



October 2015

GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, October 8, 7:00 P.M.
Tahoe City Fire Department
222 Fairway Drive; Tahoe City

We will meet in the downstairs community room. Directions for parking and entry to the main lobby door will be posted.

Our guest speaker will be Dr. Laurence Heifetz, the Tahoe Forest Gene Upshaw Memorial Cancer Center's director and practicing oncologist. He will give a presentation on the development of the center and the treatment that is available to many cancer patients served by this nationally recognized hospital.

This is an evening meeting held to accommodate our working members, and we hope you will invite spouses and guests to join us for this special presentation and meeting following the guest presentation. We have invited members of Tahoe League for Charity ("TLC"), as well as the on duty fire crew and their families.

Since there is limited capacity for this room, we request RSVPs be made to Carol Eyre at <carolceyre@aol.com> or Christine Madden at <madden@garlic.com> or 530-546-4543 by October 3rd.

We would like to serve coffee and cookies following Dr. Heifetz's presentation and prior to our brief business meeting. It will be greatly appreciated if you are willing to bring one or two dozen cookies to the meeting. Please notify Carol or Christine.

RETURN OF FRIDAY COCKTAILS

It was Lost but now is Found: **Friday Eve Cocktails** on the 2nd Friday of October, the 9th, at Burnt Cedar Beach on Lakeshore in Incline Village (weather permitting) from 4:30 to 6:31 (which is the time the sun is to set that day).

Bring your own drink, opener, and glasses, plus \$10 each. Light snacks will be provided. Have you stopped to watch the sunset lately? Here's your chance! **RSVP's a must** to johnnieleedon1@gmail.com.

BOARD MEETING

Board members will meet at the home of Nancy Cline on October 6, 2015, at 3 PM.

CO-PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

WOW!!! What a wonderful turnout for our summer party at Carol Eyre's new home with over 50 members and guests attending. It was so good to see all of you there enjoying each other's company and the amazing assortment of appetizers! We give a special thanks to Carol for the use of her beautiful new home. With the \$10 "entrance" fee, we collected \$505 for Tech Trek!

Another WOW!!! Our September meeting was a salad luncheon graciously provided by your Board members and featured our Tech Trek girls, Girls State delegate and Roxana Cabrera (a former Tech Trekker and current pre-med student at UC Davis). They all did a fantastic job sharing their experiences. The Tech Trekkers were very composed, articulate, and engaging as were our Girls State delegate and Roxana. All the girls were very enthusiastic in describing their experiences and so appreciative of having the opportunities afforded by us. This was one of the best presentations ever!! (Darn good lunch, too.)

Now we move on to more serious topics. We have a few positions that need to be filled to continue for the branch to run smoothly. These positions enable us to continue to meet our commitments as well as have some fun. We are in search of an AAUW Funds Coordinator, a Nominating Committee (3 members), and the December Party Committee (3 members). Serving in any of these capacities will give you an opportunity to meet and get to know other members, learn how the branch operates and form some new friendships. If you are interested in serving in any of these capacities, please let any of your Board members know. We hope you will give this some serious thought. For more particulars, please see our "Wanted" ads.

The October General meeting is scheduled in the evening to allow for some of our members who work to attend. We have heard from many of you that you would like to see varied times for our meetings so we are giving this a try. It should be a very interesting presentation from Dr. Heifitz regarding the Tahoe Forest Cancer Center. We hope to see you there. Please work with your AAUW friends to make sure that those who prefer not to drive after dark have rides to this event.

Martha | 775.831.9438 | martha@omegaport.com

Nancy | 530.546.4840 | nhcline@gmail.com

HELP WANTED ADS:

- **Nominating Committee** - According to our by-laws, we are to have a nominating committee named by the first board meeting of the year. We are looking for 3 branch members who are willing to spend some time to find replacements for the outgoing officers for the fiscal year 2015-2016. This activity occurs within the January/February timeframe. Most of the effort is on the phone. Duties include:
 - a. Working with the Board to determine what offices need filling for 2016-17
 - b. Contacting viable candidates and presenting the duties of the offices being vacated.
 - c. Presenting the new slate of officers to the current board and preparing an article for the newsletter

If you are interested in helping please contact either Martha Cirata (Martha@omegaport.com) or Nancy Cline (nhcline@gmail.com). We can really use your help.

