



# Tahoe Nevada AAUW

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## ***President's Message***



It's going to be quite a spring season for TN-AAUW! For starters, the final tally for the Courage Sans Peur (Yount family foundation) \$10K matching grant fundraising effort is \$10,250.50! The Finance and Scholarships Committees are hard at work figuring out how best to allocate funds to deserving local women so that they have our support as they pursue educational opportunities. Stay tuned for further details. This is, after all, the mission that is dearest to TN-AAUW hearts! **The Nominating Committee has been formed, and will also be hard at work seeking members who will give of their time and effort by serving on the Board. Positions to be filled for the 2015-2016 year include President-Elect, Secretary, and Membership Chair and Co-Chair.** If you would like to contribute your skills to the continuing success of TN-AAUW, please step up! You CAN nominate yourself...and if you should be asked to fill a position, please say yes! Contact Stephanie Petrossi, Connie Skidmore, Millie Clarke, Barb Fitzpatrick, or Susan Riggs (our Nominating Committee) to volunteer...before they call you! Along the same lines, pencil Saturday, April 25 in your calendar. The Northern Nevada AAUW Leadership Conference will be held that day, location TBD, but rumor has it that it may be in Incline Village at the Parasol. If you are interested in being an AAUW leader (or even if you're not), that day will offer AAUW workshops on meetings, branch marketing, member recruitment, and public policy/social media. A great opportunity!

There are more things on the horizon for us, but I'll leave that teaser with you until next month's newsletter.

Ever yours, Stacy

P.S. TN-AAUW member directories have been available for pick-up at our dinner meetings. Remember to pick up yours at the next meeting. See you on March 18!

## **MONTHLY MEETINGS Jennifer Tynes & Dianne De Cuir**

Please note that the meetings are all held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month with the exception of the December meeting which is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, at the Parasol Building, 948 Incline Way. Social hour 5:30; Dinner (catered by Gina and Jim Poulos of Crosby's) 6:30, Program 7:30. The cost is \$30 per person (\$32 in December).

Our speakers for our March 18th dinner are from The Nevada Women's History Project. They will do a Chautauqua presentation on two women who were influential in the early days of statehood.

**IMPORTANT!** Please bring your wine donations to 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. 3/16. Contact Abby Kirst [sunhog4@aol.com](mailto:sunhog4@aol.com)**

Please be aware that TN-AAUW must pay for all RSVP dinners. Our long-standing policy has been that if you have made a reservation for a dinner meeting and fail to cancel by 5PM on the Monday before the dinner, you will be expected to pay for the dinner. Thank you for your understanding.





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

Contact me at [Lwhetstone@prodigy.net](mailto:Lwhetstone@prodigy.net) or 831-8608 if you would like to participate and be notified of upcoming hikes/snowshoe outings by email.

During the warmer months, we look forward to our group that kayaks from Ski/Hermit Beach in Incline Village at 9 AM most Wednesday mornings. A road-biking group called the Wheeling Women will go out on Tuesday mornings for outings in the greater Tahoe area during good biking weather. Both groups have ceased their activities for this season.

We hope you will join us for one or more of the wonderful variety of outdoor activities which Tahoe has to offer!

Lynn Whetstone



## Sponsorships

### See Your Business Name Here in Each Issue!

To be a sponsor: Send your check and card to obtain space in the newsletter for the 2015 year to AAUW Tahoe Nevada, PO Box 5465, Incline Village, NV 89450.

Business Card size space is \$30 for all issues of the newsletter, and an additional \$30 for the directory. If you are interested in the back or inside cover of the directory, contact Millie Szerman at [MillieSz746@gmail.com](mailto:MillieSz746@gmail.com) for pricing.



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

President	Stacy Stewart
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## Membership Matters

We are in the process of updating our distribution lists for the newsletter and special interest groups. Only members whose dues are current will be on the lists. If you have any questions about your membership, contact Barbe Pulver at [barbeaauw@gmail.com](mailto:barbeaauw@gmail.com)



## Used Book Sales

We continue to have our used book sales at each dinner meeting. Stop by our table to browse the newest selections for your reading pleasure! Our Used Book Sales are chaired by Sherie Schmauder, with the support of Anga Rebane as the co-chair.



## Book Group-Diane Finegan

Greetings Ladies, Welcome to new member Larissa Faulkner. Also a reminder that our next Book Group will meet Monday, March 9, 7:00 p.m. We will be discussing "Orphan Train" by Christina Baker Kline. Lynn Whetstone will lead the discussion and we will meet at Randi Emlen-Moore's home at 968 Granite Ct.

I am still looking for a house hostess for the June 8 meeting with author of the book "Bar Cats" Doug Keil. Please let me know if you can host. It is sure to be a fun and interesting meeting. Heads up: April 13, "The Boys in the Boat" by Daniel James Brown.

