



April 2017

GENERAL MEETING

We encourage you to bring spouses, friends, and family members to our programs.

April 13, 1:00 at the Tahoe City Yacht Club.

Ellen Magnani will talk about her trip to Russia and then on to Kazakhstan to see her daughter-in-law at the space shuttle. No refreshments will be served.

May Interbranch meeting.

Details regarding time, place, and date will be announced later.



CO-PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

As part of our celebration of Women's History Month, our membership was treated to three wonderful Chautauqua presentations at our March 9 General Meeting. Trudy Lesem spoke in first person as Sandra Day O’Conner and Julie Ginocchio as Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Vera Daegling introduced us to a children’s book

titled, Rad American Women A-Z, by Kate Schatz. According to Amazon it introduces Rebels, Trailblazers, and Visionaries Who Shaped our History.....and Our Future. Vera then chose Temple Grandin from the book for her Chautauqua performance. Temple is a professor of animal science at Colorado State University and a world-renowned autism rights activist. All are such strong modern women, and such talent among our group. Well done, ladies!

If you missed this program, plan to come next March, as this program is a favorite with many of us. We ended our March program with information about the National Women's History Museum. The National Women’s History Museum started in 1996 and plans are moving forward to develop a facility and site on or near the Washington DC mall. Thank you Christine Marsh-Madden for sharing your information.

Christine will be happy to provide more information about the Women’s Natural History Museum in Washington, DC as well as membership opportunities. Please contact her at madden@garlic.com or 530.546.4543.

Our April 13, 1:00 meeting at the Yacht Club will feature Ellen Magnani relating her experiences traveling to Russia and Central Asia as her daughter-in law was blasting off to spend time on the International Space Station. Following

our program, we will conduct our "annual" business meeting. It is time to make plans for the upcoming 2017-18 year. We will be voting on our leadership slate of officers and our 2017-18 budget. They were both reviewed and approved by our leadership team and sent to our memberships by email on March 8. Please review the slate of officers that follows and study the 2017-18 budget that was emailed separately. Thanks to all of you for participating in this process. We are so grateful to have a full slate of officers to start our next year.

Elected Officers	2017-2018
Presidents	Jan Potter, Patricia Watters
President-Elect	Kym Pipkin
Membership	Cheryl Allen, Virginia Wilson
Programs	Trudy Lesem, Johnnie Lee Don
Finance Officer	Ruth Arizaga-Whisler*
Secretaries	Sharon Filardo, Linda Larish
Communications	Dana Loury, Susan Hassenplug
Appointed Officers	
AAUW Funds	Nancy Cline
Girls State	Christine Madden, Johnnie Lee Don
Tech Trek	Meri McEneny
By-laws/ Parliamentarian	Martha Cirata
Nominating Committee	Jan Potter, plus 2**

*An assistant to Ruth needed beginning January 2018

**Two additional people needed in January 2018.

Hope to see you and your guests at our April 13, 1:00 meeting at the Yacht Club in Tahoe City.

BRANCH LEADERSHIP

All members are welcome to attend branch leadership meetings. The next meeting will be April 11, beginning at 2 PM at the home of Jan Potter.

Approved meeting notes are available under "Communications" on the branch website. You will also find a list of officers and branch leaders on the website at (www.northtahoe-ca.aauw.net).

EQUAL PAY DAY HIGHLIGHTS THE PAY GAP

AAUW is committed to supporting "fairness in compensation, equitable access and advancement in employment, and vigorous enforcement of employment antidiscrimination statutes."

Equal Pay Day will be observed this year on April 4, 2017. The date symbolizes how far into 2017 women must work to earn what men earned in 2016. According to national Census statistics released in 2013, women working full-time, year round, make, on average, 78 cents for every dollar a male earns doing the same job. In California, women do slightly better, 85 cents on the dollar. Another year, another wage gap for women and their families. The pay gap is even worse for women of color – for African American women the gap is 64% compared to white men, and Hispanic women 54%. And with our inactive Congress and still-troubling economy, women continue to feel the pinch of the wage gap. AAUW members and our partners can work to help close the gap.

Other equal pay dates have been established for specific groups of women:

- March 7 – Asian American women
- July 31 – African American women
- September 25 – Native American women
- November 2 – Latina women

Action on Equal Pay Day has the objective of raising the awareness of the issue in our communities, with our members, and especially with young women who are under the false impression that pay inequity has been "taken care of". While SB358 was enacted by the California Legislature in 2015, there is still much work to be done before it becomes a reality for all women.



HIGH TEA

*You are cordially invited to attend a **HIGH TEA** on Thursday, June 22nd, at 3:00 p.m. in the garden at 208 Rifle Peak Court, Incline Village, Nevada.*

Refreshments provided by A Catered Affaire. Speaker: Chelsea Austin, 2013 Tech Trek alumna 'Downton Abbey' attire--dresses and hats for ladies, coat & tie for gentlemen.

