

# GREATER WHITTIER AREA BRANCH AAUW NEWSLETTER

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# OCTOBER 2023



### BRANCH MEETING – OCTOBER 14, 2023 10:00 AM – ELK'S LODGE

In this beautiful month of October, we are delighted to bring to you two speakers from our own branch, Margo Reeg and Brenda Carrillo. Margo will be presenting information about the upcoming measures in the March Primary in 2024 as well as the issue of voting by mail.

Margo Reeg has been an AAUW member for 2 years and is currently Public Policy Chair. As a member of the League of Women Voters for over 50 years, she has held Whittier League offices since 1979 including several terms as President. She is passionate about Voter Service and has been VP for Voter Service for LWV-LA County board producing the Voter Guide, presenting Ballot Briefings, and conducting judicial forums and interviews. She was LWV-LAC President from 2004-2006 and is currently Co-President of LWV LA County. She serves as a VotersEdge.org local coordinator in LA County.

Elections and voting rights became a major interest after attending the LWVUS Motor Voter conference in 1995. Margo's experience includes membership in the Registrar-Recorder's Community Voter Outreach Committee (CVOC), Inspector at Touchscreen Early Voting sites and regular polling places, and participation with the LA County Voting System Assessment Project to design the new modern voting system for LA County which debuted in March 2020

Brenda Carrillo will be introducing the girls from Burke STEAM Academy in Pico Rivera who went to Tech Trek Camp this past summer. They will be explaining their experiences, "highlighting camp activities they enjoyed most, lessons learned, most influential moments, [and] memorable experiences". (Carrillo). They will also share their gratitude with AAUW for giving them the opportunity. The Tech Trek girls' names are: Destinie Campos, Ava Cuadra, Madison Chavez, and Danna Ramirez Roa.

Brenda Carrillo, Tech Trek Coordinator for our branch, is passionate about increasing the number of girls and women in STEM. For more than 20 years, she has worked to encourage and support underserved youth to achieve their highest potential. Her role with our branch has provided her with another opportunity to advance the cause of increasing the diversity of STEM fields by coordinating with local area schools to identify high-need, high potential 7th grade girls that will benefit most from the opportunity to attend a week-long residential STEM camp on the Whittier College campus.

We appreciate both Margo Reeg's and Brenda Carrillo's dedication to their passion and work in AAUW. Come and hear them speak at October's branch meeting!

Claire Koehler, VP Program Director Ann Topjon, Program Associate Christine Heller, Program Associate

# HOSPITALITY

The **new meeting time** seems to be working out. I had more time in my Saturday to do other things like a bit of shopping then water the plants on both patios. That makes a full day! Here it is the month of the beginning of the Fall festivities: Halloween, Octoberfest and hopefully cooler weather. Happy Fall everyone!

**Date:** October 14, 2023 **Time:** 9:30 AM for social time 10 -12 PM for the meeting

#### Location:

Whittier Elks Lodge 13620 Whittier Blvd. Whittier, CA 90602



**Arrival and Parking**: use the driveway off of Barton Rd. behind Elks Lodge, park at the rear. We will be seated in the Club Room or as it is sometimes called the "Card Room". Kindly enter that room through the "back door" or rear entrance because the check-in table will be located in the back of the room. Look for the AAUW signs to guide the way.

#### Menu:

- \* Main entrée: Bacon, eggs, sausage, potatoes and biscuits
- \* Vegetarian/Vegan entrée: Large Mixed Greens/Vegetable Salad

Entrees include orange juice, hot tea, coffee, and water

**Brunch cost:** \$30/per person (cost increase because food prices are rising). **Beverage only:** \$5/per person and includes coffee, ice tea, and water No substitutions, deletions, or special orders

Please **RSVP** with your selection from one of the following:

- \* Main entrée
- \* Vegetarian/Vegan entree

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED and a reservation made and NOT canceled by the deadline **<u>MUST BE PAID</u>**. Please **RSVP** with your menu choice by NOON on Tuesday, October 10 to **<u>kayclark310@gmail.com</u>** or if you do not have an email call Kay Clark at (310) 890-6510.

NOTE: If Kay Clark does not respond to your email reservation call or text her!

**<u>REMINDER</u>**: A RESERVATION IS NECESSARY TO GUARANTEE A MEAL.

Kindly remember to wear your AAUW name badge. Thank you!

