



President's Message

As we come to the close of our year, I would like to thank all of you and especially the board for all the effort that was put into making our year at AAUW Tahoe Nevada a success.

It was great to see so many of you at our May meeting. Our guest was Leslie Hermann, the K-12 principal for Incline Schools. Leslie filled us in on how this new position works and informed us of the challenges facing Incline Schools and how she is handling those challenges. Leslie has some great and innovative ideas and I am sure we will be hearing more about her successes in the future!

At the meeting we honored board members, Susan Riggs, Debbie Nicholas and Millie Clarke. Susan, for her outstanding achievement of balancing our books, keeping our budget on track and more. Debbie, for putting together the newsletter each month and chairing our fundraiser and Millie, for not only serving in the advisory position as past president but additionally, accomplishing the gargantuan task of submitting our 501(c)(3) application to the IRS. Each of these ladies went above and beyond in service to our Branch and I know you join me in a big thank you to them!!

Con't page 2— Below: Diane Finegan, Sherie Schmauder, Liz Paganelli, Lynn Whetstone, Stephanie Petrossi



Thanks to our program coordinators, Haley Abel and Rebecca Gelber, we enjoyed an array of interesting and informative speakers. Our membership VPs, Kelly Neville and Barbara Pulver did an outstanding job this year. We have over thirty new members this year, bringing our total membership to one hundred and ten members with an additional twelve friends. Thank you Kelly and Barbara! Each month, Dianne Lange recorded our minutes and additionally, Dianne designed and ordered our beautiful business cards. Thank you, Dianne! Thanks also to Suzanne Webb for working with our scholarship committee and keeping up our website and Lucy Roman for our wonderful directories. A big thank you goes to Joanie Nygren for keeping us up to date on Public Policy and for always pitching in at the meetings, helping with decorations and more! Our parliamentarian, Connie Skidmore, has been there for me all year. In addition to revising our by-laws, whenever I had a question about policy or procedure, Connie was there to help. Thanks, Connie! Thanks also goes to Jan Horan, although not on the board this year, Jan chaired the nominating committee and stepped in to work with the scholarship committee when she was needed.

As you can see, there is a lot of energy that goes into running our branch. Further in this newsletter, you will see that many members are working behind the scenes coordinating out outdoor activities, organizing book club and serving on committees and also that there are many new members who have stepped forward to help. So a BIG thank you to all of them and all of you who work to achieve equity for women and girls in our community and beyond.

One important way that we do that is by awarding scholarships to young women going off to college. This year, two Incline High School students will be receiving scholarships and three returning students will also continue their awards. In order to accomplish these goals, we will be fundraising again this summer. We will be having our second Tahoe Treasures Tour with Tea and Tapas on July 12. You can help by saying YES when asked to bake, cook or volunteer as a docent. Also, we need to sell tickets!! If you can take some tickets to sell, please contact Debbie at nicholas89451@gmail.com. If every one of us just sold 5 tickets, we would be sold out!!

Our new president, Stacy Stewart, will be taking over as of July 1st. Congratulations to Stacy and our new board for 2014-2015. The board is as follows: President; Stacy Stewart, President-elect; Charlotte Curtis, Treasurer; Sandra Cloninger, VP Program; Dianne DeCuir, VP Program; Jennifer Tynes, Continuing with their two year terms: VP Membership; Kelly Neville, VP Membership; Barbara Pulver, Secretary; Dianne Lange,

Hope to see you at the fundraiser in July and in the great outdoors this summer!

It has been my honor to serve as your president this year,

Stephanie Petrossi



Left to right: Marianne Mika, Jennifer Tynes, Dianne DeCuir, Millie Szerman, Sandra Cloninger, Judith Simon, Karen Loulis, and Sandra Lackovic.

Society of Women Engineers-Sierra Nevada Section STEM Events

The local section of the Society of Women Engineers is seeking volunteers to assist with STEM events which will be held locally. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Hollis Johnson. Volunteering for the event generally means assisting the children attending the event with various engineering/science themed experiments. Instructions and materials are provided. There will be an event in Reno during March (date to be announced) and one on a Saturday in June.

