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Alhambra - San Gabriel Branch

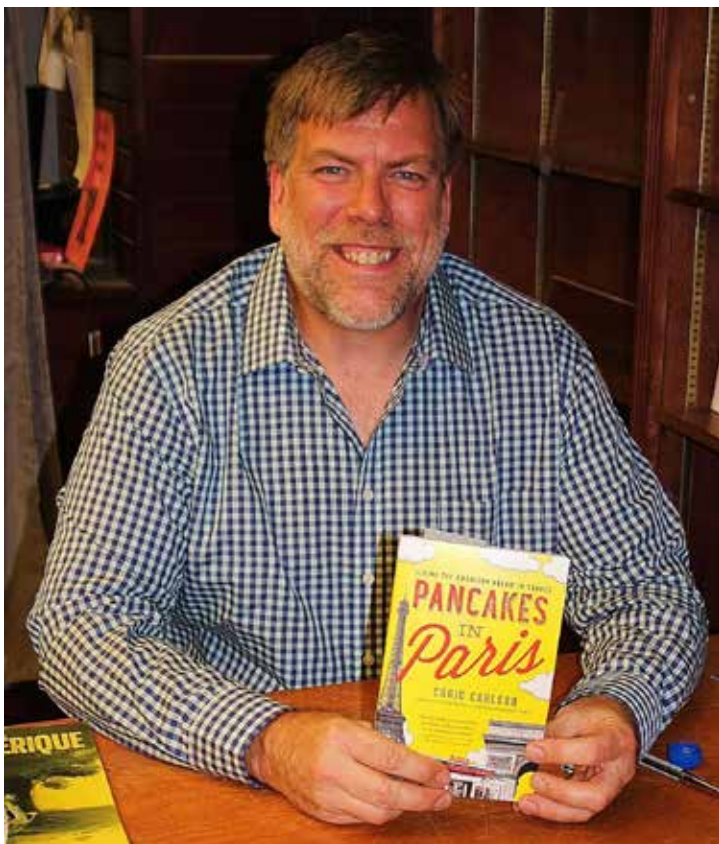
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AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research.

January, 2018



Craig Carlson!

Craig Carlson was the last person anyone would expect to open an American diner in Paris. He came from humble beginnings in a workingclass town in Connecticut, had never worked in a restaurant and didn't know anything about starting a brand-new business. From his first visit to Paris, Craig knew he had found the city of his dreams. But one thing was still missing--the good ol' American breakfast he loved so much.

"Pancakes in Paris" is the story of Craig tackling the impossible--from raising the money to fund his dream to tracking down international suppliers for "exotic" American ingredients... and even finding love along the way. His diner, Breakfast in America, is now a renowned tourist destination, and the story of how it came to be is just as delicious and satisfying as the classic breakfast that tops its menu.

Lunch with Restaurateur and Author Craig Carlson

12:30 p.m., Saturday, January 20, 2018

Joslyn Center in Story Park
210 N Chapel Ave, Alhambra

You will want to invite friends to attend this charming, unique experience.

AUTHORS LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

No later than January 15, 2018, please send reservations and payment to:

Cheryl Plotkin, 201 S. Golden West Ave., Arcadia, CA 91007

Save me _____ seats @ \$20.00 = _____ Total Due

Guest Names: _____

In principle and 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 or disability.

Tech Trek Fundraiser

The Tech Trek Committee would like to thank our members, their families and friends for supporting our Talbots fundraiser in November. We were able to raise \$635.51 for Tech Trek. In addition, my good friend, Ann Kimball, donated \$50 since she could not attend the fundraiser. I would also like to thank our committee members, Rozanne Child, Bonnie Gonzalez, Sue Carr, Lyda Chee, Virginia Orenos and Sandra Jelinek who supervised our Tech Trek table in the store.

Lilia

Membership

Welcome to 2018. I hope you all had amazing holidays and are ready for the new year.

Welcome Leticia (Letty) Peralta, one of our newest members. She has been married 27 years and is the mother of two handsome young men: Oscar will be finishing his degree from Cal State Northridge and Steven is a senior at Alhambra High School. Leticia has been working for Verizon for the last 26 years and is managing their largest health care client, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan.

