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GENERAL MEETING

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

May 13, 11:30- Inter-branch luncheon in South Lake Tahoe. RSVP by May 8th with \$25 check to AAUW South Lake Tahoe. Invitation is attached to email with this newsletter.

June 8, 12:00 noon- Installation of officers and bandana lunch.

to complete your forms and get them in by the June 30 deadline. Time is flying.

You should have received email instructions from AAUW National on their annual election. One issue that may be important and of interest to you is the potential change in membership requirements. This bylaws amendment has been on the ballot before and will remove the requirement for an associate or bachelor’s degree to become a member. Many of the members are concerned this would make us like every other women’s organization. We wouldn’t stand out any more. But, looking at it from another angle, to some people it is a barrier. Maybe it is time to change. It is up to you. Be sure to vote this year between April 17–June 15.



CO-PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Wishing you all a Happy, Warm and Sunny Spring!! We had an absolutely fabulous presentation at our April General Meeting. Ellen Magnani showed slides and shared information from her Moscow trip with pictures of her daughter-in-law Astronaut Kate and the Soyuz spacecraft, including the launch. Hats off to Kate for all her hard work and dedication!! Many, many thanks to Ellen for putting together such an entertaining and interesting show.

The 2017-2018 budget and the slate of officers were approved at the April meeting. However, it is hard to believe renewal letters for next year will be sent out later in the month. So be sure

So that you are not confused, AAUW California will also be sending out instructions for their election. California only provides a 2-week window (April 22nd – May 12th) for your vote to be placed. So please act quickly.

Several of our members are busy planning a fundraising tea for June 22nd. It should be another lovely event at the home of Carol Eyre. Members are also working hard on the STEM Trek Day to be held June 10th. This is a new event for us and proves to be a very worthwhile day for all the Tech Trek candidates from the last 6 years, not to mention the fun we will have watching the activities.

South Lake Tahoe will be hosting the inter-branch luncheon this year on May 13th, so look for more information below. We hope you will join us as we venture down to the Lake Tahoe Golf Club.

Our 4th annual Petra dinner will be held Thursday May 25th. They provide a delectable dinner with wine including dessert. Conversations around the tables have been very lively and everyone enjoys themselves. This is a great opportunity to support our branch mission objectives as 50% of the proceeds (less tax) are directed to Tech Trek, Girls State and the High School Scholarship. More information on reservations is provided below. Be sure to reserve early as we are sharing the evening with our friends from Tahoe League for Charity and seating is limited.

Needless to say, there is a lot going on and a lot to look forward to. None of this could happen without your support and participation. Thanks to you all for helping to achieve our goals.

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Jan | 775.831.1329 | brickpot@yahoo.com

BRANCH LEADERSHIP

All members are welcome to attend branch leadership meetings. The next meeting will be **Tuesday, May 9**, beginning at **1:30 PM** at the home of Meri McEneny.

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.norhtahoe-ca.aauw.net).



CHEERS FOR CHARITY

Our Petra dinner will be held Thursday **May 25th** at 6pm at the Petra wine bar in the North Star Resort. Dinner is \$50 per person. Reservations with check are due to Nancy Cline by Friday May 19th. We will be sharing the evening with our TLC partners so the earlier you reserve, the better the chance you have of attending. The restaurant only holds 42 people. Guests, of course, are also invited to attend. This is a very easy way to make some much needed funds for Tech Trek, Girls State or the High School Scholarship and is a really enjoyable evening as well. Please see the attached flyer.

Nancy's contact info is:
[530-546-4840](tel:530-546-4840) or nhcline@gmail.com
PO Box 1725
Kings Beach, CA 96143



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 mmceny@gmail.com for further information.

CALLING ALL TEA CUPS.....

If you have bone china tea cups you can lend for the High Tea on June 22nd, please let Linda Larish know: llarish@sbcglobal.net, or 775-720-3384. Also needed are teapots (silver or china), sugar & creamer sets and silver teaspoons.

Please see the invitation attached to the email of this newsletter. If you need additional copies to hand out to people who wish to attend, please contact Carol Eyre at carolceyre@aol.com.

Thank you and looking forward to seeing you at the Tea.

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



UC Davis Tech Trek camp 2017. Our 2017 Tech Trek camper's paperwork has been submitted to the UC Davis camp coordinators. Yeah! All families have paid their \$50 contribution except one, who is out of the country for a family funeral. The camp coordinators are aware of the situation. The next step is for the girls to deal directly with the camp coordinators to select their 1st and 2nd choices for core classes, which are: Genetics, Anatomy,

Math/Architecture, Engineering, and Cyber Security. Cyber Security replaces App Development/Coding from previous years, but with the same great teacher.

