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***“WE CANNOT SUCCEED IF HALF OF US ARE HELD BACK.”***

**—Malala Yousafzai**

**THIS QUOTE BY 2014 NOBEL** Peace Prize winner, Malala Yousafzai, continues to ring true for women globally. According to the United Nations, women are much more likely than men to be poor and illiterate. Women have less access to medical care, property ownership, credit, training and employment. Women are less likely to be politically active and more likely to be victims of domestic violence.

**WOMEN MAKE UP OVER HALF** of the population in the United States, yet we are underrepresented in business, government, and STEM fields. AAUW research reveals that despite having the same level of education and performing the same work, women earn far less than men.

**WE CAN DO IT!** We can succeed if we activate our collective power. Gender inequity will become an outdated concept for the world's empowered women.

**AAUW TULSA INVITES YOU** to participate in a discussion on the issues, and solutions that affect the well-being and development of women. Fixing the problem of gender inequity starts with you!

**PLEASE JOIN US** at the University of Tulsa on November 13 for this vital discussion. This event is free and open to the public.

*—Melodia Gutierrez*

**Ideas or questions?** Please contact: Melodia Gutierrez, 202.203.8353, or [gutierrezm@aauw.org](mailto:gutierrezm@aauw.org).

## November General Membership Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, November 13, 2014

**Time:** 6:00 P.M.

**Place:** University of Tulsa, Allen Chapman Student Union, Alcove Room, \* Parking map Page 2

**Program:** **EMPOWERING WOMEN 101 ISSUE FORUM**

**Speaker:** **MELODIA GUTIERREZ**  
AAUW Regional Field Representative

**Special Guests:** TU Faculty and Students

**Complimentary light snacks will be available**

Melodia Gutierrez's goals are to increase membership, fundraising and development while influencing policy changes that are aligned with AAUW's mission of advancing equity for women and girls. She provides oversight and engages in field activities in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. Gutierrez provides support for members who want to lobby and interact with elected officials. She works to run small group trainings for media outreach, advocacy, lobbying, social media, member retention and engagement.



Melodia Gutierrez



## President's Corner

**IN SEPTEMBER**, the Tulsa AAUW board brought the proposal to the general membership meeting, to donate funds previously targeted for W.I.T. to our new venture, the Tech Trek camp for eastern Oklahoma. This motion was passed. Our branch has now separated our financial support for W.I.T.

**WE WILL BE** fully vested in the support of AAUW STEM/Tech Trek camp at The University of Tulsa scheduled for the summer of 2015. We will actively be raising money to match funds donated by the Schusterman Foundation. AAUW wishes all the best to Women in Transition and their continued support of deserving women in their pursuit of higher education.

—Pam McDonald, President Tulsa Branch  
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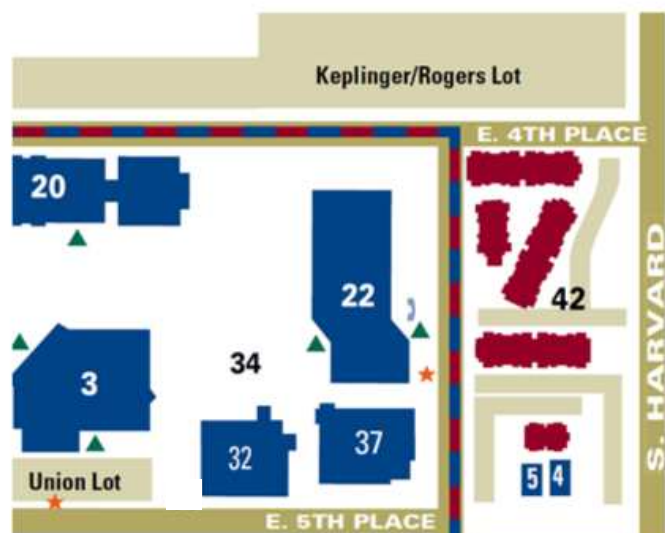
## Branch Notes

**RESIGNATION** — Deborah Burke has regretfully submitted her resignation as Tulsa Branch Historian, due to her office schedule, work on her master's degree, and family demands. We will miss her and appreciate all Deborah has done in AAUW; we look forward to seeing her again soon.

**TULSA BRANCH OWNS** a silver tea service. As the branch has little need for this service, it will be offered for sale to members. Proceeds will go to the Tech Trek fund. Please call President Pam McDonald if you are interested.

**THANK YOU, JAN & VONDALE GRAHAM** for hosting another successful Wine Tasting Fundraiser! You are very gracious and generous hosts, and are much appreciated by Tulsa Branch members!

### \*University of Tulsa parking map for Nov. 13 meeting



#### 3 Allen Chapman Student Union

Recommended parking in the Keplinger/Rogers parking lot on 4th Place between Harvard and Florence. Handicapped parking is available in the Union lot on 5th Place.