Pauline Rogers, Hospitality VP

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Well, we are entering October and our calendars are already getting full of things to do with all of our GWA AAUW Sections. Do participate in the sections, and even help out your board when asked for assistance; it is a great way to meet other members (at the sections or helping the board). So much is on the calendar.

I hope those who attended our September Branch Meeting brunch found it enjoyable. The new addition monthly will be a Book Exchange / Share (very informal). Share a book that you would like someone else to enjoy. If you do want it back (put a note in the book); if the book is not desired back and does not find a member who desires to give the book a home with a reader, let me know if you want it donated to the Friends of the Whittier Public Library Bookstore. The book(s) left behind will go to a good cause (if purchased). The money raised from sales of books is donated to the Library's Summer Reading Program.

I hope many of you were at the September meeting. The speaker, retired English professor, Kathleen O'Gorman, narrated her experiences in helping with two non-profits that help monitor the conditions and activities at the border patrol stations for detained families and children was heartbreaking. Many members had questions and desired to understand more about the federal agents' training, and policies, as well as how to help in whatever way they could.

The organizations that Kathleen volunteered for as a witness and a translator were:

- (1) VECINA, https://vecina.orgvecina is Spanish for "neighbor)
- (2) Center for Human Rights and Constitutional Law (CHRCL; https://centerforhumanrights.org

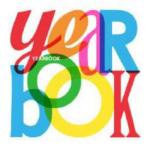
If you are interested in learning more about these organizations and how you may become more educated on the topic (care of undocumented asylum families and undocumented minors) or assist in ways possible for you: such as requesting a speaker for a local meeting in another group you are active with, or at your church, or just be informed by obtaining their e-newsletters. In my very humble opinion, it was a very informative presentation that was shared in a very personal way by Kathleen, and revealed the continuing issues our country and its citizens are faced with by today's immigration laws; the immigrants that seek asylum from their unsafe countries they call home of origin, but no longer can stay there for a multitude of reasons. It's a very human crisis.

Nadine Wilcox GWA-AAUW President 2022-24



# **2023-2024 YEARBOOKS**

The 2023-2024 GWA-AAUW Yearbooks will be available at the October, November, and December branch meetings.



If you would like to have your Yearbook earlier, please call Susan Halliday at 562-696-7395 (landline) or call/text 562-447-7943 to arrange a "porch pick-up". A digital copy is also available, just contact me.

Susan Halliday GWA-AAUW Yearbook Editor

# AAUW FUND

For the benefit of new members, or others who would appreciate a reminder, the AAUW Fund is the money-raising avenue for the National Organization, AAUW, to which we all belong. It advances AAUW's mission by sustaining all our programs and activities. Your unrestricted gift to the AAUW Fund helps incubate and disseminate programs that

- above all, advance equity for women and girls
- strengthen AAUW's role in the global community
- respond to and eradicate the persistent challenges facing women and girls
- leverage new opportunities and attract new audiences to our mission.

Stay tuned for further month's newsletters for more details.

We have several activities planned this year:

--Instead of having fall luncheons in which local Fund Scholars speak about their projects in person or on Zoom AAUW CA is planning short videos of all 24 California recipients. These will be available by November 1. These are people pursuing advanced degrees or developing community grants. We will let you know how to view these videos.

--Our branch plans to have a fund scholar speak at our monthly branch meeting on February 10.

--Our Named Gift Honoree(s) will be presented at our branch meeting on April 13. This award will honor those who have given outstanding service to AAUW.

**Dolores Seidman** 



# **PUBLIC POLICY**



### Legislative Update

The great race to the finish in the California Legislature ended on Thursday, September 14 as a flurry of bills received their final approval in each house and many others died. During the next month hundreds of bills will go to the Governor to be signed into law or vetoed.

AAUW CA Public Policy Committee chose 30 bills to follow during this year. Many of them succeeded in being passed, often with clarifying amendments. Of the 3 top priority bills which teams focused on during Lobby Day in March, **SB 680 Skinner** (formerly SB 287) prohibits a social media platform from using a design, algorithm, or feature that the platform knows, or by the exercise of reasonable care should have known, causes child users to experience addiction to the social media platform. This bill will be retained as a 2-year bill.