Please contact Hollis Johnson, FY14 K-12 Outreach Coordinator to volunteer.

**hollis@rubiconrecluse.com
(h/o) 530.525.1422**

Outdoor Enthusiasts

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 have been enjoying spring hiking lately and have even seen a few different varieties of wildflowers. 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 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. Our kayaking activities usually begin in May. This year's early season kayaking activities will be organized by Millie Clarke.

Please contact Millie at millie.clarke@gmail.com if you have not kayaked with us previously and would like to be added to the kayaking email list.



Directory 2014

Just a reminder that starting July 1 we will be renewing membership for the 2014-2015 Membership Year. We are planning an addition of **pictures to next year's directory**. This is a huge undertaking for the first time, so we would appreciate your sending in your picture now so that Lucy Roman can get started. She can accept color and can crop you out of group photos, but the end result will be a head shot and in black and white only. You can email her a jpg to LRoman@firstam.com or call her at 775-223-9568.

VOLLEYBALL LINE JUDGING AT IHS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

AAUW has been operating this program for many years.

We would like to continue and are in need of new volunteers. The volleyball games are played during September and October. Most matches are played on Tuesday or Friday (4:45 to approximately 7:30) and sometimes on Saturday (11:45 to approximately 2:30). Two line judges are needed for each set of matches.

There are usually from 8 to 12 home games in the season. Contact me at marg@775.net or 831-8437. I will have information sheets for and/or we can spend some time together going over what happens and how it works. Thanks in advance for your help. Margaret

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Left to right: Debbie Nicholas, Susan Riggs, Millie Clarke and Stephanie Petrossi

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Membership Matters

Don't forget to renew your membership for the 2014-2015 Fiscal year. The form is located at the end of the newsletter for you to print and mail. If you are renewing, you may 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.

Book Group Diane Finegan

The book group will meet on Monday, June 9, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the home of Deena Behnke.

We will be discussing 'The Invention of Wings' by Sue Monk Kidd.

For additional information please contact Diane Finegan at djrfinegan@earthlink.net.

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.



AAUW June 2014 Newsletter

2014

AAUW Rocky Mountain Regional Conference Western Women: Beyond the Wagon Train

June 7, 8, and 9, 2014

AAUW Nevada has been given a unique opportunity to host AAUW women from Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah and Wyoming at the Rocky Mountain Regional Conference, "Women of the West: Beyond the Wagon Train". The conference features:

[Patricia Fae Ho, AAUW President](#)

[Lisa Maatz, AAUW Vice President of Government Relations](#)

[Deepti Guadipati, AAUW Director of Membership Leadership Programs](#)

[Jill Hanauer of Project America](#)

Come to learn what AAUW is doing nationally and in neighboring states and to enjoy socializing with like-minded women who are dedicated to AAUW's mission. Tune in to the leadership training on Friday morning. Tour the historic area of Reno. Relax in the lovely hotel by the Truckee River. Celebrate the 100th anniversary of Nevada women's suffrage.

The low registration fee of \$130 (\$150.00 now) includes Saturday lunch and dinner. The preliminary program and registration form are attached (and will also be posted on AAUW Nevada's website, <http://aauw-nv.aauw.net/>). May 10th is the deadline for conference registration and hotel reservations, so make your arrangements now to avoid late fees.

Join us for an experience you won't forget-- "Beyond the Wagon Train"--and rub elbows with modern Western Women!
We hope to see you in June.

AAUW Nevada Council

Used Book Sales

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

PLEASE JOIN US
as we march in the
Red, White and Tahoe Blue
PARADE
to promote AAUW
and our
TAHOE TREASURES TOUR

We need as many members as possible to walk in the Parade on JULY 5, 2014. We'll be gathering at 9:30 a.m. in the old elementary school parking lot on Southwood Boulevard. The parade begins at the 76 Station on Hwy 28 & Northwood at 10:30 a.m. It's about 1.5 miles in total, and we should be finished by noon.

The more, the merrier, ladies... We'll wear white tops and black pants (and sneakers or comfortable shoes)! We'll supply headgear.

