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AAUW Torrance presents

BECOMING WORLD CITIZENS

A program about travel
with MCC accredited travel advisor

Stella Leontsini

Stella grew up in Greece, studied in Switzerland, has travelled extensively throughout the world and now custom designs itineraries for groups and individuals with emphasis on culture, music, opera & the arts. Join us and bring all your travel questions!

Saturday,
November 12, 2016
9:30 am

at the Torrance Airport Community Room
3301 Airport Drive, Torrance

(Between Hawthorne & Crenshaw at Zamperini Way)

**BRING YOUR COFFEE CUP – OR PICK UP ONE FREE – AND ENJOY OUR
NEW KEURIG COFFEE / TEA MAKER,
(THANKS TO A GENEROUS DONATION BY JANICE POMERANTZ)
AS WELL AS LIGHT SNACKS**

Schedule:

9:30 am – Networking & light refreshments

9:45 am – Welcome and announcements

10:00 am – Our speaker

**“Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrow-mindedness...”
Mark Twain, Innocents Abroad**

Photos, L to R, Top to Bottom:

Shinto Shrine (Japan), Synagogue (Israel), Hindu Temple (India), Mosque (Turkey), Cathedral (UK),
and Stupas (Buddhist) in Bagan, Myanmar

President's Message

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

...on a successful Tech Trek Celebration! The Oct. 18th event was held, once again, at the generously provided Toyota Automobile Museum in Torrance. Not only was this a chance to witness firsthand what an impact Tech Trek has on our young campers, it was an opportunity to send a big thank you to our generous sponsors:

ALCOA FOUNDATION, SYMANTEC CORPORATION, the W.M. KECH
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MOOG, INC., and branch members VICKI GOORCHENKO and ATHENA PAQUETTE.
Well done, EPC!

ATTENTION TRAVEL BUGS: Coming up on November 12th is a presentation on
tourism and how it can broaden our lives. See the flyer on page one.

See you then, Elaine

The next board meeting will be at 7 pm, Tuesday, November 1st at my home

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Our Holiday Party this year will be at the beautiful & spacious home of Peggy Monga
on

Saturday, December 3rd, at 4 pm! Watch for more info in your December Telegram.

Educational Partnership Committee

Please note that our next EPC meeting will be held a week later than usual...on Thursday, November 17, 2016 at 6:30 pm at Nancy Brock's residence, 21345 Hawthorne Blvd. Please call Nancy's cell ((650) 678-5522) to gain entrance.

Our Tech Trek Celebration on October 18 was a wonderful evening to hear from all 32 of our campers as they shared experiences from their week at Tech Trek Camp. The girls each did a presentation about some aspect of their week of STEM at one of the four college campuses. Their enthusiasm, poise and appreciation for their Tech Trek week was delightful and inspiring to see. We are appreciative of all the educators, sponsors and AAUW members who came to support and congratulate the girls. We are so grateful to **Toyota and Susan Sanborn** for the use of the Automobile Museum and for all the facility arrangements that Toyota does for us. The Celebration was truly a team effort with so many AAUW members helping out before the event and during the evening. Thank you to **Jessica Hassen** for doing all the photography and to **Maymie Chenowith, Janice Pomerantz, Inetha Foster, and Pat Arnett** for helping organize the campers and sponsors for pictures. Thank you to **Karen Hassen** for coordinating the program and arranging all the camper topics and many details of the Celebration, and to **Pat Carroll, Ann DuPuy, Nancy Brock, and Inetha Foster** who worked so hard helping the campers with their presentations. **Gloria Liu** provided guidance and computer expertise and attended to many parts of the program. Thank you to **Athena Paquette Cormier** for the use of her laptop so that we could share the campers' Power Point presentations. Members **Inetha Foster, Janice Pomerantz, Elle Oliver, and Pat Carroll** signed in campers, sponsors, educators and other guests. **Pat Arnett and Maymie Chenowith** coordinated the post camp surveys. **Peggy Monga** helped in coordinating details and was the master of ceremonies at the Celebration with presenters **Elaine Bohrer and Pat Arnett**. **Michele Freck** introduced the campers, TTAG speakers, and dorm mom **Judy Hill**. **Nancy Brock and Inetha Foster** arranged the seating for the girls, and **Judy Hill and Maymie Chenowith** directed the guests. Thank you to all the members who brought cookies and to **Nancy Kenney, Pat Arnett and Maymie Chenowith** for arranging the refreshments. We were so happy to have the assistance of Tech Trek Alumnae Group members **Logan Hayes, Sophie Maguy, Sierra Miral and advisor Pam Kenoyer** who also spoke of the importance of the campers staying connected to TTAG. TTAG just recently hosted an information night regarding STEM careers and college opportunities.