- **AAUW Funds Chairperson** – This position is an appointed Board position and she attends the remaining Board meetings for the year of which there are 5. Duties are:
 - a. Assisting the Branch in raising a minimum of \$750 donation to AAUW Funds in order for the Branch to honor an outstanding member who has contributed to the Branch. Guess what! This part is already done! We have our \$750!!
 - b. Working with the Finance officer to make sure the Funds are transmitted to AAUW-CA by 12/31/15.
 - c. Working with the Board in the selection of the deserving member and notifying the State so that the certificate is provided.
 - d. Helping the membership learn more about AAUW Funds and the endowments supported by those funds. (Could be a newsletter article)
- **December Party Committee** - As in prior years, we hope to hold a December Holiday Party, and to do this we need a committee of approximately 3 people. The committee will work with the Board to decide the date, location, food type (pot luck or catered or ??). Without a committee, there will not be a party, as your Board already has their plates full. So, if you like to have fun and party, please contact either Martha or Nancy. This is a perfect opportunity for people who are looking for a way to make a contribution that is a short-term commitment.

TECH TREK

Tech Trek is now expanded beyond California’s borders. National Tech Trek Program (NTP) provided new instructions for writing donation checks. In the future, please make your checks for Tech Trek *payable to AAUW* (do not write SPF on the “pay to the order of” line) and write *Tech Trek on the memo line* at the bottom left corner of the check to indicate that it is a donation for Tech Trek.

Our branch is very proud of sending six girls to the Davis camp every year – made possible by generous donations from members like you, THANK YOU! Help us to maintain our commitment with your donations this year, too. We greatly appreciate your support.

NORTH TAHOE AAUW SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

Grace Lindemann, recipient of North Tahoe AAUW’s \$1000 scholarship, sent her written thanks to our branch members.

June 23, 2015

North Tahoe American Association of University Women,

Thank you so much for the scholarship! Next year I will be attending Montana State University in Bozeman, Montana. Though I am unsure of my major at this point, I know that I will study music throughout college. Whether that means being part of the school band or studying as a minor in music education, music is a big part of my life and I hope it will remain that way in college. For financing my education I have gotten financial help from FAFSA as well as other scholarships specific to my musical accomplishments. Again thank you for this scholarship as it will help me afford my next four years at MSU.

Sincerely,
Grace Lindemann

JUNE 2015 MEMBERSHIP SURVEY RESULTS

At the September meeting, we went over the results of the online survey that members participated in last June. Twenty-nine members responded to the ten questions. The most critical questions on the survey had to do with recommending which mission-based goals we maintain (Tech Trek, Girls State, and High School Scholarship), and to what degree do we fund them? Fund them all at the current level, or reduce them? Respondents were asked to rank several options such as send fewer girls to Tech Trek, eliminate Girls State, and reduce the High School Scholarship if our fund-raising falls short of full funding. Unfortunately, the results of the survey were not definitive and the Board does not have a mandate from the membership. I suspect for those members who were at the September meeting and heard the presentations from the Tech Trek and Girls State girls, not one of us would want to eliminate or reduce any of these valuable programs. These programs represent the backbone of our AAUW mission. However, we do need to face the reality that, right now, we've got a long way to go to fund these wonderful experiences. We are approximately \$2800 short in funding Tech Trek, \$200 short in funding Girls State, and \$1000 short in funding a High School Scholarship.

In order to bring more awareness to our membership of these issues and get sufficient feedback so that the Board can make some recommendations, we will prepare a second online survey that will focus on just these issues and be issued next month. When you receive the survey, please take a few minutes to respond. Your input is valuable to us! Thank you!

ARE YOU MISSING ?

-- two white Corelle plates, one dinner size, the other bread & butter size? These were left at Carol Eyre's home after the Summer Party. If they are yours, please let her know by email to carolceyre@aol.com. She will keep them for another couple of weeks and then donate to charity if not claimed.

INTEREST GROUPS

BOOK GROUP

On Tuesday, October 27th, Book Club will be meeting at Linda Schwoob's home. The book is entitled "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr. The discussion leader will be Carol Eyre; Helen Wolf will bring treats. We will meet from noon until 2 PM. Please bring a lunch; coffee, tea and water will be provided. Driving directions will be emailed a week prior to the meeting. Parking is limited. We meet on the last Tuesday of each month. Contact Linda at lschwoob@yahoo.com.

BRIDGE MARATHON

We are thrilled that all of last year's participants are continuing so we can continue to enjoy playing and seeing each other in this fun way in the 2015-2016 year. Participants will have 11 matches to play at their leisure and we hope you have been able to start as the AAUW bridge year goes by fast as many travel and are involved in many interesting activities. Lynn Flagg will be playing with substitutes until a regular player is available. The list of players with emails was sent out Sept. 1 by email and it is also on the AAUW website along with the score sheets that are sent to our score keeper Rose Orenstein. HERE'S TO A YEAR OF WONDERFUL CARDS AND PLAY- ENJOY. Susan DeVoe

