



President's Message

Tahoe-Nevada AAUW's future is so bright, we need to wear shades! It was announced at our September dinner meeting that the Courage Sans Peur Foundation (the Geri and Stuart Yount family) are offering a matching grant of up to \$10,000 for the TN-AAUW Scholarship Fund from now through January 31, 2015. Checks toward this grant were being written that very evening! If ever you have considered making a cash donation to the TN-AAUW scholarship fund to help support local women achieve their potential through higher education, *now is the time*. Remember that we are now a 501(c)(3) charity. Donations by check can be written and sent to Tahoe-Nevada AAUW, PO Box 5465, Incline Village, NV 89450. For other means of making donations, such as an account fund transfer, please contact the TN-AAUW Treasurer, Sandra Cloninger at scloninger@sierranevada.edu.



All fundraising excitement aside, our September dinner meeting was well-attended and great fun as we renewed acquaintances, browsed for books, combed the boutique, and ate Gina and Jim Poulos' (Crosby's) always-delicious food. Be sure to RSVP for October's meeting, which should be outstanding, with a Chautauqua visit from Sarah Winne-mucca, an influential woman in Nevada's history.

Continued reminders—please be sure to renew your membership, send a head-shot of yourself for our directory (to be distributed in November) to Lucy Roman at Lroman@firstam.com, and consider how you might volunteer to help TN-AAUW. Your efforts could include helping with committees such as fundraising with Debbie Nicholas nicholas89451@gmail.com, scholarships with Judith Simon judymike@mac.com, or one-time tasks assisting with dinner meetings set-up/tear down, bar tending, or the book sale table. No effort is too big or too small!

I hope to see even more of us gathering together on October 15! Until then...

Yours, Stacy

MONTHLY MEETINGS Jennifer Tynes & Dianne De Cuir

Please note that the meetings are all held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month with the exception of the December meeting which is the 2nd Wednesday, at the Parasol Building, 948 Incline Way. Social hour 5:30; Dinner 6:30, Program 7:30. The cost is \$30 per person.

Mark your calendars for this month's AAUW meeting, October 15, when we will be treated to an exciting and thought provoking Chautauqua presentation based on the life of Sarah Winnemucca. Born in the mid eighteen hundreds in Western Nevada, Sarah Winnemucca was of the Northern Paiute Tribe and an important figure in our regional history. She was the granddaughter of Chief Truckee "Truckee" and a tireless activist and educator. She traveled nationwide and delivered hundreds of lectures to create and heighten awareness of the injustices against Native Americans. Our presenter, Dianna Maria de Borges, lives in the Carson Valley and has brought the story of Sarah to schools, visitors, historical societies and service groups and is an active volunteer in her community.

Our November speaker will be Dr. Robert Drewes of the California Academy of Sciences. Dr. Drewes will speak about the Gulf of Guinea Project, teaching elementary age students about the flora and fauna of their native island, off the coast of Africa. December will be our holiday party. Details in upcoming newsletters.

IMPORTANT! Please bring your wine donations Jennifer Tynes (684 Wilson Way #A) two days prior to the dinner so that we can be sure to have enough, and chill the white wine. Beer and sparkling water will also be available.

Jennifer and Dianne, would also like to solicit help from members in set up and clean up of the dining room each month. Check the sign-up sheet on the reception table and choose a time when you might lend a hand.

Reservations must be made by Mon. 10/13. Contact Kelly Neville kellyaauw@gmail.com 775-762-0463. Members who cancel after 5pm 10/13 are responsible for payment.

Thank you!





Our Newest AAUW Scholarship Winners

At left: Mia Harbaugh and Brianna Jean Hewett-Gabel, newest recipients of AAUW Scholarships.

And let us not forget the young women who continue to receive our ongoing support while pursuing their educations: Erika Wegener, senior at Syracuse University majoring in Advertising; Chelsea Hollingsworth, sophomore at UN Reno in General Studies; Natasha Cooper, junior at Santa Barbara City College working toward being a Nurse Practitioner; and Chloe Bolton, junior at San Diego State majoring in Psychology.

After reviewing nearly twenty applications, your scholarship committee awarded two \$1500 scholarships to Incline High School graduates Mia Harbaugh and Brianna Jean Hewett-Gabel. The committee continues to be impressed by the high caliber of young women we are able to help. All the applicants demonstrated determination, focus, and high academic achievement. Our AAUW scholarships are renewable and if the recipient remains academically qualified, will be re-awarded each year. Mia Harbaugh will attend Arizona State University. Brianna Jean Hewett-Gabel, will travel just across the mountain to attend University of Nevada, Reno. We wish both these young women continued success as we support their academic progress.

Judith Simon

OUTDOOR ENTHUSIASTS' GROUP

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're continuing to enjoy hiking and are looking forward to some fall colors hikes soon.



We meet at 9:30 AM every Monday (weather permitting) in the lower parking lot of the Village Church at the Mt. Rose Hwy. on 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.

During the warmer months, there is also a group that kayaks from Ski/Hermit Beach in Incline Village at 9 AM most Wednesday mornings. Since the schedule for the rest of the season is unknown, please contact Lynn if you are not currently on the kayaking list and would be interested in any late-season excursions.



