



American Association of University Women

Capital News!

AAUW Capital Branch

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AAUW Mission:
Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

Holiday Social



December 10

6:30 PM

At the home of
Carolyn Kellogg

528 Chelsea Pl, Carson City

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A special holiday celebration, this year's Holiday Social is presented by the Gourmet Interest Group, which has volunteered to provide our refreshments. Please note, the time will be 6:30 pm rather than our usual meeting time. Be sure to come celebrate the season and enjoy the special friendships we have with one another. Spouses are welcome, too! If you have not already emailed your RSVP to Peggy Wozniak at wozniakpeggy@gmail.com, please respond ASAP so that Carolyn and the Gourmet Group know how many to expect for the event. Thank you in advance to the Gourmets and Carolyn for hosting this lovely seasonal event!



Pecan Sales!

By Shirley Hammon



Thank you, thank you for the work you are doing selling the AAUW pecans. They have been moving quickly out of my garage. About a case and a half (36) bags of halves remain, plus a dozen of the specialties.



We had a successful sale at the high school. We sold 189 packages, more than any other year. People look for our booth. We have an excellent location.

Hope all of you had fun working there.

Please keep selling the pecans. Folks like to give them as gifts at Christmas and people will be using them for their Christmas baking. Don't hesitate to call me if your supply runs out and you have more orders. On the other hand, if you feel you have exhausted your contacts and want to return some packages to me, that's all right. Please call me at 882-4195 to arrange a time to pick up additional pecans or to return those you can't sell.



AAUW PECAN SALE

WALNUT 1 LB	\$12.00
CHOCOLATE COVERED 1/2 LB	\$12.00
CHOCOLATE GLAZED 1/2 LB	\$12.00
CHOCOLATE CUSTARD 1/2 LB	\$12.00
WALNUT CHOCOLATE COVERED 1/2 LB	\$12.00

Feast of Chocolate Raffle/Silent Auction

Nancy Stiles, Raffle/Silent Auction Chair

We are progressing nicely with our baskets being filled. Diane Koditec has volunteered to fill the Doggie Basket along with Mary Wilson's grooming gift card. Judy Welch has offered to fill most of the Cold Winter's Night basket. Caroline Panches has filled most of the Memories basket. Linda Sekiguchi donated a spa basket she won at another raffle and will be getting a gift certificate from Carson Valley Inn. Holly Van Valkenburg will be getting our chocolate from Red's and hopefully a certificate as well. Maureen Smith and Nancy Stiles are helping with the Tea for Two basket. Barbara LeBlanc has indicated she'll have things for the Knitter's Basket, the Quilter's Basket, and the Reader's Basket. Jane Johnson has suggested she wants to add to the Kitty basket. Mary Wilson will be getting gift certificates for hair & nail salon, and a round of golf at Dayton's Golf Course, and who knows what else. Thank all of you who have already identified something you'll contribute. I am well aware that others of you will want to add something to our raffle/silent auction as well. Lin sent out a list of the "named" baskets so you could be thinking about what you might offer on the list, but your contributions are not restricted to that list alone if you think of something you want to offer. I'll have the list at our Dec. 10 meeting at Carolyn's, and you may bring your contributions to that meeting as well. It is without question that we will again have a successful raffle/silent auction for our scholarships thanks to all of you.

January Program

by Nancy Stiles, VP Programs

Our January program will be presented by Brett Kandt from the Attorney General's Office on Human Trafficking in our state. You may be surprised at what you hear. It is important we stay informed on our public policy issues.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

by Caroline Punches, Membership VP

2015-16FY CAPITAL BRANCH MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

You should have received your personal copy of the AAUW Capital Branch Membership Directory at the November 5th Branch Meeting or by mail. Please carefully review your own information to make sure everything is correct. If there are any further corrections, please contact Caroline Punches at 775-246-1850 or at cpunches206@charter.net.

Also, **please note** the change of address for Bobbie Williams. If you received your directory at the November 5th meeting, you need to change the city and zip code to **Blanco, TX 78606**. If you received the directory by mail, the correction should have been made. **My apologies to Bobbie!** Her temporary address is in Blanco, TX, but an updated address will be shared with you when she moves to San Antonio. **And**, Betsy Strohl's mailing address is **Genoa, 89411**; not Minden!

**REMEMBER: DIRECTORY ADDRESS, EMAIL
AND PHONE INFORMATION IS FOR MEMBERS
ONLY!**



AAUW QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS...

Question: How do I access the Office Depot Discount Card provided to AAUW members?

Answer: You will need to log on as a member on the AAUW website. If you have not previously logged on, you will need your Membership ID number. This number is on your AAUW membership card. If you have misplaced your membership card, please call Caroline and she will provide it to you. You will then be asked to develop a password. Once logged in, go to Membership page, then Benefits for AAUW Members, then Shopping – Office Depot. Print out flyer and take to Office Depot – they will laminate. Discounts are really good! If you have previously logged on and have an account – just click on this link to access the Office Depot flyer. <http://www.aauw.org/membership/benefits/#officedepotmax> If you don't have access to a com-

puter AND a printer, but want a copy of the flyer, please contact Caroline and she will print out one for you.