She started working on her degree in 1990 and completed her Bachelors Degree in Business Administration with a specialization in Project Management from Capella University.

She plays soccer on three women's teams, enjoys running and Zumba and is an avid Dodger fan.

She is a goal-oriented person with a thirst for knowledge.

She loves cooking and trying new recipes. Her favorite holiday is Thanksgiving; she loves to host Thanksgiving dinner.

She is also the aunt of Jessica Arthur, a long time member of our branch.

On another note we will be hosting our second Meet Up event. Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at 6:30 PM at Marie Callender's, 220 South Atlantic Blvd., Monterey Park. We hope you will bring a friend to this event where they can ask questions and get one-on-one time with branch members.

Next month we will feature our other new member Christine Lee.

Deanna

President's Message

Welcome, 2018! I hope you all had memorable holidays. As Mark Twain once said, "On with the dance, let joy be unconfined" is my motto, whether there's any dance to dance or any joy to unconfine." There is plenty of joy to be unconfined in the coming months with AAUW Alhambra-San Gabriel, starting with the Author's luncheon January 20th. The joy will continue with Speech Trek in February, the AAUW Fund event in March and the Annual Meeting in April. It is not too soon to mark these events on your calendar in anticipation of the joy. Nor is it too soon to begin to consider what role you will play in bringing joy to the Alhambra-San Gabriel Branch in the 2018-2019 year by considering taking an office. After all, Alhambra-San Gabriel Branch will be 75 years old in 2019 and your help will be needed to continue on with the dance!



Kathleen Doty

Wishing you peace and happiness in 2018.
See you January 20th!

Kathleen



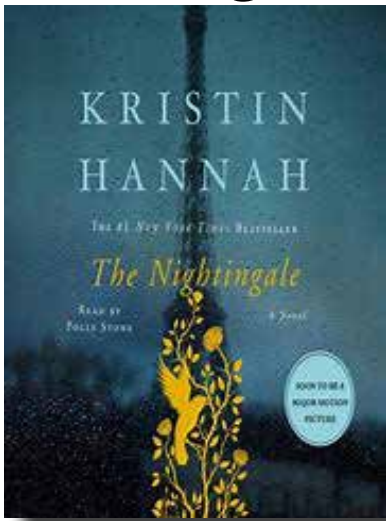
April 27-29, 2018

Irvine Marriott

18000 Von Karman Avenue in Irvine

Celebrate the advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research we do to achieve equity for women and girls! Connect with like-minded people. Attend revitalizing workshops. Hear entertaining speakers, including this year's Speech Trek competition. Celebrate the 20th anniversary of Tech Trek. Watch for more details in the winter issue of the *California Perspective*. You won't want to miss this!

The Nightingale



With courage, grace, and powerful insight, bestselling author Kristin Hannah captures the epic panorama of World War II and illuminates an intimate part of history seldom seen: the women's war. The Nightingale tells the stories of two sisters, separated by years and experience, by ideals, passion and

circumstance, each embarking on her own dangerous path toward survival, love, and freedom in German-occupied, war-torn France--a heartbreakingly beautiful novel that celebrates the resilience of the human spirit and the durability of women. It is a novel for everyone, a novel for a lifetime.

"Beautifully written and richly evocative." Sara Gruen, #1 New York Times bestselling author

All books on the Evening Book Group's reading list are available at Vroman's Books in Pasadena for a reduced price. Go to the "Will Call" window on the second floor and tell them the name of the book and also that you are a member of "Alhambra San Gabriel AAUW."



Victor is a ruthless fashion designer in the 1970s at the top of his game. Esme, his glamorous protégé and muse, is pushed aside when an ordinary Midwestern woman inspires Victor to make his artistry accessible to the masses. A generation later, a woman grappling with a healthy dose of self-loathing must wrestle her own family demons to find her way through the world of fashion that won't give a woman her size a second look. Skipping back and forth in time, Everything You Touch is a viciously funny look at the struggle to find an identity that's more than skin deep.

