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How can women in their "golden age" be safe?because equity is still an issue!

March General Membership Meeting

Date: Saturday, March 12, 2016

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Place: Rincón Mexican Grill and Cantina

6219 E. 61st St. (northwest corner of 61st & Sheridan)

Program: Elder Abuse

Speaker: Donna Mathews, Esq., Associate Director of DVIS

Lunch: Order from menu

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,

March 10.

We welcome one of our own, Tulsa Branch member Donna Mathews, as our guest speaker this Saturday, Marcy 12. Donna is Associate Director of Domestic Violence Intervention Services (DVIS) in Tulsa.

DVIS serves the community through their many programs, advocacy, counseling, education and outreach, and providing safe shelter. Staff attorneys are available for survivors with civil legal concerns. If accepted into the legal program an attorney will be assigned. Court advocates help with paperwork and support.

Elder abuse is defined as any form of mistreatment that results in harm or loss to an older person. It is generally divided into the following categories:

- Physical abuse
- Sexual abuse
- ◆ Domestic violence
- Psvchological abuse
- ◆ Financial abuse
- ♦ Neglect



It is estimated that 4-6% of the elderly are abused. Approximately 450,000 elderly experienced abuse in 1996 nationwide. The personal losses can be devastating and include the loss of independence, homes, life savings, health, dignity, and security. Victims of abuse have shorter life expectancies than non-abused older people.

We look forward to hearing Mathews inform us on this problem, and sharing DVIS plans for potential solutions.

President's Corner



Hello AAUW----

HOPE EVERYONE can come out for the March meeting as Donna Mathews has so graciously stepped in to do our program.

WE ALSO have our State convention coming up in April at Duncan, OK. I encourage everyone to attend as I'm sure we will have a great time and wonderful fellowship.

MEETINGS WITH Tulsa Tech Trek organizers are underway and we will keep you informed of all the latest developments.

PLEASE STAY informed about all upcoming elections. Remember--knowledge is power!
Lots of exciting things happening on a daily basis. It certainly has not been boring!

—Pam McDonald, President Tulsa Branch adamsfamily9857@aol.com, 918-627-1823

TULSA VOICE

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Tech Trek TU 2016! June 12-18 at TU

Tech Trek Tulsa, a week-long, residential, summer camp for eighth grade girls, is seeking 50 girls to attend the camp at The University of Tulsa campus this summer.

Women continue to be underrepresented in STEM Fields. Tech Trek empowers girls to begin a successful path toward taking AP courses in high school, pursuing a college degree, and ultimately entering the STEM workforce.

Campers stay on the TU campus for the week while they learn about STEM fields, interact with female STEM professionals, perform experiments, and participate in hands-on activities.

In addition to growing STEM job opportunities in the United States, STEM careers provide highly stable, well-paying jobs. Tech Trek Tulsa will open doors for young girls to how exciting their future careers could be in a STEM profession.

http://techtrek-tulsa.aauw.net/.

You can also donate to Tech Trek TU at this site.



Interest Groups

ADELANTE READING GROUP



Adelante Book Group will meet Monday, March 21, at 6:30 p.m. in the home of Rose Unterschuetz, 5820 S. Evanston Ct. The book selection is The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd. Bring a dish to share for a light supper. For more

information, phone or text Rose at 918-688-7128.

MYSTERY BOOK GROUP

Wednesday, March 16, at 7:00 p.m. come to Barnes and Noble Café at 41st and Yale. In observance of St. Patrick's Day we are reading mysteries with the word "green" in the title.



Questions or further information? Call Linda Brooks, 918-664-9914, or Ishbrooks@yahoo.net



MOVIE GROUP

Our next movie day will be April 5. Please Contact Rose Unterschuetz, for more information, at

> 918-688-7128, or tulsarose@sbcglobal.net.

GOURMET GROUP

The Gourmet Group will be going to Laffa Medi-Eastern restaurant in the Brady District on Saturday, March 12th at 6:30 PM.

Call (918 523-6365) or email Barbara Avakian by March 5th (Barbara.Avakian@gmail.com) if you plan to attend.





MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

The American Association of University Women is the nation's leading voice promoting equity and education for women and girls. What started with 17 likeminded women in 1881 has grown into a powerful network that has influenced—and at times shapedthe debate over equity in education.

170,000

members & supporters

local branches

college & university partners

We are all the faces of pay equity; we all have a story about the pay gap. AAUW is lifting up those stories and leading the fight to end the wage gap once and for all.

Certainly individual members have brought about change, such as Tamara Brown who founded Tech Savvy, a daylong conference designed to attract girls to careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

If you are not already a member, we invite you to join this dynamic group of women and help us to bring about equity and education!

