



# Capital News!

AAUW Capital Branch May 2016

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

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## AAUW Scholarship Luncheon & Meeting

Where: Joanie’s Creekside Café  
1795 E. College Pkwy.  
Carson City, NV

When: Saturday, May 7  
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Menu: Buffet – sandwiches, wraps, salads, desserts, drinks (non-alcoholic)

Cost: \$16 per person (tax & gratuity included)

**RSVP: Please reply by Monday, May 2 to [wozniakpeggy@gmail.com](mailto:wozniakpeggy@gmail.com)**



**Please note:** I will be out of town with limited access to email until May 2. I will be forwarding the final count of attendees to the restaurant on May 3.

## President’s Message

by Jane Johnson



It is hard to believe that I have been President of Capital Branch AAUW for three years now. Our branch has expanded our membership considerably over that time, and through our programming and

events, we have become more of a presence in the community as well as informing ourselves of a host of issues involving equity for women and girls that are at the heart of AAUW’s mission. Many of our members, by their enthusiasm and willingness to serve as elected officers or on the Board, have created a very positive atmosphere, and I will always be grateful to them.

I especially want to express my deep thanks to Nancy Stiles and Caroline Panches, our over-the-top Program and Membership Vice-Presidents. They have worked tirelessly to accomplish their goals, and it has been a tremendous joy and privilege to work with them as a team for all three years.

I am delighted with our slate of incoming officers, and I am utterly confident that Capital Branch AAUW will continue to thrive under their leadership.

## AAUW State Convention in Boulder City

Nancy Stiles, AAUW State Council Program Chair

Please consider attending the State Convention in Boulder City, NV Saturday, May 21 and Sun., May 22. You received your registration information recently through Lin. We would love to have a good showing from our branch. Most of us who are attending are flying to Las Vegas Fri., May 20 on Southwest flight 3521 at 12:20. The Boulder City AAUW people will be picking us up at the airport from that flight. We’ve scheduled our return on flight 1870, Sunday, May 22 at 4:30 pm. The convention program will end Sunday, May 22 at 12:00 noon. Again, Boulder City’s AAUW will be taking us to the airport. A good time will be had by all. [Ed. Note: See pages 4-6]

## AAUW Capital Branch 2016-17 High School Scholarship Recipients

It is with pleasure that we would like to introduce our 2016-17 scholarship recipients. You will meet them at our May meeting. We received wonderful applications and found it difficult to decide which of these outstanding women should be chosen. However, our two recipients were chosen for their academic accomplishment, community involvement as well as for their financial need.

**Fabiola Mata-Garcia** is our recipient from Carson High School. She has a long list of academic accomplishments, civic activities and has received many honors. Her goal is to become a financial advisor and obtain a master's degree in Finance. She plans to begin her college career at Western Nevada College, Carson City.

She is a member of the National Honor Society, Link Crew and New Entrepreneur Network. She is a volunteer at St. Teresa of Avila Church and Bordewich Bray Elementary School. She has been a Senior Spotlight recipient and has received an Academic Letter Award. In anticipation of her planned career she has played an integral role in establishing the New Entrepreneur Network at Carson High School and has worked as a teller at the school branch of Nevada Credit Union. She has a GPA of 4.0 and ranks 8<sup>th</sup> out of 461 students.

Her letters of recommendation state that she is "an incredibly hard-working student that takes full advantage of learning opportunities in and beyond the classroom. She is extremely personable, thoughtful, generous and attentive to detail." "Her exemplary work is reflected in her many rigorous academic classes. Her future is bright due to her hard work and initiative."

**Madison deWet** is our recipient from Dayton High School. She too has a long list of accomplishments. Her goal is to become a Medical Doctor and major in Biochemistry at the University of Nevada, Reno in the fall. She has volunteered at the Dayton Senior Center and has organized and promoted two 3K/5K Walks to benefit the Meals on Wheels Program. She has won the American Citizenship Award and the Academic Excellence Award two times. She has completed AP level courses giving her the opportunity to jumpstart her academic career. Her GPA is 4.1 and she ranks 6<sup>th</sup> out of 156 students.

Her letters of recommendation state that she is "more outstanding than her accomplishments by overcoming physical problems and exhibiting insights far beyond her years." "She is a driven student with unlimited potential. Even though she has struggled with health issues, she has never taken the easy way out. She has never used her health problems for an excuse, but did the opposite by working hard and overcoming any obstacles."

**Your Scholarship Selection Committee:** Diane Koditek, Mary Castro Wilson & Carolyn Kellogg

## Nevada Coalition For Women's Equity

Nancy Stiles, representative for AAUW Capital Branch

Progress is being made at the coalition. The survey questions have been sent to all of the legislative candidates and 42 have responded. The ones that did not respond are being contacted by phone or in person. The survey questions and answers are being compiled and will be sent to the respective women's organizations that are part of the coalition. We will be getting those to you before early voting begins on May 28. Their answers may make a difference in how you vote for your legislators. Stay tuned.