The STEM Trek Day 2017 announcement has been emailed to the current and former Tech Trekkers and nominees. Well, that's not exactly correct. Hard to believe, with the Internet so ubiquitous, that in past years as recent as 2014, we don't have email addresses for some of the girls; and of course, some addresses are no longer valid. But Christine is tracking down teachers, parents and students to get every girl's correct contact information. Thank you Christine! Girls are slowly, and enthusiastically, returning their RSVP, after all, the date is still two months away.

At their April 11 Leadership meeting, our leaders voted to provide lunch for the girls on June 10. So, members, please be thinking of your daughter or granddaughter's favorite lunch items! Plan also to join us for all or part of this interesting & informative day. Johnnie Lee has offered to provide morning refreshments! On that same theme, Incline Village Waste Not program has given us 50 water bottle "pouches", and decals, from the Tahoe Water Supplier Association. Thank you, Madonna Dunbar at IVGID. Each girl will be given her own drinking bottle for STEM Trek day, and beyond!



A reminder to please consider attending the always-enjoyable **North Lake Tahoe Kiwanis Community Benefit Auction & Wine Tasting** on **May 7, 11 am – 3 pm**, at Sunnyside. This is how our local Kiwanis Club supports many worthy local non-profits, including our Tech Trek

program, and their Wine tasting and auction is always a fun event!

Tickets at kiwanisnl.org : \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door. It may seem that 11 am is early to start wine tasting, but I have it on good authority that it's easier than it sounds!

INTEREST GROUPS



BOOK GROUP

This month our book group will host Celeste Leon, the author of "Luck is Just the Beginning", at the Tahoe Yacht Club on **April 25th** from noon until 2PM. Please note the change of location from the Schwoob home to the Tahoe Yacht Club.

The **May** book group meeting will be held at Trudy Lesem's home in Tahoe Vista on the **30th** from noon until 2PM. We will review "The Japanese Lover" by Isabel Allende. Our discussion leader will be Helen Wolfe. Book Group meets on the last Tuesday of each month.



BRIDGE MARATHON

Due to the difficulties of getting together with the winter storms and participants' schedule, it seems best to extend the playing and have a combined end of the year party and pre-start and planning party for the 2017-2018 year in August.

I am writing this from Switzerland and will be back by May 1st. My old Tahoe phone number will be operational by then which is [530 546-5120](tel:5305465120). Otherwise I use my cell number of [925-389-8774](tel:9253898774) that does not work too well at our

Tahoe house, or you can email me at devoetahoe@gmail.com.

Rose Orenstein, who collects the score data, and I will be interested in hearing from you and anyone else who would like to join the Bridge group as to when in August is best for you, and we will work at accommodating everyone and letting them know by email or the newsletter as soon as possible.

Enjoy the games and the fun, wonderful participants!

Sue DeVoe, 530 546-5120, 925 389-8774 cell



FRIDAY-NIGHTERS

Remember those snowy months when **Candy-Tasting** was scheduled and cancelled and scheduled and cancelled???? Well, with one last HURRAY!, Candy-Tasting is being scheduled once more at Johnnie Lee's place for **FRIDAY, APRIL 28TH @ NOON!**

Bring a sandwich and come for a Candy-Tasting dessert. We will attempt to guess the flavors of some twelve samples (do not worry- you do not have to eat a whole 12 candies)- along with Prosecco n' Pretzels to cleanse the palate. And there will be prizes for the best guessers! This will be the final meeting for this group this year. (But we are working on some fun events for the Fall already and ideas. . . no matter how strange. . . are always welcome).

RSVP to 633A Lariat Circle, Candy Land by **Monday April 24th** by calling [775-832-8089](tel:7758328089) or emailing johnnieleedon1@gmail.com or I may have to eat **all** the samples myself!!!!



GOURMET

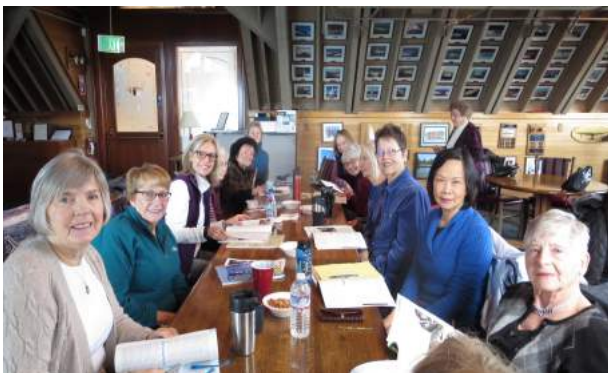
For May/June the menu should be from Central or South America. The country will be chosen by the host. There are 3 hostesses: Muffy Betker and Shirley Cabo, Martha and Stan Cirata, Johnnie Lee and Skip Don. Please contact the people in your group for your get-together. Bon Appetit!



