



Meet Your New Board!

The installation of our new officers took place on Sunday afternoon, June 12th at the home of Cindy Frei. These are the new officers from left to right: Abby Kirst, Secretary; Connie Skidmore, Co-VP Programs; Betty Battle, Interim President-Elect; Jane Barnhart, Co-VP Programs; Suzanne Webb, President; Barb Fitzpatrick, Co-VP, Membership; Randi Emlen, Co-Treasurer; Cindy Frei, Co-VP, Membership. Not shown: Susan Lynnes, Co-Treasurer; Jan Horan, Scholarship/Fund Raising; Lucy Roman, Communications; and Stephanie Petrossi, Public Policy.

President's Message

Welcome back, Tahoe Nevada branch members!



We have an exciting year ahead of us, starting with our traditional September "Meet and Greet" dinner on the 21st of the month (the third Wednesday), and closing with our hosting the other Tahoe branches in April and business meeting in May. Your program VP, Connie Skidmore, has some great programs lined up for later in the fall, and Crosby's will be catering more of their delicious dinners throughout the year.

Your membership VPs are ready to receive your dues—if you haven't sent them in yet, now's the time! The new directory will come out in November, and our membership report to National is due the end of October! You can find the appropriate application at the end of this newsletter. If you know someone who would be interested in our programs,

please encourage her to join as a member or a friend. And if you know someone who used to belong but doesn't any more, please encourage her to rejoin. We are hoping to make this year a rededication to the mission of AAUW.

I am honored to serve with such a wonderful board—(Interim) President Elect Betty Battle, VP of Programs Connie Skidmore, Co-VPs for Membership Barb Fitzpatrick and Cindy Frei, Co-Treasurers Randi Emlen and Susie Parks, Secretary Abby Frist, Scholarship chair Jan Horan, Communications chair Lucy Roman, and Public Policy chair Stephanie Petrossi. These board members generously sacrificed the better part of a Friday to meet at my home for a potluck lunch and planning "retreat." Among other things, we discussed ways to enhance fund raising, maintain our support for education, interact with the community, continue and expand our support for the AAUW mission, and recruit new members while retaining current members.

We were joined for wine and cheese in the late afternoon by some of the special interest group leaders. The SIG leaders deserve a special vote of thanks from us all. They devote their time and efforts to promoting good times for all our members. I want to thank all these women—the board and the SIG chairs—for all they do for AAUW.

Finally, we are working to set up a new branch Web site that will be hosted by AAUW National which offers significant advantages to the branch. Not only does the design deliver a consistent and professional appearance, it is low maintenance and user friendly. Furthermore it will integrate content from AAUW National and provide the ability to offer timely announcements, an easily updatable calendar, functional email, and a newsletter archive. And, significantly, it is free and we will have customer support from AAUW. We'll let you know when it goes "live" so you can check it out.

I'm looking forward to seeing each and every one of you at that first dinner meeting, Sept. 21.

Sincerely,
Suzanne Webb
President

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Meeting Date: Wed., Sept. 21
Social Hour: 5:30 - 6:30
Dinner and Program: 6:30 - 8:30

Costs:

Dinner \$24.00
Wine \$4.00/glass

For reservations, call or email Cindy Frei:
775-223-9568—cindy@freihome.com
no later than September 19th!

Programs and Membership

Cindy Frei

We hope you all have had an enjoyable summer. It is difficult to believe that the summer has almost ended and that our first 2011-2012 meeting on **September 21** is just around the corner!

Join us, please, for an evening of friendship, lively conversation and “musical tables” at our annual Meet & Greet progressive dinner. Reconnect with your AAUW friends you may not have had an opportunity see over your busy summer. *Bring a friend for a fun-filled evening and encourage her to join our Branch.*

Crosby’s has put together a super menu for the evening beginning with plated anti-pasto shrimp cocktail at your first table, entrée of chicken dinner crepes, orzo pilaf, fresh yellow & Chioggia beets with snow peas in a lemon butter sauce, full salad bar and French onion soup to be eaten at your second table, and finishing up with French apple cake at your third table. Sounds delicious.

Special Interest Group Leaders will tell us what their groups have been up to over the past few months and give a general overview of their respective groups.

And remember, **if you haven’t already renewed your membership, mail your check and membership form**, which you will find at the end of this newsletter, **today**. Remind your friends to do the same. Better yet, invite a friend to join.