GOURMET

Members of the gourmet group and all North Tahoe AAUW members are invited to lunch and hike October 8th, 11:30 a.m at Spooner Lake. Please bring a salad for 8 and a drink for yourself. We will provide plates and forks. Upon entering the park there will be a senior rate for cars. I think it is somewhere between eight and ten dollars a car. Go to the left for parking and we will meet at a table near the parking and not far from the restrooms. Spooner Lake/Lake Tahoe-Nevada State Park is a left turn from highway 28, just before highway 50 to Carson City. There is a flat walk around Spooner Lake or a moderate hike to Marlette Lake 1,210 feet elevation. Just want to eat and relax that is fine also. Shirley and Suzie 775-831-3639 or shirleycabo@gmail.com

GREAT DECISIONS

On Tuesday, the 20th of October, Great Decisions will hold a meeting at Linda Schwoob's home from 10 AM to noon. The subject will be either Human Trafficking or Brazil in Metamorphosis. We are looking for volunteers to be moderators. An email with driving directions is forthcoming. Parking is limited. We meet on the third Tuesday of each month. All prospective members are welcome to attend. Contact Linda at lschwoob@yahoo.com.

INSTITCHES

Our October AAUW Stitches meeting is quite late in the month due to the way the 3rd Wednesday falls. It will be **OCTOBER 21st @ 11:30 am!!** We will be meeting @ "Someplace"* for early lunch and then heading to the **NORTH TAHOE ART CENTER** in **Tahoe City**. In their twenty-fifth year of operation, North Tahoe Arts continues to spotlight the talented pool of local artists and occasionally visiting artists, for monthly exhibits. We will get to shop and/or browse and head home from there. **I welcome ideas on where to eat, and please bring a friend or two.** Please let me know at the AAUW October 8th meeting at the new Tahoe City Fire Department as I will be out-of-town after that and wish to firm up any reservations needed. An *RSVP "If Coming" (if not, no need to respond) by October 8th* is a must to <johnnieleedon1@gmail.com>.

*"SOMEPLACE" could be:

- **Fire Sign Cafe** has been a family owned and operated Breakfast and Lunch restaurant @ 1785 W Lake Blvd. offering homemade food. This restaurant has been a local favorite since it opened. It has been featured in several publications such as Sunset Magazine, as well as shown on Rachael Ray's, "Tasty Travels". Hyped as #1 restaurant in Tahoe City.
- **Bridgetender Tavern and Grill**, also known as The BT, is located next to the Tahoe City Dam, on the Truckee River, which is the only outlet from Lake Tahoe. Indoor and outdoor dining is still available as it was in 1977, with lunch and dinner served 7 days a week. After 25 years of successful operations and the conclusion of a 25 year lease, the old Bridgetender building was demolished and the new Bridgetender was constructed just

200 yards away along the Truckee River, where it is located now. Hyped as #7 restaurant in Tahoe City.

- **Dockside Grill** @ 700 Lakefront sits almost in Lake Tahoe with great views. It is hyped as #10 restaurant in Tahoe City. A fun fact from their Home page: Today, erosion and weathering is causing a slow, undetectable lowering of the Sierra, the mountain range that houses Tahoe. It is believed that Lake Tahoe is filling in with sediment at a rate of one foot every 3,200 years, so that in 3,158,400 years the lake will be replaced by a meadow.

MEMBERSHIP

Please let Linda Larish [llarish@sbcglobal.net] or Sharon Filardo [spfilardo@aol.com] know about any member news that should be recognized with a card or note from our branch.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

OCTOBER

- 6: Board meeting
- 8: General Meeting
- 8: Gourmet lunch and hike
- 9: Sunset cocktails
- 20: Great Decisions
- 21: InStitches
- 27: Book Group



GENERAL MEETINGS --- SAVE THESE DATES

The October program is shown in a separate announcement. Programs for the remainder of the year are still being firmed up, but here is the tentative schedule for the 2015/2016 year. Please mark your calendars for AAUW General Meetings on the 2nd Thursday of each month:

DATE	TIME	PROGRAM
November 12	1 PM	Ann M. Sura, Naturopathic Medical Doctor on How to Get a Good Night's Sleep; Incline Village Library
December 10		Winter Party
January 14		Soup Luncheon, Gourmet Group will provide soups. Program TBD.
February 11		Program TBD.
March 10		Tentative Chautauqua Program for Women's History Month, volunteers needed to portray a noted woman of your choice.
April 14	7:00 pm	Program TBD.
May 12		Interbranch Meeting tentatively at 208 Rifle Peak Court, Incline Village. High Tea, speaker Roxana Cabrera, one of our former Tech Trek Girls now in Medical School at UC, Davis.
June 9		Installation of Officers, Bandana Picnic Lunch

2015-2016 OFFICERS/BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The list of officers and directors is posted on the website (www.northtahoe-ca.aauw.net) and included in the Member Directory.

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.