

PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Daphne Ching-Jackson and Joan Gustafson, co-Presidents
Written by: Daphne-Ching Jackson

Now that 2003 is here, it occurs to us that we really are in the 21st Century! Well, we mean, AAUW Long Beach Branch is in the 21st Century with our website. Before I speak about the plans for the website, Joan and I wish to offer our heartfelt thanks and gratitude on behalf of the Branch for all that Janet Krueger has done to help get our foot into the 21st Century.

Janet began putting the Branch's website together in 1999. She is one of those unsung heroes of our Branch. She set-up a beautiful, visually appealing website loaded with information for new and potential members to get an "impression" of the Branch. This is not an easy task I am now finding out as my husband George is working on some re-formatting. Janet, your hard work and creative eye has brought the Branch new members and given us a visibility in the 21st Century that we are very grateful for. Thanks and kudos to you for your dedication!

As for what is happening next, George is building on the foundation that Janet established. Janet and George have been exchanging e-mails and her advice and suggestions are terrific and spawning new ideas that George has been implementing. Just a few things to mention are:

- Putting the Vantage online in addition to the mailed copies. You can search it and print it anytime. Those who wish to can opt out of receiving the mailed copy, thus saving the Branch printing and postage costs as well as receiving it quicker. An email notice would be sent every time a new issue is ready.
- Providing forms online for everything from meeting RSVPs to membership applications.
- Performing surveys online such as questionnaires for prospective members or existing members soliciting their opinions.

- Including much of the content now in the yearbook (while still keeping the paper copies). However, the web site will allow us to distribute updates and corrections throughout the year.
- Enticements to new and existing members such as monthly meeting notices – prominently displayed on the web site – along with pictures of recent past functions.

We want to say thank you to Joan Dillely for her \$50 contribution toward the costs of the web-site. Joan lives in Elk Grove, California, but is a dual member of Long Beach and Elk Grove branches.

Don't forget to check the website at www.aauw-longbeach.org. Give us your feedback!

JANUARY PROGRAM

Lynn Rodriguez and Jean Aldrich, Co-Program Chairs

Once Upon a Time....

It's not the same ol' rhyme!



Stop, look, and listen at the January AAUW meeting to hear Barbara Clark weave a wondrous web of poignant, personal, and historical stories that recall her personal

experiences in Los Angeles and evoke touching memories from her youth while growing up in a small East Coast community. A librarian-turned-storyteller, Barbara Clark is a passionate advocate of both the written and the spoken word. The U.S. Department of Education has acknowledged her national reputation in the field of Literacy. Her stories are sure to intrigue you and inspire you to look at life a little differently. You are welcome to bring a friend and make your reservations early.

BRANCH NEWS

BRANCH MEETING

January 4, 2003

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

January 20, 2003

Home of Joan Gustafson, 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC POLICY

January 15, 2003

Place TBA, 1:30 p.m.

Please call Betty Ann Rauch 562-431-6679

LACIC MEETING

January 27, 2003

Methodist Church in Alhambra, 6:45 p.m.

BOARD BRIEFS

Betty Thompson, Co-Secretary

At the November 18th meeting of the Executive Board, the following motions were passed unanimously:

1. The Apartment Headquarters Committee recommends that the Branch approve moving from Apartment #5 by March 1, 2003, and execute a lease for a commercial location for between one and five years with the following criteria: 400 square feet at approximately \$1.00 per square foot, on the ground floor or elevator access, bathroom access, water available, parking available. In order to accomplish this approximately \$120 per month will be needed from the CD being renewed 2/24/03. (motion brought by Ellen P. Mathis)

2. Change the last sentence in Motion #1 to read "In order to accomplish this approximately \$120 per month will be needed from the principal of the CD due to be renewed 2/24/03. (motion made by Ellen P. Mathis)

3. The Executive Board recommends to the Branch to amend Article XVII. Property, Section 3. Building Fund, Subsection b., by inserting the words "and/or principal" after "Interest" and before "from the building fund". (motion made by Fay E. Denny.

