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The History of Black Voting Rightsbecause equity is still an issue!

February General Membership Meeting

Date: Saturday, February 11, 2017

Time: 11:00 a.m.—Program

Place: Schusterman-Benson Library Meeting Room
3333 E. 32nd Place

Program: *SELMA: THE BRIDGE TO THE BALLOT*, a film

Lunch: At a nearby restaurant following the program

RSVP: Please contact **Pam McDonald** at AdamsFamily9857@aol.com or leave a message at **918-627-1823**, or text to **918-636-5131** by **Thursday, Feb. 9.**

Selma: The Bridge to the Ballot is the true story of the forgotten heroes in the fight for voting rights — the courageous students and teachers of Selma, Alabama, who stood up against injustice despite facing intimidation, arrests and violence. By organizing and marching bravely, these change-makers achieved one of the most significant victories of the civil rights era.

This 40-minute film, narrated by Academy Award winner Octavia Spencer, is a crucial reminder that each of us has the ability to bring about powerful social change and will help inspire young people and communities across the nation to exercise their right to participate in our democracy.*

The film was produced by SPLC (Southern Poverty Law Center).

"Nobody will ever deprive the American people of the right to vote except the American people themselves. And the only way they could do this is by not voting." --President Franklin D. Roosevelt

*Results of the 2016 Presidential Election show that only 60% of the eligible voting population voted, as reported by the [U.S. Elections Project](http://www.us-elections-project.org).



President's Corner

The weather bug bit again as January's meeting was canceled.

I urge everyone to get out and see the movie "Hidden Figures", which was just nominated for an Oscar along with the lead actress. Here is a fine example of what women in science can do given the opportunity! And it's a great lesson in African-American history and their contributions in shaping our country, moving forward to February-Black History Month.

Wishing a speedy recovery and prayers to our wonderful news editor, Gwen Hampton, as she has knee replacement surgery.

Hope to see you in February!

—Pam McDonald, President Tulsa Branch
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LATE NEWS FLASH!!

Circle Cinema has just announced that they will be opening "HIDDEN FIGURES" on Friday, February 17.



The movie will be open to the public, as well as an educational opportunity for area schools. Circle Cinema members will receive a complimentary popcorn during the run of this film.

Further information:
www.circlecinema.com



Urge the U.S. Senate today: **OPPOSE Betsy DeVos for Secretary of Education**

AAUW is joining the opposition to Betsy DeVos' approval; if confirmed she would put the education of women and girls at risk.

During her hearing, DeVos:

1. Did not agree to **uphold and enforce** the U.S. Department of Education's Title IX guidance.
2. Did not agree that all schools receiving federal funds should **follow civil rights laws**.
3. Did not commit to **supporting public education** and to not privatize education.
4. Failed to answer **basic questions** about her responsibilities as Secretary regarding school accountability. She also did not demonstrate an understanding of the Secretary's role to ensure schools support students with disabilities.

Make your voice heard before the Senate holds a vote on DeVos' confirmation. A panel of the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions will hold an executive session on Tuesday, January 31, to vote on her confirmation. **Tell your senators to stand up for public education and civil rights by opposing Betsy DeVos for Secretary of Education!**

Tulsa Branch Programs 2016-2017

Saturday, February 11

HISTORY OF BLACK VOTING RIGHTS

Saturday, March 11

WOMEN'S HISTORY

Saturday, April 8

TBA

Saturday, May 13

CELEBRATE 2016-2017 SUCCESS!

TULSA VOICE

Monthly newsletter of American Association of University Women,
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Interest Groups

ADELANTE READING GROUP



Adelante Book Group will meet at 6:00 p.m. on **Thursday, February 9**, in the home of Rose Unterschuetz (5820 S. Evanston Ct.).

The group will listen to a webinar with Sherie M. Randolph, Ph.D., author of Florynce 'Flo' Kennedy: The Life of a Black Feminist Radical, sponsored by AAUW National. The work is a biography of "a super badass and wildly underrated woman known for her dazzling sense of style and sharp wit."

The book is available in print, Kindle, and Nook formats.

You can go to the website to read more about it: <http://www.aauw.org/event/2017/02/author-book-discussion-sherie-randolph/>.

Bring a dish to share for a pot luck supper.

For more information,

phone or text Rose at 918-688-7128.

MYSTERY BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, March 15, at 7:00 p.m. come to Barnes and Noble Café at 41st and Yale for our book discussion. Read a book with a female sleuth, in honor of Women's History Month.

Questions?

Call Linda Brooks, 918-664-9914, or lshbrooks@yahoo.net



MOVIE GROUP

A free screening of *Navajo Math Circles* will be our Movie Night, on **Feb. 6, 6:30 p.m.**

Contact Rose at (918) 688-7128 to carpool, or just meet at the Circle Cinema at 6 p.m. We will be joining the TU Math Dept., Tulsa Math Teachers' Circle, and the Tulsa Girls Math Circle for the film by George Csicsery.

The documentary reveals the challenges of education in the largely rural educational system.



GOURMET GROUP

The next gathering of the Gourmet Group will be Saturday, **March 11**; plans are to eat at a restaurant this time. Details in the March Newsletter.

For future planning, Gourmet will meet on May 20, and June 24.



Our Branch Family

OUR SYMPATHY to the family of **Margaret Wesner**, longtime Tulsa Branch AAUW member, on her recent death. Margaret had moved to Chickasha several years ago.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Members of AAUW proudly joined in organizing and participating in the Women's March on January 21st. Now members are asked to join the

10 actions/100 days campaign.

Please go to the following website and complete the electronic postcard shown there to be sent to your congressmen:

http://salsa4.salsalabs.com/o/50796/p/dia/action3/common/public/?action_KEY=20640&killorg=True

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AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

AAUW, founded in 1881, is open to all graduates who hold the associate's, baccalaureate or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

Our Value Promise:

"As a member of AAUW, you belong to a community that breaks through educational and economic barriers so that all women have a fair chance."

Websites: Tulsa Branch—<http://Tulsa-ok.aauw.net/>
Oklahoma AAUW—www.aauwoklahoma.org
National AAUW—www.aauw.org

Tulsa Community Notes

African-American Heritage History Bowl

Thursday, February 23, at 6:00 p.m. you are invited to the 2017 African-American Heritage History Bowl (AAHB) at the Central Library, 500 Civic Center. The event is in the Pocahontas Greadington Room; parking is free. The deadline to register is February 10.

This year's AAHB is designed around the national African-American History Month theme "The Crisis in Black Education". The history bowl is open for participation by all high schools, junior high schools, sororities, fraternities, social and business organizations, churches, teams, book club, groups, and families. **All ages are welcome to attend and cheer on the teams.**

School Bond Issue

Voters in the Union Public School District will have the opportunity on Tuesday, February 14, to vote on a \$26 million proposition. Officials say that taxes will not increase above traditional levels.

Ladies Coffee Night

The Raindrop Turkish House invites all women to attend their Ladies Coffee Night on Friday, February 17, 6:00—8:00 p.m. Admission is \$15; early registration is \$12. The program is *Maintaining Hope: A Conversation about African-American History*, with keynote speaker Jocelyn Lee Payne.

Several of our branch have visited the Raindrop Turkish House previously. The address is 4444 W. Houston St., Broken Arrow. For more information: tulsa@turkishhouse.org.



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- April 4 Equal Pay Day
- June 14-17 AAUW National Convention Washington DC