Welcome New Members & Friends

Look for our new members Evelyn Louise Dodd, Gail Ferrell, Virginia Jed, Cindy Joyce, Christine Klotsche, Pamela Miller and Barbara Pulver and new friends Marnie McArthur and Pat Hanson Thomson. We welcome you to our Branch and look forward to meeting you and getting to know you at our future meetings.

Outdoor Enthusiasts Group

Lynn Whetstone



The Outdoor Enthusiasts' Group gets together year round to enjoy hiking, snowshoeing, other outdoor activities (and good companionship!) in the beautiful Lake Tahoe area. We've had a full summer of activities and lately have enjoyed seeing this year's fantastic display of wildflowers on our hikes.

We meet at 9:30 AM every Monday (weather permitting) in the lower parking lot of the Village Church at the Mt. Rose Hwy. and McCourry Blvd.; from there we carpool to our hiking/snowshoeing location.

Please contact Lynn Whetstone at Lwhetstone@prodigy.net or 831-8608 if you would like to participate and be notified of upcoming hikes by email.



Outdoor Enthusiasts Summer Hike on a trail above Incline.

During the warmer months, there is also a group that kayaks from Ski/Hermit Beach in Incline Village at 9 AM most Wednesday mornings. It is not too late to join the kayakers for a few outings this season! Please contact Liz Paganelli at lpag007@aol.com to be placed on the kayak email list.



Public Policy

Stephanie Petrossi

Did you know.....

AAUW advocates on most issues relating to equity?



There are national AAUW public policies on civil rights, economic security, education and Title IX. Our donations to LAF (Legal Advocacy Fund) go to specific causes to help fund the costs of legal action. So what exactly are these policies? They are all available to read on the AAUW national website and believe

it or not they make interesting reading. We can be proud that we are members of an organization that is leading the way *Breaking through Barriers*. This month I would like to highlight Title IX. AAUW's policy on title IX is:

Title IX: Ensuring Equity in Education for Women and Girls

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 is the federal statute prohibiting sex discrimination in education programs and activities that receive federal financial assistance. The American Association of University Women strongly supports Title IX and opposes any efforts that would weaken its effectiveness or undermine its enforcement. AAUW's 2009-2011 Public Policy Program advocates vigorous enforcement of Title IX and all other civil rights laws pertaining to education."¹

The law states, "*No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.*"²

The AAUW supported case *Mansourian v. Regents of the University of California*, was a partial victory for the plaintiffs. The U.S. District Court said that UC Davis violated Title IX, however, the court did not hold the university officials responsible. "AAUW applauds the long awaited partial victory but is also extremely disappointed that the judge did not hold the university officials responsible for the violations and awaits further developments in the case."

News from Nevada State AAUW

SAVE THE DATES:

Saturday & Sunday, October 22 & 23:
AAUW Nevada Fall Conference in Tonopah
from 1pm Saturday to 1pm Sunday

Friday and Saturday, April 27 & 28, 2012:
AAUW Nevada Convention, hosted by AAUW
Sparks at John Ascuaga's Nugget.

Announcements from the Members



From Lorri Waldman: Kids & Horses will celebrate 12 years in the community with its major fundraising event, the Kids & Horses 12th Annual Western Barbecue "Tall in the Saddle," 4 p.m., Saturday, September 10 at the Crystal Bay Club in Crystal Bay.

The goal is to surpass the more than \$48,000 raised last year to help fund scholarships for students in need and assist with expanding programs to serve the dozens of children on the Kids & Horses waiting list.

The silent auction features hand-made jewelry, golf packages, gift baskets, photo packages and other specialty items. The live auction will feature; a backyard barbecue provided by the Brimm's family of Shakespeare's Kitchen catering fame paired with a home wine tasting; a locals favorite package including, dinner for four at the renowned Lone Eagle at Grille and sunset cruise on the Sierra Cloud; and stays to St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands.

Tickets for the Kids & Horses fundraiser start at \$40 and include the full barbecue dinner and an entertaining evening in the Crystal Bay Crown room featuring dancing to "Jack-ed Up."

For more information and to purchase tickets, call 775-771-5512 or visit Kids & Horses on Facebook or www.kidsandhorses.org. Kids & Horses is also seeking volunteers to work the fundraiser. Interested parties can find more information online at: <http://www.kidsandhorses.org/kandh/content/kids-horses-seeking-volunteers-our-upcoming-fundraiser> or can contact Executive Director, Alexis Roman Hill at 775-771-5512 or alexis@kidsandhorses.org.

