



February 2015

GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, February 12, 2015 1:00 PM Tahoe Yacht Club 700 North Lake Blvd. Tahoe City, CA

Ladies, please welcome Bill Pifer as our guest speaker from KIDS & HORSES. This facility/organization was founded in 1999 with its mission to provide safe and educational equine-assisted therapeutic riding to children and adults with disabilities. It is amazing to see the changes and growth in the students. To see them laugh or smile after their lesson is heartwarming. Please come and bring a guest to this informative and inspiring meeting. See you there!

Refreshments will be provided by the Bridge Club and the Play Reading Group.

BOARD MEETING

The Board Meeting for ALL officers and Interest Group Chairs will be at the Yacht Club at 11:30 AM. Bring a lunch!

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear Members,

February is a short month full of special days: Super Bowl Sunday, Groundhog Day, President's Day, World Marriage Day, Thank your Mailman Day, and let's not forget Polar Bear Day. It's also time to celebrate Chinese New Year and Mardi Gras. We also celebrate Black History Month, National Bird-Feeding Month, and Spunky Old Broads Month (!) in February.

With so much to celebrate this month, I hope you'll remember to attend our meeting on February 12th at the Tahoe Yacht Club. [See General Meeting announcement above]

Jan Potter, chair for our Nominating Committee, is looking for members to lead our branch next year. She asks you to consider serving as a branch officer for 2015-16. Board positions can be shared with a co-chair, so ask a friend to volunteer with you. The outgoing Board is happy to provide on-the-job training if you are willing to help. The Board welcomes any suggestions you may have for Board members. It's a wonderful way to get involved, make friends, and carry out the mission of AAUW.

Speaking of all of February's holidays, let's remember to wear red on February 6 for National Wear Red Day to support American Heart Month and heart disease awareness. Happy Valentine's Day!

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GIRLS STATE

Sharon Fillardo, Joanne Shope (representing South Lake Tahoe American Legion Auxiliary, and Martha Cirata interviewed 5 young ladies from North Tahoe High School on Tuesday, January 13th. It was a very fulfilling morning as we visited with each of these very talented and academically focused young women. These Juniors came prepped with resumes that highlighted their AP classes and many extracurricular and volunteer activities. What an amazing group of girls! In the end, we chose Kaya Williams for our candidate to Girls State this year. Some of you might recall that she was a Tech Trek girl as well. We are excited for her and the opportunities that this experience will provide for her future. It was a very rewarding morning, and while we can only send one candidate, the quality of the girls which we interviewed was very gratifying to see. They will all do well as they move into higher education.

FINANCE REPORT

Thanks to a generous donation from former member Shirley Allen, we are half-way to funding our annual \$1,000 scholarship for a North Tahoe high school senior for the upcoming academic year. Although we are hoping for a generous donation from Rotary and proceeds from Snowfest raffle tickets, we will still be \$1,000 shy of the amount we need to fund six Tech Trek girls this summer. Our deadline for paying for the slots is March 1st. Please send donations payable to "AAUW CA SPF," to our post office box: North Tahoe AAUW, PO Box 5612, Tahoe City CA 96145.

INTEREST GROUPS

STOCK/ FINANCIAL CLUB



We will discuss forming a Stock/Financial Club as a new Special Interest Group on Monday, February 16th, at 4 PM at Susie Parks house: 501 Lakeshore Terrace, #1 Incline Village, NV. RSVP to 775 831 9438

BOOK GROUP

Our Book Group will meet Tuesday, February 24th, noon at the Tahoe City Yacht Club. The book for February is BOYS IN THE BOAT by Daniel James Brown, a well-written and inspiring story of the University of Washington rowing crew that competed in the 1936 Olympics. The book was recommended by Fritzi Briner who will lead the discussion. Please bring your lunch and additional refreshments will be provided by Linda Schwoob, who has kindly arranged for us to meet at the Yacht Club for January, February and March. It would be helpful for Linda to know how many are coming, so please respond to her at 530 583-8938 or lschwoob@yahoo.com.

BRIDGE MARATHON

Happy New Year and we wish you good cards in 2015. After the busy holiday season it is enjoyable to relax and play bridge so enjoy continuing to play the different bridge teams. Please send your scores to Rose Orenstein. Someone might like to substitute and play If a partner cannot play so let us know if anyone is interested. It is a friendly, fun group who enjoy playing 16 bridge hands in different homes. Sue DeVoe 530 546-5120 and Rose Orenstein 530-546-2559.

GOURMET

February marks the month to get our ovens warmed up again after the holidays to gather for dinners from AUSTRALIA. Our hostesses are Ruth Arizaga-Whisler, Shirley Cabo, Georgine Casella, and Betty Tillotson. Do you dare try Whitchetty Grubs, Kangaroo Pie (and, no, they don't eat deep fried koalas) or Fairy Bread? Barbecued Snags and Balmain Bugs sound good? And a must would be Lamingtons (the National Cake of Australia). Have a great time with new foods and friendship!

GREAT DECISIONS

Happy New Year from all the Great Decision members. Our January, February and March meetings will be held from noon until 2PM at the Tahoe Yacht Club in Tahoe City. Our discussion topic for February is Privacy in the Digital Age. A video on the subject is followed by a lively exchange of ideas. We meet on the third Tuesday of each month and welcome new members and quests.

Contact Julie Ginocchio for questions or to obtain the book for 2015:dnundergal@ltol.com.

INSTITCHES

In Stitches will be held on Wednesday, February 18th, at 2PM at the home of Gisela Steiner. Her address is 10045 Nicolas Dr, Unit A, Truckee. Please RSVP to Gisela via email: tgsnowshoe@att.net or phone 530-587--526. All are welcome. In Stitches generally meets the third Wednesday of each month.

PLAY READING GROUP

Playreading group will meet on Thursday, February 5th, at Pat Castellucci's house at 1:30 PM. Please call Pat no later than Monday, Feb 3rd, to let her know that you want to be casted. Her telephone is 530.550.1812. Her address is 10288 Badger Lane in Truckee. As always, if you want to be part of the Playreading group, please contact Gisela Steiner at 530-587-8753.

MEMBERSHIP

Please let Nancy Cline (nhcline@gmail.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/)

JANUARY

20: Great Decisions21: InStitches27: Book Group

FEBRUARY

5: Play Reading Group12: Board Meeting

12: General Meeting

18: InStitches24: Book Group



2014-2015 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.

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