**AB 1394 Wicks -** This bill would make it illegal for social media platforms to knowingly, or negligently facilitate, aid, or abet commercial sexual exploitation. Senate Judiciary amendments remove the terms "recklessly" or "negligently," and reduced the maximum penalty from \$5 million to \$4 million. This includes deploying features that may cause minors to become victims of commercial sexual exploitation. The bill passed and will go to the Governor.

**AB 549 Wilson -** This law would make sure that state agencies do not discriminate against women. It would require state agencies to look at how they give out money and services to make sure no women are being treated unfairly. It has been held as a 2-year bill.

Several bills that were not at the top of the AAUW Priority list succeeded in passing through both houses and have been signed by the Governor.

**AB 1071 Hoover** would require Teen dating violence prevention education: Hotline information and resources for parents to be posted on the state website.

**SB 376 D. Rubio gives** victims of human trafficking or abuse the right to have a human trafficking advocate, and someone of their choosing such as a support person, present for interviews with law enforcement officers, prosecutors, or the suspect's defense attorney.

Ten of the 30 bills on the Public Policy list passed and have been sent to the Governor. Among these are two bills addressing protection for medical providers who perform reproductive health care, gender-affirming care, and abortions from civil or criminal cases–**SB 487 Atkins and SB 345 Skinner.** 

Another **AB 398 Pellerin** makes it easier for a voter to get a replacement mail ballot if theirs is lost or damaged. **SB 667** Dodd expands the scope of duties and procedures performed by nurse-midwives.

More information can be found by clicking here for the <u>AAUW CA Bill Tracking Report</u>.

Margo Reeg Public Policy

# **Diversity Equity, Inclusion (DEI)**

### GWA AAUW Reads Together: The Person You Mean to Be by Dolly Chugh

### **OCTOBER Reading:** Preface, Introduction, view one or more You Tube interviews of author.

### **Before You read:**

Think of an interaction you experienced with another person when you were trying to be a good person but your actions were perceived to be less than good. Consider the following questions: What was your reaction to the other person's response? Did you feel reactionary or defensive? Did you respond? Why or why not? How would you respond if you were to experience the same interaction today?

**Preface:** We all claim multiple identities, and we have a desire for those identities to be seen. We seek affirmations for our good intentions. As you read this book, you can expect to experience certain emotional reactions. Allow yourself to feel discomfort and to experience feelings of guilt. Pay attention to your own reactions

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS 1. How is being a builder different than being solely a believer? Why is it important to be both? 2. What is the difference between generating heat and generating light? Are you more likely to use heat or light in a challenging situation? Explain your reasoning.

### **Introduction:**

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS 1. What is hidden grief? What makes it safe to share your feelings of grief with others? 2. What is the difference between identity claiming and identity granting? Why is it important to us to have our identities to be granted by others? 3. What does it mean to seek cookies for our actions or intentions? Why do feelings of self-threat increase this cookie craving? 4. What was your reaction to the story about Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan? Do you relate more to Sarah's experience or to Gita's? Explain your reasoning. 5. What was your reaction to reading about Lorri Perkins's experience with the diversity consultant? How did Lorri take actions to understand her own privilege?

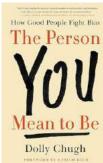
**Reading Log**: (Optional)Make a list of several identities that you claim. How do you feel when one of your important identities was not granted by others? 2. What privileges do you hold? Do you feel uncomfortable acknowledging this privilege? How can your privilege impact how you engage with others who are similar and different than you?

Discussion questions are from the Instructor's Guide to <u>The Person You Mean to Be</u>, forward by Laszlo Bock, www.HarperAcademic.com

**Discussion Session:** Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 PM **Pat Dudley's address:** 15718 Lindskog Drive, Whittier 90603

Please rsvp kpdudley2002@yahoo.com

Thank you Pat Dudley, DEI Chair



November Reading: Part 1 Chapters 1-3 Focus Questions will be in the November newsletter.

# **MATH/SCIENCE CONFERENCE**

We have the date for our 29<sup>th</sup> Math/Science Conference for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls. It will be at Whittier College on Thursday, January 11, 2024, ending at 12:45 PM. I sent an email letter to the school contacts and principals on September 14, 2023, at 7:00 AM. By the end of the day, I had 23 of the 24 "yes" responses we can take. As of today, September 15, I can take only one more school. A waitlist will be created if further responses are received. This shows the popularity of this project with the middle schools in our area.

