello, and Community Development Coordinator for the City of Whittier (1991-93) to name a few.

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NAMED GIFT HONOREES (CONTINUED)

When she joined AAUW in 2014 she immediately became involved in our branch as President Elect, representative at LACIC (L.A. County Interbranch Council), working on the Christmas Boutique, attending the AAUW State Convention in 2016, attending the LAF Luncheon, being a First Friday Hostess, and attending the Women's Walk in 2017. This, of course led to her present position as our President, where she has developed a Strategic Plan working closely with our board members.

In the community she was a Board Member of the Friendly Hills Women's Club; the former Laity Leader and member of the Staff Parish Committee Member of St. Matthews, UMC; and a former board member of the Friendly Hills Home Owners Association; and, a member of the Whittier Historical Society.

A recipient of a B.S. in Business Administration from University of La Verne and a MPA, emphasizing Leadership from Harvard University, DOLORES GONZALEZ-HAYES was a natural choice for this honor.



*Dolores Gonzalez-Hayes,
AAUW Fund Chair, Rozanne
Child and Maura Greeley at the
April 2016 Branch Meeting.*

MEMBERSHIP

In the fall, Membership will be celebrating, the 50-year anniversary for our members Linda Pomeroy and Janice Geiger. We have two new members Kathy Arriola and Claire Koehler who both attended our January Meet and Greet. Welcome, Ladies.

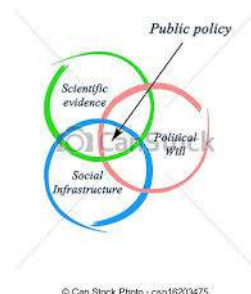
All members: Please remember to renew your memberships. A copy of the renewal form is in the newsletter. You can easily renew on line at <http://www.aauw.org/resource/join-a-branch-or-renew-branch-membership/>.



Membership Chairs: Maura Greeley & Karen Van Der Baan

PUBLIC POLICY

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU READ THIS ARTICLE PRIOR TO VOTING IN THE AAUW CALIFORNIA ELECTION.



Proposed – AAUW CA Public Policy Action Priorities, 2017-2019

The AAUW CA Public Policy program supports its mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research, and complements the national Public Policy program. Members will vote to accept or reject the priorities during the AAUW California Election. Voting will begin April 22nd and end on May 12th.

To achieve economic self-sufficiency for all women AAUW CA advocates:

- Pay equity, fairness in compensation, benefits, and economic justice.
- Equitable access and advancement in employment, including vigorous enforcement of employment antidiscrimination statutes.
- Strengthening retirement benefits and programs, including pension improvements, and protecting Social Security from privatization or reduction in benefits.
- Programs that provide women with education, including financial literacy, training, and support for success in the workforce.
- Strengthening programs that encourage career development and earning potential, including career and technical education, access to postsecondary education, and welfare job training.
- Policies that promote and support work-life balance, including child and dependent care.

To support a strong system of high-quality public education, AAUW CA advocates:

- Adequate and equitable funding for high-quality public education for all students, including preschool.
- Increased support for programs that break through barriers for women and girls in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields.
- Protection of programs that meet the needs of girls and women in all levels of education, including sexual health education.
- Vigorous enforcement of Title IX and all other civil rights laws pertaining to education.
- Opposition to the use of public funds for nonpublic elementary and secondary education, and for charter schools that do not adhere to the same civil rights and accountability standards as required of other public schools.
- Support for and adequate funding that gives women and disadvantaged populations access to higher education, including two-year degree programs and vocational training.

PUBLIC POLICY (Continued)



To guarantee equality, individual rights and social justice for a diverse society, AAUW CA advocates:

- Self- determination of one’s reproductive health decisions.
- Freedom from violence and fear of violence, including bullying, sexual harassment, human trafficking, and gun violence, in all aspects of life.
- Increased access to quality, affordable healthcare, and family planning services.
- Strengthening California programs, including affordable housing, that improve the lives of children in families living at or below the poverty level.
- Support for United Nations programs that address human rights and women’s and girls’ issues.
- Freedom in definition of self and family, and guarantee of civil rights for all family structures.
- Vigorous protection of and full access to civil and constitutional rights for all.

The AAUW CA Public Policy Committee recommends these Public Policy Priorities for approval by AAUW CA members.