*Cost \$25/person.
Proceeds benefit the Tech Trek program.
Reservations required by June 10th,
limited to 60 people.*

For reservations, please send your check made payable to North Tahoe AAUW to Carol Eyre, 208 Rifle Peak Court, Incline Village, NV 89451.

We would like to include some of the Tech Trek girls from past years. The cost is \$25 to sponsor a girl. Please contact Meri McEneny at 775 831-6071 or mmceneny@gmail.com for further information.

Organizing Committee: Johnnie Lee Don, Carol Eyre, Linda Larish, Meri McEneny. For further information, email carolceyre@aol.com.

2017 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT THANKS NT AAUW

March 2, 2017
Dear North Tahoe American Association of University Women,

I am writing to express my gratitude to you for awarding me your generous \$1000 scholarship. I am honored and very thankful to receive this award and all of the opportunities that it brings to me.

I am currently attending UCLA and majoring in Marine Biology. After I finish my undergraduate education I intend to pursue a master's degree and a career in biological research. This scholarship greatly accelerates me towards

those goals. In helping to finance my time at UCLA, you are allowing me to focus wholeheartedly on my education, and helping me to achieve all that I am capable of.

In addition to academic achievement, with this scholarship I hope that I will be able to perpetuate the values of diversity and gender equality that The American Association of University Women promotes. I hope that in my pursuit of a STEM career, that I can both add to the diversity of the field, and inspire other women to achieve similar goals. I believe that your scholarship has greatly improved my ability to do these things, and I hope that one day I can help another student achieve their goals as you have helped me.

Sincerely,
Jaycee Lanza
UCLA Class of 2020
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UC Davis Tech Trek camp 2017. We have selected our 6 campers for 2017! They are Valeria Martin, Marina Hendricks, Ava Arnold, Hannah Burt, Melissa Ponce, and Sage Klein. 1st and 2nd alternates are Alexa McPherson and Eiley Tippins, respectively. The girls now submit an Attendance Form along with a Parent Certification Form that commits to pay \$50 for their daughter. After these forms are submitted to NT AAUW, then the UC Davis camp directors deal directly with the girls and parents. During the full day of interviews at North Tahoe School, we learned about the nominated girls, and we learned so much about each other! Thanks to Vera Daegling, Trudy Lesem, Christine Madden, and Meri McEneny.

STEM Trek Day. Christine Madden coined the name STEM Trek Day for our NT AAUW one-day camp for former Tech Trekkers and nominees at the TCPUD Fairway Community Center on Saturday, June 10, 2017, 8am-4pm. **SAVE THE DATE!** It will be a day of classes, fun and activities for girls of all ages; that means all of us too! Come for some or all. Nancy McNair, 8th grade Math teacher, will offer Fun with Math, and completes our STEM professionals. Thank

you, Nancy! Nancy is mother of former TT camper Heather McNair who is nearing her Ph.D. in oceanography.

Are you looking to support Tech Trek but can't have Fun with Math on June 10, in Tahoe City? Consider sponsoring a former TT camper to attend and assist at Carol Eyre's **High Tea** on Thursday, June 22, 3pm. We hope to invite up to 10 former Tech Trekkers to attend and help; one for each table! Please consider sponsoring a Trekker at the Tea for \$25. Contact Meri at 775 831-6071, or mmceneny@gmail.com, to sponsor a girl.

INTEREST GROUPS



BOOK GROUP

The members of book group will be meeting March 28th and on April 25th. Mark your calendars. The March meeting will be held at the Tahoe Yacht Club where we will review "A Spool of Blue Thread" by Anne Tyler. The book moderators will be Linda Schwoob and Muffy Betker. Martha Cirata will bring treats.

The April meeting will be held at Linda Schwoob's home where we will review "Luck is just the Beginning" by Celeste Leon. The author of the book will be leading the discussion.

Both meetings will be held from noon until 2PM. Please bring your lunch and beverage to the March meeting and bring your lunch only to the April meeting where water, coffee, ice tea and a fruit selection for dessert will be served. We meet on the last Tuesday of each month and directions will be emailed one week prior to the meetings. Pray for sunshine!



BRIDGE MARATHON

Happy Spring and Bridge Playing. A big thank you to the participants in the Marathon that have made contributions to AAUW funds of their choice. This is the only fee and then players enjoy arranging and playing matches at their convenience. Prizes are awarded at an end of the year party in late May or early June. The year goes by fast so hopefully many of you are enjoying playing the 16 hand matches, especially on snowy days. Scores are sent or given to Rose Orenstein.

