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## SEXUAL ASSAULT IN THE MILITARY

*...because equity is still an issue!*

### February General Membership Meeting

- Date:** **Tuesday, February 18, 2014**
- Time:** 6:00 P.M.
- Place:** Rose Unterschuetz's home, 5820 S. Evanston Ct., Tulsa
- Program:** "INVISIBLE WAR"  
DOCUMENTARY ON MILITARY SEXUAL ASSAULT
- Menu:** Pizza, Wings, Pasta
- Cost:** \$10.00
- Bring:** Books to sell each other, AAUW Funds donation.
- RSVP:** Please contact **Judy Anderson** at [edandjudy57@cox.net](mailto:edandjudy57@cox.net) or leave a message at **539-664-4661** by **Monday, February 17.**



Invisible War, an award winning movie at the Sundance Festival which deals with military sexual assault, will be viewed at our February meeting.



Elle Helmer, plaintiff in an AAUW-supported military sexual assault case  
*(from Outlook, Fall 2013)*

AAUW is actively involved in working on the problem of sexual assault in our nation's military. We are currently supporting three plaintiffs in the AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund-supported class-action lawsuits against the military.

In August, Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel announced a number of new steps that the U.S. Department of Defense will take to prevent and respond to sexual assault in the military. These include providing legal representa-

tion to victims throughout the judicial process and allowing victims to give input in sentencing, among other measures.

The DOD estimates that 26,000 sexual assaults occur in the military each year, but between 80 and 90 percent of them go unreported.

The Sexual Assault Training Oversight and Prevention (STOP) Act, which was reintroduced in the House in April by Rep. Jackie Speier (D-CA), proposes additional changes in how the military deals with the issue, including creating an independent office to handle cases and launching a sexual assault database for offenders. The bill has strong support from victims, including the three plaintiffs AAUW supports.

Even if you have seen this documentary before, please attend this meeting and join in the discussion. Bring a friend!

## President's Corner

Again this month we are offering a wonderful program. A little different for our meeting is a more intimate get-together at Rose's house for the documentary viewing of "The Invisible War".

Sexual assault in the military is a real problem that mostly has been ignored and basically swept under the rug. But hope for change is on the horizon as President Obama has proposed new guidelines for the military.

Let's hope they act on these and change will commence. In the meantime, awareness and pressure from the public at large will hopefully hold the military's "feet to the fire". AAUW will continue to keep this issue in the forefront.

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*The Oklahoma Center for Poets and Writers at  
 OSU-Tulsa presents*

### An Evening with Kathryn Stockett

Thursday, March 27, 7:00 p.m.  
 Tulsa PAC-Chapman Music Hall

The bestselling author of *The Help* will be sharing insights about her work, answering your questions, and autographing books.

Tickets are \$10, plus handling charges;  
 purchase online at  
[myticketoffice.com](http://myticketoffice.com)  
 or in person at the Tulsa PAC box office.

For phone orders call  
 918-596-7111.

Students, teachers, and Center members  
 are eligible for discount rates.

*"Write about what disturbs you, particularly if it  
 bothers no one else."* Kathryn Stockett

#### TULSA VOICE

Monthly newsletter of American Association of University Women,  
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## February is Black History Month

The following is a list of remarkable black Oklahoma women compiled by Jean Warner:

**Ms. Lennie Tolliver**—appointed by Pres. Reagan to be Director of the U.S. Commission on Aging

**Juanita Kidd Stout** -(1919-1998), first black woman admitted to OK Bar, served on Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

**Clara Luper and students** –participated in the first lunch counter sit-ins at Katz Drug Store in Oklahoma City in 1958; pioneer in American Civil Rights Movement

**Valree Fletcher Wynn** –First black to teach at Lawton High School and at Cameron University.

**Coretta Banks** –becomes the first African American to participate in the Miss Oklahoma Beauty Pageant in 1970.

**Leona Mitchell, 1949**– Renowned African-American and Chickasaw operatic soprano, an OCU graduate.

**Maxine Horner** –with **Vicki Miles-LaGrange** –first black woman elected to OK Senate (1987); helped found OK Jazz Hall of Fame.

**Anita Hill** –Law professor's testimony addressed sexual harassment at Clarence Thomas hearing.

**Judith Horton** –told she couldn't use Guthrie's white library, founded the first black library, Excelsior Library, in 1908.

**Vicki Miles-LaGrange** –Chief US District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma.

**Dorothy Moses DeWitty** –1926-2012, first black woman principal of a Tulsa Public School, and on the Tulsa City Council.

