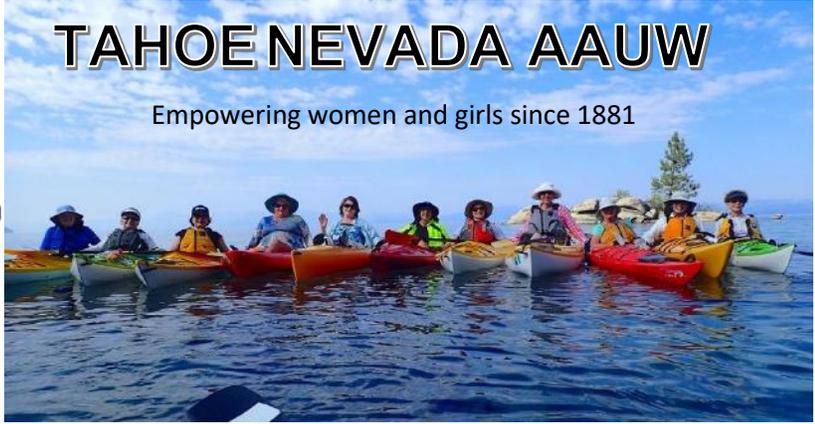


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Empowering women and girls since 1881

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President’s Message:

This past year our membership increased to over 150 women. I believe we are the largest women’s group in this tiny community. We continue to attract incredibly talented and generous people, and I am truly honored and humbled to be your new president.

I know many of us initially joined AAUW Tahoe Nevada for its social aspects and to find other women eager to participate in the many activities available to us as residents of this beautiful Tahoe basin. But our mission goes far beyond that. AAUW exists to advance equity for women and girls through **advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.**

Our activities in support of that mission have focused mainly on **philanthropy**, specifically on providing scholarships for Incline High School senior girls. But this year we have two new initiatives that will involve our members in providing **educational programs** for local women and girls. Now, more than ever, we need our members’ help. First, we have partnered with 2 other local AAUW affiliates, North Tahoe and Truckee to organize a one day “STEM Trek” event for girls right here in Incline Village next June 15, so **SAVE THE DATE.** It will be held at TCES/TERC on the Sierra Nevada College campus. Another new initiative will be to hold workshops aimed at helping local college students and women in the workforce to negotiate pay. These workshops will be conducted by members who have taken training in AAUW’s SmartStart and WorkSmart curricula.

Of course, we still want to continue our philanthropic efforts, so we are looking for new ideas for FUNdraising.

Thanks to all of you who participated in the Tahoe Treasures Tour 2018 (which netted nearly \$10,000).

We have a great start for the scholarship fund, but we still have a ways to go. Last year we increased our 2 scholarship awards to \$3500 each for the first year. We provide another \$12,000 in ongoing awards. We have also contributed to several other local programs. With 150 members, I'm sure we have the talent and enthusiasm to continue this philanthropic mission. But our dedicated fundraising co-chair, Charlotte Curtis, has moved to Reno, leaving Debbie Nicholas without her right-hand person.

We already have some great FUNdraising events on the calendar, like the Glasses Wine Bar/Farmstand Catering Sunday Brunch on September 2 and Game

Night on October 4. Let's get creative. We are looking for new ways to raise funds and have FUN at the same time. Other organizations use social media and crowd-sourcing. Please contact Debbie Nicholas if you have an idea for FUNdraising you want to organize or just want to be part of her team.

On page 6 there is a list of volunteer opportunities. We need everyone's help to sustain our current scholarship programs and plan for our new educational services. Some of these listings only require a few hours and no "heavy lifting", just a chance to get to know other members and give back to this great community. I look forward to seeing/meeting you at our first general meeting of the season on September 19 at the Parasol Building.

Judy Miller

Upcoming Events:

Monthly Dinner Meeting on September 19, 2018:

Dinner meetings are held at the Parasol Building on the third Wednesday of each month except in December, July and August. An email will be sent shortly with a registration link. The social hour starts at 5:30. Dinner is served at 6:15 and followed by a at 7:00.

Toccata Symphony Orchestra and Chorus - 9/11

Memorial Concert: This year the concert features Verdi's Requiem and renowned violinist Alex Eisenberg, performing Bruck's Incomparable Violin Concerto. Tuesday September 11 at 7pm. Cornerstone Church in Incline. Also other venues in Reno, South Lake, Gardnerville. Tickets at the door or online at www.ToccataTahoe.org. \$30 adults, Seniors \$5 discount, and under 23 free. For information, 775-313-9697.

AAUW Game Night: On October 4, 2018 at the Parasol building from 5:30-8:30 pm. See poster on following page for details.