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

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AAUW Oklahoma State Convention Blazing New Trails!

Friday, April 15, 5 P.M.—Saturday, April 16, 12:00 P.M., 2016 Duncan, OK — Hampton Inn 2301 U.S. 81

Friday evening, April 15

Join other members for an informal Dutch dinner, then enjoy an optional live concert at the Simmons Center, featuring a dance/vocal group from Colombia; tickets are \$15 per person.

Saturday morning and afternoon, April 16

Pick up registration materials 8:30—9:00 at the Hampton Inn's conference room. Until 4:00 p.m. speakers will focus on the issues; special guest speaker is AAUW Board Vice Chair Alicia Hetman.

The business meeting will include announcement of voting results for election of officers. Voting will occur before the convention by mailing in a paper ballot, or voting electronically.

One issue to be voted on concerns raising the state dues from \$7.00 to \$10.00. The state board can provide more support to branches and provide assistance for students attending the NCCWSL. Members will receive ballots by e-mail to vote electronically. The State newsletter has a mail-in ballot, which must be returned by April 11th.

Each branch will provide a basket for a fundraising silent auction.

Saturday evening, April 16

Convention attendees will have exclusive access to the Chisholm Trail Heritage Center for a tour, world-class art, theaters, and dinner (\$12.50 for dinner and admission).

Sunday morning, April 17

The Eleanor Roosevelt Run/Walk/Sleep-In Event is at 8:00 a.m. Registration is \$25.00 a person; you will receive a commemorative T-shirt. Proceeds benefit the AAUW Eleanor Roosevelt Fund.

Registration fee: \$45

To register please contact Peggy Glenn, AAUW OK Program Vice President PO Box 516
Tahlequah, OK 74465-0516

Plan now for a great weekend in Duncan; mark your calendar now!

Please note: This convention will take the place of our monthly General Membership Meeting for April, 2016.

AAUW MISSION, ACTION, NOTES

Fill the U.S. Supreme Court Vacancy

The American Association of University Women joins the nation in mourning the passing of U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. His untimely passing has left a void at a critical time in the history of the court and the country.

Take action by urging President Obama and the U.S. Senate to rise above the partisan fray and simply do what the Constitution requires: fairly and expeditiously select and consider a qualified nominee to fill the vacancy.

Watch the <u>Barriers and Bias</u> Research Launch Panel

AAUW's latest research will be launched March 30, 2016. You can watch the event online; see who will join Cokie Roberts and a stellar panel in the discussion. *Barriers and Bias: The Status of Women in Leadership* explores the question of why men still vastly outnumber women in paid leadership positions.

The Launch is from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Go to www.aauw.org to register for the free event.

Claiming Creative Space: Women in the Arts

AAUW magazine <u>Outlook</u> features the place of women in the arts. Here are some of the issues highlighted:

- Settling the Score for Women in Music
- ◆ The High Cost of Hollywood's Gender Bias
- ◆ The Evolving Face of Ballet
- ♦ Negative Space: Women of Art History
- Women's Voices in the Newsroom

With all the emphasis on STEM these days, AAUW addresses yet another issue important to women.

Check it out!

2016 MIDWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE

June 3-4, 2016 Kansas City, Kansas

The 45th Biennial AAUW Regional Conference will be at the Great Wolf Lodge in Kansas City, KS.

Rates are \$176.86 for a suite which sleeps six people.
Call 1-866-944-9653 and use Block Code 1606AAUW.

The Lodge is a self-contained entity with fabulous recreational opportunities for the whole family, wonderful accommodations, and excellent restaurant and food venues. Nearby are shopping malls and other amenities.

For additional conference information call: 314-831-5359 or

636-938-3958.

\$3.7 MILLION

awarded by AAUW
in fellowships and grants
to support 241 women
in their professional and academic careers



It typically takes mothers nearly six extra months to earn what fathers earn in just one year. For example:

Tuesday, April 12 for all women, Thursday, June 4 for Moms; Tuesday, July 28 for African American women; Thursday, October 8 for Latinas; Tuesday, September 8 for Native American women.



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."



Meet author Jay Newton-Small

Our AAUW book groups recommend attending this author event on Tuesday, March 29, 6:30 p.m. at Herman & Kate Kaiser Library (in LaFortune Park). **Jay Newton-Small**, a political correspondent for TIME magazine, will discuss her new book, <u>Broad Influence: How Women Are Changing the</u> Way America Works.

A book signing will follow and books will be available for purchasing. The event is sponsored by BookSmart Tulsa.



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