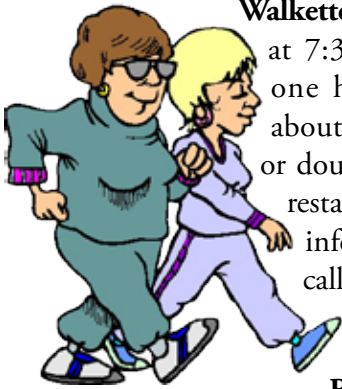
"You may have seen your share of makeovers, but nothing like the one Sheila Callaghan inflicts on her heroine in Everything You Touch, her lushly written dark comedy world-premiering at Boston Court Performing Arts Center." - Los Angeles Times



The Gabrielino High School Chamber Singers filled the room and our hearts with holiday cheer during the December program.

ACTIVITIES

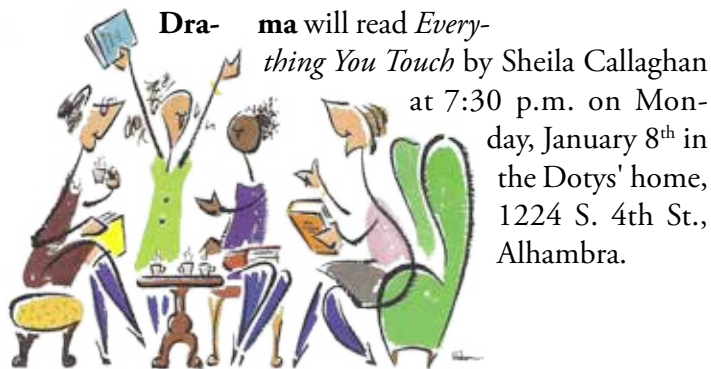
Where the Fun will be in January
Join Us! Start the new year with a new activity!



Walkettes meets every Sunday morning at 7:30 a.m. We walk for about one hour and have breakfast at about 8:30 a.m. In case of rainy or doubtful weather we meet at the restaurant at 8:00 a.m. For further information or directions, please call Mary Smeritschnig.

Board Meeting will be on Tuesday, January 2nd, at 7:30 p.m. (socializing starts at 7:00 p.m.) in Kathleen Doty's home, 1224 S. 4th St., Alhambra.

Professional Women Gourmets will be hosted by Jan Mangerino on January 6th.



Drama will read *Everything You Touch* by Sheila Callaghan at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, January 8th in the Dotys' home, 1224 S. 4th St., Alhambra.

Meet Up event. Wednesday, January 10th at 6:30 p.m. at Marie Callender's, 220 South Atlantic Blvd., Monterey Park.

Lunch with restaurateur and author Craig Carlson as he describes opening an American cafe in Paris. 12:30 p.m., Saturday, January 20th, at the Joslyn Center in Story Park, 210 N Chapel Ave, Alhambra (\$20, see Page 1).



Evening Books will get together at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, January 22nd to discuss *The Nightengale* by Kristin Hannah in Dolores Seidman's home, 254 Bloom Dr. in Monterey Park.

Restaurant Gourmets will dine on January 27th at 6:30 p.m. at Mancora Peruvian Cuisine, 240 W. Main St., Alhambra. This is a hole in the wall - no alcohol or hot drinks but it has great comfort food in a relaxed atmosphere. Hope to see you there. Call Deanna Arthur with suggestions and or questions.



AAUW Fund Raffle

Dining with the Dotys

Let us prepare a semi-formal dinner for you and three of your friends in our home in Alhambra on May 12th (or as arranged). Raffle tickets are \$10 each - 3 for \$25. Please make checks payable to "AAUW Fund". All tickets and proceeds must be turned in by April 1, 2018 to the Dotys (1224 S. 4th St., Alhambra, CA. 91801). The winning ticket will be drawn on April 16, 2018. Ticket holders do not need to be present at the drawing to win.



One hundred percent of ticket proceeds will be donated to AAUW Fund to help complete unfinished AAUW California endowments. Questions? Call 626-284-0763

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