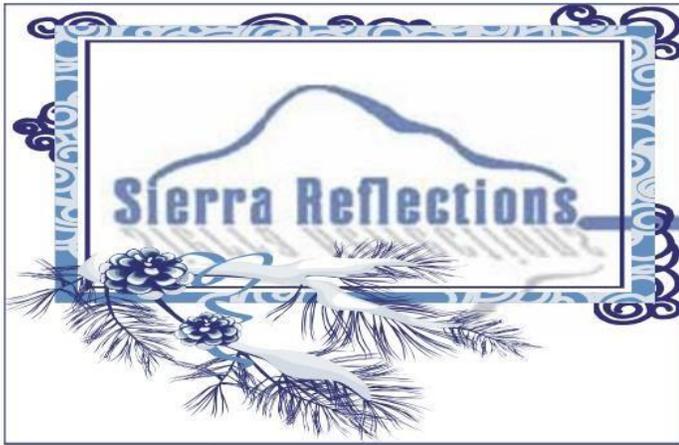


TAHOE NEVADA AAUW

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Happy New Year!

Our first meeting of the New Year will be on January 17th. We will feature a presentation by member Toni Neubauer, award-winning travel consultant, on Myanmar and the Rohingya Situation. As President and founder of Myths and Mountains, Toni has traveled to Asia and Southeast Asia extensively over the years. She was in Myanmar again this past fall and spent time in Rakhine, where the Rohingya conflict is located. Her company, Myths and Mountains specializes in Cultural Travel, which is about more than just visiting a place; it's about getting to know and understand its people, its history and its environment from the inside - allowing the traveler to both embrace and be embraced by the local culture. Toni has spent time not just traveling to countries, but researching and seeking to understand the people. She brings us her insights as she discusses Myanmar, the Rohingya situation, and the changes she has seen there over time.



Here is the menu for the January 17, 2018 AAUW dinner:

ALOUETTE SHRIMP SCAMPI
WILD RICE MUSHROOM PILAF
SEASONAL VEGGIE MEDLEY
NEW YEAR'S SALAD BAR
TOMATO FLORENTINE SOUP
GARLIC ROUNDS
LEMON SURPRISE DESSERT

Our dinners take place at the Parasol Building on Incline Way. They start with a social time at 5:30 and the dinner begins at 6:00 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AAUW 2017-2018 DIRECTORIES

The Directories will be distributed at the November, December and January meetings. Any that are not picked up will be mailed. If you KNOW that you'll not be at those meetings, Millie Szerman will mail it sooner.

MillieSz746@gmail.com

Winter Music for the Soul

Toccatatahoe Symphony Orchestra and Chorus present Baroque Masters, with music by Handel, Corelli, Vivaldi and Bach. Sunday Jan. 14, 3pm, St. Patrick's Church, Incline Village. Also, Sun. 1/7 South Lake, Wed. 1/10 Carson City, Sat. 1/13 Reno. 775-515-7077 toccatatahoe.com for more information.

Donations wanted

The Knitters Guild of Incline Village is always looking for yarn... if anyone wants to reduce their "stash," please contact Millie Szerman (Milliesz746@gmail.com) or bring to St. Patrick's Episcopal Church on Wednesdays between 1 and 3 p.m.

Bee Inclined Quilters makes good use of 100% cotton fabrics by making quilts for the less fortunate. Goods can be donated to the group by contacting Millie Szerman (MillieSz746@gmail.com).

FUNDRAISING NEWS

Fellow AAUW Tahoe Nevada members! We are so excited to be working on our upcoming Major Fundraiser for 2018. Our Tahoe Treasures Tour in July will provide much needed funds for our Scholarships and Stem Program Initiatives!! **Please Save the Dates July 7 and July 14!!! This will be narrowed to 'the' date shortly.**

The committee thanks those who have already provided feedback via the survey, and signed up for various jobs. We will be in touch over the next few months. And keep reading our newsletter to see various job descriptions!

The fundraising committee is in need of your expertise in soliciting donations of Raffle/or Auction prizes and working on marketing over the next few months. We are also seeking ideas and assistance in providing more online and social media efforts in our advertising and ticket processing. If you are available for some of this early work- please contact Debbie at nicholas89451@gmail.com or Charlotte at charcurtiedd@aol.com.

Our next committee meeting will be on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. at the Parasol Building.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Happy New Year! Please remember to wear your new magnetic name badge to the January meeting. If you did not pick up your new badge in November, we will have those available at the January meeting. We keep our badges in our cars so we never forget it on meeting night!

COMMUNICATION NEWS

Please send your photos of our dinners, social events and fundraisers for inclusion on our Facebook page and in the newsletter to Larissa Faulkner at larissa@tahoecpd.com. Also, please “like” us on Facebook!



PUBLIC POLICY NEWS

by Robin Grean

“Looking Back”

2017 has seen dramatic change for America and for AAUW. Throughout our history, AAUW has adapted to the needs of women and girls as the social, political, and economic landscapes have shifted, and this year is no exception.

AAUW’s salary negotiation programs made great strides. More than 17,000 people learned critical salary negotiation skills through AAUW workshops in 45 states. More than 90% of participants rated them “good” or “excellent”. 100% said they would put the concepts and strategies they learned into action

AAUW’s UN youth representatives organized our first youth-led briefing, Young Women’s Leadership and Voices, at the UN, centering on the importance of highlighting women in society. AAUW hosted international visitors from Saudi Arabia, Japan, Malawi, Turkey, Egypt, Iraq, Sudan, Haiti, and the Palestinian territories.