SAVE THE DATE! - Dining For \$\$\$\$

California Grill's dedication and support to the Whittier community is reflected in their offering GWA AAUW, not just one, but two opportunities to raise funds for the Myra Long Scholarship at their restaurant this spring. Our next fundraiser will again be at California Grill on Thursday, May 25th, from 7am until 10pm. If you missed an opportunity to dine there in April, now is your chance! They have great food, great service and wonderful ambiance. Plan to take your family or friends to California Grill at the corner of Philadelphia and Painter Avenues. We look forward to seeing you there!

Flyers are on the next page. Give several to your friends and family.



Join California Grill and proudly support Whittier AAUW for the...

DINING 4 \$\$\$\$\$

Thursday, May 25, 2017

7:00 am - 10:00 pm

California Grill will contribute 20% of the proceeds to the Whittier AAUW when you present this flyer to your server.

Only at California Grill
6751 Painter Ave., Whittier, CA 90601
(562) 907-7017
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TECH TREK



GWA AAUW is pleased to announce that we are sending 12 girls to the Whittier Tech Trek Camp. This year, camp begins on Sunday, June 25 and ends on Saturday, July 1

We have offered to support the camp activities again this year. Event days and times are still being determined. More information and a sign-up sheet will be available at the June meeting. If you would like to volunteer please contact the **coordinator** listed in this article. We will be calling volunteers in mid-June to give more details and confirm your participation.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Saturday, June 24

Donate salad, beverage, bread, dessert for the Staff Welcome Potluck at Maura Greeley's home. **Rozanne Child will coordinate this event.** **Contact her if you wish to contribute a dish.**

Bring Rube Goldberg donations to the Whittier campus on Saturday. **Linda Gatons will coordinate this activity.** **Contact Linda for times, location or if you need to make other arrangements to drop off items.**

Thursday, June 29' Time TBD

Visitation Day

Meet and Greet/Sign In sheets for visitors

Distribute water and campus maps

Room Greeter/Hostess

Provide information on local restaurants for those wishing to eat lunch (Option to buy lunch and eat with campers and visiting branch members in cafeteria)

Pat Dudley will coordinate this event. Contact Pat if you would like to volunteer.

We invite all our branch members to attend Visitation Day. This is a great opportunity for you to see how the Whittier Camp has evolved under new directorship and to meet members from other branches. Time and check-in location will be in the June newsletter.

Ann Chambers and Pat Dudley

LAS DISTINGUIDAS

This is the 51st year that our branch, the Greater Whittier Area AAUW, has honored distinguished women in the Greater Whittier area for their outstanding contributions in the areas of business, education, the arts, community service, politics, and their professions. At the May 13th meeting we will honor three amazing women: Linda Crowley, Lori Harris and Helen McKenna Rahder.

The Assistance League of Whittier nominated Linda Crowley. Whatever group Linda is in, she is active and gives freely of her leadership in running the organizations and especially organizing the fundraising of the organization. Linda has been President of the ALW 4 times and has served in various board positions. In 1973 she was the first President of the Baily House. She and her committee quickly raised \$40,000 to purchase and save the Baily House from demolition. She belongs to the Whittier Guild of Children's Hospital of Los Angeles where she was President and chaired their annual fundraiser. She is a former AAUW President and she has been VP in charge of Philanthropies for the East Whittier Women's Improvement Club. She is now in a new venture as member of the Lions Club, Special Olympics of LA. We are honored to honor her as distinguished women in our community.

The Special Children's League of Whittier and the Shelters Right Hand nominated Lori Harris. She is greatly respected by both her organizations for her dedication in improving the lives of others. Lori has been an active member of Shelter's Right Hand since 2002. She chairs the 5k Walk, that annually generates \$60,000 to benefit the Women's and Children's Crisis Shelter. Lori's ability to work positively and effectively with many people has been critical to the success of this annual event. Lori has been on the Board as Public Relations Chair, Recording Secretary and Vice President. She has served as Whittier Board of Directors Representative for Special Children's League Inc. of Los Angeles, Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties. She has been President 3 times and has always taken on additional committee chairperson's positions simultaneously. Lori has also accomplished updating in-depth, SCL Inc. By-Laws with her committee. Lori generosity in giving of her time and talents is a testament of her true spirit of compassion for and service to her community.

Helen McKenna Rahder in 2007 became the first executive director of the Whittier Conservancy. During her tenure, the Conservancy has grown membership, implemented digital campaign tactics, and worked to establish the organization's first permanent preservation fund. In 1990, Helen was voted to the Whittier City Council. On the Council she was an advocate for quality of life issues. She fought to prevent haphazard development, promote better jobs, preserve precious open space, and protect the quality of the neighborhoods. In 2013, Helen received the Governor's Historic Preservation Award for the Whittier's Conservancy's "outstanding commitment to excellence in historic preservation." In addition to being a longtime member of the Whittier Branch AAUW, Helen supports the Sierra Club and National Trust for Historic Preservation. Helen truly is a champion in protecting our local historical resources as well as helping to save the local hills in a 4,000 acre Preserve. She is an outstanding member of our community.

