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## 2014 WINE TASTING FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2014  
5:30 P.M.—7:30 P.M.

At the home of Jan & Vondale Graham,  
312 E. 19th St. (between Madison and Detroit)

Benefiting AAVW Tech Trek\* STEM Camp for  
Middle School Girls, at University of Tulsa

Tickets: \$25.00

Make your donation  
at the wine tasting or mail it to:

Treasurer Gabril W. Jones  
1115 E. 36th St., Tulsa, OK 74105  
Please make checks payable to AAVW  
and note "AAUW Tech Trek"

Please RSVP to:

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NOTE: This fundraiser replaces our October General Membership Meeting.

*\*More information on Tech Trek on Page 5*



## President's Corner

Hope to see all of you, plus friends and family, at the upcoming fall events and meetings. We especially need all to attend the Wine and Cheese Tasting to raise money for AAUW Tech Trek/STEM camp. The Tulsa branch is excited to partner with The University of Tulsa for this great endeavor to ignite interest in the sciences for middle school aged girls.

In November, we will meet with Melodia Gutierrez, our regional liaison with Washington, D.C. We are inviting TU students and faculty to this special meeting. And December 4 will be our luncheon at the Summit Club to kick off the holiday season.

Please support AAUW with your attendance at these great events!

—Pam McDonald, President Tulsa Branch  
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## Branch Notes

**SAVE THE DATE**—Our Holiday Luncheon will be Thursday, December 4, 11:30 a.m. in the River Room at the Summit Club. More information in the next newsletter.

**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.

WOULDN'T YOU LIKE A  
7% RAISE?



### TULSA VOICE

Monthly newsletter of American Association of University Women,  
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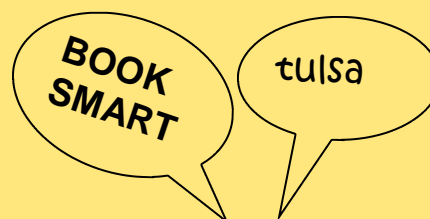
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## Wine & Cheese Fundraiser Notes

**TULSA BRANCH MEMBERS** are asked to bring appetizers for the Wine & Cheese Tasting Fundraiser on October 17.

**DONATIONS TO TECH TREK CAMP** are happily accepted even if you can't attend the fundraiser! Just send your check to the address listed in the Fundraiser invitation on Page 1. **Checks should be made out to AAUW with Tech Trek TU 2015 on the memo line.**

"Leadership is mischaracterized as a solo adventure. It's much more of a team sport"  
 --Professor and author Robert Sutton



**Rose Gold**

**Walter Mosely**

Presented with the John Hope Franklin  
 Center for Reconciliation  
**October 23, 7 p.m.**  
 Greenwood Cultural Center

**Its Day Being Gone**

**Rose McLarney**

Winner of the National Poetry Series  
**October 28, 7:00 p.m.**  
 Mainline Art Bar

**The Frog King and Goodbye Lemon**

**Adam Davies**

**November 6, 2014**  
 Location TBA

**Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls**

**Davis Sedaris**

**November 12, 2014**  
 Tulsa Performing Arts Center

## Interest Groups



### ADELANTE READING GROUP

For National Disability Employment Awareness Month, our book on Monday, October 20, is The Woman Who Changed Her Brain: And Other Inspiring Stories of Pioneering Brain Transformation by Barbara Arrowsmith-Young.

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)  
to be added to the group mailing list.

### 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 each month.**

Questions or further information?  
Call Linda Brooks, 918-664-9914, or  
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### 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 Africa as they try to achieve secondary education.

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### GOURMET GROUP

Many thanks to Gisele McDaniel on hosting the "Oktoberfest" meal last month!

Our next Gourmet Dinner will be December 13, at the home of Ginny and Mike Ayling.



## Our Branch Family

**OUR SYMPATHY** to Jean Asbury Eames on the recent death of her husband, **Leonard Eames**.

**OUR SYMPATHY** to Rose Unterschuetz on the recent death of her sister-in-law.

## MEMBERSHIP NOTES

Here are some things we can all be doing to entice others to join our excellent organization:

**SPEAK OUT** - Write a letter to the editor, blog, organize a rally, host a salon, or even start a new interest group. Women who share our passion for social justice should know about our group, its activities and important link to our Federal Government.

**PROTECT WOMEN'S RIGHTS** - Elections matter. Help get out the vote on Tuesday, November 4. Volunteer to help with voter registration, drive those who wish to vote but lack transportation to the polls, work the polls.

**EDUCATE YOURSELF** - Find the latest research on women's issues on [www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org) and keep up with the conversation at Facebook.com/AAUW National or on Twitter @AAUW.

**FIGHT FOR FAIR PAY AND AGAINST DISCRIMINATION** - Join the AAUW Action Network which lets you take action on the issues that matter in just two minutes.