4. Move that we transfer \$168.13 from the General Fund to the Building Fund for March 2003 rent if our move out date is April, 2003. (motion made by Ellen P. Mathis)

MEMBERSHIP

Ellen Mathis, Membership Treasurer
433-6509

Please add the following NEW member to your 2002-2003 Yearbook:

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595-1516
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lapapillon@msn.com

Carolyn R. Breihan
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Chapman University
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Darlene B. Daclan
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Long Beach, CA 90815
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Kee DeBoer, Chair 430-8389, kdeboer@csulb.org

The Committee wants your suggestions for next year's Board. Please think about which office you would be willing to take, or recommend someone else. Nomination forms will be available at the January meeting, or you can call or e-mail me.

COMMUNITY

Lorna Menke, Community Chair 431-3762

There are excerpts from the 1st Bethune Transitional Center Newsletter.

"The first signs of cold weather sends us scurrying into our supplies to see if we have more long pants, shirts, socks, gloves and caps," explains Amy Angel, lead teacher. "I would like each student to receive one pair of blue long pants, a long sleeved white shirt, a blue sweatshirt, socks and even underwear. Our students really appreciate new clothing. I think it makes them feel good and builds their self esteem." Perhaps you can purchase one/some of these items as a gift to a child at Bethune Transitional Center.

APARTMENT HEADQUARTERS COMMITTEE

Ellen Mathis, Chair 433-6509 epmathis@compuserve.com

Thank you to those members who have shared ideas of places we could rent for a new headquarters location. We check out each one. So far we have not identified a new location. If any member has an apartment/commercial location they would rent to the Branch let me know, we would be grateful. If you see a "for rent" sign at a commercial location (store front/office building) that looks like it would be good for the Branch call me or a committee member with the information and phone number - we will check out the details.

In the Board Briefs section of the newsletter you will see the motions passed by the Board at their November 18th meeting that relate to our moving from our current headquarters. If you have any questions about them or would like further details please call me.

Please add these renewals to your new yearbook:

Susan D. Leonard
342 Temple Ave Apt #1
Long Beach, CA 90814
856-7746

Barbara Rathbun
2805 E. 3rd St. #18
Long Beach, CA 90814
433-1734
byrdbud@aol.com

Public Policy Member Survey
Betty Ann Rauch - Public Policy Chair

What is Title IX?

As a follow-up of the very interesting and informative speech given by Assemblywoman Jenny Oropeza at the November meeting, I'd like to tell you about some of the other aspects of Title IX.

Title IX was passed by the U.S. Congress on June 23, 1972 and signed by President Nixon on July 1, 1972. It was written to address the lack of focus given gender inequities in the Civil Rights Act of 1964. It was the first comprehensive federal law to prohibit sex discrimination against students and employees in education programs and activities receiving federal funds. While the link between Title IX and increased opportunities for women and girls in athletics is well known, the connection between this law and improvements in key area such as access to higher education, career education, employment, learning environments, math and science, sexual harassment, standardized testing, and treatment of pregnant and parenting teens is not often noted.

Before Title IX:

- Female students were not allowed to take certain courses, such as auto mechanics or criminal justice; male students could not take home economics.
- Most medical and law schools limited the number of women admitted to 15 or fewer per school.

- Many colleges and universities required women to have higher test scores and better grades than male applicants to gain admission.
- Women faculty members were excluded from faculty clubs and encouraged to join faculty wives clubs instead.
- After winning two gold medals in the 1964 Olympics, swimmer Donna de Varona could not obtain a college swimming scholarship. For women they did not exist.

After Title IX:

- In 1973, 43% of female high school graduates were enrolled in college. This grew to 63% in 1994.
- In 1971, 18% of young women and 26% of young men had completed four years or more of college; in 1994, 27% of both men and women had earned bachelor's degrees.