AAUW 2011/2012 Board Members

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Girls Volleyball Judging	Margaret Solomon

Newsletter Deadline

To submit articles or information for the October 2011 Newsletter, please email them to Lucy Roman at LRoman@firstam.com no later than Monday, September 26. Photos need to be submitted in jpg format. If you have any questions, please call Lucy at 775-223-9568.

Book Group

Diane Finegan



The Book Group will meet on Monday, Sept. 12 at the home of Alice Lassiter-Thorn. We will be discussing "Shantaram" by Gregory David Roberts. For more information about the Book Group please contact Diane Finegan at djrfinegan@earthlink.net or 831-8310.

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Membership Form July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012

Please use this form for new and renewing memberships

Please circle any changes from last year's directory. Otherwise, they may not be made.

_____ There are no changes to last year's directory.

_____ Please note the following changes.

_____ I am a new member.

Full Name _____ Date _____

Mailing Address _____ Zip _____

Physical Address _____ Zip _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____ (Work) _____

(Fax) _____ E-mail address _____

Spouse/Partner Name _____

Bachelor's Degree or Associate Degree

College/University _____ Year _____

Major _____ Degree _____

Graduate Degree(s)

College/University _____ Year _____

Major _____ Degree _____

Annual dues run from 7/1/11 to 6/30/12

National Dues \$ 49.00 (Tax Deductible 501c3)

State Dues \$ 9.00

Branch Dues \$ 15.00

\$ 73.00

Student Affiliate dues: \$17

For those of you who cannot or do not wish to participate in various fundraisers, the National Association of University Women gives us suggested amounts for our branch to donate for the Educational Foundation and for the Legal Advocacy Fund. Suggested personal donations to aid our branch in reaching national and local fundraising goals are:

Educational Foundation EF/4103 \$ 25.00 (Tax Deductible)

Legal Advocacy Foundation \$ 5.00 (Tax Deductible)

Local Fundraising \$ 8.00 (Tax Deductible)

Enclosed:

\$ _____	Membership Dues	\$ 73.00
\$ _____	Educational Foundation EF/4103	\$ 25.00
\$ _____	Legal Advocacy Foundation	\$ 5.00
\$ _____	Local Fundraising	\$ 8.00
	(Total Including Donations)	\$111.00)

Please send check & form to:

**AAUW TAHOE NEVADA
PO Box 5465
INCLINE VILLAGE, NV 89450**

\$ _____ **Total Amount of Check #** _____

If you would like an advertisement in our directory, please include a business card and \$30.



AAUW

Breaking through Barriers

Tahoe Nevada AAUW

Tahoe Nevada AAUW also raises money annually to give local scholarships to deserving girls and to help other local charity organizations.

Additional donations to the following AAUW endeavors are gratefully accepted.

\$ _____

Golf Fore Education

GFE is our major fundraising event held annually in collaboration with ISAEF, Project MANA, and Tahoe Children's Foundation. Proceeds from this event are shared by these organizations, and give AAUW the ability to award annual scholarships to deserving young women in Incline Village.

\$ _____

AAUW Incline Village Scholarship Fund and Grants

All proceeds go directly to scholarships and grants.

Please use a separate check if you are making an additional donation to our local scholarship funds.

Enclosed:

\$ _____ Total Amount of Check # _____

Please send check & form to:

**AAUW TAHOE NEVADA
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FRIENDS OF AAUW — TAHOE NEVADA

Friends of AAUW-Tahoe Nevada category is reserved for those persons who are not eligible for membership in the National AAUW organization. Friends have the following privileges:

- *Notification of AAUW Tahoe-Nevada activities, including Special Interest groups*
- *Participation in AAUW Tahoe-Nevada Special Interest groups*
- *Contribution to educational scholarships and grants benefitting local young women*
- *Inclusion in the AAUW-Tahoe Nevada roster*
- *Socialization and connection*

USE THIS FORM FOR NEW AND RENEWING FRIENDS OF AAUW-TAHOE NEVADA

_____ There are no changes from the previous year.

_____ Please note changes.

_____ I am a new Friend of AAUW.

Full Name: _____

Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Zip: _____

Physical Address: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: (home) _____ (cell) _____ (work) _____

(fax) _____ Email address: _____

Spouse/Partner Name: _____

Friends of AAUW Donation

\$50.00

Additional donation amounts are gratefully accepted.

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