### TULSA VOICE

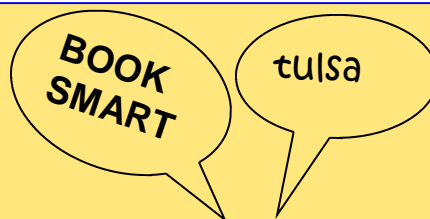
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#### *The Frog King and Goodbye Lemon*

**Adam Davies**

**November 6, 2014, 7:00 p.m.**

Dwelling Spaces

#### *Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls*

**Davis Sedaris**

**November 12, 2014, 7:30 p.m.**

Tulsa Performing Arts Center

#### *Homemade Decadence*

**Joy the Baker (AKA Joy Wilson)**

**November 13, 2014, 7:00 p.m.**

Congregation B'Nai Emunah

#### *Mastering My Mistakes in the Kitchen*

**Dana Cowin (Editor-in-Chief of Food & Wine)**

**November, 2014**

Details TBA

#### *The Nixon Tapes*

**Douglas Brinkley & Luke Nichter**

Co-Presented by Oklahoma Center  
 for the Humanities

**December 4, 2014, 7:00 p.m.**

University of Tulsa, Tyrrell Hall

## Interest Groups



### ADELANTE READING GROUP

For Native American Heritage Month, our book on Monday, November 17, is The Round House by Louise Erdrich. Set in the Ojibwa reservation in North Dakota, it is the story of an adolescent who seeks justice and understanding in the wake of a terrible crime that forever transforms his family.

As usual, come to my home at 5820 S. Evanston Ct. at 6 p.m. for a potluck meal; book discussion follows.

RSVP to Rose Unterschuetz,  
918-747-5516, 918-688-7128, or  
[tulsarose@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tulsarose@sbcglobal.net)

### MYSTERY BOOK GROUP

The Mystery Book Group's next meeting is **Tuesday, November 11**, at 7:00 p.m. at Barnes and Noble Café at 41st and Yale. This time please read a book by any American mystery writer of your choosing.



**Please note the day change to Tuesday; meetings now will be on the 2nd Tuesday of every other month.**

Questions or further information?  
Call Linda Brooks, 918-664-9914, or  
[lshbrooks@cox.net](mailto:lshbrooks@cox.net)

### MOVIE GROUP



We are meeting the first Tuesday of each month. Please contact me if you are interested in this group. On Nov. 4 we will be viewing "Africa's Daughters", the story of 2 girls in Kampala's poorest neighborhoods trying to achieve a high school education in a country where high school is generally reserved for boys.

Contact Rose Unterschuetz,  
918-688-7128, or [tulsarose@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tulsarose@sbcglobal.net)

### GOURMET GROUP

The next Gourmet Dinner will be a Holiday Dinner on December 13, at the home of Ginny and Mike Ayling, 5309 S 70 E. Place.



More information from Ginny at 918-663-9736, or Kay Witt, 918-493-7270.

## Our Branch Family

**OUR SYMPATHY** to **Christy Johnson** on the death of her partner **Roy W. Barnes** on October 11, 2014.

**OUR SYMPATHY** to **Jim & Pam McDonald** on the death of Jim's mother **Dorothy McDonald** on October 25, 2014.

## MEMBERSHIP NOTES

### Who are we AAUW members?

We're women and girls, a community of national and branch members, students and university/college partners. Some of us have completed two-year or more advanced degrees from accredited institutions. Some of us are currently enrolled in an accredited institution.

We are members of nearly 1,000 branches in local communities across the country.

We are making an impact locally with more than 10,000 community activities across the country. We are leaders nationally, supporting precedent-setting cases such as Dukes v Wal-Mart and the equitable treatment for all in the workplace. We are making an impact globally by supporting scholars from more than 130 countries and projects in more than 25 counties.

You may know someone who would like to join our organization now when we're poised to become a local leader in the STEM movement by hosting TECH TREK in the summer of 2015. I'll hope to hear from you soon!

Judy Anderson  
Vice-President of Membership  
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(Return to: Judy Anderson, 3763 E 48th Pl, Tulsa, OK 74135)



## TULSA BRANCH HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

Thursday, December 4, 11:30 a.m.

Summit Club Grill, River Room

15 W. 6th St.

(31st Floor in the Bank of America Center,  
northeast corner of 6th & Boulder)\*

Lunch is \$22.00 (includes tax and tip)

RSVP: Please contact Judy Anderson at  
edandjudy57@cox.net  
or leave a message at 539-664-4661 (a local number)  
by **Monday, December 1.**

*\*Parking is in the building's garage (3rd floor or above in spaces not reserved);  
each car will be provided with a ticket which can be stamped in the Summit Club  
for free parking; entrance is on Boulder Ave. between 5th & 6th Streets.  
You may also park on the street.*