Follow Tahoe Nevada AAUW on Facebook! Get instant updates on events and great photos by/of our members! Send your photos and ideas to Larissa Faulkner at larissa@tahoecpd.com for inclusion on our website, facebook page and in this newsletter.

PLEASE JOIN US

FOR

ANOTHER AAUW FUNDRAISER

GAME AND CARD PARTY

**ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
AT THE PARASOL BUILDING**

5:30 P.M. TO 8:30 P.M.

5:30 - 6:30 - SOCIAL HOUR

6:30 - LET THE GAMES BEGIN



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News from the Program Co-Chairs

The September 21st meeting is our annual “meet and greet” progressive dinner. Come prepared to meet new members and renew your acquaintance with others. Reservations will be made online. The new Program co-chairs for this year are Laura Durica and Mignone Wood. The menu this month catered by the Sunshine Deli is:

Olive tapenade appetizers
Green vegetable salad
Lemon chicken breasts or stuffed portobello mushrooms (veg)
Rice
Green beans almondine
Chocolate mousse
Coffee/Tea

**Please be aware that TN-AAUW must pay for all RSVPed dinner reservations. Our longstanding policy has been that if you have made a dinner reservation and fail to cancel by 5 PM on Monday before the dinner meeting, you will be expected to pay for the dinner.

Scholarship Committee News

The Scholarship committee would like to thank Dulce Medina for volunteering at the Tahoe Treasures event! Dulce is one of our 2017 – 2018 scholarship recipients. We asked her to share a bit about herself so that our group can get to know her.

“My entire life, I attended Incline Schools. In high school I got the opportunity to really challenge myself academically, and tried to be as involved as possible. I was enrolled in Honors and AP courses throughout my entire high school career, that resulted in a 4.7 GPA at the time of graduation and a 6/69 class rank. I was a class representative through student council, and I was voted National Honors Society Vice President in my senior year. After graduation, I decided to further my education at the University of Nevada, Reno. I am now in the progress of completing a dual major in Political Science and Spanish. At the University I continue to keep myself involved by being a Nevada Student Ambassador and interning for the ASUN Legislature during my first semester. I am excited for what the future holds, and the numerous opportunities that the University of Nevada, Reno has to offer. I hope to attend a prestigious law school after graduation and continue on a path of political activism. I would like to thank the AAUW organization for the generous scholarship, and also my family, and my teachers and professors who have given me unconditional support throughout my academic journey.”



1Dulce Medina at Tahoe Treasures Tour 2018

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We are so proud of this inspiring young woman! Through fundraising for scholarships, our AAUW organization is making a positive impact in the lives local young women such as Dulce. However, financial assistance is just one way we can make a difference. Another way is mentoring. If you are interested in mentoring Dulce or any of our scholarship recipients, contact Amy Strayer at abstrayer@gmail.com.

Membership News

We are happy to welcome four new members since June 1: Louise Riemer, Suzanne McSherry, Bonnie Gaither and Nell Lacey. Membership renewal for 2018-2019 was due in June. We have 127 members who have recently joined or renewed. We would love to see the entire 170 regular and Friend members renewed before our dinner meeting September 19. Regular members can either pay online by going to www.aauw.org and login or mail a check to our P.O. Box. Friends must mail in a check.

We held our new member reception in August at the lovely home of Millie Szerman. We enjoyed getting to know one another with the question – tell us something about yourself that we might not know about you. It was fun to hear our members amazing stories. We have some very talented ladies!

Opportunities to get involved:

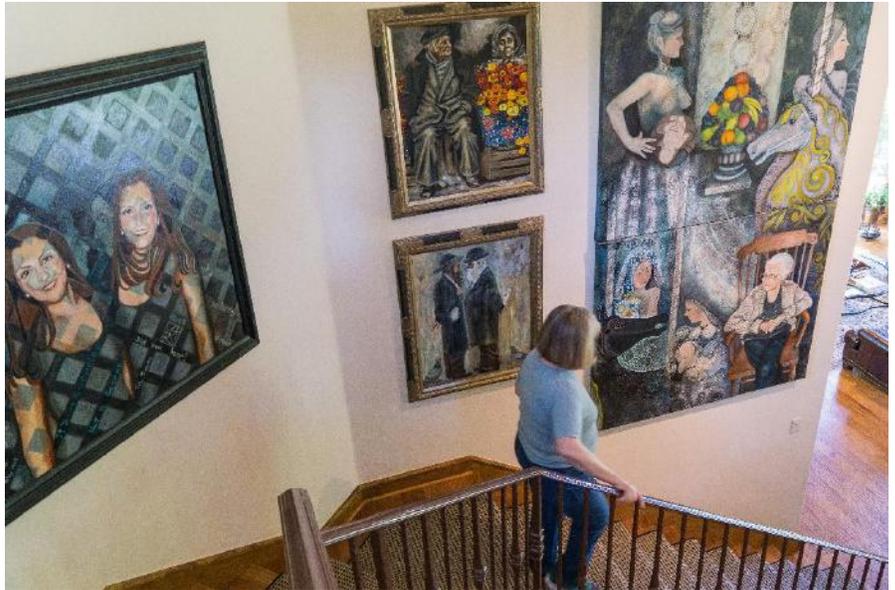
Activity	Description	Contact person
Grant application team	Research and apply for corporate grants to support educational programs	Judy Miller
Business plan writer	Develop a brief business plan to satisfy requirements for Nevada Tax Exempt status	Judy Miller
Fundraising Committee Co Chair	Assist present committee chair with event planning, meeting coverage in her absence.	Debbie Nicholas
Fundraising Committee Member	Participate as part of committee by attending meetings (when available) or assisting with event planning, solicitation for donations, creating flyers, sending thank you notes, logging & tracking donations, online applications for donations, and other tasks-this committment may be for certain months or time frames-not necessary to be here year round	Debbie Nicholas
Book Sale Back Up Staff	Assist Sheri Schmauder, Anga Rebane & Liz Paganelli with displaying books, selling books, and returning books to the storage at dinner meetings. This is to cover absences.	Sheri Schmauder
Mentor a scholarship recipient	Be a mentor to one of our scholarship recipients! We will match your background, passions, experiences with a mentee with similar interests.	Amy Strayer
Bartender - Dinner Meetings held 3rd Wednesday each month except Nov meeting on the 14th.	serve wine at one or more dinner meetings (select date(s) that work for you) from 5:30 pm to 6:15 pm before dinner	Laura Durica or Mignone Wood
Clean up - Dinner Meetings	after dinner remove and fold table clothes, Select one or more dates that work for you.	Laura Durica or Mignone Wood
Holiday Party Committee	Joint committee with two local Rotary Clubs.to plan the December Holiday Party for members and their spouses. Meeting dates TBD	Laura Durica or Mignone Wood

*Contact info for committees is on last page of newsletter

Fundraising Committee News

As previously mentioned in this newsletter, we will once again be hosting a Game Night on October 4th from 5:30-8:30 pm. Here are some photos of the art and people who made our summer Tahoe Treasures Tour a great success!

Tahoe Treasures Tour 2018



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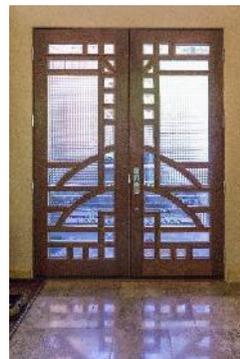
AAUW Volunteers & Friends





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The Jones Home

PUBLIC POLICY NEWS

By Robin Grean

From Kimberly Churches, AAUW CEO

AAUW is proud to be launching our new long term strategic plan — *Beyond Aspirations: Advancing Equity for Women and Girls*. **The Mission:** To advance gender equality for women and girls through research, advocacy and equality. **The Vision:** Equity for all. **The Values:** Non Partisan. Fact based. Integrity. Inclusion.

The plan ensures that AAUW is 100 percent mission-focused with an eye toward meaningful impact for women and girls. The Strategic Planning Task Force, made up of member leaders and AAUW advocates from around the country, is grateful to the thousands of AAUW members who participated in this effort that defines how we will build on our rich history today and tomorrow.

One of the most exciting goals in the plan is to achieve pay equity by 2030, and this is one of our immediate areas of focus. All members can join advocacy efforts to advance policies in their states, communities and nationally. AAUW members have been instrumental in more than a dozen states passing improved pay equity laws in the past couple of years, and all of us can contact our policy makers by becoming an AAUW Two-Minute Activist. See AAUW website for info.

AAUW will train **10 million women in salary negotiation by 2022**. Our strategy is to build large-scale initiatives as

we have in Boston; Long Beach, California; the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; San Francisco; Tempe, Arizona; and Washington, D.C. We will be working with AAUW state and branch leaders as well as AAUW national members across the country to engage mayors, governors, local employers, universities, and other civic leaders in the effort. We will also be launching an online version of our salary negotiation course in September — and we are asking every member to take the course and to share it with family members, friends, and contacts.

Another priority is to improve workplace culture to advance women. We are asking for your help with a new AAUW research report. The forthcoming report will examine how sexual harassment disrupts women's career paths and has a cumulative effect over women's lifetimes. In particular, we will focus on how workplace sexual harassment impacts women toward the end of their careers. Your voice is important; we hope you will respond to our survey regarding your experiences with workplace sexual harassment. AAUW's research reports have helped move policy and change norms for more than 100 years, and this project will help us connect the lessons we have learned over our lifetime to improve women's workplaces and lives today.