Meetings start at 7pm, the second-Monday of the month and include wine or soft beverage and savory/sweet munchies. Give hosting a chance! We will help set up and clean up. For information about the Book Group, contact Diane Finegan at 831-8310 or [djrfinegan@earthlink.net](mailto:djrfinegan@earthlink.net) (Mitch, the sleepy kitty, belongs to Diane)

## **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Your fundraising committee would like to THANK everyone who contributed to the fantastic success of the Match over the last few months. We surpassed our Goal!!! Now we are onto planning for the next few months... many great ideas are being discussed. Please contact me at [nicholas89451@gmail.com](mailto:nicholas89451@gmail.com) or 775.843.0775 if you have ideas or would like to work on the committee!!!! We need volunteers for all types of assistance; during various months...we can accommodate your schedule!

Some ideas being considered are a Tea Party, Nothing To It Cooking Class in Reno, a Fall Holiday Bazaar/Craft Sale, Hole In One, Bunco or Mahjong, sales of pecans or gift wrap! Take a few minutes and let us know your preferences!!

Again, please join me in thanking the Geri & Stuart Yount "Courage Sans Peur Foundation", all my wonderful Fundraising Committee Members, and each and every member who has donated, volunteered, and supported us in our efforts!! We have all done a magnificent job! Thank You!

Raffle Elves at our Christmas party.



## "DEAR ABBY"

### Public Policy by Abby Kirst



Dear Abby,

A friend of mine who's a bit of a ditz was rambling on at a party last week about the problem with human traffic. I was so embarrassed for her, I left the conversation as soon as she brought up the topic. Surely she knows that we don't use policemen and policewomen to direct traffic anymore? I mean, aside from the occasional parade or special occasion, traffic lights have replaced humans. And slavery in this country is history. How can I help this poor dear before she makes a fool of herself again?

Gottasetherstraight

Dear Gotta,

I'm afraid you're the one that I *gotta* set straight. Human Trafficking, defined as *using violence, debt bondage, and other forms of coercion to manipulate victims into engaging in commercial sex acts or labor services against their will*, is a large and growing problem in our world today, and the United States is not immune. According to AAUW National, *The National Human Trafficking Resource Center reported that of cases reported in the United States from 2007 to 2012, 41 percent of sex trafficking cases and 20 percent of labor trafficking cases identified U.S. citizens as victims.*

So, to help you remember this important issue, red light means stop human trafficking, and green light means go the the following website to learn that facts about this blemish on society: <http://www.aauw.org/resource/quick-facts-on-human-trafficking>.

Please send your public policy questions and concerns to:

Abby Kirst [sunhog4@aol.com](mailto:sunhog4@aol.com)

Below: Many interpretations of a Tahoe sunset from our recent Easels & Wine fundraiser. Picture running a 2nd month due to lack of new pix! And it IS a great photo.



## **MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Discovery Dining is the Reno AAUW monthly dining group. **They meet at LUNCHTIME: 12:30 p.m. first Wednesday of the month.**

On **March 4**, they will dine at **Rapscallion Seafood House and Bar** at 1555 S. Wells Avenue in Reno. Established in 1977 reminiscent of old-world San Francisco, Rapscallion has been voted Reno's favorite seafood restaurant for 18 consecutive years. For more information, call the restaurant at 323-1211; or to view the menu, visit rapscallion.com.

On **April 1**, they will dine at **Pinocchio's Bar and Grill** located at 5995 S. Virginia Street in Reno. First opened in 1997, Pinocchio's is a locally owned family restaurant with locations in Reno and Sparks. Expect good food in a casual atmosphere. For more information, call the restaurant at 826-5151; or to view the menu, visit pinocchiosbarandgrill.com.

Please RSVP to Vicki Anderson by the Monday prior to the Wednesday dining date at **775-747-7337** or [nevadavicki@yahoo.com](mailto:nevadavicki@yahoo.com).

**Do you care about good, clean, local food** in the Truckee/Tahoe region? Slow Food Lake Tahoe is seeking passionate & skilled community members to connect local people to seasonal & sustainable food. Serve your community as a Volunteer Board Member. Contact info@slowfoodlaketahoe.org or 530-415-3925 prior to 2/15 . (From Dianne Lange)

**Fine, Classical music in our own backyard!** TOCCATA Tahoe Symphony Orchestra & Chorus presents its next concert series. For Easter time: Bach's The Passion According to St. Matthew. Perhaps one of the greatest choral works written. Palm Sunday 3/29 in Reno. Wed. 4/1 in South Lake and Good Friday 4/3 at St.Patrick's Episcopal in Incline. Go to [toccatatahoe.org](http://toccatatahoe.org) for more info. Tickets available at The Potlatch. (From Robin Grean)

In the interest of the community, members may post public service-type announcements in our newsletter. These are not personal (selling appliances, cars, etc.); but for activities of interest to members or to the Tahoe community in general. All items must be written by the person making the announcement, limited to one paragraph, to be published at the discretion of the local AAUW Editor and President. Send to [rgrean@aol.com](mailto:rgrean@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  
 Please note the following changes.  
 I am a new member.

Full name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner name \_\_\_\_\_

**Bachelor's Degree or Associate Degree**

College/University \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

City, State \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Degree \_\_\_\_\_

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University/College \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

City, State \_\_\_\_\_

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Annual dues run from 7/1/14 to 6/30/15.

National Dues \$49

State Dues 9

Branch Dues 15

\$73

**Student Affiliate dues: \$17**

Open to anyone who does not already have an undergraduate degree and is enrolled in a two- or four-year regionally accredited educational institution.

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