**Cleora Butler, 1901-1985** –famed Tulsa caterer/restaurateur, and author of Cleora's Kitchens.

**Nancy Randolph-Davis** –educator, activist, first black student to enroll at Oklahoma State University

**Okie Bessie Coleman** -(1892-1926) the world's first licensed black aviator.

### Interest Groups

#### ADELANTE READING GROUP



Come to Rose's home (5820 S. Evanston Ct.) on Tuesday, February 11, 6 p.m. Our meal will be pot luck.

Our book will be The Girls of Atomic City by Denise Kiernan. It is the story of a forgotten chapter of American history, when thousands of civilians, many of them young women, came to Oak Ridge, Tennessee, to work, enticed by solid wages and the promise of war-ending work.

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

#### MYSTERY BOOK GROUP

The Mystery Book Group will next meet on **Wednesday, March 12**, at 7:00 p.m. at Barnes and Noble Café at 41st and Yale. Please read any mystery by Jacqueline Winspear, the Maisie Dobbs series.



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

#### GOURMET GROUP

The Gourmet Group will meet Saturday, March 1, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at The Bistro at Seville, located at 101st and Yale. We will have a private room and will order from the menu.



You can visit their website at: [www.bistroatseville.com](http://www.bistroatseville.com) to view the dinner menu. Please RSVP to Janet Hyne by Thursday, February 27th: [jhyne@att.net](mailto:jhyne@att.net) or 918-639-4583. Bon Appetit!

#### MOVIE GROUP



The Movie Group will not meet in February; we'll count the documentary viewing at our GMM on February 18 as our meeting. See you in March!

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

### Our Branch Family

**OUR SYMPATHY** to **Eva Pope-Garret** on the death of her step-daughter **Geraldine Garrett** January 6, 2014.

### MEMBERSHIP NOTES

AAUW released two new large-scale research reports in 2013: "*Graduating to a Pay Gap: The Earnings of Women and Men One Year After College Graduation*" and "*Women in Community Colleges: Access to Success*". Both were widely cited in the media, including in the Washington Post, U.S. News and World Report, and the New York Times.

In addition, AAUW also released an update of The Simple Truth About the Gender Pay Gap that analyzes current data comparing women's and men's wages.

Your national organization is playing a vital role in the fight to achieve pay equality and better opportunities for women.

We welcomed several visitors at our January GMM: **Vacie Deal**, **Marcy Edwards**, and **Seidah Rasheed**. We hope you will return soon and join our band of women advocating for women's education.

Your local organization provides you with a conduit to all that is happening on the national level in addition to providing information regarding local efforts in line with our interests, stimulating programs and interest groups. Please forward to me the names and contact information of potential members.

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## “Working Women in America: Then and Now”

### ARK/OK AAUW State Convention

**April 4-6, 2014\***  
**Bentonville, Arkansas**

#### Friday, April 4

- 4-6 pm **Register and visit** in lower lobby at  
*Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art*
- 4-9 pm **Browse** the museum at your own pace  
Or, take the  
*“Inspiring Women”* Guided Tour for AAUW  
(Pre-register by Mar. 21 -\$12.00 fee)
- 7-9 pm **First Friday** Bentonville Community Event  
on south lawn of Crystal Bridges; “French  
Riviera” theme, limited refreshments

*Friday night dinner on your own.*

#### Saturday, April 5

*Shewmaker Center for Global Enterprise @  
Northwest Arkansas Community College*

- 8 am Registration, Peterson Auditorium
- 9 a.m. Welcome and Flag Ceremony
- 9:30 am **Rosie the Riveter**, Library of Congress  
Documentary
- 9:45 am Speaker - **Community Colleges:  
Preparing Women for the Workforce**
- 10:45 am Break
- 11:00 am Workshop  
**Girls of Promise (AR)**  
**Tech Trek (OK)**
- 12:15 pm **AAUW Public Policy for 2014-2015 -**  
Lunch Speaker
- 1:45 pm Panel Presentation:  
**Working Women in Middle American Today**
- 3:45 pm State Business Meetings
- 6:30 pm **Banquet**, Walmart Auditorium, Shewmaker  
Center for Workforce Technologies
- ◆ **Carrie Hattaway** by Nancy Hendrix, member Hot  
Springs/Hot Springs Village Branch
  - ◆ **National AAUW President Patricia Ho**
  - ◆ **Silent Auction items awarded**

#### Sunday, April 6

**Eleanor Roosevelt Walk** - Crystal Bridges has  
about 3.5 miles of lightly wooded walking trails, also  
connected to Compton Gardens for another half mile

\* The Convention will replace Tulsa Branch's  
April General Membership Meeting.