Now we are ready to begin plans for 2017 Tech Trek. We hope that you will join us in this very worthwhile and rewarding mission. **See you on the 17th!!**

Special get well wishes to **Karen Hassen** who is recovering from knee replacement surgery. She continued to work on our program from her hospital bed! We are so appreciative of all of her help and dedication.

Margot Sullivan

Interest Groups

Diversity Book Group

Date & Time: Friday, November 18, 6:30pm

At the home of Karen Peters

RSVP to Lydia Hachmeister McCarver at lydiaemcbh@yahoo.com

The Aviator's Wife by Melanie Benjamin (2013)

For much of her life, Anne Morrow, the shy daughter of the U.S. ambassador to Mexico, has stood in the shadows of those around her, including her millionaire father and vibrant older sister, who often steals the spotlight. Then Anne, a college senior with hidden literary aspirations, travels to Mexico City to spend Christmas with her family. There she meets Colonel Charles Lindbergh, fresh off his celebrated 1927 solo flight across the Atlantic. Enthralled by Charles's assurance and fame, Anne is certain the aviator has scarcely noticed her. But she is wrong.

Drawing on the rich history of the twentieth century--from the late twenties to the mid-sixties--and featuring cameos from such notable characters as Joseph Kennedy and Amelia Earhart, *The Aviator's Wife* is a vividly imagined novel of a complicated marriage--revealing both its dizzying highs and its devastating lows. With stunning power and grace, Melanie Benjamin provides new insight into what made this remarkable relationship endure.

Evening Literature Group

Date & Time: Tuesday, November 15, 7:30pm

At the home of Dana Basiulis

RSVP to Lisa Blank at 310-835-9613 or girlphd@juno.com.

River of Darkness by Rennie Airth

An intelligent, well-plotted psychological mystery. The first novel in the John Madden mystery series. Set in a small village in post-WW II England, Madden is sent to investigate a gruesome attack. The local police dismiss the slaughter as a botched robbery, but Madden detects the signs of a madman at work. The New York Times wrote, "It's the tactics and the terrain, the morale and the characters that make the difference between an average thriller and one as good as this."

Coming in December: Holiday Pot Luck

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TOPIC: Managing Holiday Stress

Date & Time: Wednesday, November 2, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

PLACE: Private Residence

Please RSVP BY Tuesday, November 1st to Susan at susimone@aol.com

Or, for questions, call 310-377-0642.

Film Group

Date & Time: Wednesday, November 16, 7:00 pm

At the home of Elaine Bohrer

RSVP to 310-376-3352 or elnbohrer@aol.com

Interest Groups, continued

Film Group, cont.

East and West families questioning their choices in life. Both available at Torrance and Redondo Libraries and on Netflix DVD. Join us for light refreshments and conversation. Everybody's a critic!

TERMS OF ENDEARMENT (1983)(2000)(Rated PG) James L. Brooks produced, wrote and directed this Academy Award-winning drama that follows widowed Aurora (Shirley MacLaine) and her daughter, Emma (Debra Winger), through the years as they support each other through relationships with various men -- and deal with heartbreaking tragedy. This adaptation of Larry McMurtry's novel won five Oscars, including Best Picture, Best Actress (MacLaine), Best Director and Best Supporting Actor (Jack Nicholson).

Yi Yi (1999)(2000)(Rated NR) Edward Yang directs this warm and thoughtful drama that focuses on computer worker N.J. and his family, living an affluent lifestyle in Taipei. They are suffering a crisis of self-doubt when, following a chance meeting with a former lover, N.J. starts to question the assumptions on which his life is based. "Only rarely is a film this observant and tender about the ups and downs of daily existence"—Ebert 3 ½ stars.

We will not have a Film Group in December, as is usual.

TEATIME IN TORRANCE BRANCH

I am delighted to announce that 10 terrific members have agreed to stage tables for our April 29 Tea Fundraiser: Pat, Elaine, Pat, Becky, Keri, Eunice, Judith, Pam, Gloria, and Suzanne. We are definitely on our way to our goal of 16 tables staged by members. I hope 6 more of you will join the above members in this activity.

May I remind you that setting or staging a table does NOT require that you sell the seats. Of course, you can have any or all of the 8 seats at the table you stage for family and friends who want to join you.

At our September committee meeting, the members agreed to have a theme for staging tables: It's Teatime: Any Pattern or Place. We are looking forward to spotlighting our members interests, history or creativity. Per your request, we promise more time this year to visit the various tables.

If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions feel free to contact me.

Have a Fun Fall, Pat Arnett, Teatime Chair

Membership

Please welcome our new member:

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