On October 16, 2002, Rita Wustner, AAUW-CA Director of Public Policy testified before a California Select Committee on Title IX. The following is excerpted from her address:

The American Association of University Women California has 3 recommendations for this committee:

1. *Retain Title IX's mandate of righting gender inequities.*
2. *Accumulate the necessary ethnic data to formulate additional policies regarding equity issues.*
3. *Allocate more resources for annual Title IX compliance reviews.*

It is critical that we not forget that Title IX's promise is to balance the scales of justice - it should not be blamed for illogical suppositions about the athletic interest of women, nor for the budget decisions made by individual institutions.

International Relations

Written by: Valorie Hafner

People to People Ambassador Programs is developing a "**Women in Education**" delegation to **South Africa, April 6 – April 17, 2003**. Dr. Jacqueline Shahzadi, Ph.D, University of Phoenix, S. California Campus and national board member of the Virginia Gildersleeve Foundation, is leader of this AAUW sponsored experience.

The delegation seeks to provide first-hand knowledge and experience for persons interested in the field of education, especially related to opportunities for women and girls. The trip will include meetings with **South African Association of Women Graduates (SAAWG)** and **Soroptimists International (SI)**, visits to University of S. Africa and Wynberg Girls' Junior School, **Pretoria** and **Soweto**, as well as **Kruger National Park, Cape Town tour of National Botanical Gardens and Nature Reserve**.

If you are interested in applying for this unique opportunity, contact Kristy Merdinger by e-mail at kristym@ambassadorprograms.org. or call (800)669-7882.

Valorie Hafner is a S. Ca delegate and you may also call her: 714-826-0933. It would be great to have others from our branch share this "once in a lifetime" experience.

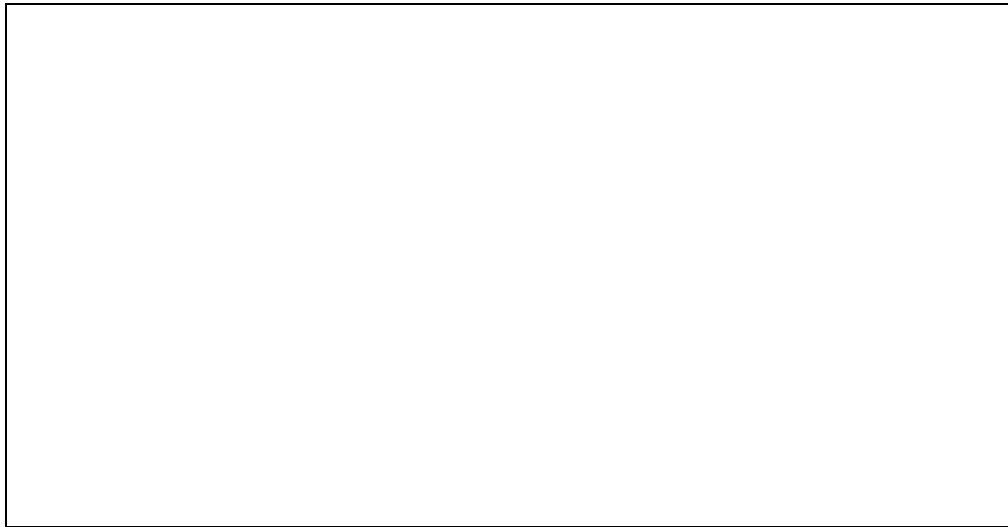
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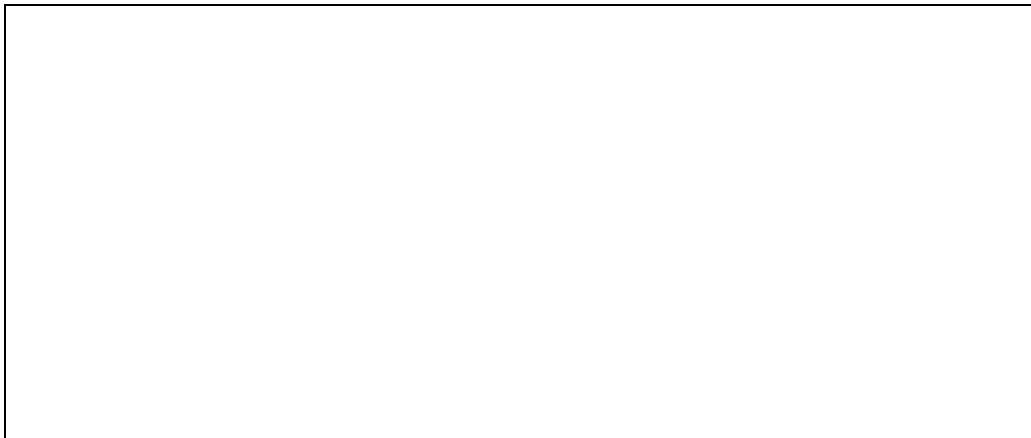
UPDATE ON OUR MENTOR PROGRAM!