Finally, a road-biking group called the Wheeling Women has recently been formed which goes out on Tuesday mornings for outings in the greater Tahoe area. Please contact Millie Clarke at millie.clarke@gmail.com if you would like to be added to their email list.

Lynn Whetstone



Sponsorships

See Your Business Name Here in Each Issue!

To our current and future sponsors: Just a reminder that your check to obtain space in the newsletter for the upcoming 2014-2015 year is due to AAUW Tahoe Nevada, PO Box 5465, Incline Village, NV 89450.

Business Card size space is \$30.00 for all issues of the newsletter, and an additional \$30.00 for the directory. If you are interested in the back or inside cover of the directory, contact Lucy Roman at lroman@firstam.com for pricing.



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Directory 2014

Just a reminder that we are renewing membership for the 2014-2015 Membership Year. We are planning the addition of pictures to this year's directory. This is a huge undertaking for the first time, so we would appreciate your sending in your picture ASAP so that Lucy Roman can complete this project. She can accept color and can crop you out of group photos, but the end result will be a head shot in black and white only. You can email her a jpg to LRoman@firstam.com or call her at 775-223-9568.

Who's In Charge Here? Your 2014/2015 AAUW Local Officers

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Membership Matters

Kelly Neville & Barb Pulver

Don't forget to renew your membership for the 2014-2015 Fiscal year. Please note that the membership year runs from July 1 to June 30. If you have not signed up for the 2014-15 year, please do so right away. The deadline for renewing is November 1. At that time, members who have not renewed are dropped from the national roster and will not be included in the membership directory. The form is located at the end of the newsletter for you to print and mail. If you are renewing, it is easier to go to AAUW.org online and complete your membership using a credit card. Should you need any assistance with either method feel free to contact Kelly Neville kellyaauw@gmail.com or 775-833-2299 or Barbara Pulver at 989-859-4860.

Great Decisions

Although no longer affiliated with the Tahoe Nevada branch of AAUW, the Great Decisions discussion group is still active and unaffiliated with any organization except the national Foreign Policy Association. If any AAUW members are also interested in non-partisan current affairs discussion, the Great Decisions group would welcome your participation. Interested persons should contact Suzanne Webb at (suzanne.webb.aauw@gmail.com) for information about meeting dates and times.



Book Group-Diane Finegan

Greetings Ladies,

A reminder that our next Book Group is on Monday, October 13 at 7:00 p.m. The book to be discussed is *"Under the Wide and Starry Sky"* by Nancy Horan, and Robin Grean is our discussion leader for the evening. The meeting will be held at the home of Stephanie Petrossi, 892 Lake Country Drive. If you are planning to attend, please rsvp to Stephanie at 408-398-0550 or stephpetros@yahoo.com. As has become our custom, we hope that you will offer to bring either an appetizer, a sweet or a bottle of wine to share.

I look forward to seeing you at the October meeting and hope that we will be able to move forward with the process of selecting books and hostesses for the up-coming months. If you have suggestions for books for us to read, would like to lead a discussion, or hostess a meeting (we will help set up and clean up!) please contact me.

Diane Finegan 831-8310 [djrfi-negan@earthlink.net](mailto:djrfinegan@earthlink.net)

Used Book Sales

We continue to have our used book sales at each dinner meeting. Lynn Flagg and Anga Rebane are in charge. Donations of books are welcome! Stop by our table to browse the newest selections for your reading pleasure!

"DEAR ABBY"

Public Policy by Abby Kirst



Dear Abby,

I have a neighbor who is constantly complaining about our elected officials and how our tax dollars are being wasted on their salaries. When I asked her which candidates she was going to support in the upcoming November elections, she just rolled her eyes and said she wasn't going to waste her time voting because it never made any difference. Her daughter feels the same way. I'm a firm believer in letting my voice be heard with my ballot. What should I do to encourage my disaffected neighbors? Gedda Out-Andvote

Dear Gedda,

Voter apathy is a growing problem, especially among young people. Here are some useful suggestions from AAUW National for nudging your friend and others to the ballot box at election time:

- Make sure your voter registration is up-to-date before heading to the polls. Participate in voter registration activities. Visit AAUW coalition partner www.canivote.org to check your registration in advance so you're not surprised when you show up to the polls. The Higher Education Act requires that voter registration be accessible to students on college campuses. Learn more about student eligibility for voting: www.brennancenter.org/analysis/student-voting-guide-faq#residency.
- Voter education activities can be done by 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) branches. Your branch can sponsor nonpartisan issue or candidate forums.
- Work with your branch to provide fact sheets on key issues important to young women, including ballot initiatives that affect AAUW policy priorities.
- Voter guides are a 501(c)(4) activity, and templates are available on the Action Fund website for your branch to use.

Legal restrictions prevent the use of advocacy materials, such as voter guides or issue fact sheets, in conjunction with a voter registration drive.

Please send your public policy questions and concerns to: Abby Kirst sunhog4@aol.com



Note: Please use this form if you are a new member.
Renewing members, please renew online.

AAUW Tahoe Nevada

Membership Form July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015

Please circle any changes from last year's Directory; otherwise, they may not be made.

- There are no changes
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- Participation in AAUW Tahoe-Nevada Special Interest groups*
- Contribution to educational scholarships and grants benefitting local young women*
- Inclusion in the AAUW Tahoe-Nevada directory*
- Socialization and connection*

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