## Branch News Briefs

**AAUW BRANCH** approved a Gift of \$200 to Tech  
Trek at SWOSU in July. 48 girls will be immersed  
in STEM projects for a week at camp. The event  
is designed to create interest, excitement, and  
self-confidence in young women entering the 8th  
grade.

“**STAND UP FOR OK WOMEN**” campaign in  
April this year coincides with “Equal Pay Day”,  
April 8, 2014. **Melodia Gutierrez**, AAUW Field  
Organizer for TX, LA, and OK, is gathering a peti-  
tion to present to Gov. Fallin.

**\$745** was raised at our Wine & Cheese Fund-  
raiser in November, for local scholarships.

## “Women and Work”

*Part of a five-year series on Women and Poverty*  
University of Tulsa Women's and Gender Studies  
2013-2014 Event Series

**Theatrical Production**  
**February 21-22, 2014, 7:30 p.m.**  
**Meinig Recital Hall, Lorton Performance Ctr.**

WGS students will direct this two-night perform-  
ance consisting of original monologues written by  
TU students on the theme of rape culture. Tickets  
will be sold at the door, and all proceeds from the  
show will be donated to a local organization.

**BOOK  
SMART**

tulsa

**Date to be determined**

FAB LAB

**Our Mathematical Universe**

Max Tegmark

**Wednesday, February 19, 7 p.m.**

Dwelling Spaces

**The Last Werewolf**

Glen Duncan





Illustration by The Washington Post

## Fight for equal pay continues

Lily Ledbetter was at the State of the Union address when President Obama kicked off his “year of action” by promising an executive order raising the minimum wage for federal contractors. The President was silent about Lilly’s (and AAUW’s) request for action to protect workers from employers who discriminate.

Women working full time, year round, are still paid 77 cents on average for every dollar paid to men (and even less for women of color). The reality remains that women actually know if they are being paid unfairly, and some don’t feel safe asking those questions at work for fear of retaliation from their bosses. They could even be fired!

**Urge the President to tell federal contractors: If you’re going to do business with the government, you can’t fire or otherwise retaliate against employees who ask about wage practices or share their personal salary information!**

January 29, 2014 was the fifth anniversary of the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, the first bill the President signed into law. Congress won’t fix this problem; urge President Obama to issue an anti-retaliation executive order!

*(from AAUW Action Network, January 29, 2014)*

# AAUW MISSION & ACTION

### **Stand Up for Your Right to Vote**

This past summer a key provision of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 was struck down. Tell your members of Congress to find a bipartisan solution to protect voting rights nationwide.

### **Make Your Voice Heard with Action Network**

In this new year of 2014 add signing up for Action Network to your list of New Year’s resolutions. Join the AAUW activists around the country who continue to speak up for equity for women and girls — and encourage the activists you know to do the same!

### **Are You a Title IX Champion?**

Whether you’ve promoted awareness, supported women’s athletics, or investigated compliance, AAUW wants to recognize your Title IX efforts. Send a summary and a picture of your Title IX event to [laf@aauw.org](mailto:laf@aauw.org); you’ll receive a Title IX Champion award to display on your branch’s Facebook page. Nominate a champion today!

### **New Year, New Career?**

Are you or is someone you know looking for a

new job? Check out [New Scientist Jobs](#) and [CareerBuilder](#)! Both these AAUW member benefits are free to use and contain all the latest and greatest job postings. Pass them on to the new graduates in your life as well.

### **Ask Your Alma Mater to Join AAUW**

Your alma mater can join AAUW and receive 15 months of membership for the price of 12. Through February 28, institutions can join as college/university partner members at the budget-friendly rate of \$125. To find out how to recruit your school go to [aauw.org](http://aauw.org) and then to the [resources](#) link.

### **Alumnae in the News—Your Philanthropy at Work**

Former International Fellow and International Project Grantee Otgontugs Banzragch, featured in the Fall 2013 [AAUW Outlook](#), was recently appointed Dean of the Graduate School and Dean of the School of Economics at the National University of Mongolia. And 1985-86 International Fellow Dictynna Hood has released her first major film, [Wreckers](#), which has received great reviews!

*(from AAUW Action Network, January 16, 2014)*



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."

**Write your representatives and senators!**

- Here are web pages with contact information:
- U.S. Senators - [http://www.senate.gov/general/contact\\_information/senators\\_cfm.cfm](http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm)
- U.S. House of Representatives - <http://clerk.house.gov/members/index.html>
- Oklahoma House of Representatives - <http://www.lsb.state.ok.us/house/ohorpage.htm>
- Oklahoma Senate - <http://www.oksenate.gov/>



**February, 2014 Calendar**

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