GREAT DECISIONS

The discussion topic for **May 16th** will be Saudi Arabia. The meeting will be held at Linda Schwoob's home on the west shore. Linda will also be the discussion leader.

We meet on the third Tuesday of each month for 8 months of the year. This program is devoted to foreign affairs, empowering members to discuss global issues shaping U.S. foreign policy and the world.



INSTITCHES

For our final meeting of the year, we are hoping that anyone, who wishes, will join the INSTITCHES ladies on **May 17th** to travel to Reno to try their hand with pottery. . .BUT we need you to let us know if this is of interest to you . . .**by May 1st.** . . in order to set things up. It will involve the friendly folks at THE WEDGE CERAMICS helping us for 2-3 hours and will cost around \$40. This fee includes firing the object for a later pick-up by Johnnie Lee Don. Please RSVP to Johnnie lee at [775-832-8089](tel:775-832-8089) or [<johnnieleedon1@gmail.com>](mailto:johnnieleedon1@gmail.com) by the 1st of May.



MEMBERSHIP

Time to Renew!

It's that time again! Each spring, current NT-AAUW members have the opportunity to renew their commitment to our branch and to our various projects. During the week of May 14th (or sooner) you will receive a personalized renewal form, renewal information, and an envelope for you to return to us with your form, membership dues, and donation checks. Please review your personal contact information and make any needed changes. This is how we keep an accurate membership database. We need to receive your renewal form, dues, and donation checks by June 30th so that we can update our database and verify our data with the national AAUW database.

Here is some brief information about where your dues and donation checks go:

- Each of us pays a total of \$100 in dues, unless you are a dual member. Of that money, \$49 goes to national, \$20 goes to the California chapter, and \$31 stays here in

our branch to cover our administrative expenses.

- In addition to your dues, you can donate to one or more of our branch projects devoted to promoting educational opportunities for local area young women. There are three such projects: Tech Trek, Girls State, and High School Scholarships.
 - Tech Trek is a joint effort with Kiwanis, Tahoe Rotary and TLC. Our total commitment to this project is \$5400, which pays for six girls to attend the week-long STEM camp at UC Davis.
 - Your donation to Girls State sponsors a girl to attend a weeklong intense legislative experience here in California. This project is a joint effort with the South Tahoe American Legion Auxiliary and costs \$500 for her participation.
 - Lastly, we offer a \$1000 college scholarship to a young woman graduating this year from North Tahoe High School.

Last year, the Leadership Team suggested that each member, who so desires, donates \$100 in addition to their dues. This would eliminate the need for constant fundraising throughout the year. Many members accepted our suggestion and more than few surprised us with generous gifts far above the suggested amount. We are grateful to all our members for their positive responses to our request. The donations made at renewal time last year covered almost 100% of the needed contributions to fund our projects. This made our year more productive and we all share a sense of satisfaction and fulfillment in being able to carry out all our projects to the fullest. Thank you!

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.

Membership Memo. If you have friends or family members you would like to have join our branch, please pick up our new member applications which are available at our meetings right next to the name tag boxes. If you would like a new member packet between meetings, contact either Cheryl Allen or Martha Cirata and they will cheerfully email or snail-mail a membership packet to you or the prospective new member.

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 Patricia Watters, our Communications Officer, within 5 days to remove your picture. A signed release form will be required from the parents of minor children.

Member Communications. Linda Larish received a lovely note from Helen Foster thanking AAUW for the gift to Tech Trek in her husband John’s memory. She stated that he was a great supporter of AAUW and that he would be happy for the gift in his name.

A memorial service for Beverly Watson, NT AAUW’s branch first president, will be held on Friday June 23rd at the Center for Spiritual Living, 700 N. Lake Blvd, Tahoe City (most western building in the Tahoe City Marina parking lot). Time of the service will be provided at a later date.

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

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

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)

APRIL

25: Book Group

28: Friday Nooners

MAY

7: Kiwanis Auction & Wine Tasting

9: Branch Leadership Meeting

13: Inter-branch Luncheon

16: Great Decisions

17: InStitches

25: Petra Dinner

30: Book Group

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