# Tech Trek TU 2014 Update



## Tech Trek TU Facts

- ◆ Schusterman Foundation Challenge Matching grant is \$15,000.
- ◆ Tech Trek camp will serve 36 girls from minority and underserved populations.
- ◆ Cost for one girl is \$1,000 for the 1-week camp.
- ◆ Girl's family pays only \$50, a registration fee. We will be seeking donations to help families cover this fee.
- ◆ The camp is for rising 7th graders (summer between 7th and 8th grades).
- ◆ Girls must be nominated by their teachers and/or school counselors and be selected on the basis of academic talent, willingness to try new and challenging tasks as well as exhibit responsibility, honesty, respectfulness and accountability.
- ◆ Preference will be given to girls from Tulsa, Washington, Osage, Nowata, Wagoner, Cherokee, Craig, Mayes, Okmulgee, Creek, Craig, Adair, Rogers, Ottawa, Delaware and Pawnee Counties.

## Financial Tidbits

When you are donating funds for Tech Trek, or recruiting donors, all funds need to go through the national AAUW office as a tax-deductible donation. That is the reason that checks should be made out to AAUW, with the memo as listed in the next article.

Some camps have successfully sold T-shirts and other items in the past. However, buyers cannot write these items off as tax-deductible donations.

## Wine Tasting Fundraiser Results

To date we have \$1,855 in funds and pledges from the Wine Tasting on October 17. Our goal for this fundraiser is \$2,500. **DONATIONS TO TECH TREK CAMP** are happily accepted even if you couldn't attend the fundraiser! Just send your check to Treasurer Gabrielle W. Jones, 1115 E. 36 St., Tulsa, OK 74105. **Checks should be made out to AAUW with "Tech Trek TU 2015" on the memo line.**

*"Tech Trek was my only strongly positive, hands-on, make-science-real-and-cool experience in all of middle school, and I credit it with saving my interest in science. Thank you for helping me to never join the girls at my high school who complained that math and science were boring or pointless."*

-Quote from a recent Tech Trek Camp attendee

You can learn more about Tech Trek at: <http://www.aauw.org/what-do-we-do/stem-education/tech-trek>. This includes a video of the Tech Trek camp at SWOSU in Weatherford.



# Notes

## Sexual Violence at Colleges and Universities

The regulations requiring colleges and universities to take new steps to end sexual violence are now final! Since they don't go into effect immediately, the Department of Education has asked schools to make "good faith" efforts to comply now. We have a responsibility to hold them accountable.

What can we do? Check your school's annual security report to see if it contains the information required (check the AAUW blog). You can stop by

the website of your alma mater, a local college or university, or the school your kids, friends, or relatives attend. Just type "annual security report" in the search bar. If you can't find it, that is worth noting!

A school's security report should have been updated on or by October 1. It should include new statistics on domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking incidents, and it should mention the steps the school is taking to comply with the new campus safety law. Let AAUW know what you find by emailing [advocacy@aauw.org](mailto:advocacy@aauw.org).



*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."*

## **AAUW National Convention — June 18-21, 2015/San Diego**

The AAUW National Convention is all about learning. Below are a sample of the workshops you will find at the convention. *Check the AAUW Facebook page for the latest updates.*

- ⇒ Building the Right Cocktail for Member Retention
- ⇒ Colleges and Universities 201: Taking Your C/U Recruitment and Retention to the Next Level
- ⇒ Crafting Your Personal Mission Statement
- ⇒ Diversity and Inclusion: Tools for Branches and States
- ⇒ Elect Her: How to Encourage Women to Run for Office
- ⇒ Fearless Fundraising
- ⇒ Financial Fitness and You: Estate Planning 101
- ⇒ Global Progress and Equality for Women: Get Educated and Take Action!
- ⇒ How Washington Works: A Policy Update with Your Top Lobbyist
- ⇒ The Impact of Your AAUW Dollar
- ⇒ Interest, Connection, and Sharing: The Formula for Engagement
- ⇒ Marketing Your Branch from A to Z
- ⇒ Moving the Needle: Women in Engineering and Computing
- ⇒ Programs, Passion, People: The Prescription for Recruitment Success!
- ⇒ Small but Mighty: How Your Small Branch Can Make Big Public Policy Change
- ⇒ What Stories Are under Your Bed? How to Preserve Your Historical Collections
- ⇒ Your Governance Structure Can be Your Friend



## **November, 2014 Calendar**

**November 4** Midterm Elections **VOTE!**  
*Make your voice heard on November 4!*

**November 4** Movie Group See Page 3.

**November 6, 12, 13, Dec. 4** BookSmart events  
See Page 2.

**November 11** Mystery Book Group See Page 3.

**November 12** Deadline for December-January  
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**November 13** November General Membership  
Meeting See Page 1.

**November 17** Adelante Book Group 6 p.m. See P. 3.

### **Looking Ahead . . .**

**December 4** Holiday Luncheon at Summit Club

**December 13** Gourmet Dinner Group

**June** Tech Trek at TU See Page 5.

**June 18-21, 2015** National Convention in San  
Diego