Dolores Seidman has graciously agreed to collect volunteers for the January 11, 2024 event. Please consider helping with this wonderful project, and we are praying it does not rain as it did last year. Even in the rain, many positive reactions were received from the students and their teachers. We need a great many volunteers to serve as greeters, workshop moderators, guides, registration workers, and other jobs. Volunteers will be given their starting time after they volunteer. Some volunteers will need to be there as early as 7:30 AM when the coffee and rolls will be ready. The volunteers and speakers are given a lunch at the 12:45 PM end of the event.

Please put the Thursday, January 11, 2024 date on your calendar, and consider volunteering your services. I am grateful to Andrea Bellamy who is shadowing all of the activities I go through in chairing this event. It will be good to have someone know all of the necessary steps that need to be taken to make this project happen. We will keep you informed so that we can have another great conference.

Sharon Heck, Math/Science Chair

### **MEMBERSHIP**

There is still time to make sure your membership with our wonderful association and our Branch is renewed for the year. However, the grace period ends on September 30. If you have not yet taken care of this, please do so.

Dues this year are \$116.00. You can pay online at AAUW.org via credit card, or you can mail a check to me:

Make it out to:	GWA AAUW
Mail to:	Kay Clark
	11015 Inez St. #8
	Whittier, CA 90605

Thank you to all who have already renewed. There are 3 members whose dues are coming up this fall. Please don't forget to get them renewed.

Kay Clark, Membership Committee Chair





### Greater Whittier Area-American Association of University Women MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM for YEAR 2023-2024

Please fill out completely and mail with check made payable to: Greater Whittier Area AAUW Mail/give your check to: Branch Treasurer GWA-AAUW, P.O. Box 5333, Whittier, CA 90607-5333

ANNUAL DUES	Paid Life Member \$44	Student \$38.81
Membership type:	General \$116	Dual \$24
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#### If all your information is the same as in the yearbook, just print your name and write "INFORMATION SAME AS LAST YEAR" across the application.

\*Fill in starred items to update your information. New members must complete ALL information.

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Do you have a sponsor? If so,	who?		

### 2023-2024 GWA-AAUW Membership Questionnaire

Name:Last First	Year joined AAU	Year joined AAUW		
College/Universities attended	Years	Degree received		
Elected Offices held in AAUW	Branch	Year*		
Appointed Offices held	Branch	Year*		
Committee / Section Chair Positions	Branch	Year*		
Committee / Section Chair Participation	Branch	Year(s)*		
Projects for AAUW Worked on/Completed	Branch	Year(s)*		
Community Activities (Clubs, Volunteering, etc)	Organization	Year(s)*		
Nhat would you like to see at branch meetings or at section				

\* approximate year is OK

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# **MYRA LONG SCHOLARSHIP FUND (MLSF)**

### Myra Long Scholarship Fund's Anonymous Angel

In March 2017, a dear friend pledged to match the money we raised for the Myra Long Scholarship Fund (MLSF). She pledged to match our fundraising efforts dollar-for-dollar up to \$20,000 per year for five years. She asked for confidentiality and anonymity until "later." Thus, she became our **Anonymous Angel** who donated \$20,000 each year in 2017, 2018 and 2019. Sadly, she was diagnosed with leukemia in May 2019. Although she received wonderful care at City of Hope, she lost her battle. After her death, I revealed her identity to you. She was **Leeba Lessin**.

Leeba served as Vice President of *PacificCare* and as Founder/President of *CareMore*. Many of you knew her as the owner of *Aunties Café/Bakery, Four Bricks and Lift Coffee Roasters*, a founder of *ArtForms Whittier* or a board member of the *Los Angeles Master Chorale*.

Leeba remembered us in her will! She asked the trustee of her estate to complete her pledge to MLSF. Please consider donating to MLSF to help us meet this match for the final two years. Your donation is tax deductible.

Please give your donation to an MLSF board member or mail it to:

AAUW-MLSF PO Box 5333 Whittier, CA 90607-5333

Thank you for supporting MLSF and for honoring Leeba's memory and generosity.

Kaye D. Kidwell MLSF Treasurer



# **INTERNATIONAL CONCERNS**

Our International Concerns section is reading a book printed each year by the Foreign Policy Association titled *Great Decisions*. The book contains eight articles on a variety of topics, and we read one article each month.

