

# ANNOUNCEMENT



March 29, 2016

TO BE POSTED IN EVERY CLASSROOM



**Happy Birthday to: Sarah Addison, Jacqueline & Jennifer Escandon, and Monica Go.**

(If you do not want your birthday announced, let Ms. Nuño know in the student center).

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**Daily announcements are available for all to read in the Student Center.**

Misc.:



1. Seniors! The due date to turn in the **Seal of Biliteracy Recognition Form Upon Graduation** is coming up. If you are participating, please turn it in to your counselor before **Friday, April 1.**

2. High school students in 9-12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to participate in the essay contest for the **2016 California Armenian Legislative Caucus' commemoration of the Armenian Genocide.** The winners will be awarded scholarships and acknowledged at the annual Armenian Advocacy Day during a press conference on April 18, 2016. First place scholarship award is \$1000. Deadline to apply is **Friday, April 1, 2016.** Come to the student center for more information. Essay submissions must be e-mailed to [1915essay@gmail.com](mailto:1915essay@gmail.com)



3. Come Join Us for **STARBOOKS, THE NEXT CHAPTER.** Blair will be hosting a book fair **March 28 through May 30 and April 1.** The book fair will be open daily from 7:15am-4pm. On March 30th there will be extended hours of 4-9pm as the book fair will be combined with the 3rd Annual Stargazing Night!! We will also have food trucks!

4. The Pasadena One City, One Story book for this year is **Orphan Train**, by Christina Baker Kline. Ms. Kline will be visiting Blair on **Friday, April 1st**, during fourth period. If you would like to meet her, and have her sign your book, see your English teacher or Ms. Reyes in room BE10. English teachers, Ms. Reyes has about 12-15 (possibly double that in the next day or two) copies of the book if any of your students are interested in reading the book before the author, Ms. Kline comes to visit Blair. It is an awesome book; we know you will love it.



5. The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority in collaboration with PCC, PUSD & other Community Partners presents the **13<sup>th</sup> Annual Young African American Women's Conference Your Life Matters.** Save the date: **Saturday, April 2, 2016** at PCC from 7:30-3pm. For more information go to [Pasadena.yaawc@gmail.com](mailto:Pasadena.yaawc@gmail.com) or call 323-228-3037.



6. Glendale Community College is inviting all interested students to their “**High School Articulation Day**” and to “**Career and Technical Education Day**” that is taking place on **April 7, 2016**. Come and learn about the following majors such as: Robotics Academy, Media Arts, Animation, Engineering & many more. For more information please visit [www.glendale.edu/hsarticulationday](http://www.glendale.edu/hsarticulationday).
7. Are You Tech Savvy? You will be, after a day of hands-on fun with science, mathematics, engineering, and technology! **Saturday, April 9, 2016** from 8:30am - 3:30pm. All 6th-9th Grade Girls & their parents or guardians are invited. There is a \$5\* per girl fee that includes food, workshops, a t-shirt for the girls. **Tech Savvy** is a day of fun in technology, science, engineering and math. Special sessions for your parents/guardians will show them how to help you on your path to college and a career. For more information and registration: go to [pasadena-ca.aauw.net/tech-savvy-2016](http://pasadena-ca.aauw.net/tech-savvy-2016).




8. The **Pasadena Tournament of Roses** is once again inviting local high school students to participate in the **Student Ambassadors Program**. Students are given the opportunity to work alongside Tournament Members and other volunteers for a minimum of 40 community service hours, assisting with a variety of events and activities related to the Rose Parade and Rose Bowl Game. The program includes a lot of benefits including admission tickets to the Royal Ball! Come to the Student Center to see if you meet the requirements and to get an application from your counselor. Applications are **due April 15, 2016**.
9. Registration is open now for a great community service opportunity! This April come down to the River for **Friends of the Los Angeles River's 27th annual Great LA River CleanUp: La Gran Limpieza!** This year there is an urgent need for the 27th Annual Great Los Angeles River CleanUp. April is Earth Month you have three **Saturdays - April 16th, 23rd, and 30th** - and fifteen sites to choose from along the entire course of the LA River. Go to the Blair website for more information.
10. All students are invited to participate in this year’s **Mic Slam Poetry** event on **Saturday, April 23** (3-5pm) at the Pasadena Public Library. Last year, our line-up was incredible, inspiring and tear-jerking. The instructions for signing up to participate are as follows: Submit a 3-minute maximum poem with minimal swearing. Your poem does not need to be a "slam poem," any kind of poetry (haiku, free verse etc.) is welcomed. Submit it at [hspetryslam2@gmail.com](mailto:hspetryslam2@gmail.com) with your name and high school. **Due date: April 18.**




