

# A A U W VANTAGE

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ellen Mathis, Co-President

I recently re-read the VANTAGE article I wrote for February 1991. It reminded me that February back then was always the last push (rather than our December Wassail) before the cutoff for EF donations reported to CA AAUW and the Association. At that time the Education Foundation (then EFP) was called the "heart" of AAUW taking the Valentine theme in a little different direction. A thank you to all who contributed in some way to our total EF contributions this year! The next reporting year has started and I understand there is going to be another BUNCO party soon! Such an enjoyable way to support education and equity for women and girls!

Our LAF member contributions this year were also wonderful. The details of the cases of our LAF supported litigants facing discrimination in higher education are sometimes hard to believe. It makes our support all the more important. Thank you for those contributions as well.

Is there an interest group you would like to start? We already have a group that discusses the stock market; what about one that discusses real estate/property management or health and wellness discussions? To chair a group takes picking a day, a time and a topic. Room 117, our Headquarters, is available most of the time for informal meetings. The VANTAGE calendar identifies the open time slots. Give me a call if you would like to talk about starting an interest group.

Hope to see you at the Branch Breakfast Meeting and Program on February 5<sup>th</sup>!

## FEBRUARY PROGRAM - CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Darlene Daclan, Program VP

#### The Life and Work of Mamie Phipps Clark Presented by Dr. Pamela Ashe

The February Program at the AAUW-Long Beach branch meeting will celebrate Black History Month with a presentation by Dr. Pamela Ashe on Mamie Phipps Clark, the first African—American woman to receive a psychology doctorate from Columbia University and whose research on the effects of segregation and racism on self esteem were cited in the landmark Supreme Court case Brown vs. Board of Education of Topeka that declared school segregation unconstitutional.

Dr. Pamela Ashe is a licensed psychologist in the department of Counseling and Psychological Services at California State University, Long Beach (CSULB). She is actively involved in the areas of individual and group psychotherapy, campus outreach and consultation, women of color issues and the training of pre-doctoral psychology graduate students. Additionally, she teaches Group Counseling as an adjunct professor in the department of Educational Psychology, Counseling and Administration at CSULB and in the Rossier College of Education at the University of Southern California (USC).

Dr. Ashe earned her doctorate in counseling psychology at Howard University in Washington, D.C., where she received specialized training in group therapy and the delivery of mental health services to college populations. Dr. Ashe is a member of the Association of Black Psychologists, the American Psychological Association and the Association of Specialists in Group Work.

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Saturday, February 5, 2005

#### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

JoAnn Kurda, Nominating Committee Chair

The Nominating Committee is requesting suggestions the following positions: for Program President-elect. Vice President. Membership Educational Vice President, Foundation Vice President, Legal Advocacy Vice President, Secretary, and President-elect.

One can call any of the following members of the nominating committee for suggestions: Darlene Daclan, Judith Kaho, Carolyn Magnusson, Deloris Mayuga, Lois Schilling and Betty Thompson.

#### **BOARD BRIEFS**

Barbara Gleason and Julie Mills, Co-Secretaries

Regular business was conducted at the October 18, 2004, Executive Board Meeting. A motion was made by Parliamentarian Kee DeBoer to recommend to the Branch the following By-Law be modified:

Modify 10.c.v. to read: Award presented at the June Installation meeting by the outgoing President and the prior year's awardee of the Connie Inskeep AAUW Leadership Award.

Current wording: by the outgoing President and Connie Inskeep.

Rational: This was probably a typographical error since when the procedures were last revised in August 2002, Connie was no longer alive.

At the Executive Board Meeting on December 20, 2004, regular business was conducted.

#### **COURTESY**

Mary Orr, Courtesy Chair

Happy Valentine's Day to All!

Birthday greetings to February honorees!

#### **AAUW RESEARCH**

Source: www.aauw.org

In 1885, a group of AAUW members conducted a survey that debunked the popular theory that higher education was bad for women's health. That first study established AAUW's commitment to cutting-edge research relevant to the struggle for gender equity in school and in society.

Today, AAUW research draws national attention to issues of gender equity and education; influences policy-makers as well as educators, parents, and students; and, most importantly, serves as a catalyst for action.

To purchase copies of available research publications, visit aauw.tranguard.com or call 800-225-9998. As part of AAUW's philanthropic mission, research is priced at levels that make the reports accessible to a broad audience. AAUW members receive an additional 10 percent discount.