Our meetings are on the third Thursday each month. On Thursday, October 19, 2023, 10AM, we will meet at Sharon Heck's home, 6032 Comstock Ave., Whittier, CA 90601. Our topic for the October 19 meeting will be Chapter 7, "Iran at a Crossroads" in the 2023 <u>Great Decisions</u>. Our discussion will be led by Sharon Heck. Please do not attend if you are not feeling well. We will have a Zoom meeting also if one is needed. Let Sharon know if you would like the Zoom meeting and need the Zoom link. If you do not have the book, you might be able to access some information on the Foreign Policy Association website. www.fpa.org/great\_decisions

Everyone reads the material ahead of time, and we have a lively discussion around the topic. If you have newspaper articles or materials, we are happy for you to share them. All are welcome to join us for International Concerns on Thursday, October 19. Please RSVP to Sharon as her street has permit parking. Daily permits will be available, and there is a driveway. <u>S.Heck4peace@gmail.com</u> 562-858-9253

Sharon Heck, co-chair Sheryl Crockey, co-chair



### **INTERNATIONAL CONCERNS - WEEKEND EDITION**

The Weekend Edition will continue in October on Chapter 7

Date: Sunday, October 15, 2023 Time: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Place: Nadine Wilcox's home (please RSVP. Check your Yearbook for her address, email, and contact number. If you forget to RSVP, there should be room at the table for 1-2 more members interested in the topic, free to drop by. We are a casual section and would love to see a few more members join us if interested.

Nadine Wilcox Section Leader

### **MYSTERY MAVENS**

Mystery Mavens does not meet in October. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at The Original Roadhouse Grill, 15156 Whittier Blvd., Whittier, CA 90603, near Whittwood. Our November 15 book will be <u>A Death in Vienna</u> by Frank Tallis. The books for 2023-24 are listed below. Come join us!

Mystery Mavens Books for 2023-24

November 15, 2023	A Death in Vienna by Frank Tallis, reviewed by Brigitta Weger
January 17, 2024	Sidney Chambers and the Shadow of Death by James Runcie, reviewed by Kay Clark
March 20, 2024	A Murder of Crows by Sarah Yarwood Lovett, reviewed by Mandy Knight
May 15, 2024	Killers of a Certain Age by Deanna Raybourn, reviewed by Jackie Brearley

Sharon Heck

### **MORNING BOOK**

We do not meet in October. Here are the books we are reading and discussing this year:

November 27, 2023	The Lioness of Leiden by Robert Loewen*
January 22, 2024	Among Friends, by M.F.K. Fisher
March 25, 2024	Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus
June 3, 2024	The Only Woman in the Room by Marie Benedict
July 22, 2024	Lady Tan's Circle of Women by Lisa See

\*A special treat is in store as the author will join us in person to facilitate tl

Please consider joining us!

Ann Topjon, Chair, 562-695-6185



### **MODERN TRENDS**

On October 12th, at 6:30 pm, we will be reading <u>Lessons in Chemistry</u> by Bonnie Garmus. We will be meeting at Georgine Sweeney's house, 16411 Pasada Ave, Whittier, and on Zoom.

Directions: East on Whittier Blvd to Santa Gertrudes [signal], left on Santa Gertrudes to Janine [stop], right on Janine to Pasada (4th street on left after Bogardus [stop sign]), turn left on Pasada; 16411 is on the right side of the street.

Kristine Yeseta

# LA CUISINE

La Cuisine begins again this fall. It is a dining group that expects to have four dinners this year, two small in-home dinner parties, one restaurant meal, and one for the whole group at Fay and Jack Webers'. To be a full participant you should be willing to host a dinner at your home OR co-host at someone else's. Substitute members will be invited to whole group activities and when a group needs an extra.

Restaurant-only members will be invited to the restaurant meal. If you are interested in joining, please contact the chair.

Gwen Woirhaye gwen@woirhaye.com



### WRITING IS FUN

Writing is Fun! will meet on October 25 at 1 PM at the home of Carole Restovich. As always, you may write on anything that moves you at the moment. If you need a little prodding to get the writing juices flowing, you might consider writing about "Social Media – Helpful, Despicable or Both?" Our group is an accepting one and encourages all writers. Everyone is welcome.

Carole's house: 10413 Portada Dr., off of Santa Gertrudes, behind Whittwood.