11. Attention all Blair students! Take the **Million Word Challenge!** Starting **February 16 - May 6, 2016**. Grade Level Winner will get a \$30 Vroman’s Gift Card. Second Place, Grade Level winner will get a \$15 Vroman’s Gift Card. Grand Prize Winner will get a \$60 Vroman’s Gift Card and books from Families in Schools at the Los Angeles

Times Festival of Books held at USC. See your English teacher or Miss McLaughlin for more information. Gift cards provided by the Blair PTSA!

### Summer Opportunities:

1. As a result of **Chevron's**  continual commitment in education and STEM, they will be selecting 20 outstanding high school students (rising juniors and rising seniors are eligible to apply) from across the U.S. to attend the Chevron sponsored summer educational camp, "*Frontiers of Energy Resources*", hosted at the University of Southern California and scheduled for July 10 – 15, 2016. Applicants should visit <http://cisoft.usc.edu/uscchevron-summercamp/> to access the online application. The application **deadline is April 8, 2016.**
2. **IEA's EXPLORE** summer program provides unique opportunities for high school students to receive mentorship from a distinguished professional, gain hands-on experience in a professional environment. Students are able to participate in challenging, interactive learning experiences with mentors from major academic fields such as, but not limited to, computer science, health/medicine, architecture, mathematics, arts, and more! The program will run for three, 2-week sessions beginning in June: **Session 1: June 13- 24** **Session 2: June 27- July 8** (with July 4<sup>th</sup> off) **Session 3: July 11- 22.** A few sites are offering extended externships for well-qualified applicants. During this time, externs will spend their weekdays shadowing their mentors and immersing themselves in advanced intellectual work on prearranged research projects and/or lab work. For an application visit [EXPLORE@educationaladvancement.org](mailto:EXPLORE@educationaladvancement.org)

### Scholarships:

1.  Jack and Jill of America, Inc. Pasadena Chapter is pleased to announce that it is now accepting applications for the **2016 Julia Scotton "Jack and Jill Scholarship" Awards.** The scholarships are available for African American seniors attending a high school in the San Gabriel Valley. Funds will be awarded to students in amounts up to \$2,000. Scholarships are intended to be used for tuition, room and board, books and other fees for students attending, beginning in the fall of 2016, at an accredited two-year or four-year trade school, college or university, in the U.S. Interested students must submit a completed application to: Jack and Jill of America, Inc., Pasadena Chapter, P.O. Box 93522, Pasadena, CA. 91109-2178. Applications must be received **by March 31, 2016.**
2. The **Janice M. Scott Memorial Scholarship Fund** is now available in the Student Center. If you are hard-working, positive and community spirited come to the student center for an application and see if you meet the criteria. There will be three to five scholarships awarded for the amount of \$2,500 each. Deadline to apply is **Thursday, March 31, 2016.**



3. The **Pasadena Police Officers Association** seeks out qualified candidates for our Community Scholarship Awards Program. This year they are offering (1) PPOA Community Scholarship in the amount of \$1000 and (2) \$500 Lloyd M. Birby Memorial Community Scholarships to graduating high school seniors who plan to major in the law enforcement/criminal justice field. Awards are also being offered to dependents of current/retired Pasadena Police Department officers. Come to the Student Center for an application. Completed applications must be submitted to the Pasadena Police Officers Association Scholarship Committee **by March 31, 2016.**