These women are amazing and will be honored at our May 13th meeting. Please attend the meeting to thank these outstanding women whom have given so much to our community.

The Las Distinguidas committee has worked diligently to honor outstanding women in the Whittier Organizations who have worked tirelessly to better our community. This year 11 Whittier Organizations submitted applications. We will continue to strive to increase participation in the AAUW Las Distinguidas Award. Colleen Tan was a valuable member of our committee. She guided us through the procedures, since she has been in this committee for many years. DeDe Shatzen gave generously of her time to do the computer work. Marian Locke came to every meeting, despite back pain and her husband's illness. Linda Chitwood always gave mature insight in our discussions. It was a pleasure to work with such bright, committed and dedicated women.

Lupe Alfaro, Las Distinguidas Chair





Los Angeles County Interbranch Council (LACIC) News

April/May 2017

Volume 36 Number 5

Join the AAUW Gold Rush – Discover & Mine Your Branch Legacy

A talk by

Susan Negrete, Chair, LACIC

Sunday, May 21, 2017

2-4 p.m.

PIH—Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital

12401 Washington Boulevard, Whittier, CA 90602

Please encourage all branch members to attend.

Join LACIC on Sunday, May 21, 2017 as Susan Negrete presents her new one-hour training program "Join the AAUW Gold Rush - Discover & Mine Your Branch Legacy". Learn about AAUW programs that will increase your memberships interest in the value of branch participation. Sharpen focus and engage members in your branch's Past, Present and Future. This is a program for branch leaders and members. Join LACIC on May 21st as we discuss how to discover new ways to preserve the hidden treasures in your branch!



The LACIC refreshment plan:

Bring your own drink. Individuals are invited to bring snacks to share.

<https://sites.google.com/site/aauwlacic/>

SECTION INFORMATION

Modern Trends in Literature May Meeting

Modern Trends meets Thursday, May 25, 7 PM, at the home of Dolores Seidman. She is providing refreshments and Trish Carlisle will review the book *Everyone Brave is Forgiven*.

Please bring book suggestions for next year.

The instant New York Times bestseller from Chris Cleave—the unforgettable novel about three lives entangled during World War II, told “with dazzling prose, sharp English wit, and compassion...a powerful portrait of war’s effects on those who fight and those left behind” (People, Book of the Week).

London, 1939 - the day war is declared, Mary North leaves finishing school unfinished, goes straight to the War Office, and signs up. Tom Shaw decides to ignore the war—until he learns his roommate Alistair Heath has unexpectedly enlisted. Then the conflict can no longer be avoided. Young, bright, and brave, Mary is certain she’d be a marvelous spy. When she is—bewilderingly—made a teacher, she finds herself defying prejudice to protect the children her country would rather forget. Tom, meanwhile, finds that he will do anything for Mary.

And when Mary and Alistair meet, it is love, as well as war, that will test them in ways they could not have imagined, entangling three lives in violence and passion, friendship and deception, inexorably shaping their hopes and dreams.

Set in London during the years of 1939–1942, when citizens had slim hope of survival, much less victory; and on the strategic island of Malta, which was daily devastated by the Axis barrage, *Everyone Brave is Forgiven* features little-known history and a perfect wartime love story inspired by the real-life love letters between Chris Cleave’s grandparents. This dazzling novel dares us to understand that, against the great theater of world events, it is the intimate losses, the small battles, and the daily human triumphs that change us most.

Directions to Dolores Seidman, 254 Bloom Dr., Monterey Park

Option 1- Take Beverly Blvd. West to Wilcox (Chase Bank on corner.)

Turn right on Wilcox and continue under the 60 Fwy to Coral View.

Turn right on Coral View and go 3 blocks to Bloom.

Turn right on Bloom. 254 is the 3rd house on the right.

Option 2- Take 605 Fwy, north to Pomona Fwy West.

Exit at Garfield/ Wilcox.

Proceed parallel to freeway in right hand lane to Wilcox. Turn right on Wilcox.

Continue as in option 1 to Coral View. Turn right and go 3 blocks to **Bloom**.

Right on Bloom. 3rd house on right.