By Kathy Keane

Following the orientation for parents of our mentees at Constellation Middle School on October 17th, the first official mentor event of fall 2002 was October 19th at the Campfire Boys and Girls facility on the corner of Studebaker and Carson. The Campfire Boys and Girls use this area for camping and other activities, and it was a perfect setting for several team-building and bonding exercises. We formed small groups and shared a lot of laughs crossing, single-file, an imaginary pond full of alligators, passing a limited number of “stepping stones” up to the front of the line. We tried several times to distribute ourselves as a group over a wide see-saw so that it was balanced in the middle (see the photo below). We learned the importance of trust and helping one another, each crawling through a different hole in a “spider-web” while others held the “threads of the web” apart for us. We remembered one another’s names after standing in a circle and tossing several balls at once, calling out before each toss the name of the next ball recipient.



After lunch, the girls took magazines the mentors had donated to search for images of their future. Each mentee found, cut out and pasted photographs and illustrations they found in the magazines on poster boards, adding decorative labels and drawings of their own. Each girl then presented their “dream boards” to the rest of the group, explaining, for example, that the photograph of the doctor, scientist or woman in a business suit represented their career goals, and the pictures of comfortable houses, wedding dresses, children and dogs were images of their personal goals. The photo below is of our girls with their dream boards.



EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

JANUARY REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

Judith Kaho, Educational Foundation Vice President

The LB Branch of AAUW proudly sent off a check for \$7,570.00 to AAUW CA EF on November 30, 2002. A huge thank you to Barbara Gleason for completing the paperwork quickly after our successful Festive Italian Fall Luncheon and Silent Auction.

We made approximately \$2,695.00
Luncheon ticket sales plus other donations \$545.
Mountain home @3 X \$300.00=\$900.
Auction Items=\$910.
Century Clubs=\$750.
Expenses: Rental of Church Room=\$210.00
Food Items and Wine \$200

The EF Committee members provided extra food items and service. The remaining auction items, wine and centerpieces were offered for sale at the December Wassail. Any money raised will be applied to the 2003 EF year.

The total for the 2002 Century Clubs was \$3,300. There was \$4,993.00 from earlier fund-raising. Our fundraising efforts were reasonably successful again this year. We tried a variety of events, small and large and the small, but mighty EF committee has worked very hard all year to support our LB Branch efforts.

Century Club for 2002

Frances Magarian, Joan Gustafson, Diane Bradfield, Dr. Florence Wilson,
Kee DeBoer, Jane Clement (for Eleanor Roosevelt), JoAnn Kuroda

Second Century Club 2002

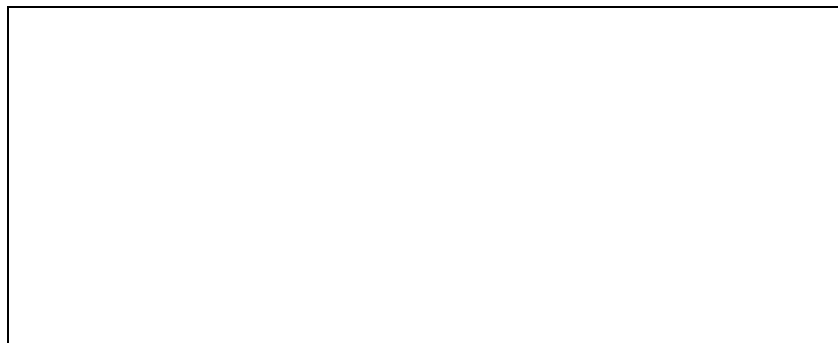
Ellen Mathis, Betty Ann Rauch (for EF and Eleanor Roosevelt)
Ione Weinard, Linda Silver (\$100 in memory of Connie De Mignard and \$100 for
Eleanor Roosevelt)Daphne Ching-Jackson, Lynn Rodriguez for Eleanor R.),
Barbara Gleason, Helen Gillis, Fay Denny, Deloris Mayuga

