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AAUW Capital Branch

October 2015

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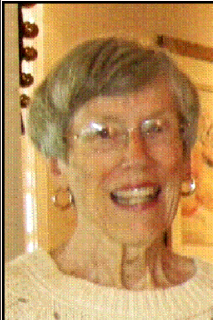
AAUW Mission:
Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

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President's Message

by Jane Johnson



I have heard wonderful reports of a very successful membership brunch, and I am delighted that the meeting went so well. Special thanks go to Dorothy Ramsdell who again opened her beautiful home to us, and to Caroline Panches who presided in my absence. Thanks also to members of the board who provided a delicious array of foods.

Nancy Stiles, Program Vice-President, has done an outstanding job of lining up interesting topics and speakers for our general meetings this year. Once again, we will glean insight into many issues important to our mission of equity for women and girls, and we hope to move toward action on at least one of them.

It looks as though our interest groups will expand to include several new ones, and I encourage you to participate in whatever strikes your fancy and time will allow.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the October meeting.

October 1 Meeting

by Peggy Wozniak, VP Meeting Venues and Menus

Where: UNR Cooperative Extension Building
2621 Northgate Lane, Carson City

When: 5:30 – 7:30 PM

What: Please select dinner choice from the options below. Meals are provided by **The Artisan Café**. Cost: \$12 includes meal, tax, gratuity.

First choose a **Sandwich and one side:**

- Veggie Delight
- Turkey Avocado BLT
- Chipotle Chicken

If you chose a sandwich, also choose **one side:**

- Salad
- Fruit
- Kale & apple salad

OR

Choose a **salad:**

- Mediterranean
- ABC Salad (Avocado, Bacon, Chicken)

Email your choice to Peggy Wozniak at **wozniakpeggy@gmail.com** no later than **Sept. 27.**



October Program

by Nancy Stiles, VP Programs

We have an exciting line up of programs this coming year, all of which are mission based. For our October 1st program, we will have Bonnie Barber, AAUW's Nevada State Public Policy Chair, give us a report on the AAUW National Public Policies that were addressed in our 2015 Nevada State Legislature, and those that will likely be on-going topics for the 2017 Nevada State Legislature.

AAUW's public policies are an expansion of our mission, and as such we need to remain aware of the issues taking place in our own state, and rally for those causes that are part of our mission.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

by Caroline PUNCHES, Membership VP

AAUW FALL MEMBERSHIP BRUNCH ENJOYED BY ALL!

As always the beautiful wooded setting of Dorothy Ramsdell's home provided the perfect backdrop for our AAUW Fall Membership Brunch! Twenty-two of our branch members and eight prospective members enjoyed the delicious brunch items provided by the Capital Branch Board Members.

Attendees participated in an AAUW Fact or Fiction exercise and learned more about the exciting programs planned for 2015-16 program year! Additionally, members were provided the opportunity to sign up for a variety of interest groups AND share their volunteer talents.



Julie Russ, a WNC student, shared her appreciation for the AAUW scholarship she received which allows her to continue her studies.

It was a great start to an exciting year for the AAUW Capital (NV) Branch!

PLEASE GIVE A WARM AAUW WELCOME TO OUR PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS!

Some prospective members will be attending an interest group meeting or a membership meeting to learn a little more about AAUW and determine if it is a good fit for them. So, share your enthusiasm and encourage them to return and be part of the Capital (NV) Branch! (cont'd next column)

Also, if you have a friend you think might be interested in joining, invite them to attend a meeting with you! Just make sure you let the hostess know! AND, call or email me so I can send them some membership information by email and set up a meeting to share more information or answer questions.

FIVE ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Join Mary Moffitt, Mary Wilson and Betsy Strohl in making phone calls each month to a small group of AAUW members. You will receive an email reminder to make your calls about a week before our general membership meeting. You will remind them of the upcoming meeting date, topic and location as well as the deadline to RSVP. You can even leave a voicemail message. It is easy to do and requires a minimal amount of time. AND, it really helps! We all have very busy lives and sometimes things "fall through the cracks" and we know our members appreciate the phone reminder! So, please call Caroline at 775-246-1850 or email her at cpunches206@charter.net to sign up today!

Pecan Sales

by Shirley Hammon

Pecans from Georgia are coming! The delivery date for the pecans is to be the week of October 26. Please contact your customers from prior years for their orders and look for new customers. Prices will be the same as 2014.