Here's our group so far:

Marianne Mika	Charlotte Curtis	Sandra Cloninger
Lynn Whetstone	Pam Miller	Stacey Stewart
Kendra Wong	Connie Skidmore	Karen Loullis
Cheryl Hollingsworth	Millie Szerman	

Maybes?:

Diane Finegan	Anga Rebane	Liz Paganelli
Debbie Nicholas	Stephanie Petrossi	

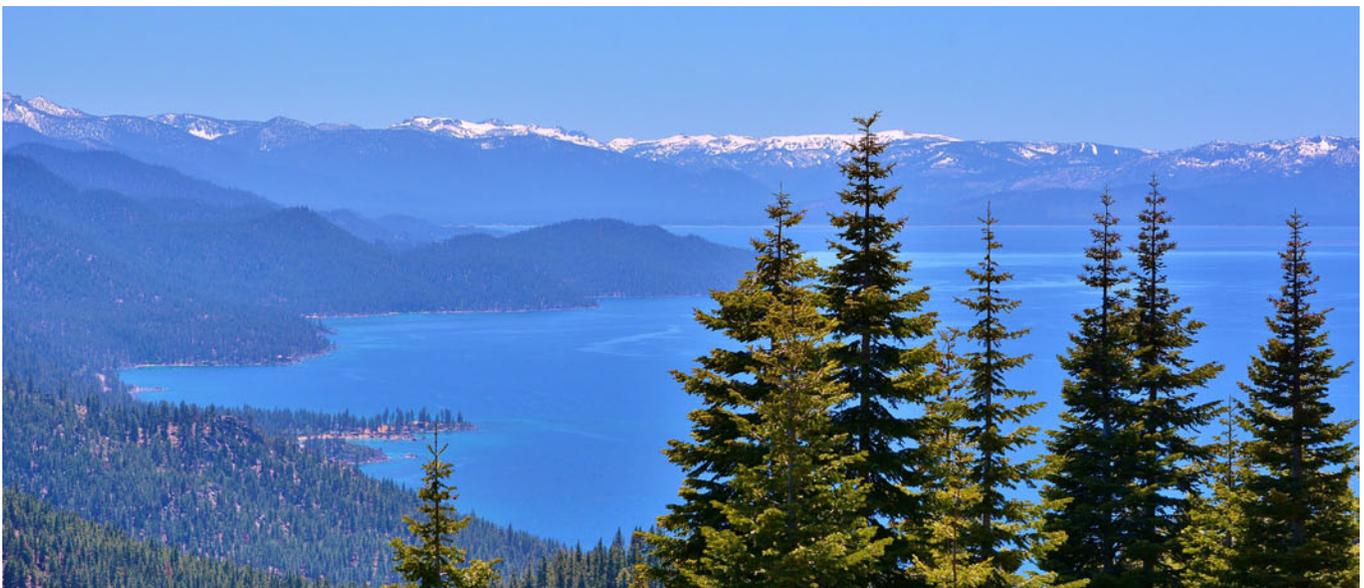
We plan to have a GREAT time!
AND we need your participation!

For further information, contact Millie Szerman
at 775-833-3311 or MillieSz746@gmail.com



Tahoe Treasures Tour

Plans for our fundraiser are underway and we need your help! Last year's great success was because of the amazing volunteer participation. **The tour will be July 12, 2014 from 11-4 p.m. SAVE the DATE!** There are many jobs that need to start soon and we hope you can find some time in your busy schedules to join the committee and help out! **Some of the items we are looking to borrow for the event include Large coolers with wheels, small folding tables and chairs, clipboards or binders, beverage dispensers! If you have any of these to loan, please contact Debbie.** If you are interested in becoming a docent, making food, selling tickets, donating items please contact Debbie at nichoas89451@gmail.com or **775.843.0875**. Photo above: New Member Orientation at Kelly Neville's home was well attended! Photo below: View from the Flume



Public Policy

Joanie Nygren

Sure, flowers, greeting cards, and chocolates are all nice gifts for Mother's Day. But what do mothers *really* need?