Remaining book: *The Kitchen House*, June

Carol Shupek, chair: 562-641-8888

Gwen Woirhaye, co-chair: gwen@woirhaye.com



Mystery Mavens

Wednesday, May 17, 2017 6:30 pm

Bellfield Hall or, the Deductions of Miss Dido Kent by Anna Dean
Reviewer: Carol Anderson

Set among the country gentry that Jane Austen so vividly portrayed, Bellfield Hall brings the world of Dido Kent to life.

On a September evening Sir Edgar Montague is hosting an engagement party for his son, Richard, and his elegant fiancée, Catherine. But a strange thing happens: Midway through a dance, a man appears at Richard's shoulder and moments later, Richard leads his fiancée out onto the terrace and breaks off the engagement. The next morning he has vanished. Distraught with worry, Catherine summons her aunt, Miss Dido Kent, to Bellfield Hall to help track down her ex-fiancé.

But as Dido arrives to comfort her niece, there is another shock. The body of a murdered woman is found on the property. Could the two strange incidents be related? As Dido works her way toward the solution of the mystery, she uncovers surprising facts about the varied inhabitants of Bellfield.

We will be voting on books to be reviewed next year at this meeting.

Meet at Marie Callender's restaurant at 9829 S. La Serna Drive, Whittier (near Whittier Blvd.) at 6:30 p.m. in the library room.

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

MEMORIES

The May meeting of Memories will take place at the home of Ann Chambers at 1:30 PM on Wednesday, May 24. The topic is "A Piece of Clothing I Keep in My Closet and Never Wear." As always, the writing will no doubt lead to myriad descriptions and memories. We are a low-key, fun and accepting group. Please join us – you may write on a topic of your own choosing if the assigned topic doesn't captivate you.

Directions to Ann's home: Whittier Blvd. to Russell (diagonal from Whittwood Center). Follow Russell past the stop sign at Macy Street. Turn left (north) on Randall to 1032 Randall St. (house will be on the right). Ann's phone: 562-690-6150.



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Morning Book

We are reading *Secrets of a Charmed Life*, by Susan Meissner. This mesmerizing novel shifts in time between current day, Oxford, England, and the England of the 1940s. A young American scholar, Kendra Van Zant, eager to pursue her vision of a perfect life, interviews Isabel McFarland just when the elderly woman is ready to give up secrets about the war that she has kept for decades...beginning with who she really is. What Kendra receives from Isabel is both a gift and a burden--one that will test her convictions and her heart. Please join us for a discussion of the novel, led by Dolores Seidman.

We are meeting on Monday, June 5, at 10am, at Kathleen Hunt's: 16461 Canelones Dr., Hacienda Heights; 626-968-0701. Ann Topjon will provide refreshments. A reminder: Please send book suggestions to me for next year's discussions by Monday, May 29, as we will be voting at our June 5 meeting.

Our last meeting for this year will be on Monday, July 24. The book for discussion is *Being Mortal*, by Atul Gawande

Directions to Kathleen's home: Colima Blvd to Hacienda Heights. Cross Hacienda Blvd. Turn left at third signal (Punta del Este) and a quick right on Canelones Dr. 16461 is on your left half way down the street with a green mailbox.

Ann Topjon, Chair 562-695-6185



Show Girls

We go to the movies the third Thursday of the month. It is not always possible to know the movie or theater at Newsletter time. I send an email to each Show Girl member with the information. We would love to have you join us. Email or phone me for the monthly gathering information. Thank you.

Gen'nel Walters
icugwalters@aol.com
562-943-5333



International Concerns

Our International Concerns section will meet on Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 10:00 AM. We will be meeting at the home of Louise Holden, 16356 Prudencia Dr., Whittier, CA 90603. If you need directions to her home, please call Louise. 562-947-6412

The topic to be discussed will be "Conflict in the South China Sea," Chapter 3 in the Great Decisions book, and Sharon Heck will lead the discussion. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting.

Gardening

The gardening section will visit the Los Angeles County Arboretum on Saturday, May 20, 2017, The Arboretum is a 127-acre park located in historic Rancho Santa Anita. On May 20th the Arboretum will have their annual chrysanthemum plant sale. Senior admission to the Arboretum is \$6.50. Meet at Ralph's parking lot at the corner of Whittier Blvd. and Colima Road at 9:30 am and we will carpool to the Arboretum. We will be back in Whittier about 12:30 pm. All members and friends are invited to come. RSVP to Ellen Peck by May 18th at cpenk4@email.com or (562) 943-4679.