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Prospect's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone # (w) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_

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(Return to: Judy Anderson, 3763 E 48th Pl, Tulsa, OK 74135)

# Empowering Women 101 Issue Forum

*You are cordially invited to join  
AAUW Tulsa to celebrate women's  
advocacy in Oklahoma and to  
participate in a vital discussion about  
the empowerment of women.*

When: Thursday, November 13\*  
at 6:00 p.m.

Where: University of Tulsa,  
Room TBD,  
800 S. Tucker Drive



**"We cannot succeed  
if half of us are held back."  
Malaia Yousafzai**

This is a complimentary event. Light snacks will be available.

Special Guest: Melodia Gutiérrez, AAUW Regional Field Director

\*Branch Members: This is our November General Membership Meeting.

**46th—Oklahoma's ranking for the well-being of girls in the state according to Girl Scouts of America. Factors considered included physical health and safety, economic well-being, education, emotional health and extracurricular activities.**

## Tech Trek Plans Ongoing



Plans for the **2014 Tech Trek Tulsa** are evolving every day!

AAUW has approved our application and our Tech Trek is now listed on the national AAUW website. Site Director Xan Black will be in Washington, D.C. next week for the Tech Trek training; we are looking forward to hearing from her upon her return.

The budget has been set; \$32,900 will fund the week-long camp for 50 middle school girls. The girls pay only \$50 for the camp. Luckily, the Schusterman Foundation has stepped up and pledged \$15,000, if we (Tulsa Branch) can match it! So, our work is cut out for us. We hope to receive some help from the Tahlequah and Stillwater branches.

STEM education has been causing a lot of debate lately. Every week we see news items relating to STEM. Currently the United States ranks 25th in math and 17th in science among developed nations.

STEM jobs are growing rapidly in number every year. The STEM workforce suffers because women are greatly underrepresented in these fields. Tech Trek is designed to develop interest, excitement, and self-confidence in STEM among rising eighth-grade girls.

Tech Trek assures girls that they are just as capable as their male counterparts, and exposes them to daily labs, workshops, and field trips to increase their active engagement and exploratory learning.

The girls are also surrounded by successful women role models. Held on college campuses, the camps give attendees a peek into college life and help them envision themselves going on to pursue higher education.

Tech Trek alumnae not only complete a higher number of science and math courses in high school than the national average, but they also attend college at a higher rate.

AAUW's upcoming research report, *Moving the Needle: Women in Engineering and Computing*, will feature the latest data on girls' achievement in subjects related to engineering and computing, how few women are working in these fields, and what can be done.

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.



## Notes

### 2014-15 Supreme Court Preview Member Call

October 22, at 7 p.m. Central, AAUW's Legal Advocacy Fund staff will hold a Conference Call and Webinar, free to AAUW members. Go to the [aauw.org](http://aauw.org) website to register for the Preview Call. This year the Supreme Court will consider a number of cases with the potential to affect the rights of women and girls, including cases interpreting the Pregnancy Discrimination Act, and more fallout from the court's disastrous *Hobby Lobby* decision.

### Get Out the Midterm Vote

Your efforts are needed to make sure young women vote in the 2014 midterm elections. Voter participation typically drops during midterm cycles, but AAUW and the AAUW Action Fund believe in the power of women's voices and the power of branches and states to get young women to the polls. Resources are available to help you educate and turn out voters, as well as to check your own voting status. **Make your voice heard on November 4!**





*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."*

## **Mission & Action**

### **The Gender Pay Gap in Oklahoma**

According to the most recent statistics from the US Census Bureau, the median earnings for U.S. women working full time, year-round were just 78 percent of U.S. men's median earnings. Progress to close the gap has stalled during the last decade and the gap is even larger for women of color and for moms.

In Oklahoma, women's earnings ratio is only 75 percent. Median earnings for men in Oklahoma were \$42,116 compared to women's median earnings of \$31,539.

In Oklahoma District 1, Bridenstine's district, median earnings for men are \$45,330, for women, \$33,321, a ratio of 74%. In District 2, Mullin's district, median earnings for men are \$39,390, and for women, \$29,656, a ratio of 75%. So, you can see Oklahoma's pay gap for women is even worse than the national average.

It's clear the pay gap is unlikely to go away on its own. That's why AAUW and our more than 170,000 members and supporters are leading a nationwide campaign to close the pay gap and end pay discrimination. [Go to FightForFairPay.org for more information.](http://FightForFairPay.org)



## **October, 2014 Calendar**

**October 7** Movie Group See Page 3.

**October 12** Deadline for September TULSA VOICE.

**October 17** Wine Tasting Fundraiser See P. 1.

**October 20** Adelante Book Group 6 p.m. See P. 3.

**October 22** AAUW Conference Call & Webinar See Page 5.

**October 23, 28, November 6, 12** BookSmart events See Page 2.

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

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

**November 13** General Membership Meeting See Page 4.

**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

## **Looking Ahead . . .**

**November 4** Midterm Elections **VOTE!**