



**General Meeting  
September 8, 2016  
Tahoe Yacht Club**

**Members Present: Jan Potter, Cheryl Allen, Diane Buckman, Johnnie Lee Don, Carol Eyre, Martha Cirata, Vera Daegling, Shirley Cabo, Pat Castellucci, Sue DeVoe, Ann Folsom, Julie Ginocchio, Shirley Hale, Linda Larish, Meri McEneny, Ellen Magnani, Nileta Morton, Meredith Rosenberg, Linda Schwoob, Karen Wagner, Patricia Watters and Terry Yagura.**

Jan Potter introduced some of our guests. Patti Boxeth represents Rotary, our own Nileta Morton represents Tahoe League for Charity and they represent two of our Tech Trek partners. Ken Yagura accompanied his wife who is recovering from an illness. One mother of our current Tech Trekers and the mother of the Girls' State participant also attended. A salad luncheon was provided to honor these young ladies who were able to attend this science camp at UC Davis in Davis, CA, in July. As lunch was eaten, Meri McEneny spoke about each Tech Treker and projected a slide that showed the schedule for the girls this summer and photos of some of the campers participating in various classes that were taken by Meri on Visitor Day. Meri also read a letter from the Tech Treker who has moved away and was unable to attend our luncheon. Each of the Tech Treker girls stood and gave very interesting speeches following their introductions. The girls gave very engaging speeches using cue cards rather than reading their speeches. All of our members enjoyed hearing about the girls' experiences. Meri also explained that she would like to sponsor a local day focused on STEM that includes all Tech Trekers and applicants through their high school careers.

Johnnie Lee introduced our candidate for this year's Girls' State, Ella Barzel. She is a senior this year at North Tahoe High School. She gave an extremely articulate speech describing her experience at this camp. She indicated that she would like a career in politics so found this camp very helpful.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 1:31pm by co-president Jan Potter.

**Meeting Minutes:** Julie Ginocchio moved that we approve the June 9, 2016 General meeting minutes. Martha Cirata seconded the motion with a correction. The minutes were approved as corrected (Martha Cirata's name was removed and Nancy Cline's name added to look for a hostess for the summer party).

**Reports:**

**Finance Officer Report:** Ruth Arizaga-Whisler was not in attendance so Jan Potter reported that all programs are funded. We are still awaiting the Rotary contribution which will be awarded later this calendar year.

**Programs Report:** Julie Ginocchio reported that our next general meeting will be on October 13, 2016 at 1:00pm. It will be held at the Boy's & Girl's Club and the guest speaker will be from Tahoe Food Hub. Parking options will be publicized prior to the event. Boy's and Girl's Club adjoins the Kings Beach elementary school which will be in session so parking could be problematic. The November program has not been finalized. January will feature Ellen Magnani speaking on her trip to Moscow and Kazakstan to view her daughter-in-law's launch on the Soyuz. Her daughter-in-law is an astronaut currently on the international space station. The March program will feature our Chautauqua program with our own members portraying famous women.

**Membership Report:** Martha Cirata reported that we currently have 67 members. Martha reported that any woman who joins at a public event, including a general meeting, will receive a special discount. 50% of the national dues will be waived bring the total dues to \$75.50. Martha also reported that business cards and membership applications will be at all meetings and we are encouraged to offer these to potential new members.

**Communications Officer Report:** Patricia Watters reported that she and Nancy Cline will update the web-site soon. Our new directories will soon be printed and available for purchase for \$10. Eleven members were interested in purchasing one. An additional ten copies will be printed. New members will receive a directory free of charge.

**Girls' State:** Johnnie Lee Don reported that she will meet with the current Girls' State participant to iron out some logistical problems, primarily communication problems.

### **Old Business:**

**Open Positions:** Jan Potter again reiterated that we still need a president elect and urged members to consider taking on this position or recommending another member. We also need a By-Laws/Parliamentarian. The by-laws were edited last year so this position not as vital this year as they only need to be reviewed and updated on alternate years. A big thank you was given to Linda Schwoob for hosting our summer party and putting so much effort into several events.

### **New Business:**

**Nominating Committee for 2017-2018:** Jan Potter requested that three individuals volunteer to be on the nominating committee for Board members. No one as yet has volunteered for these three positions.

### **Interest Group Reports:**

**Book Group:** Linda Schwoob announced that the next book group meeting will be at Carol Eyre's home in Incline Village on 9/27/16 and the book will be the history of her deceased husband, Edward E. Eyre's family who were pioneers. The book was written by her husband. Carol Eyre has extra copies if someone needs one and she will lead the discussion.

**Bridge:** Sue DeVoe stated that there will be a kick-off get-together at her home in October to explain the schedule and rules. The date is still to be determined. All interested members are asked to contact Sue DeVoe or Rose Orenstein. Sue indicated that Kathy Semrad is an able bridge instructor and can be contacted for lessons. Her phone number is 530 562-0837. For further information, log on to the website and refer to interest groups, bridge.

**Gourmet:** Pat Castellucci reported that there are currently five couples and five singles signed up for the Gourmet Club. She asks that anyone who is interested to please contact her. She further explained that this club is a wonderful way to get to know other members by chatting around a table enjoying a meal with others. The hostess will set the menu and send recipes to the guests.

The meals can be a brunch, lunch or dinner. On 10/20/16 Pat will host a get-together to explain about the meals. Please bring an appetizer to share and your own drink. There will be three meals this year and they will start in January.

**Great Decisions:** Julie Ginocchio reported that the next meeting will be on October 20, 2016 at Sharon Filardo's home and the subject will be Climate Change. Books for next year will be for pre-sale order through Julie in December. The cost will probably be \$20 or \$25 depending on the number of members.

**In Stitches:** Johnnie Lee Don reported that the next meeting will be on October 19, 2016 at Sue DeVoe's home and all are welcome.

**Friday Nighters:** Johnnie Lee Don reported that the name has been changed from Friday Night Cocktails so members understand that drinking alcohol is not necessary. The next event will be at Burnt Cedar Beach on Friday, October 14, 2016 at 3:00pm. If cards are still needed for entry (they probably won't be by that date), there are enough AAUW Incline residents who have sufficient money on their guest cards to allow entrance for anyone wishing to attend.

**Other Business:**

**Next Meeting:** October 13, 2016.

**Adjournment:** 2:04pm.

**Announcements:**

**North Tahoe Arts (NRT)** will be sponsoring a gourmet lunch and art sale on September 24, 2016. Go to NTA website for details.

**Snowfest:** This event will be organized by a committee meeting at Blue Agave monthly. If one would like to help with this, go to the Snowfest website.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Larish – Recording Secretary

Approved 10/13/16