Halves, 1 lb package - \$10

Specialty, 10-12 oz package - \$11

The specialty pecans are wrapped in colorful foil packages ready to be given as gifts. Specialty products are: cinnamon glazed, chocolate covered, dark chocolate, and clusters.

Profits from this project support local scholarships and the AAUW Education Opportunities Fund.

The branch will have a booth at the Carson High School Craft Fair, November 19 and 20. A sign-up sheet for those who can assist with the sales at the booth will be available at the October 1 meeting.



Interest Groups by Diane Koditek

Book Club (evening)

The evening Book Club met on Sept. 17th at the home of Jane Johnson to plan for the coming year. After a delicious Mexican themed meal, Bobbie Williams led the fine planning session. Members presented an interesting range of book recommendations, agreed on those to be read, and volunteered as discussion leaders and hostesses for the coming twelve months. Jane and Bobbie reported that Diane Koditek will chair the evening Book Club this year. The next meeting will take place on October 15 at the home of Linda Kijanka. Mary Moffitt will lead discussion of "The Paris Wife" by Paula McLain.

Book Club (day)

Several members have signed up for a new daytime Book Club which will have its planning meeting during the month of October. A co-chair is needed for the group. Expect an email notification soon regarding the planning meeting. If you haven't signed up and are interested in joining, or if you have interest in co-chairing the daytime Book Club, please contact Diane Koditek, dgk@mchsi.com, 661-304-8743.

Great Decisions

Great Decisions Interest Group met on Monday, September 21st. We had a far ranging discussion on the topic of Human Trafficking which was led by Caroline Panches. In addition to the information in the study book and video we watched, several members read other books about the topic. Our hostess JoAnn Carpenter served refreshments. The next meeting of Great Decisions will be on October 19th and the subject will be Sectarianism. If you are interested in attending, please contact Linda Hiebert-Sekiguchi at 782-1296 or nvlindas@gmail.com.

Gourmet Group

The Gourmet Group, for those interested in cooking and foods, had a get together on Sept.27 to plan for the coming twelve months. Gourmet Group members can expect an email with the October meal date and details from co-chairs Carolyn Kellogg and Maureen Smith. New members are welcome! Please contact Maureen 775-888-0975 or Carolyn 775-461-3320 if you are interested in joining in.

New Interest Groups

Members indicated interest last spring on the member survey and also at the recent member brunch in potential new interest groups including Gardening, Game Night and "In Stitch." Our President, Jane Johnson will contact interested parties to work out initial organizational details.

Bulletin Board

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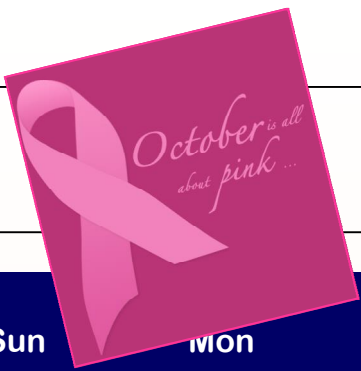
New This Month: Any member who has a suggestion for a possible outing—lecture, concert, etc.—may inform the Interest Group Coordinator with the date and time. These should be events occurring in the coming couple of months. The Coordinator will choose three of these for the Bulletin Board each month with this information: Event, Date/Time and the Contact Person (usually the person who suggests the activity). If no events have been suggested, the Coordinator will organize a luncheon for any member who wishes to attend. In other words, in the Bulletin Board, there will always be at least one event each month for any member who wishes to attend. Please submit your ideas for November by mid October to Diane Koditek, dgk@mchsi.com, 661-304-8743.

W e b s i t e

Check out the recently updated AAUW Capital (NV) Branch website! It has lots of information regarding membership, fundraising events, interest groups, the WNC partnership, and scholarships. There is also a special section for members, which contains the meeting minutes, newsletters and member directory. Because of the personal content of some of those materials, the section is pass worded.

To visit the website, just search <http://capital-nv.aauw.net/> or Google AAUW Capital Branch. If you wish to have the password for the Members Only section, please contact Lin via email at lnary@sbcglobal.net.





October 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Branch Meeting 5:30	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 Book Club meets	16	17
18	19 Great Decisions meets	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Halloween Trick or Treat night	31 Nevada Day

Your 2015-2016 Board

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Have you seen the new AAUW Overview Video? It is easy to do! Just go to our branch website at <http://capital-nv.aauw.net/> and click on the video on the home page. Linda Hallman, CEO of AAUW, narrates an overview of what AAUW has done and is doing to promote equity for women and girls. Go ahead and check it out!