How about workplace policies that belong in the 21st century, instead of a *Mad Men* era? Or policies that would bring our nation's laws in line with the rest of the world?

Let's start with paid family and medical leave. The U.S. is one of only a handful of countries that do not guarantee paid maternity leave – and to make matters worse, millions of mothers **can't earn even a single paid sick day to use when they get sick or a child has the flu.**

That's why AAUW supports the Family and Medical Insurance Leave Act (FAMILY Act), which would create a national insurance program funded by employee and employer contributions. The FAMILY Act would provide eligible employees with up to 12 weeks of paid leave to care for situations such as their own serious illness, the serious illness of a child, parent or spouse (including a domestic partner), and the birth or adoption of a child.

Urge Congress to support the FAMILY Act. Send your message today to start the drumbeat of #WhatMothersNeed!

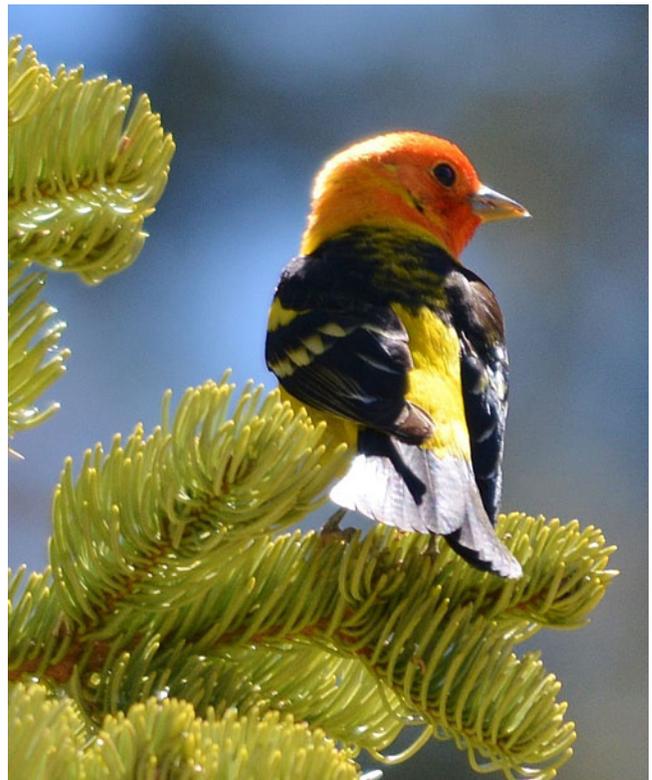
Across the country, people are working hard to make ends meet and provide for their families, yet our nation fails to provide the support people need to manage job and family – and the support businesses need to maintain healthy and productive workplaces. The FAMILY Act would strengthen the economic security of working people, their families, and businesses – and when individuals, families, and businesses are secure, our economy as a whole benefits.

The program created by the FAMILY Act would be funded by employee and employer contributions that would amount to less than \$1.50 per week for the average worker, or two cents for every \$10 of an employee's salary

Photo: Tanager— courtesy Sharon Matthews



What does that mean for real people, like AAUW member Stephanie Hnatiw? It means Stephanie could take paid time off to care for her adult daughter in a wheelchair who struggles with cluster seizures, instead of using her vacation days or having her husband use his unpaid leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA). "The Family and Medical Leave Act was very important to my family, and the FAMILY Act will make it even better for families," Stephanie says. "I want future generations of women and their families to have it better than I had it." So, for all of the moms you know who struggle without basic family friendly workplace policies – we appreciate your sacrifice, but it shouldn't have to be so hard! **Stand with working families today by urging your members of Congress to support the FAMILY Act.**





Rocky Mountain Regional Conference 2014
June 6th, 7th & 8th, 2014, Siena Hotel, Reno, NV

REGISTRATION FORM
Deadline is May 10, 2014

NAME (Please Print): _____	
MAILING ADDRESS: _____	
TELEPHONE: _____	EMAIL: _____
STATE & BRANCH: _____	BRANCH/STATE OFFICE: _____

