



American Association of University Women  
Capital Branch  
May 4, 2019  
Capital Branch Scholarship Luncheon & Meeting

Members Present		
Gail Aldrich	Louise Seidel	Linda H. Sekiguchi
Lynne Ballatore	Kathy Steinle	Nancy Stiles
Iris J. Blaisdell	Marty McGarry	JoAnn Carpenter
Paula Winne	Mary Moffitt	Jennifer Verive
Shirley Hammon	Lin Nary	Judy Welch
Jane Johnson	Mary Piper	Cindy White
Cheryl Anderson	Caroline Punches	Dorthiann Taylor
Paula Winne	Cindi Supko	Barbara Jepsen
Carolyn Kellogg	Mary Jean Lang	Sharon Orgain

President Caroline Punches called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM. The venue for this meeting was the Joanie's Creekside Café on College Parkway in Carson City. This meeting is the Annual scholarship luncheon and installation of officers.

Caroline started with a brief history of AAUW and our mission. Members stood to show scholarship recipients who has various degrees: AA/BA/BS/Masters/PHD, who were first in their family to get degree and what disciplines. Shirley Hammon, a 50 + year member, told what keeps her in AAUW, including research, education and advocacy. Members work together to get equity for women and we are all her friends. Paula Winne joined in the early 90's, likes us giving scholarships and how AAUW adjusts to the phases of your life. Pre-children Paula was very active, but once she had children it was OK not to be as active, and she is getting ready to again be more active.

**Thank you roses:** Caroline had peach roses as a symbol of appreciation, and yellow for joy. Peach roses were given to the elected officers: JoAnn Carpenter Co-programs and Great Decisions coordinator; Iris Blaisdell Membership; Marty McGarry and Lynne Ballatore Co-recording secretaries; Lin Nary Communication, web, directory and newsletter; Cindy White back up to Lin, afternoon Book Club and Gourmet Club; Dorthiann Taylor special emails; Carolyn Kellogg Pecan sales; Kathy Steinle cook goodies for meetings and Pecan Sales next year; Nancy Stiles Public Policy; Jane Johnson Evening Book Club; Mary Moffitt Scholarship Committee Chair; Louise Seidel treasurer; Mary Piper Scholarship committee; Jennifer Verive Work Smart.

New members: Sharon, Tera, Gina (not present). Feast of Chocolate Cindy Supko, Cheryl Anderson, Jill Harper (not present), Paula Winne (greeter), Linda Sekiguchi (donations).

75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration: Shirley Hammon, Barbara Jepsen. Gail Aldrich who always shows up when in town.

Everyone also got a 'diamond' for the 75<sup>th</sup> Diamond Jubilee and a piece of 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee cake.

**Scholarships:** Scholarship Selection Committee chair Mary Moffitt introduced recipients: Kat Darragh No. 1 at Dayton High with a 5.5 GPA and will get an AA Magnum Cum Laude in two weeks from WNC. Kat is a WNC Honor Society member and helped with the induction ceremony. Kat almost has all of her fees for next year. She plans to study in Behavioral Psychology, specifically on the differences culturally in dealing with Trauma, i.e. Japan don't talk about trauma. She traveled to Europe last summer and studied Germany and genocide.

Hanna Hope Hodorowitz is the recipient from Carson High School. She has worked at Carson Tahoe information desk. Her interest is in Medical research. She likes to travel and wants to study abroad. Born in China, she wants to learn Chinese and wants to learn about new cultures. She is a feminist and wants to further women in the workplace.

**Installation of New Officers 2019-2020:** Nancy Stiles presided over the installation of new officers talked about how officers make the culture of the organization. Each new officer was given an AAWU pen to write the next chapter of the Capital Branch. Officers: Treasurer Dorthiann Taylor with Barbara LeBlanc; Recording Secretary: Barbara Kuehner with Marty McGarry; Corresponding secretary: Shirley Williams; Programs JoAnn Carpenter and Lynne Ballatore; President: Caroline Panches and Jennifer Verive; Membership Vice President: Iris Blaisdell and Diane Koditek.

**Special thanks:** A going away card signed at the April meeting was presented to Nancy Stiles.

**Membership brunch:** Iris announced the membership brunch has a budget of \$267. A survey said the main purpose of the brunch is social and introduce new members. Place: NV room 26, private house 3, your house 3, park 0; day of the week Saturday 21, Sunday 0, Friday Happy Hour; Wine? 13 yes 11 no. Would you donate a dish: 22 yes 2 no; would you donate \$20 for caterer: 24 yes 2 no; caterers: LA Bakery, Bella Vita.

**Drawing for those who paid their dues:** Starbucks Gift Certificates were awarded to Linda Sekiguchi and Lynn Stephenson (not present).

**Public Policy:** Nancy Stiles announced a congressional hearing to discuss reopening the ERA; Sexual Assault bill: AAUW Public Policy was the only non-congressman to testify.

**Survey Monkey:** A branch survey will be sent to members in mid-May. All members are requested to fill it out soon.

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 PM:

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lynne Ballatore / Marty McGarry  
Co-Recording Secretaries