Marion Talbot: Jean Aldrich, Helen Sebring, Barbara Gleason

I hope we have not missed anyone. Please check with Barbara Gleason, EF Treasurer. We will be able to honor 8 LB Branch members as Named Gift Honorees. TBA at the 2003 AAUW Conventions.

Again, thank you and keep the Educational Foundation in your 2003 financial plans.

CULTURAL CAPER GROUP



The Cultural Caper group in front of the First Ladies Wall at the Cerritos Library.
Left to right: Barbara Cottrell, Lois Malone, Lynn Rodriguez, Lorena Padgett,
Kee DeBoer, Joan Gustafson, Linda Reabe and Karen McBride.

MEET OUR NEW MEMBERS

By Jean Friedrichs, Publicity Chair

Laurie A. Hiatt has a BS degree in Health and Safety from Sacramento State and a MPH in public health from San Jose State. She works as a health educator for American Indian Involvement in Los Angeles County.

Laurie says that the American Indian concentration in Los Angeles is the highest in the country, so her skills and knowledge are much needed. She is a new mentor for Liliana, a seventh grader at Constellation Middle School. She enjoys mentoring and had a mentee at Lake Tahoe where she used to live.

Suzanne S. Poulsen is a former member of the Whittier Branch who has recently moved to Long Beach. She and her husband are building a new house – keeping her very busy. She has had time to join the Saturday Bridge group. She is a graduate of CSUSD and has three adult children.

Dana M. Elliott majored in Sociology at Cal State Fullerton and received her Education Credential from Cal State Dominguez Hills. She works as a case manager for the Long Beach Community Services. She is also a Mentor for AAUW for Kathryn, a 7th grader at Constellation Middle School.

UPDATE ON TECH TREK

By Joan Gustafson

Tech Trek is scheduled again for June, 2003. Our branch is plans to send six 7th grade girls to Whittier College. Tech Trek is a math/science camp designed to develop interests, excitement and self-confidence in young women about to enter 8th grade. The tuition per camper is \$600 and covers lodging, food, and materials.

Our branch members will be given two opportunities to donate to the camp fund. At the February 1st branch meeting, there will be envelopes on the tables where you can place your donation. Also, there will be a fund raiser at the Community Playhouse on Anaheim Street on Friday night, February 21, 2003. The play is “Lucky O’Leary’s” and will be followed by an Irish coffee reception. Tickets are \$20.00. There is a limited number of tickets so if you are interested, please call Joan Gustafson, (562) 439-3130 to make your reservation.

DAY GOURMET

When: Thursday, January 23
 Time: Noon to 2:30 p.m.
 Hostess: Rosalie Winston
 Where: 5140 E. Atherton, Apt. 19
 Long Beach, CA
 562-498-1442

Elizabeth Jackson, Chair

ATTENTION: COLLECTORS

If you think your collection is of interest to other members, please let us know. Any collections whether antique or not would be enjoyed by our group. Please call to inquire about showing us your display in the apartment or your home. Although we usually meet on the 2nd Thursday we are flexible.

Lois Malone, 421-3059
 Barbara Gleason, 421-2206
 Chair, Antiques and Collectibles

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

When: Thursday, January 19
 Time: 1:30 PM
 Where: Rosalie Winston's Condo
 5140 Atherton, #19, Long Beach
 498 - 1442

We welcome a new member, Rosalie, to our group. She has invited us to view her collection of Asian, English, and other figurines. She has developed a deep interest in Oriental furnishings and Japanese paper-tearing items that she has created.