Regular Registration Options		Price
Conference Fee (All programs) <i>Includes Saturday Lunch and Dinner</i>	<i>Includes:</i> <i>Saturday Lunch</i>	\$130
Conference Fee (Late – Postmarked after May 10)	<i>Saturday Dinner</i> <i>All Gratuities</i>	\$150
Student Registration		
Conference Fee is waived – no meals included; choose from Student/Guest Meals		\$ 0
Attendee Meals (circle all meals that you will attend)		
Friday Reception <i>hors d'oeuvres</i>		\$ 28
Saturday Breakfast (8:00A-9:00A) <i>Healthy Choice</i>		\$ 22
Saturday Lunch (11:30A-1:00P) <i>New York Deli</i>		\$ 0
Saturday Dinner (6:00P-9:00P) <i>Chicken or salmon (circle your choice)</i>		\$ 0
Sunday Breakfast <i>Includes omelet bar, fruit, pastries, bacon & sausage</i>		\$ 29
Student/Guest Meals ONLY (circle all meals that you will attend)		
Friday Reception <i>hors d'oeuvres</i>		\$ 28
Saturday Breakfast (8:00A-9:00A) <i>Healthy Choice</i>		\$ 22
Saturday Lunch (11:30A-1:00P) <i>New York Deli</i>		\$ 31
Saturday Dinner (6:00P-9:00P) <i>Chicken or salmon (circle your choice)</i>		\$ 40
Sunday Breakfast <i>Includes omelet bar, fruit, pastries, bacon & sausage</i>		\$ 29
TOTAL Registration & Meals		\$ _____

HOUSING

Room Reservation Deadline is May 10, 2014

Reserve now to get the AAUW rate; you can cancel if your plans change

Siena Room Reservations - 1-800-339-6051; *mention that you want the AAUW convention rate*

King Room - \$75 plus taxes & fees (\$94.50 total)

Queen (2) Room - \$89 plus taxes & fees (\$110.50 total)

Please send the completed registration form and check made out to AAUW Nevada to:

AAUW Nevada
 c/o Doris Dowden
 4890 Buckhaven Road
 Reno, NV 89519

Questions? Email aaunvada@gmail.com or call Doris Dowden (775) 827-2481



Recipient must demonstrate need.

Normally, the recipient will have earned a high school diploma or GED. On a case by case basis, when extraordinary circumstances are present, an award may be given to a person who has not completed a high school education.

Recipient must have been out of school for a period of at least 4 years before returning. The hiatus need not be in the immediate past; funds may be awarded to an applicant who has returned to school within the last 3 years, provided that person has been out of school for at least 4 years previous to returning.

Recipient must carry a semester load of at least 3 lecture courses (two courses if one is a lab science) or at least two courses on the quarter system.

Recipient must be a resident of Incline Village, Nevada.

Preference will be given to applicants pursuing an undergraduate degree that qualifies the recipient for membership in AAUW.

Although normally a one-time award, the scholarship may be renewed when funds are available and circumstances warrant provided the recipient maintains a 2.0 GPA (on a 4-point system).

No award will be given unless there is a qualified and needy applicant.

Name _____

Date of Birth _____ US Citizen/Permanent Resident/Other

Address _____ Phone _____ Email _____

High School Attended _____ Date of Graduation/Leaving _____

Married/Single _____ Children _____

Employer _____

Proposed course of study _____

Have you applied to a college/university? yes/no Which? _____

Attach the following documentation to this application:

Evidence of financial need

Statement of why AAUW should award you this scholarship

Mail your completed form to: AAUW Tahoe Nevada

PO Box 5465

Incline Village, NV 89450

**Note: Please use this form if you are a new member.
Renewing members use only if not renewing online.**



AAUW Tahoe Nevada

Membership Form July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014

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 _____

Graduate Degree

University/College _____ Year _____
City, State _____
Major _____ Degree _____

Annual dues run from 7/1/13 to 6/30/14.

National Dues \$49
State Dues 9
Branch Dues 15
\$73

Student Affiliate dues: \$17

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

Enclosed:

Please send check & form to:

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\$ _____ Total Amount of Check # _____