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The New Phoenix group, comprised of AAUW members who are single, plans to meet at the "Dining for Dollars" event on Thursday, October 19, at the Mission Square Italian Restaurant at 5 PM. The restaurant is on Penn across the street from the Doubletree Hotel where free parking is available. We would like to reserve a space on the lovely patio for an outdoor dinner where we can enjoy a meal with friends, have a portion of the bill go to the Myra Long Scholarship Fund, and discuss ideas for future trips together.

THE NEW PHOENIX

By Monday, October 16, please call Sheryl Crockey at 714-514-3220 or Carole Restovich at 562-787-0727 so we can reserve a table.

Save the date. Please note that we are planning a trip to Montebello on November 2, 2023, to enjoy the Van Gogh Immersive Experience-Los Angeles. Each of you can go to Google to purchase your own ticket for entry on Nov. 2 at 11 AM. The senior price is \$25.90. We will meet each other there. More details to follow.

# **FIRST FRIDAY**

October 5 will be at the home of Linda Pomeroy 1620 N. Cedarcrest, Brea.

Hosts are still needed for November 3, January 5, and June 7, plus the 2024 summer months. Responsibilities are to open your home for two hours and to provide necessary glasses, plates, and cups.

Guests bring a beverage of choice plus a snack to share.

Come and visit for two hours and get better acquainted.

Gwen Woirhaye, Chair gwen@woirhaye.com

# **DINING FOR \$\$\$\$**



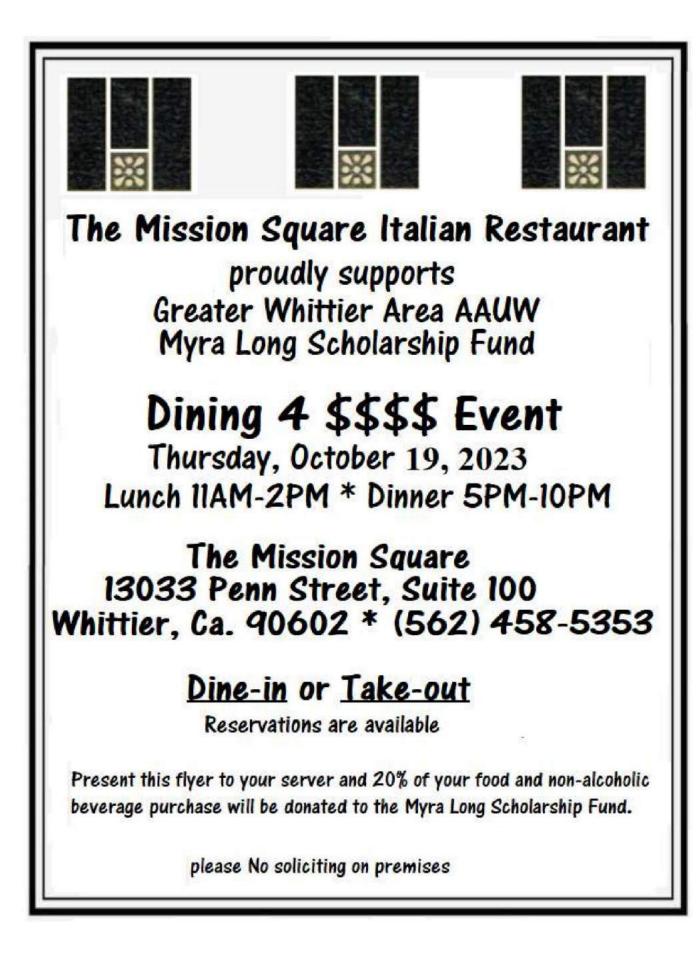
### October 19, 2023, The Mission Square Italian Restaurant – Whittier

Happy Fall to everyone! What a great season of the year it is to enjoy pleasant weather while dining at a lovely restaurant. Our first Dining For \$\$\$\$ event takes place at just such a venue. **Mission Square Italian Restaurant** has been described as a hidden gem and it truly is. Located in a historic building directly across from the Penn Street side of the Doubletree Hotel, you enter a beautiful courtyard reminiscent of a European destination where you begin your dining adventure.

Last year was our first visit to Mission Square and we are happy to report that we received many positive comments regarding the food as well as the venue itself. Their menu has a lot of variety including authentic Italian pasta dishes, salads and appetizers. More than 10 different kinds of pizza are described on the menu also. Lunch hours are from 11:00AM - 2:00PM while the dinner hours are from 5:00PM - 10:00PM. You might consider making reservations for dinner as we've been told that some evenings can be very busy.