Student members are developing initiatives on campus: AAUW approved 41 new student organizations this year, and awarded 11 Campus Action Project grants. The National Conference for College Women Student Leaders, giving college students an opportunity to network, attend workshops and lectures, and hear advice from accomplished women while making connections with their peers, featured a number of Women of Distinction, including 43rd Treasurer of the United States, Rosie Rios.

Tech Partnerships Major progress came this year with new materials from our partnership with Symantec, a leader in cyber security. AAUW worked with Symantec to pilot a new technology-focused curriculum — now available online — for young women to develop cyber security skills. We also established a partnership with engineering company Arconic to deliver a curriculum focused on aerospace engineering. Both programs will promote STEM interest among the 1,600 AAUW National Tech Trek camp participants in our 22 camps, 10 states, and 21 campuses — and they’ll also be available at AAUW National Tech Savvy conferences, where 1,400 participants attend daylong camps at 18 campuses in 16 states.

Government Action This year, AAUW members made their voices heard in congress. 42 states, Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico introduced equal pay bills, and 5 states and Puerto Rico passed new equal pay laws. AAUW members made their support or opposition known on more than 325 state bills affecting women and girls. Members and activists submitted more than 10,000 comments to the U.S. Department of Education asking for the protection and strengthening of Title IX. On AAUW’s Lobby Day members took 349 congressional offices by storm to make sure their elected officials knew AAUW’s stance and recommendations on women’s student debt and Title IX enforcement.

In 2018 AAUW will be working diligently and with more focus than ever to increase educational access, promote leadership, and improve economic security for women and girls everywhere. Help us protect advances we’ve made so far and ready ourselves for the work to come, and stand with AAUW as we head into a new year full of new opportunities to make a difference for women and girls.

SPECIAL INTERESTS & ACTIVITIES

THE BOOK GROUP

The Book Group meets monthly on the second Monday of every month, with the exception of July, August and December. We generally meet at 6:30 PM. New members are welcome! We have an exciting schedule of books. There are many opportunities to volunteer to be discussion leader or to open your home as a hostess. Please give hosting a chance. Sweets, savory appetizers and beverages are contributed by the attendees. Members help set up and clean up. For additional information, or to be added to the email distribution list, please email Monica Hill (monicachill@gmail.com) or Lee Hall (leehallpt@yahoo.com). Upcoming book titles, discussion leaders, and hostesses:

January 8: "*The Days of Abandonment*" by Elena Ferrante. Hostess- Deena; discussion leader -Kelly Neville

February 12: "*Miller's Valley*" by Anna Quindlen. Hostess-Kelly Warner; discussion leader TBD.

March 12: "*Underground Railroad*" by Colson Whitehead. Hostess-Monica; discussion leader Cornelia Gould.

April 9: "*Into The Water*" by Paula Hawkins. Paige Eagan: both Hostess and discussion leader.

May 14: **Book Selection for next year.** PLEASE bring your suggestion(s) for next year's slate, with a short description. Hostess: Kelly Neville.

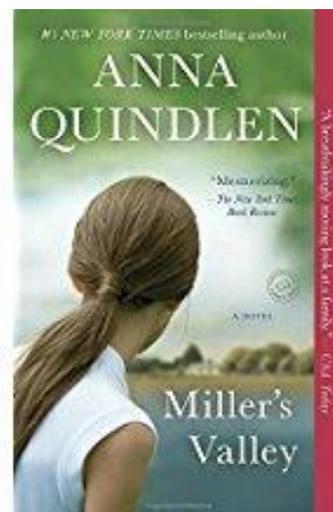
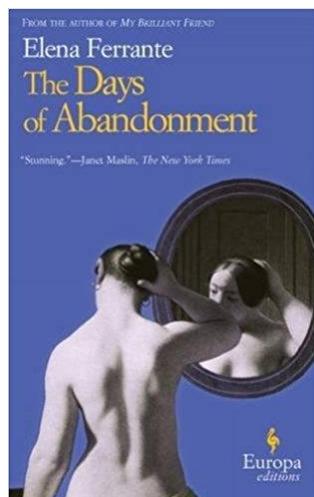
June 11: "*Gentleman from Moscow*" by Amor Towles. Tentative hostess: Dianne De Cuir. Discussion leader TBD.

Book selection for 2018-2019 will be announced.

Respectfully,

Monica Hill (monicachill@gmail.com)

Lee Hall(leehallpt@yahoo.com)



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.

For hiking and 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 trailhead. We are currently snowshoeing and are hoping that we will get enough new snow to be able to continue this activity without switching back to hiking. If you are new to snowshoeing, but would like to try it, we encourage you to join us early in the season when we're all trying to get used to our snowshoes again!



Please contact me at Lwhetstone@prodigy.net or 775-831-8608 if you would like to participate and be notified of upcoming hiking and snowshoe outings by email as well as any last minute changes due to weather.

During the warmer months, a kayaking group goes out from Ski/Hermit Beach in Incline Village most Wednesday mornings led by Liz Paganelli . During good biking weather, a road-biking group—the Wheeling Women— goes out on some Fridays for outings in the greater Tahoe area led by Millie Clarke. Both groups have ceased their activities for this year.

We hope you can join us in the great outdoors!

Lynn Whetstone