## Bulletin Board

Come join other AAUW members for an informal lunch on Tuesday, May 17th at 11:45. Newer members are especially invited to come and get acquainted! We will order individually from the menu at The Basil, 311 No. Carson St. in Carson City. Please RSVP to Diane Koditek, [dgk@mchsi.com](mailto:dgk@mchsi.com) by Friday, May 13. (Reservation will be in Diane's name for AAUW).

Reminder: Any AAUW member may suggest a community event that she believes would be interesting to participate in. Please email suggestions for the coming month to Diane Koditek, [dgk@mchsi.com](mailto:dgk@mchsi.com). Suggested activities will be posted in the newsletter in the Bulletin Board section.

## MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

by Caroline Punches, Membership VP

### RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW!

Each of you should have received an email from [memberinfo@aauw.org](mailto:memberinfo@aauw.org) with the subject line: **AAUW Membership Renewal Notice**. These were actually generated by me as your membership chair! If for some reason you did not receive it - please check your SPAM folder! The message included an individualized link so you can quickly renew online. But if you prefer to mail in your membership dues, that information is also provided. (Caroline Punches, 206 La Costa Avenue, Dayton, NV 89403-8723). If you would rather receive your invoice by mail, please call me at 775-246-1850 and one will be mailed to you. If, for some reason, you did not receive the Renewal Notice or deleted it, please let me know and I will generate a reminder for you. Renewing online is very simple, but we do still accept checks! You can also bring them to the May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting!

**DO YOU HAVE A FRIEND, CO-WORKER, NEIGHBOR OR OTHER INDIVIDUAL WHO YOU THINK WOULD BE A GOOD PROSPECT FOR AAUW?** It is never too early to send me their name, mailing address AND email address! Our Fall Membership brunch is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 10AM. Watch your summer newsletter for specific location! This is a great way to share information about AAUW and to identify additional interests of our members.

**YOUR INPUT REQUESTED!** Watch your email for a Survey Monkey! Your leadership team for 2016-17 year will be meeting soon to discuss possible program speakers, community partnerships and more. We need YOUR ideas as well as your volunteer assistance to help make the 2016-17 AAUW year a success. There are numerous ways YOU can help! So - watch your email and respond as quickly as possible! THANKS!

**SPECIAL THANKS!** Thank you to our Membership Phone Liaisons who cheerfully reminded members about the monthly branch meetings. Mary Castro-Wilson, Shirley Hammon, Mary Moffitt, Eileen Seidel and Betsy Strohl - your support is greatly appreciated!

## Interest Groups

by Diane Koditek

### Evening Book Group

We met in April for a meaningful discussion of Kent Nerburn's book *Neither Wolf Nor Dog*. Linda Hiebert-Sekiguchi graciously served as our hostess. The May meeting will take place on 5/19 at 6:30. The book to be discussed is Erik Larson's *In The Garden of Beasts*. For further information, please contact Diane Koditek, [dgk@mchsi.com](mailto:dgk@mchsi.com) or call 661-304-8743.

### Daytime Book Group

Readers will be meeting on Friday, May 20 to discuss author Tony Cohan's book *On Mexican Time*. Please contact JoAnn Carpenter for additional information: [jac78x@gmail.com](mailto:jac78x@gmail.com) or call 775-392-4116.

### Great Decisions

Great Decisions group's April discussion focused on ISIS. On May 25<sup>th</sup>, the group will meet at the home of Linda Ladendorf for a discussion about Kurdistan. Please contact Linda Hiebert Sekiguchi for additional information: [nvlindas@gmail.com](mailto:nvlindas@gmail.com) or call 775-782-1296.

### Gourmet Group

Meeting plans are in process for May and June. For additional information, please contact Carolyn Kellogg: [cnflakes@gmail.com](mailto:cnflakes@gmail.com) or call 775-461-3320.

### Games Group

The Games Group does not have a meeting scheduled in May.



**Check out the Capital Branch website at <http://capital-nv.aauw.net/> !**

*AAUW NEVADA STATE CONVENTION*

*BOULDER CITY, NEVADA*

*MAY 20-22 2016*

AAUW Boulder City will be hosting the 2016 AAUW Nevada State Convention on May 20-22. AAUW Nevada State Council and the Boulder City Branch have jointly planned and developed an excellent program.

The first item of business at the convention is election of officers. We are pleased to announce that our nominating committee (Debbie Nicholas, AAUW Tahoe-Nevada and Valerie McNay, Boulder City) contacted all branches to announce the vacancies and solicit nominees. They worked very hard interviewing members throughout the state to identify those who are both talented and interested in becoming leaders in our state organization.

Nominees for the 2016-2018 term:

President/Administrator: Kay Lehr, AAUW Tahoe-Nevada

Secretary: Peggy Poindexter, AAUW Tahoe-Nevada

Nominations may also be made at the convention during the business meeting.