R.I.P. Again

Next meeting is May 30 at 10 AM at Ellen Peck's home.

Please bring something to share and your script. We will work a bit on the Flowering of Friendship and enjoy the other readings.

Directions: Go to the eastern end of Mar Vista. Stop at the gate and tell the guard that you are here for Ellen Peck. Then proceed to the end of Mar Vista, turn right on Aurora Crest, climb the hill and turn right on Stoneridge (third right), proceed to 8156.

Colleen Tan, chair, 562-698-4934

Gwen Woirhaye, co-chair gwen@woirhaye.com

FIRST FRIDAY

Date: Friday, May 5, 2017

Time: 6 – 8 PM

Host: Barbara Gile

14035 Eastridge Drive, Whittier

562-693-7279



Directions: 14035 Eastridge Drive is one block north of Mar Vista Street on the northeast corner of Eastridge Drive and Vale Drive. Park on Vale Drive and enter by the back door. The garage will be open for those who need access to the house without walking the hill.

From Colima Road: Go west on Mar Vista Street; three streets after the signal light at Michigan turn right onto Vale Drive.

From Painter Street: Go east on Mar Vista Street. Three streets after the signal light at College Avenue turn left onto Vale Drive

First Friday is a most enjoyable social time. All members are invited and we welcome singles, couples and friends. Please bring an appetizer and your choice of drink.

GWA – AAUW CALENDAR

MAY 2017

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tuesday	2	9:30 AM	MLSF Committee Meeting , First Friends, Whittier
Tuesday	2	7 PM	Board Meeting , St. Matthias, Whittier
Friday	5	6 PM – 8 PM	First Friday , Barbara Gile's, Whittier
Saturday	13	11:30 AM	Branch Meeting , Elk's Club, Whittier
Wednesday	17	6:30 PM	Mystery Mavens , Marie Callender's La Serna, Whittier
Thursday	18	10 AM	International Concerns ,
Thursday	18	TBD	Show Girls
Saturday	20	9:30 AM	Gardening (Arboretum) , Car Pool meets at Ralph's
Sunday	21	2 PM – 4 PM	LACIC , PIH Hospital. Whittier
Wednesday	24	1:30 PM	Memories , Ann Chamber's, La Habra
Thursday	25	7 AM - 10 PM	Dining for \$\$\$\$, California Grill, Whittier
Thursday	25	7 PM	Modern Trends , Dolores Seidman's, Monterey Park
Tuesday	30	10 AM	RIP , Ellen Peck's, Whittier
Monday	June 5	10 AM	Morning Book , Kathleen Hunt's, Hacienda Hgts.

PLEASE Remember to vote in the AAUW-CA election between 4-22 and 5-12.

Please consult our style sheet and follow it when preparing your newsletter article. It will save us a great deal of time and work. If you do not have a style sheet, please let us know and we will send you one. Thank you for your cooperation and for sending in your articles by the 15th of the month. **All submissions must be in WORD documents as attachments to emails. Please create the document within WORD itself rather than cutting and pasting into WORD. Please DO NOT use TABS. Please, do not type the articles within the email itself.**

Please send articles by email on or before the 15th of every month to patricia@fullerton.edu

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MEMBERSHIP for 2017-2018

*Title: Mrs. ___ Ms. ___ Miss ___ None ___ Other ___

** If all YOUR information is the same as in the yearbook, just print your name & " INFORMATION SAME AS LAST YEAR" across application.*

*Last Name _____

*First Name _____ *Middle Initial _____

Spouse's Name _____

*Street Address _____ *City _____ *Zip Code _____

*Home Phone (____) _____

*Work Phone (____) _____ *Cellphone (____) _____

*Email address _____

Degree _____ Year _____

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AAUW Membership Type (please check one) Annual Dues:

_____ General \$93 (Reflects 2015 increase) _____ Student \$37

_____ Life Member \$44 _____ Dual \$24

Separate checks are required for the following:

_____ I want the yearbook mailed to me & will write a **separate check** to GWA-AAUW for \$2.

_____ I also want the AAUW binder that costs \$5 plus \$1.50 postage & will write a **separate check** for \$6.50.

Do you have a sponsor? If so, who is it? _____

Today's date _____

*Required of all members. **New members must complete all information.**

Reminder: \$73 of your dues is tax deductible.

Please complete and mail your membership application and dues to

AAUW, Greater Whittier Area Branch Membership, P.O. Box 5333, Whittier, CA 90607-5333

Or register online at aauw.org



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