



October 2019



CO-PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Summer is definitely over and winter is peeking its head around the corner as witnessed this week by our first snowfall of the season. However, fall is definitely in the air as the leaves are turning, making this one of the most beautiful times of the year in the Sierras. We are so grateful to be a part of these beautiful communities.

Our September General Meeting was held at the **Truckee Tahoe Airport**. This meeting was educational and exciting. Our members learned about the Community and Agency Partnerships fostered and supported by our local airport. These include 24-hour emergency medical response and transport, CHP staging and support for our firefighting capabilities. In addition, they are committed to Open Space Preservation, protecting water and air quality and habitat preservation. Check out their website for more information about the airport and their mission. <https://trucketahoeairport.com/>



Our members were also treated to tours of the airport including an up close and personal tour of the tower. While some members were in the tower, a fire was spotted by the tower staff and immediately called into Truckee Fire. Great job for a quick response to a fire in the Hirschdale area.



Karin Hardiman, Truckee Tower Manager

A special **Thank You** to **Johnnie Lee Don** and **Rachael Swift** for putting this great meeting together.

Secretary Update

Ann Yuh has graciously volunteered to be our **recording secretary** for this year. **Linda Larish** will continue to be our corresponding secretary. Thank you both for being a part of the Leadership Team.

We look forward to the upcoming AAUW NT Year. We believe that it will be an exciting time for women around the world and definitely a time for each one of us to proactively support women's rights and equality.

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<https://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Oct. 10, 3:30 PM: Tech Trek and Girls State presentations @ Fairway CC, Tahoe City

Nov. 14, 1 PM: Search & Rescue @ Fairway CC, TC

LEADERSHIP MEETING

October 10: 1:30 PM, Fairway Community Center, Tahoe City.

GENERAL MEETING

Calling all members!

Please come enjoy our **October 10, 3:30 – 5 pm general meeting** which highlights our 2019 Tech Trek campers: **Zara** Arington, **Miya** Casci, **Alana** Hendricks, **Olivia** Parker, and **Diana** Reyes. These dynamic 8th graders will share with us, in a 5-minute talk, their experiences at the UC Davis camp last July. Also presenting will be our Girls State representative, High School senior **Maya Wong**.

The meeting will be at the Fairway Community Center in Tahoe City.

The event is scheduled **after school** to avoid the girls missing school for a luncheon and allow the two new 7th grade science and math teachers and more parents to attend. It also requires less planning work for our program chairs.

Meri McEneny



AAUW FUND

Great news, Ladies. We have reached **\$1,331.50** in contributions so far this year to the **AAUW Fund**. For each \$750.00 our branch contributes, we can have one Named Gift Honoree. This is the highest honor we can bestow on a member. So, if we can contribute just **\$168.50** more by the end of the year, we will have enough for a second Named Gift Honoree.

If you would like to help our branch reach this milestone, there are two ways to contribute. You can either write a check to "AAUW Fund" and mail it to our branch at PO Box 5612, Tahoe City, CA 96145;

or contribute through the website:

<http://www.aauw.org/resource/the-aauw-fund-faq/> and click on the window "Make a Gift to AAUW Today". Please notify our finance officer Patricia Watters (pwrl@aol.com) if you donate online.

The AAUW Fund is a general fund for unrestricted gifts by the national organization. Unless you specify otherwise, your contribution will go where it is needed most. However, you can specify that your gift go to support:

- Economic Security for Women (including Legal Advocacy Fund 3999)
- Leadership Initiatives for Women
- Education and Training for Women
- Governance and Sustainability

You can read more on the website above.

It has been about ten years since our branch has last awarded two Named Gift Honorees. So please think about helping us reach this milestone again!

<https://northtahoec-ca.aauw.net/branch-awards/>

Rachael Swift- racsswift@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE – DECEMBER 19



Mark your calendars for our **Holiday Party Luncheon**. Watch for details in upcoming newsletters.



I have spoken to Joanne Schope, the American Legion representative we work with in South Shore. She has filed a request that has been accepted for a Girls State candidate from our branch for Summer 2020. I told her we are looking forward to sending another exceptional girl next year.

Christine Madden - madden@garlic.com



Thank you, Dana, for the wonderful newsletters devoted to Tech Trek and STEM Trek Day!

Tech Trek 2019 campers were emailed copies of their thank you letters to our branch and given suggestions to prepare an outline in preparation for their 5-minute talk to our branch on Thursday **October 10, 3:30-5pm** at the Fairway CC in Tahoe City. One camper will be on a family vacation, but I hope to video her talk to show at our after-school event.