The roster and score sheets can be downloaded from the branch web page [Copy and paste this into your internet browser-- <https://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/interest-groups/bridge/>]

Sue DeVoe, 530 213 6019, 925 389-8774 cell



FRIDAY-NIGHTERS

FRIDAY NIGHTERS will "metamorph" into FRIDAY NOONERS, meeting at Johnnie Lee Don's home at noon on Friday, April 28th to dig into the previously-scheduled-but-cancelled Candy Tasting. Bring your own sandwich and come ready to evaluate "What the heck is this flavor

anyway?" candy for dessert along with some Prosecco 'n Pretzels to cleanse the palate. This will be the final meeting until Fall as May promises to bring us another lovely evening at Petra. Please email johnnieleedon1@gmail.com if planning to come.

It was a fun and funny group celebrating both **St. Pat's Day** and Trudy Lesem's Birthday at Trudy and Rolf's home. Attending were the following leprechauns: Stumpy and Warty Mc Muffin (the Don's), Bunyon and Sprinkles O'Bourbon (the Loury's), Rusty and Toadstool O'Bourbon, (The Lesem's), Warty O'Knuckles (Julie G.), Peevish O'Rainbow (Pat C.) and Tater O' Wobbles (Carol E.). They were joined by Trudy's two daughters who stopped by to wish their mom a Happy Day and were blown away



The prize for wearing the most green goes to Pat Castelluci

by the amount of green being worn by the folks sitting on their parents' couch!

Please consider attending or hosting one of these fun events next year. Let Johnnie lee Don know your ideas and/or themes <johnnieleedon1@gmail.com> as she will be heading up Friday Nighters again and would appreciate new ideas/dates/times/whatever!!!!



GOURMET

The gourmet groups should contact their guests for the dining at the end of March and all April. I hope everyone will have had their parties by the end of April. Good appetite from your Coordinator, Gisela.



GREAT DECISIONS

Members of Great Decisions will be starting off the new year by discussing the first two chapters of our foreign policy book on Tuesday, March 21st at the Tahoe Yacht Club from 10AM until noon. Our moderator for both chapters, "The European Union" and "Trade Policy", will be Carol Schleicher.

The April 18th meeting will be held at the home of Dana Loury in Incline from 10AM until noon. Our moderator, Linda Larish, will review the chapter on "South China Sea". We meet on the third Tuesday of each month for 8 months of the year. Directions will be emailed to members one week prior to the meetings.



INSTITCHES

Due to so many folks escaping the snow n ice in March, our March Third Wednesday meeting was cancelled. However, Martha has offered to hostess our April 19th Third Wednesday meeting at her Oh-so-very-chic-and-comfortable home!!! We love going there as it is so cozy and warm (and her treats are always so delish!!!). Time to be announced later as we may switch back to mornings. Please let Martha know if planning to attend at martha@omegaport.com

For our final meeting of this year, we are hoping to have a good turn-out to do Pottery at our Third Wednesday in May (the 17th) but we will need you to let us know now if it is of interest to you (and any friends). The thought is to hand-build something and look over other options at The Wedge Ceramics in Reno. Email your replies to <johnnieleedon1@gmail.com> if thinking to attend. The cost for the 2-3 hour lesson would be around \$40.



MEMBERSHIP

We are saddened to learn of the passing of **Bev Watson** on February 23. Bev was NT AAUW's first branch president. Details of a memorial service planned for June 23 memorial service will be provided in the May newsletter or available from Vera Daegling or Sue DeVoe.

Member listings. Contact information for current members is available in database and booklet formats at <http://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/members/>. You will need the password listed under "Membership Communications" below to access the confidential information.

Photo Policy. Photographs may be taken at any of our events, meetings, or parties with the intent of putting these pictures in our newsletter, on the website or other social media. If you have had a picture taken and you do not wish to have your picture published, please alert the photographer and Communications Officer Patricia Watters within 5 days to remove your picture. A signed release form will be required from the parents of minor children.

Member Communications. Please let Branch Secretaries Sharon Filardo or Linda Larish know about any member news that should be recognized with a card or note from our branch.

North Tahoe AAUW website:
<http://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/>
Member Directory Password:
NorthTahoeAAUW (case sensitive)

AAUW California website:
<http://www.aauw-ca.org>
User name: **member**
Password: **aauwca** (case sensitive)



CALENDAR

(Also available on the website at <http://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/>)

MARCH

- 21: Great Decisions
- 28: Book Group

APRIL

- 11: Branch Leadership Meeting
- 13: General Meeting
- 18: Great Decisions
- 19: InStitches
- 25: Book Group
- 28: Friday-Nooners



AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. AAUW is open to all graduates who hold the associate, RN, baccalaureate or higher degree from a regionally accredited college or university. In principle and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, or disability. Membership is not by invitation.