

North Tahoe (CA) Branch

### **GENERAL MEETING**

Thursday, November 12, 1:00 P.M. Incline Village Library 845 Alder Avenue; Incline Village

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND.... After Dr. Ann Sura's talk to our branch last year, we had several requests for her to return. We are fortunate she has agreed to speak to us again. The topic of this presentation is "How to Get a Good Night's Sleep," which can be a challenge as time goes on. Dr. Sura has extensive knowledge on healthful living, so there will be time for questions on issues which interest you. Beverages will be available.

This would be a good meeting to introduce a prospective member to our branch, so feel free to bring a friend.

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Board members will meet after the November 12 general meeting at the Incline Village Library to discuss survey results.

## **RETURN OF FRIDAY COCKTAILS**

You are invited to wear some clothing inside out (to keep away the Bad Luck many fear on this date of FRIDAY . . . THE. . . 13th. . .) of November as a continuation of The Friday Night Cocktail Party. It will be held @ the Don's home in Incline Village. Reservations a must, please. A donation of some monies not to exceed \$5 per person for Tech Trek. . . .your own drink of choice. . . . and a hearty appetizer will be the entry fee. There may also be fines of \$1, \$2, and \$3 for not dressing appropriately for this most scary of dates. . .Friday. . .THE. . .13th. . . .

## **CO-PRESIDENTS MESSAGE**

We hope you are all enjoying our fabulous fall weather and are able to get out and about! Our October evening meeting was a roaring success with many members, spouses and friends in attendance. Dr. Heifetz, Medical Director and Oncologist for the Tahoe Forest Cancer Center, was entertaining and very informative. He discussed the origin of the Cancer Center, the certifications that have been received,

the use of a tumor board with UC Davis, and how the support programs are centered around helping patients overcome their fears. He reviewed the design needed to support radiation as that treatment plan is so time-consuming for the patients. We are very, very fortunate to have such a knowledgeable and elite group of doctors available to us, should we need them. Many thanks to Christine, Carol, Nileta and the Tahoe City Fire Department for helping make this happen. And if you should ever happen to visit the Cancer Center, look for the AAUW "brick" in the foyer. We provided a \$1000 donation at the time that the Center was being built.

You might remember, we surveyed members in June to help provide some guidance to the board for the coming year. The results were presented at the September meeting and were inconclusive due to the way the survey was structured and the fact that only 29 members responded. We are still in need of guidance, so you can look forward to receiving a very different survey in the next few days. There are only 5 questions! We really need you to participate. As you know, we have quite a shortfall in our funding for the programs we support, and we require guidance as to how to deal with them. The issues are not a board issue nor are they the presidents' issues; they are branch issues and we need all to have a voice. If you are uncomfortable replying to the survey online, please contact either Martha or Nancy. Your responses will remain confidential.

The Branch is still in need of a nominating committee (3 people) and an AAUW Funds representative. These are very short term positions and will provide an opportunity for you to get to know some other members and see how the organization operates. If you are interested and willing to help out, please contact either Martha or Nancy.

Thanks to Julie Ginocchio and Barbra Briggs, we have a Holiday party committee. Please see below for information on the date and time. We will look forward to seeing you all there.

Johnnie Lee Don, a fairly new member, has started an occasional, informal Friday night cocktail get together. They met last week at Burnt Cedar beach and enjoyed some wine, snacks and conversation. In addition, the attendees donated to Tech Trek. Thanks Johnnie Lee for getting this going. Please see her report below for November's night.

We are thankful for all of you, the friendships we have made over the years, and the beautiful area we live in. May you all have a very Happy Thanksgiving!

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## NAMED GIFT HONOREE

We are very pleased to award Kym Pimpkin a certificate naming her our Named Grant Honoree for 2014-15. The Board wanted to recognize Kym for her timeless hours in not only maintaining and clarifying our branch financial records for the past two years, but also documenting the duties and responsibilities of the Financial Officer including a timeline with all required due dates. This helps the succeeding Financial Officers. Kym managed all this while dealing with many difficult family issues. If we had a Superwoman cape, we would have given that as well. A Named Grant is awarded when a Branch donates \$750 to AAUW Funds, and is considered our highest form of recognition to an individual. Congratulations, Kym. Well deserved.

# CALLING ALL THESPIANS, OR WOULD BE THESPIANS

March is Women's History Month and in the past we have featured a Chautauqua Program of wellknown women in history. It's a popular program and there have been requests to do it again. However, to do so, we need three members to portray women of their choice. Please volunteer to be one of these women. Reply by email to <u>carolceyre@aol.com</u> to let us know what woman you will portray.

## SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR HOLIDAY PARTY

The Holiday party originally scheduled for December 10 is rescheduled for **December 15** at the home of Barbra Briggs in Star Harbor from 5-8 PM. The event will be catered. More details will follow but be sure to save the date.

# **INTEREST GROUPS**

BOOK GROUP	The Meeting for November 17th will held at the Tahoe Yacht Club from noon to 2 PM. We will review the book "The Curious Mind" by Anthony Doerr. Please bring a lunch and a beverage. Treats will be provided by Marion Adams. The discussion leader will be Ann Folsom. We meet generally on the last Tuesday of the month but due to the Thanksgiving holiday we have changed the date for this meeting. Contact Linda Schwoob for further informationlschwoob@yahoo.com.
BRIDGE MARATHON	We hope you are enjoying playing fun matches at each other's homes. There are 11 matches fun to play and the year goes by fast. Enjoy. A big thank you to the participants that have donated to the various AAUW funds. If there are any questions please call us. Sue DeVoe <u>530 546-5120</u> , <u>925-389-8774</u> cell Rose Orenstein will be away until the 2nd week in November. Scores can be sent to me and I can give them to her when she returns or you can wait to send them to her later.
GREAT DECISIONS	The meeting for November 17 <sup>th</sup> will be held at the Tahoe Yacht Club from 10 AM to noon. We will be discussing the chapter on "Human Trafficking". Our moderator will be Rose Orenstein. We meet on the third Tuesday of each month. All interested members are welcome to attend. Contact Linda atlschwoob@yahoo.com.
INSTITCHES	We will not meet during November.

# **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 <a href="http://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/">http://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/</a>)

#### NOVEMBER

- 12: General Meeting
- 13: Friday night cocktails
- 17: Great Decisions
- 17: Book Group



# **GENERAL MEETINGS -- SAVE THESE DATES**

The November 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
December 15	5-8 PM	Holiday Party at Barbra Briggs
January 14	1 PM	iFoster Co-founder & Executive Director Sarita Cox. Soup
		luncheon at Tahoe City Yacht Club
February 11	1 PM	Kellie Cutler, Executive Director, North Tahoe Arts
March 10	1 PM	Chautauqua Program for Women's History Month. Abigail
		Adams + 2 more volunteers to portray notable women in history.
		Location TBD.
April 14	7:00 pm	Program TBD.
May 12	4 PM	Interbranch Meeting. High Tea at 208 Rifle Peak Court, Incline
		Village. Roxana Cabrera (former Tech Trek Girl currently at UC,
		Davis.
June 9	12 noon	Installation of Officers, Bandana Picnic Lunch. Speaker TBD.
		Tentatively at Gatekeeper's Museum in Tahoe City

## 2015-2016 OFFICERS/BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The list of officers and directors is posted on the website (<u>www.northtahoe-ca.aauw.net</u>) 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.