SPECIAL INTERESTS & ACTIVITIES

THE BOOK GROUP

The Book Group meets monthly on the second Monday of every month at 6:30 PM, with the exception of July, August and December. New members are welcome! We are excited to be kicking off the 2018-2019 season with our September selection: *The Bettencourt Affair*, by Tom Sancton. We are meeting on September 10th, at 6:30, at the home of Suzanne Simon. Lee Hall will be leading the discussion. A reminder notice, with more details, will go out to the book group email distribution list. Included below is the list of next season's books so that you can get a jump start on them.

2018-2019 AAUW BOOK GROUP BOOKS

September 10: *The Bettencourt Affair*, by Tom Sancton

Discussion Leader: Lee Hall; Hostess: Suzanne Simon

October 8: *Beneath A Scarlet Sky*, by Mark T. Sullivan

Discussion Leader: Patty Jansen; Hostess: Patty Jansen

November 12: *Before We Were Yours*, by Lisa Wingate

Discussion Leader: Suzanne Evans; Hostess: Peggy Poindexter

2019:

January 14: *The End of Your Life Book Club*, by Will Schwaibe

Discussion Leader: Donna Daulton; Hostess: TBD

February 11: *Flight of the Earls: An Heirs of Ireland Novel*, by Michael K.

Reynolds

Discussion Leader: Millie Clarke; Hostess: TBD

March 11: *The Immortalists*, by Chloe Benjamin

Discussion Leader: Susan Lynnes-Parks; Hostess: Susan Lynnes-Parks

April 8: *Little Fires Everywhere*, by Celeste Ng

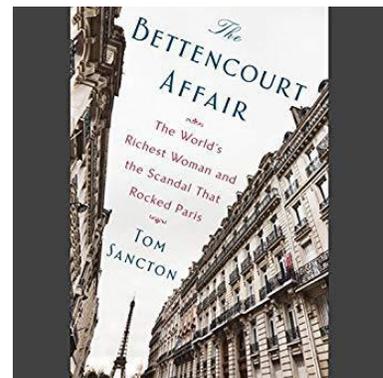
Discussion Leader: Abby Kirst; Hostess: TBD

Many 13: *Pachinko*, by Min Jin Lee

Discussion Leader: Peggy Poindexter ; Hostess: Suzanne Evans

June 10: *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry*, by Gabrielle Zevin

Discussion Leader: Lee Hall/Monica Hill; Location: Burnt Cedar Beach



There are many opportunities to volunteer - you can be the discussion leader or open your home as The hostess. Please give hosting a chance. Appetizers, sweets, and beverages are contributed by the attendees. 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).

Respectfully,

Monica Hill and Lee Hall

Great Decisions Group 2019

Later this year we will order the 2019 Great Decisions books. 2018 was our first year for having a Great Decisions group as part of AAUW Tahoe Nevada, and it has been a great success. Over 30 women joined our group, and we generally have 15-20 people who attend each meeting. There are 8 meetings per year, on the 4th Wednesday evening of the month, from March through October.

All members of our branch are welcome to participate. If you are interested in joining for 2019, please give your \$35 check, made payable to AAUW with "Great Decisions" in the subject line, to Cornelia Gould or Patty Proctor. You may find us at the September and/or October dinner meetings. We plan to place the book order in late October. Note that we have increased the price this year in order to include a donation to our AAUW scholarship fund. You may also mail your check to:

Patty Proctor
PO Box 3410
Incline Village, NV 89450

If you have questions you may contact Cornelia (cornelia.gould@gmail.com) or Patty (patricia_proctor@yahoo.com).

Cornelia Gould and Patty Proctor,
Co-Leaders

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 had a wonderful summer of hiking, including some wildflower hikes outside of the Tahoe Basin.



Our other warm weather outings are also continuing. The kayaking group goes out from Ski/Hermit Beach in Incline Village most Wednesday mornings at 9 AM. This group is led by Liz Paganelli—you may contact her at Lpag007@aol.com to be added to the kayaking email list. The road-biking group—the Wheeling Women—goes out sporadically for outings in the greater Tahoe area. This group is led by Millie Clarke—please contact her at mclarke47@gmail.com to be added to that list.

We hope you can join us in the great outdoors!

Lynn Whetstone



Please contact me at Lwhetstone@prodigy.net or 775-831-8608 if you would like to hike with us. You will be notified by email of planned outings as well as any last minute changes due to weather.



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