4. The **Pasadena Bar Association** will again award \$5,000, \$2,000, and \$1,000 scholarships to the top three contestants. Also, the top two schools in the team competition will be awarded \$1,000 and \$500. **The Pasadena Bar Association's Annual Speech Scholarship Contest** has become a great opportunity for students to obtain scholarships and to further their public speaking skills. Submit applications to [info@pasadenabar.org](mailto:info@pasadenabar.org) by no later than **April 1, 2016.** The Pasadena Bar Association will only accept the first 150 qualified applications.
5. Each year **COPA** (Community Organization of Pasadena for Advancement in Education) provides scholarships to deserving young women entering college. COPA is encouraging young women of Mexican descent to apply to **The Lupe Hernandez/Quetzalcoatl Scholarship**. Many of the decisions by the Scholarship Committee are not based on academics but also need. Scholarships are presented to students in each of the five high schools in the Pasadena Unified School District. Come to the counseling office for an application. The **deadline to apply is April 1, 2016.** We give \$1,000 scholarship award to one young lady from each of the five PUSD schools. If you have any questions you can contact them at [president@copapasadena.org](mailto:president@copapasadena.org)



6. The Pasadena NAACP **Maurice Morse Scholarship** is now available. The purpose of the Maurice Morse Scholarship is to provide post high school financial assistance to African-American students who reside in Pasadena or South Pasadena, or who will graduate within the Pasadena Unified School District. Come see your counselor for an application. Applications must be received at the Pasadena NAACP office by 5:00pm on **Friday, April 1, 2016.** Come to the student center to see if you meet the criteria.
7. We are excited to announce that the **Brandon Jackson Memorial scholarship** will be awarded again this year to deserving, college-bound students. Since 2011, we have given over \$50,000 in scholarships to area students. We look forward to receiving

applications from Blair candidates by **April 1, 2016 deadline**. If you have any questions come to the counseling office or email: Debra Williams at: [debrawilliams626@yahoo.com](mailto:debrawilliams626@yahoo.com).



8. Women in Action are encouraging African American graduating high school seniors to apply to the **2016 Jackie Robinson Merit Award**. This award is for \$1000. Come to the counseling office for an application and to see if you meet the criteria. The deadline to apply is **Thursday, April 7, 2016**.



9. The **Pasadena-Foothills Association of Realtors** Charitable Foundation is pleased to inform you that they once again are awarding a total of \$10,000 in scholarships to seniors graduating from a public high school this year. Ideally we would like to award one \$1000 scholarship per school. All students are encouraged to apply for these awards. All applications must be received **by Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016**. Come to the counseling office for an application.



10. **Zumper** knows that school is expensive, so they want to help you out with a \$1,000 scholarship. They're looking for outstanding students who have helped their classmates or community in a tremendous way. Maybe you started a club that raised money for charity, or championed recycling and sustainable practices across campus. Whatever it is, we'd love to hear about it! **Spring Deadline · April 15, 2016** for more information go to <https://www.zumper.com/apartments-scholarship>



11. The Taiwanese-American Citizens League, Los Angeles Chapter (TACL-LA), is pleased to announce its **2016 Taiwanese-American Community Scholarship Program**. Each award will be in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500) along with a commemorative plaque. We will offer a total of at least 10 awards for Los Angeles County students. The scholarship is open to all seniors. Applicants must be college-bound seniors in the graduating classes of 2016. We would like the recipients to be well-rounded students who have demonstrated leadership skills, extracurricular activity involvement, community service, and academic achievement. The application package can be downloaded from [www.tacl.org](http://www.tacl.org). The application **deadline is Friday April 15, 2016**. We will announce the award winners by June 25, 2016.
12. St. Barnabas Church is offering two **Leon Conerly Scholarships**. These scholarships are being offered to students that are residing in the Pasadena/Altadena area and are \$500 each. These awards are in recognition of community service and are designed to provide financial assistance to college bound students. Completed scholarship application need to be postmarked no later than **April 18, 2016**. Come to the counseling office for an application and for more information.



13. The **Joyce Davis Memorial Scholarship** is now available in the counseling office. If you are hard-working, positive and community spirited come to the counseling office for and application. Deadline to apply is **Friday, April 22, 2016**.



14. **Pasadena Water& Power** would like to honor two outstanding Pasadena Unified School District high school students with an educational scholarship for the upcoming 2016-2017 academic year. They will be awarding a first place \$5,000 scholarship and a second place \$2,500 scholarship. Submit completed application no later than **April 29, 2016** to [wdeleon@cityofpasadena.net](mailto:wdeleon@cityofpasadena.net). Awards will be made at the discretion of the PWP scholarship committee and awardees will be chosen accordingly. For more information come to the Student Center.