AAUW-LONG BEACH WEBSITE: http://www.aauw-longbeach.org Webmaster: George Jackson – email him at gl jackson@hotmail.com

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#### AAUW NATIONAL - EDUCATION FOUNDATION NEWS

Source: www.aauw.org

# American Association of University Women Educational Foundation presents Women-of-Color as Educational Leaders:

A Career Pathways Conference Saturday, April 16, 2005 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

University of Southern California - Davidson Conference Center 3415 South Figueroa Street - Los Angeles, CA 90089

As part of a national initiative to increase the numbers of women-of-color in educational leadership, the American Association of University Women (AAUW) Educational Foundation and <u>Syfr Corporation</u> invite you to join us for a one-day conference on Saturday, April 16, 2005, at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles. Today in America a major pool of exceptional talent goes largely untapped as women are passed over or not encouraged to seek positions as principals and superintendents. Most notable is the scarcity of women-of-color in top leadership positions in education.

#### **Conference Focus**

This conference is an important opportunity to address the crucial issues that affect career paths from the classroom to administration, to the school superintendency, and to other leadership careers in education. The conference will address:

- Career Pathways and Steps: Assessment/Successful Leader Qualities
- Preparation/Leadership Development;
- Balance: Work and Wellness;
- Gender Issues/Challenges

#### **Confirmed Conference Speakers**

- Dr. Marie Latham Bush, Educational Consultant and Adjunct Professor, Bowling Green, Ohio;
- **Dr. Deloris James**, Collegiate Associate Professor and Director of Women in Business Program, Business and Management, University of Maryland University College, Adelphi, Maryland;
- **Dr. Patricia Welch**, Dean of the School of Education and Urban Studies, Morgan State University, Baltimore, Maryland;
- Dr. Darline Robles, Superintendent, Los Angeles County Office of Education, Downey, California;
- **Dr. Lourdes C. Rovira**, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction, Miami/Dade Public Schools, Miami, Florida;
- **Dr. Searetha Smith-Collins**, Executive Vice-President, Syfr Corporation, Washington, D.C.

#### **Registration & Fees**

The registration fee for this conference is \$195.00 and includes conference materials and complimentary lunch.

#### **Participating Organizations**

- Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS)
- National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE)
- California Latino Administrators and Superintendents (CALSA)

#### **Ouestions?**

For general questions about the conference, please contact Jennifer Steenberg at AAUW, (202) 728-7618 or <a href="mailto:steenbergj@aauw.org">steenbergj@aauw.org</a>. For registration/logistics information, contact Katherine John at (206) 780-6905 or <a href="mailto:johnk@syfrcorp.com">johnk@syfrcorp.com</a>.

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#### **EXTOLLING, EVOKING, EMOTING -EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**

By Jere Millington and Barbara Cottrell

"Well behaved women ---rarely make history"

Because of your great generosity, we have reached our necessary goal of \$5,000! Hooray! You are fantastic! We can't thank you enough for your help, and now we can initiate our very own Long Beach California Branch Research and Projects Grant. The money has been sent in! We begin! Special and heartfelt thanks to our recent donors:

#### **Century Club:**

Anne Graves Betty Thompson Betty Ann Rauch Florence Wilson Deloris Mayuga

#### **Chocolate Club:**

Helen Gillis

#### **Equity Circle:**

Jean Aldrich

\*\*and a special Century Club donation from Judith Kaho in honor of her mother, Florence E. Ulrich, who "always supported the mission of AAUW with her voice and her note."

We are looking forward to working with you in the New Year - and seeing you at more of our "fun" fundraisers.

#### TECH TREK MATH/SCIENCE CAMP FOR GIRLS

Linda Silver, Tech Trek Chair

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who are making Tech Trek possible for some lucky young ladies this year. First of all, the women who volunteered to help with the Tech Trek committee: Nicky Galarza, Karintha Marshall, Deloris Mayuga, Linda Patten, and Betty Thompson. They have worked (and are still working) on revising and formulating documents, tracking former trekkers, essay evaluations, and interviewing and selecting candidates. Secondly, a special thanks to Frances Rozner for her expert fundraising leadership and efforts. And last but not least, thank you to all of the Branch members who have given so generously to this scholarship fund.