Question: How can I become involved in educating MY representatives in Congress and the Senate about issues that are important to women and learn more about issues that AAUW is supporting on Capitol Hill?

Answer: You can become a Two-Minute Activist. AAUW's Action Network is the cornerstone of AAUW's e-advocacy efforts. As a subscriber, you receive an email notice from our national office providing information about a current issue needing action. You can then personalize an email message which will be sent to your congressional representative. You can sign up at www.aauw.org/what-we-do/public-policy/two-minute-activist/

Question: I get TOO many emails from AAUW. How can I eliminate those I do not wish to receive?

Answer: All messages sent by AAUW through listserves and electronic newsletters and other e-lists include information on how to unsubscribe quickly and easily through an automated system. These messages are typically in the small print at the bottom of the message. If, at any time, you wish to opt-out of receiving AAUW communications, you may also send a written request to AAUW. Unsubscribe requests are processed weekly. If you wish to unsubscribe or need to process a change to your email address, send your requested changes to connect@aauw.org.

The word "Thanks" is written in a large, elegant, cursive script. The letters are a dark red color with a subtle gradient and a slight shadow effect, giving it a three-dimensional appearance.

**SPECIAL THANKS TO JILL DOREMUS
FOR CREATING THE FLYER FOR THE
DECEMBER 3RD WNC EVENT!**

Interest Groups by Diane Koditek

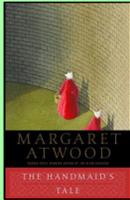
Book Club (evening)

The group enjoyed lively discussion of Nancy Horan's Loving Frank led by Anne Elson at the home of Linda Kijanka in November. Our next meeting will be on December 17 at 6:30 PM at Carolyn Kellogg's home at 528 Chelsea Pl. in Carson City. Book to be discussed:



The Unknown Americans by Cristina Henríquez. For further information about this group or to join, contact Diane Koditek: dgk@mchsi.com.

Book Club (day) The daytime book group will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 8 at Holly Van Valkenburgh's home. We will be discussing The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood. Anyone who is interested in the getting more information about the day group can contact JoAnn Carpenter. Email address jac78x@gmail.com or 775-392-4116.



Great Decisions

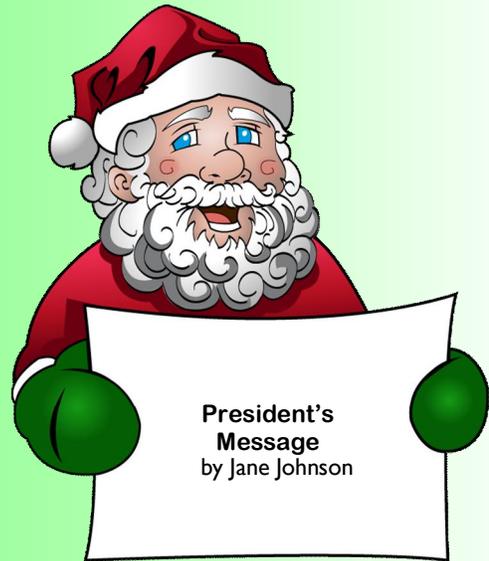
The next meeting date is pending. New books for the coming year are being ordered. Contact Linda Hiebert Sekiguchi 775 220 0595, if interested. New members to this group are welcome.

Gourmet Group

The group had a fun time at Nothing To It Culinary Institute on November 12th. We learned some new recipes and techniques from the entertaining and wonderful chef Lara Richie. Hope all of you can meet her sometime! We are looking forward to seeing you at the branch holiday party on December 10 at 6:30.

Games Group:

This group will meet next on January 17 at 2 PM at the home of Marty McGarry. Please contact Donna Curtis at donnajcurtis@sbcglobal.net for further information. All members are welcome.



I have just returned from a marvelous trip to Morocco, and I have to admit that I am still partly in that fascinating world.

I am excited though about all the AAUW activities planned for December, and I am hoping to see many of you at both the WNC event and our holiday party, plus interest groups. It is wonderful to return to many good friends and interesting possibilities. —Jane

Bulletin Board

If you have a community activity or event that you'd like to recommend for January, please email Diane Koditek: dgk@mchsi.com.



MERRY CHRISTMAS



December 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 WNC, Voting Empowers Women 6 PM	4	5
6	7	8 Book Club 2 PM	9	10 Branch Holiday Social 6:30 PM	11 Happy Hanukkah 	12
13	14	15	16	17 Book Club 6:30 PM	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25  <i>Merry Christmas</i>	26
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Looking ahead to 2016!

The Games Groups meets January 17 @ 2 PM.