We are honored that Alicia Hetman, Vice President of AAUW, will be with us throughout the entire convention. What a fantastic way to meet a national leader up close and personal. We will also be graced with Sarah Blithe PHD, University of Nevada, speaking about "Gender Equality as it Relates to Work-Life Balance". Hear about the Nevada Coalition for Women's Equity, a group of women's organizations working toward the passage of the paycheck fairness act at the 2017 legislative session (AAUW Nevada was the founding member of this Coalition). You will be impressed with the great programs being presented.

AAUW Nevada and the Nevada AAUW Branches encourage each and every branch and national member to attend. This is the first state convention since 2013 and it is an opportune time to reconnect with our members and hear about the work of the other branches. When we work as one we make a difference in women's lives.

Members from all branches together at the convention show what a vital and vigorous organization AAUW Nevada and all the branches are. Please plan on coming and sign up soon, the **deadline for registration is May 5.**

Check our website at <http://aauw-nv.aauw.net/> to see the complete program.

We hope to see you on May 20!

**FRIDAY MAY 20,2016**

5-6 PM STATE COUNCIL MEETING at the BOULDER DAM HOTEL

6-9PM RECEPTION at TWO WHEELS

**SATURDAY, MAY 21, 2016** SPILLWAY- BOULDER DAM HOTEL-DOWNSTAIRS

9:00 WELCOME AND ORIENTATION Laura Pyzer Joyce Destefanis Doris Dowden

9:10-9:45 BUSINESS MEETING Doris Dowden Joyce Destefanis

9:45-10:30 MEMBERSHIP Caroline PUNCHES

10:30-1045 BREAK

10-45-11:30 WHAT'S HAPPENING IN AAUW Alicia Hetman, Vice-President AAUW

11:30-11:45 SOCIAL MEDIA Byllie Andrews,

11:45-12:00 NEVADA WOMEN'S EQUITY COALITION Bonnie Barber

12:00-1:00 LUNCH on the BOULDER DAM HOTEL PATIO

1:00-2:00 LEADERSHIP: THE SILENT LANGUAGE Nancy Stiles

2:00-2:15 COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY Robbyn Tolles

2:15-2:30 BREAK

2:30-3:30 GENDER EQUALITY AS RELATES TO WORK-LIFE BALANCE Sarah Blithe, PhD. University of Nevada Reno

3:30-4:30 WALKING TOUR OF BOULDER CITY, AAUW Boulder City

6:00-8:00 BUFFET DINNER on the BOULDER DAM HOTEL PATIO

**SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2016**

8:00-9:00 BREAKFAST ON YOUR OWN

9:00-9:15 GOOD MORNING Doris Dowden Joyce Destefanis

9:15-10:00 BRANCH REPORTS

10:00-11:00 TITLE IX Alicia Hetman, Vice President AAUW

11:00-11:20 AAUW NEVADA STATE CONVENTION 2017 Fallon Branch

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12:00 LUNCH ON YOUR OWN MILO'S

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NV  
MAY 20-22, 2016  
PROGRAM**



**STATE CONVENTION 2016**  
**May 20 - 22, 2016**  
**Boulder Dam Hotel**  
**1305 Arizona Street, Boulder City, NV**

**REGISTRATION FORM**  
**Deadline is May 5, 2016**

<b>NAME (Please Print):</b>	
_____	
<b>MAILING ADDRESS:</b>	
_____	
<b>TELEPHONE:</b>	<b>EMAIL:</b>
_____	_____
<b>BRANCH:</b>	<b>BRANCH OR STATE OFFICE:</b>
_____	_____

Registration Options	Price	Member	Guest	Total
Full Conference Fee	\$40	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
1 Day Conference Fee	\$10	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<b>Friday</b>				
<b>Reception</b>	\$24	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<b>Saturday Meals</b>				
<i>Breakfast on your own</i>				
<b>Lunch (12:00P-1:00P)</b> <i>Sandwiches, salads, chips, drinks</i>	\$18	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<b>Dinner (6:00P-8:00P)</b> <i>Buffet including wine, soda, tea, water</i>	\$30	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
<b>Sunday Meals – on your own</b>				
<b>TOTAL Registration &amp; Meals</b>	\$	\$ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

**HOUSING**

***Boulder Dam Hotel - a few rooms are being held***

(866) 599-6674

Rate is \$89 plus taxes & fees

Other options:

**Milo's B&B** \$129 per night, (702) 294-4244

<https://convoyant.com/ResNexus/Reservations/Lodging/312DBA95-54FE-419E-B18D-6558CF068B3F>

**El Rancho**, \$77-\$99 per night, (702) 293-1085; <http://www.elranchoboulder.com/#!>



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

**Doris Dowden**  
**4890 Buckhaven Road**  
**Reno, NV 89519**

Questions? Email [aauwnevada@gmail.com](mailto:aauwnevada@gmail.com) or call Doris Dowden (775) 827-2481

# May 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 deadline to call Peggy for luncheon reservation	3	4	5	6	7 May Mtg Luncheon 11:30-1:30
8 	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 Informal lunch @ The Basil 11:45	18	19 Book Group 6:30	20 Book Group, call for time	21
22 Con- vention	23	24	25 Great Decisions	26	27	28
29	30 	31				

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## Your 2015-2016 Board

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