

# The Gazette

## Women's Rights Action Group



Care Packages are on their way supporting deployed servicewomen!

### Ladies of Liberty Team On the Go!

This year WRAG is participating in a year-long project supporting deployed female service members through the Ladies of Liberty (LoL) program. So far we have sent three care packages loaded with goodies to Army soldiers Lizeth, Liza, and Alexis.

Our item drive last Sunday was a success! Congregants donated much needed supplies and Target scrip which will be used to purchase additional items. Look for the official purple container outside the sanctuary if you would like to contribute to future care packages. For more details: <https://soldierangels.org/ladies-of-liberty.html>

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#### THINK ABOUT IT

"I am not free while any woman is unfree, even when her shackles are very different from my own." – Audre Lorde

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#### GREAT AMERICAN WRITE-IN

3/24/18 (9:30am-1:30pm)  
Join us Saturday the 24th at the Delhi Center, Santa Ana!

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#### UNITED NATIONS ASSOC WOMEN OC

4/3/18 (6:30-8:30pm)  
LaVerne Univ, 2855 Michelle Dr #250, Irvine. Contact Karen to carpool.

### MARK YOUR



### CALENDARS!

**March 15**  
Planned Parenthood Advocacy Night, 5:30-7:30pm

Contact Rona or Debbie for carpool.

**March 25**  
Women's Rights Action Group 12:45 to 1pm  
Bourne Hall/St. George



If you are unable to attend but want to share ideas/ thoughts, email Karen at [kbbingo@hotmail.com](mailto:kbbingo@hotmail.com)

## In Case You Missed It:



### Orangewood Foundation - Planning Our Next Group Opportunity

On 2/25/18, members of WRAG visited the Orangewood Foundation and learned of the many programs they offer kids who have "aged out" of foster care.

At our next monthly meeting on 3/25/18, we'll discuss opportunities for involvement. For April, we're planning a congregation-wide drive to collect items to benefit The Beverly House (for females) and The Lighthouse (for victims of sex trafficking).

The Beverly House and The Lighthouse will be the recipients of Tapestry's Generosity Sunday on 4/29/18.

For more info on Orangewood programs, go to:

<https://www.orangewood4you.org/rising-tide-communities/beverlys-house/>

<https://www.orangewood4you.org/the-lighthouse/>

## Call to Action:

**United State of Women Summit - May 5 & 6, 2018 at The Shrine Auditorium, Los Angeles**

The 2018 United State of Women Summit isn't just a conference – it's a powerful gathering of women and allies from across the country who know their energy and power will break down barriers that stand between women and full equality.

### In the News:

**Over 45 Music Festivals Band Together to Fight Gender Inequality:**

<https://www.rollingstone.com/music/news/over-45-music-festivals-band-together-to-fight-gender-inequality-w517109>

**Want a strong economy? Focus on equality:**

<http://thehill.com/opinion/campaign/375939-tell-your-candidates-equality-is-tied-to-economic-security>

**U.S. Income Inequality Hits a Disturbing New Threshold:**

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2018-03-01/america-s-wage-growth-remains-slow-and-uneven>

**Kamala Harris and Yvette Clarke Call for Capitol Honor for Shirley Chisom:**

[https://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/kamala-harris-yvette-clarke-shirley-chisom\\_us\\_5a971562e4b07dffeb6f526b](https://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/kamala-harris-yvette-clarke-shirley-chisom_us_5a971562e4b07dffeb6f526b)

## REFLECTIONS ON INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY, 3/8/2018

International Women's Day is every March 8th. The original catalyst was the fight for women's rights. Sadly, it still is. The theme for 2018 is #PressForProgress and global actions were amazing! Here are a few:

In Spain, millions of women took to the streets in protest of unequal pay and violence against women and staged a 24-hour "strike" with no domestic chores and no spending of money to prove "If women stop, the world stops." In Saudi Arabia, women celebrated a "new" freedom and went jogging. The French daily paper, Liberation, raised its price for the day by 50 cents, *but only for men* to highlight the gender pay gap.

"A feminist is anyone who recognizes the equality and full humanity of women and men." ~ Gloria Steinem