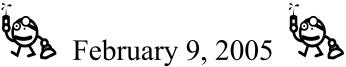
A lot of work and money is required for this project but the payoff is great. We are providing a life changing experience and opening the window to a world of possibilities that may otherwise be unknown.

Donations for Tech Trek Camp 2005 will continue to be collected until February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please mail no later than February 18<sup>th</sup>. Checks should be made payable to AAUW Long Beach Branch with a notation in the memo area on the check "Tech Trek". Please send your donations to Frances Rozner, 285 La Verne Ave., LB 90803. Thank you!

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# **Gearing up to Pass Universal Health Care Solutions That Work**

You are invited to a special presentation of the credible Lewin Study research findings on the Health Care for All Californians Act



1<sup>st</sup> Congregational Church of Long Beach, **241 Cedar, Cedar and 3**<sup>rd</sup>

Long Beach, 90802 Time: 9:45 AM-Noon



#### **Co-sponsors:**

1st Congregational Church of Long Beach
American Association of University Women of California
Gray Panthers of Long Beach
Health Care Council of Orange County
Health Care for All South Bay/Long Beach
League of Women Voters of Long Beach
National Council of Jewish Women of Long Beach
South Coast Interfaith Council
South County Labor, AFL-CIO

Please come and hear about the astounding findings showing how California can provide an affordable, high quality health care plan with permanence and security in coverage to all.

Information: choff74523@aol.com

310-377-7668

Parking at City Lot on Broadway and Cedar

### **BUNCO NIGHT**

For EF

COME AND JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED NIGHT AND SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO WITH A 'SET' OF DICE



February 10, 2005 Thursday, 6:30-8:30 PM \$10

at

Barbara Cottrell's Long Beach, California 431-2445







Plan to come and bring a friend or two. There will be a sign-up sheet at our February meeting.

#### **INTEREST GROUPS**

Antiques and Collectibles	Meeting times TBA		Barbara Gleason	421-2206
Book Chat Plus*	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday	1:30 - 3:30  p.m.	Jean Friedrichs	598-9218
Golf at Bixby	Every Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Jean Friedrichs	598-9218
Great Books	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday	1 - 3  p.m.	Linda Patten	402-6831
Other Wednesday Bridge*	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	12 - 4 p.m.	Emily Elgin	498-4646
			Marlys Pfrimmer	598-4161
Friday Bridge	Every Friday	9:30 a.m. – noon	Cathy Cunningham	424-3166
Wall Street Watchers*	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday	1 - 3 p.m.	Dorothy Anderson	597-7645
Day Gourmet	Meeting times TBA		Elizabeth Jackson	494-0979
Film Fans	Meeting times TBA		Carol Waechter	

*Meeting times and contact persons TBA for the following interest groups:* 

Saturday Bridge

\*Meets at Branch Headquarters @ 525 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Long Beach 90813

AAUW BRANCH MEETING Saturday, February 5, 2005 Khoury's Restaurant 110 Marina Drive Long Beach, CA 90803

Networking: 8:15 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Breakfast: 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Clean-up/Break: 9:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Business Meeting: 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Program: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Menu: Ham and Cheese Omelet

Khoury's Potatoes Fresh Fruit Croissants

Coffee and Orange Juice

Cost: \$16

JoAnn Kuroda (562) 429-6923

\*Please request vegetarian meal of fresh plate platter at time of registration.\*

#### **RESERVATION RETURN:**

Send your registration and check payable to AAUW, Long Beach Branch. Please mail to: Flo Pickett, 2919 Studebaker, Long Beach, CA 90815

#### <u>DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS:</u> Saturday, January 29, 2005

Member(s)	
Phone (Day)	Evening
Guest(s)	
Phone	
No. of Reservations	Amount Enclosed
I would like to makeand program only.	reservation(s) for the <b>meeting</b>
Vegetarian Meal preferred	

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#### **FEBRUARY 2005**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	Golf @ Bixby 8:30 a.m. Other Wed Bridge 12-4 p.m.	Wall Street Watchers 1-3 p.m.	Friday Bridge 9:30 a.m. – noon	5 BRANCH MEETING
6	7 Great Books 1-3 p.m.	8	Golf @ Bixby 8:30 a.m.	10	Friday Bridge 9:30 a.m. – noon	12
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20	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING	22	Golf @ Bixby 8:30 a.m.	24	Friday Bridge 9:30 a.m. – noon	26
27	28 Book Chat Plus 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.					

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