Parking is available in their parking lot right adjacent to the street, off Clark Avenue. Park inside the lot and you can ignore the numbers that are painted on the short curbs. You won't get towed away!
 Barbara Gleason, Chair

Antiques and Collections	2 nd Thursday	1:30 p.m.	Barbara Gleason	421-2206
Book Chat Plus*	4 th Monday	1:30 – 3:30	Jean Friedrichs	598-9218
Day Gourmet	3 rd Thursday	12 – 2:30 p.m.	Elizabeth Jackson	494-0979
Film Fans	see details		Marilyn Fortier	421-5838
Golf at Bixby	1 st , 3 rd , 5 th Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Doris Doughty	(310) 832-1819
Great Books*	1 st Monday	1 – 3 p.m.	Mary Anagnostis	493-5988
Friday Bridge*	2 nd Friday	9:30 – 12:30	Jean Friedrichs	598-9218
Liberal Arts Bridge*	4 th Thursday	7 – 10 p.m.	Gwen Long	421-4844
Other Wednesday Bridge*	1 st , 3 rd Wednesday	12 – 4 p.m.	Emily Elgin	498-4646
			Marlys Pfrimmer	598-4161
Saturday Bridge*	3 rd Saturday	12:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Louise Sperr	425-6231
Two Table Bridge*	2 nd , 4 th Wednesday	12 – 4 p.m.	Jane Seller	429-4357
			Elaine Babbush	431-1232
Wall Street Stocks				
Discussion Group*	1 st Thursday	3 - 5 p.m.	Dorothy Anderson	597-7645
Global Issues				
Discussion Group*	3 rd Friday	1 – 3 p.m.	Sally Geiger	498-3204
Global Issues				
Discussion Group II*	3 rd Tuesday	7 – 9 p.m.	Sally Geiger	498-3204
			Helen Sebring	598-0180

- Meets at Branch Headquarters @ 5480 Atherton St. #5, Long Beach 90815

AAUW BRANCH MEETING

Saturday, January 4, 2003
Cypress Golf Club
4921 Katella Avenue
Los Alamitos, CA 90720

PROGRAM:

8:30- 9:00	Social
9:00-10:00	Breakfast
10:00- 11:00	Businesses
11:00-12:00	Program

MENU:

Fresh Fruit
 Scrambled Eggs
 Bacon and Sausage
 Potatoes
 Muffins & Pastries
 Coffee, Tea, and Orange Juice

PRICE: \$10.00

Joe Ann Gatley 598-6704
 Mary Riddick 434-9826
 Meeting Coordinators

RESERVATION RETURN:

Send your registration and check payable to AAUW, Long Beach Branch. Please mail to: **Lois Malone, 6114 Oakbrook St., Long Beach 90815. DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS: Monday, December 30, 2002.**

Member(s) _____

Phone (Day) _____ Evening _____

Guest(s) _____

Address(s) _____

_____ Phone _____

No. of Reservations _____ Amount Enclosed _____

I would like to make _____ reservation(s) for the **meeting and program only.**

I would like a vegetarian meal. _____

JANUARY 2003

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Golf 8:30 am Other Wed Bridge 12 – 4 p.m.	2 Wall Street Stocks Discussion 3 – 5 p.m.	3	4 BRANCH MEETING
5	6 Great Books 1 – 3 pm	7	8 Two Table Bridge 12 – 4 p.m.	9 Antiques & Collections 1:30 p.m.	10 Friday Bridge 9:30 – 12:30 p.m.	11
12	13	14	15 Golf 8:30 am Other Wed Bridge 12 – 4 Public Policy 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	16 Day Gourmet 12 – 2:30 p.m.	17 Global Issues Discussion 1 – 3 p.m.	18 Saturday Bridge 12:30 – 3:30 p.m.
19	20	21 Global Issues Discussion II 7 – 9 p.m.	22 Two Table Bridge 12 – 4 p.m.	23 Liberal Arts Bridge 7 – 10 p.m.	24	25
26	27 Book Chat Plus 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	28	29 Golf 8:30 a.m.	30	31	

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