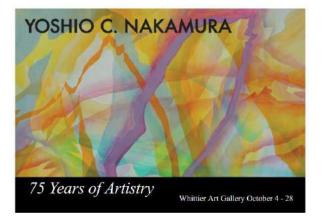
We hope you will join us on **October 19** for this first Dining For \$\$\$\$ event of the year. Just present a flyer to your server for each bill at your table. **20% of each bill will be donated to the Myra Long Scholarship Fund**. A flyer can be found near the end of this newsletter. Mini flyers will be emailed along with an event reminder closer to the event date and will be available at the October branch meeting too. Attending a Dining For \$\$\$\$ event is a wonderful way to enjoy a meal while supporting our scholarship fund. We look forward to seeing your there!

Carole Duff and Sheryl Crockey



# **SPOTLIGHT**

**Linda Oberholtzer**, née Nakamura, shared this announcement of a very special exhibit at the Whittier Art Gallery for her father, **Yoshio Nakamura**. Many of us know and admire "Yosh"; he is an artist as well as a long-time supporter of many community organizations in Whittier. If you are very lucky you may have his work in your collection. The exhibit will run from October 4<sup>th</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup>.



### Yoshio Nakamura, 75 Years of Artistry

Gallery open Wednesdays – Sundays 1-5 PM Opening receptions: Saturday, Oct. 7th, 2-5 PM Closing receptions: Saturday, Oct. 28th, 2-5 PM

Whittier Art Gallery, 8035 Painter, Ave., Whittier, CA (562) 698-8710 • www.whittierartgallery.org

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New Phoenix members thank our very own member, **Pauline Rogers**, for organizing a tour of the historic 1902 Bradford House in Placentia on August 13, 2023. Pauline is a dedicated, enthusiastic volunteer docent at the house. We appreciate the time she spent leading our tour which was enjoyed by all who attended. Thanks so much!

We are remembering **Earlyne Clemons** who passed away on September 9, 2023, after an illness. Her daughter Ursula was by her side. Ursula Clemons was Earlyne's pride and joy, she was able to see her become a judge and recently attended her wedding. Cards and letters can be sent to her home at 11522 E. Moonridge Dr., Whittier, CA 90601. Memorial Services will be held on October 4, at 11 AM; at Rose Hills Memorial Park - Hillside Chapel 3888 Workman Mill Rd, Whittier, CA. Burial is on Oct. 5, 2023, at 11:15 AM at Riverside National Cemetery, 22495 Van Buren Bl., Riverside, CA 92518

Our heartfelt condolences to **Elizabeth Baca** in the passing of her husband John Baca. Elizabeth and Earlyne have been close neighbors and friends so her loss is especially tough. Cards and letters can be sent to the Baca home at 4719 Silver Tip Dr, Whittier, CA 90601. Services will be held in New Mexico where John's family lives, so there will be no services here in Whittier.

We all want to hear about what is happening in the lives of our AAUW community. Spotlight is a great place to share your news, tips, and stories. Send me yours so I can include them in our next newsletter.

Paula Ocampo, Newsletter Editor pocampo@aol.com

### SEPTEMBER 2023 GREATER WHITTIER AREA CALENDAR

Board Meeting	October 3 (Tuesday)	7 PM	Zoom meeting
First Friday	October 6 (Friday)	6 - 8 PM	Linda Pomeroy's
Modern Trends	October 12 (Thursday)	6:30 PM	Georgine Sweeney's
Branch Meeting	October 14 (Saturday)	10 AM	Whittier Elks Lodge
International Concerns WE	October 15 (Sunday)	2 - 4 PM	Nadine Wilcox's
International Concerns	October 19 (Thursday)	10 AM	Sharon Heck's
Dining for \$\$\$\$	October 19 (Thursday)	11 AM - 2 PM	Mission Square Italian
		5 PM - 10 PM	
The New Phoenix	October 19 (Thursday)	5 PM	Mission Square Italian
<b>DEI Discussion Group</b>	October 24 (Tuesday)	1:30 PM	Pat Dudley's
Writing is Fun	October 25 (Wednesday)	1 PM	Carole Restovich's

### CHECK WITH YOUR SECTION LEADERS FOR UPDATES AND ZOOM INVITATIONS

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