



**General Meeting  
March 8, 2018  
Gatekeepers Museum**

**Members Present:** There were 21 members and guests present.

Co-president Jan Potter welcomed everyone.

**Presentation by North Tahoe Truckee Transport Senior Shuttle:**

Angela Swanson from the Tahoe Transportation District, Kelly Beede from the Town of Truckee, and Lizzie Hennessy from Tahoe Forest Hospital made the presentation. The Tahoe Transportation District and the Town of Truckee partnered for a \$50,000 annual grant from the Agency on Aging to provide free shuttle service for seniors. Anyone over 60 can use the service for free. The grant requires that the service has at least 80 unduplicated riders per year.

The service provides door-to-door transportation six days per month. The 2nd, 3rd and 4th Thursdays, the rides are between North Lake Tahoe and Truckee. On the 2nd Wednesday of the month, the service goes to Reno; on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, the service goes to Auburn, Roseville and Sacramento; and on the 4th Wednesday of the month, the service goes to Grass Valley. Riders need to schedule pick-up 3 days in advance. A fleet of 6 busses is at their disposal, carrying from 8 to 30 people. Doctors' appointments should be made between 10 and 2 pm. Arrangements can be made with the driver to pick up and drop off for extra shopping trips, meals, while in Reno or the other destinations. In addition, they plan about a dozen trips a year for seniors—for example, April 18th there will be a trip to the Sacramento Zoo.

If AAUW wishes to go to the Crocker Art Museum in Sacramento, that could be arranged for pick-up at one central location on the third Wednesday of a future month.

**Chautauqua's Presentation:**

Meri McEneny gave a brief overview of International Women's Day, which started in 1911. Jan Potter gave a brief spiel on Chautauqua, which started in 1878.

Linda Larish channeled former first lady and activist Eleanor Roosevelt.

Vera Daegling provided highlights about Katharine Burr Blodgett, physicist and inventor.

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by co-president Jan Potter at 2:40 pm.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the February 8, 2018 meeting were approved as written.

## Reports:

**Secretary:** Linda Larish recounted that three notes were sent out this month, to Dr. Robert Leri, Gisela Steiner and Betsy Peterson.

**Finance:** The Finance chair was not present, but Jan Potter noted that there were no financial transactions during the previous month.

**Program:** Neither of the program chairs were present. Our next meeting, on April 12, will be held at the Fairway Community Center at 1 pm. At that meeting, Brenda Gilbert will speak on the ecology of the Truckee River. On April 18 the Interbranch meeting will be hosted by the Incline Village AAUW group in Incline, with details to follow. At our annual meeting on May 10, the budget and the new slate of officers will be voted on at the Tahoe City PUD board room at 1 pm. The speaker for that meeting will be Alex Lee, Executive Director of Aim High.

**Membership:** Neither of the membership chairs were present. Co-president Patricia Watters noted that we have two new members, Joann Cobb and Priscilla Mills. Joann was present and introduced herself to the group.

**Tech Trek/STEM:** Chair Meri McEneny was present earlier, but had to leave prior to the business meeting. All 5 Tech Trek slots have been filled. STEM Trek will be held Saturday, June 9th, at the Fairway Community Center. All of the girls who applied for Tech Trek will be invited and we will have a group of women speakers who are in science or math fields, as well as a hands-on activity.

**Communications:** Dana Loury was not present. Patricia Watters noted that Dana had recently joined an online AAUW group on technology.

**Girls State:** Christine Madden was present earlier, but not during the business meeting. We do, however, have a candidate.

**Friday Nighters:** Johnnie Lee Don was not present. It was noted that the next meeting will be on March 17 at Johnnie Lee's home. The meetings will be switched in the future to Saturday nights.

**Book Club:** The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 27, at Tahoe Yacht Club, when "Life in a Jar" will be discussed. The book is about the woman who saved over 2,500 Jewish infants and children in the Polish ghetto during WWII.

**In-Stitches:** The group will meet next on March 21st at 2:00 pm at Diane Morrison's house. Bring your projects.

**Gourmet:** Reminders will be sent to the hostesses for the February/March dinner.

**Great Decisions:** Meets on the third Tuesday of the month.

**New Business:**

**AAUW on line voting:** Patricia Watters reminded us that AAUW will be conducting on-line voting on three issues between April 25 and June 9: staggering board terms; opening Board positions to those outside of AAUW (at the national level); and eliminating degree requirement for membership. Any member wishing to comment on the three proposals may do so between February 22 and March 22.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 pm by Jan Potter.

**Announcements:** Snow Fest in King's Beach on Saturday.

In honor of Dave Ferrari (who has been instrumental in starting the Boys and Girls Club in Kings Beach, helped with bringing Sierra College to Truckee and many other civic acts), a ravioli dinner fundraiser for the Boys and Girls Club will be held at the Biltmore on March 23 at 6 pm. Patti Boxeth is in charge of this fundraiser.

Respectfully submitted by  
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