



March 2015

GENERAL MEETING

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

Program.

Hi Ladies! Our upcoming meeting is a must for all of us. Our speaker will be Ann M. Sura, NMD of NaturaMed (Natural Family Medicine) here in Kings Beach. She is going to speak on health for women over 60. Please come and bring a friend to this informative meeting.

Refreshments will be provided by the Book Club.

Alternative NT AAUW governing structure.

Board members will present alternative structures for governing and leading the NT AAUW branch at the March 12, 2015 general meeting.

Alternatives include

- *Dissolve branch*
- *Abbreviated branch structure: president, secretary, and treasurer positions with core planning group*
- *Share responsibilities with other local branches*

We need your input for the discussion. If you cannot attend the general meeting, please provide your suggestions to any board member.

Dues increase.

We will vote on the branch dues increase proposed in an email sent February 12, 2015, to branch members.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Dear Members,

What an amazing winter. Absolutely beautiful if you like sunshine. Though there is no snow, at least we are having lovely sunny days. We had an interesting and informative meeting this month with Kid's & Horses who provide safe and educational equine-assisted therapeutic riding to children and adults with disabilities. If you are interested in helping them please go to their website, <http://www.kidsandhorses.org>. Thank you, Darlene, for another terrific program.

This month we are celebrating Snowfest. Every year since 1982 North Lake Tahoe has 10 fun-filled days of activities. You can join the fun by purchasing tickets to support our Snow Queen and most importantly

To help our six girls go to Tech Trek Camp. Please contact Julie Ginocchio (530 546 8864) for Snowfest tickets. Our generous members have contributed almost enough to send our six girls to Tech Trek and we are only about \$350 short of our goal. If you haven't made a contribution already perhaps you will consider it now.

Our AAUW Inter-branch meeting will be hosted by the Incline Branch on Wednesday, April 15th at 5:30 PM. Please save the date. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the March 12th meeting .

Susie | 775.831.9438 | susan@lynnnes-parks.com

SNOWFEST

The dates for the upcoming Snow Fest are Feb.27 through March 8. A schedule of events is on the SnowFest website at www.tahoefest.com. We are still selling tickets. If Julie Ginocchio sent you some in the mail, please return the stubs and money to her ASAP, as the announcement of the winner for the Queen will be on the first weekend. Our candidate is Picabo Fraas. If you still would like tickets, you can call Julie at (530) 546-8864 or by email her at dnundergal@ltol.com. Remember, half the proceeds of our ticket sales go to our Tech Trek fund. Also, we can still take monies in for the ticket sales through the end of the activities, although they would not go towards our candidate.

NOMINATIONS

Jan Potter and the nominating committee are in the process of calling members to fill officer positions for the next year. When you are called, please consider taking an office. Several of our positions are or can be shared which helps to reduce the effort and time requirements. We all want to support our Tech Trek program and other programs to empower women and girls. As a member of our elected Board you are in a prime position to make sure AAUW's mission continues.

NT AAUW ART WORK IN NATIONAL COMPETITION

Fritzi Briner's abstract "Shining Thru" is submitted to the national AAUW Art Contest. Her work is displayed at https://svc.aauw.org/contests/NoteCardEntries_wp.cfm You can vote for her piece and/or others shown on the national AAUW website by clicking on "Return to the AAUW Art Contest page" at the top of the entries page. You will be asked for your AAUW membership ID number to log in to vote. You can vote for up to 6 entries every day until February 25. We are proud of you, Fritz!

STEM RESEARCH UNFOLDS

AAUW's latest research report on women in STEM, *Solving the Equation: The Variables for Women's Success in Engineering and Computing*, will be released on March 26, 2015, with an event and panel discussion at Samsung's new research headquarters in Silicon Valley. We know how much you care about AAUW and our STEM programs, so make sure you [sign up to watch the event as it happens](http://www.aauw.org/event/2015/03/stream-the-solving-the-equation-launch-live/#register). Type this text into your web browser: <http://www.aauw.org/event/2015/03/stream-the-solving-the-equation-launch-live/#register>

INTEREST GROUPS

FINANCE GROUP

The new Finance Group will meet on March 17 at 4 PM at Susie Parks' home: 501 Lakeshore Terrace, #1; Incline Village, NV. RSVP to 775.831.9438.

BOOK GROUP

The Book Group will be meeting Tuesday, March 31st, noon, at the Tahoe City Yacht Club, thanks to Linda Schwoob, member of both AAUW and the Yacht Club. The book for discussion is The All Girls Filling Station's Last Reunion by Fannie Flagg. The book was recommended by Joanne Domingue who will lead the discussion. Please bring your lunch and comments on the book. In case you want to read ahead, the book for April 28th is Orphan Master's Son by Adam Johnson, and for May 26th, The Art Forger by B. A. Shapiro. On June 30th, we will have our annual pot luck luncheon at Sue DeVoe's with recommendations for summer reading. Since this newsletter is published before our February 24th meeting, a reminder: The Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown is the February selection with Fritz Briner leading the discussion at the Tahoe City Yacht Club. Happy reading and looking forward to seeing you on the last Tuesday of the month.

BRIDGE MARATHON

A big thank you to the Bridge Marathon participants who together contributed \$525 to the Tech Trek fund and \$90 to the AAUW fund. The participants are continuing to enjoy arranging and playing bridge matches at their convenience and Rose Orenstein is doing a good job of keeping track of the scores that are sent to her after play to determine the winners in June at the awards event. This is a fun way to enjoy the game and the participants. If anyone is interested in playing and being a substitute please call Sue DeVoe 530 546-5120 or Rose Orenstein. 530-546-2559.

GOURMET

Dinners are continuing on (February/March) from Australia! Hostesses are Ruth Arizaga-Whisler, Shirley Cabo, Georgine Casella and Betty Tillotson. Have a great time ladies!

GREAT DECISIONS

The March meeting for Great Decisions will be held on March 17th at Sharon Filardo's home. Sharon will be the moderator and the subject is "Sectarianism in the Middle East". The time for our meeting is yet to be determined. We welcome guests and new members. For questions, contact Julie Ginocchio at 530-546-8864. *We meet on the third Tuesday of each month and welcome new members and guests. Contact Julie Ginocchio for questions or to obtain the book for 2015: dnundergal@ltol.com.*

INSTITCHES

In Stitches will meet March 18 at 2 PM at the home of Jonnie Lee Don. Her address is 633 A Lariat Circle; Incline Village. Please RSVP to JonnieLee by phone 775-832-8089 or email johnnieleedon1@gmail.com . All are welcome. *InStitches generally meets the third Wednesday of each month.*

PLAY READING GROUP

We are in need for hostesses for March 5, April 2, and May 7. Should no one be willing to host the group, the PlayReading Group will fold. *If you want to be part of the Playreading group, please contact Gisela Steiner at 530-587-8753 or tgsnowshoe@suddenlink.net.*

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to **Ann Folsom**! Ann joined our branch in January. She and her husband Monty are full-time residents of Truckee. Ann claims to be retired but working part time. Besides our general meetings, greet Ann at our branch Book Group, InStitches, and PlayReading Group.

Contact information for our new members – **Ann, Johnnie Lee Don, and Mabel Morse** - is included in the Member Database and Directory (dated 2-7-15) at our NT AAUW website. *See link under Calendar below.*

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/>)

FEBRUARY

24: Book Group

MARCH

12: General Meeting
17: Finance Group
18: InStitches
31: 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.

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.