Thank you to **Tahoe League for Charity** for their ongoing support of one girl to attend Tech Trek camp. They presented AAUW NT with a grant at their annual luncheon at Jake's on Sept. 9th. For their support of Tech Trek, **TLC** and **Rotary Club of Tahoe City** have been invited to our Oct 10 meeting and ice cream social.

If you are interested in serving on the Tech Trek 2020 interview team, or staying on the TT team, please contact me. It's a fun and rewarding adventure!

Meri McEneny- Tech Trek Coordinator – mmceneny@gmail.com



MEMBERSHIP

Both new and old members enjoyed the Wine and Cheese Welcome event at Ginger Wilson's beautiful home on Sunday Sept 22nd. New members **Jan Burt** and **Barbara Ramsey** attended, in addition to the leadership team and interest group leaders. It was a great chance for us to meet our new members and to catch up with what is going on in the various interest groups. Thank you, Ginger, for hosting. A good time was had by all!

We now have **63** members. Printed copies of the current directory will be available for \$10 at the general meeting.

For those who prefer a softcopy, Dana has made a PDF available on the website. You can also access the most current member roster that has changes made after printing.

<https://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/members/>

Contact Dana Loury, our Communications officer, at northtahoeaauw@gmail.com for the password to access the directory.

If you know someone who would like to join our branch, contact Cheryl Allen, membership VP (cherylkallen@cs.com) to receive a membership application form by email or snail mail. The form is also available on the website.

<https://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/>

<https://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/about/membership-information/>

Membership Communications.

Please let our corresponding secretary **Linda Larish** (llarish@sbcglobal.net) know about any member news that should be recognized with a card or note from our branch.

INTEREST GROUPS



BOOK GROUP

Our second book of the fall season – or is it already winter? – will be Rudolpho Araya's book BLESS ME ULTIMA. Araya's book was one of PBS' 100 favorite books last year. Discussion will be led by **Esther Sonnenberg** and hosted by her in Carnelian Bay on Tuesday **October 29**. Prizes will be given for costumed book lovers.

We meet the last Tuesday of each month – with a few exceptions. Most folks bring a bag lunch while visiting with other members at 12 noon. Nancy Cline will bring us treats this month. We begin discussion at 12:30 and wrap up by 2. We welcome all our branch members and often have guests join us, too.

For more information, contact **Mary Koons** at 541-554-5319 or Marynk31@gmail.com. A reminder email is sent the week before – please let Mary know if you'd like to be on our email list.



BRIDGE

The Bridge group has 2 tables of bridge plus one on Wednesday **September 25th** at 1:30 PM at Nancy Zachariasen's home in Truckee. Her address in Truckee is 12064 Kitzbuhel Rd.

Nancy's cell phone is: 626-755-0289; Her home phone in Reno is 775-448-6906.

Players include:

Nancy Z and Linda Larish (with Dianne Lange observing/pitch hitting with Linda)

Sue DeVoe and Barbra Briggs

Sharon and Phil Filardo

Rose and George Orenstein

Lynn Flagg will be hosting bridge in October with a Halloween theme. As always, we welcome those interested. Please contact **Betsey Husted** at betseyhusted18@gmail.com with any questions.



FRIDAY NITERS

We will go to the Nevada Museum of Art to see **Georgia O'Keeffe: Living Modern** on **October 4th** @ **10:30 AM** for lunch at the museum followed by a tour at 1 PM. Entrance fee is \$10, and \$8 for seniors.

Call Johnnie Lee Don @ 775-832-8089 or email johnnieledon1@gmail.com by **September 30th** to join in the fun.



GOURMET

Those interested in Gourmet were invited to attend a planning meeting held Wednesday, 9/10/19. The purpose was to try and simplify the process as it seemed to need a little face lift. The group wanted to **thank Pat Castellucci** for her commitment and hard work for the Gourmet Group in past years. She definitely went above and beyond to make Gourmet a fun event. Thank you, Pat, for all that you have done!

Members in attendance decided to have **four** dining experiences: October/November, February/March, May/June and a beach party in July/August. There will be **co-hosts** for each event to ease the burden on the host. The program will be host driven, eliminating the need for an actual leader. The hosts will decide if they want a theme and what that might be. They will decide on a date and whether it will be brunch, lunch or dinner, then send an email to the entire group. Those able to come will respond and be assigned a dish to bring. If the response is larger than can be accommodated at one sitting, a second date will be added.

Ann Yuhas, Johnnie Lee Don & Pat Castellucci have graciously agreed to host our first dinner. See announcement below.

For February/March, **Ginger Wilson** and **Linda Larish** will plan a lunch out with just the women. It could be in Reno or North Lake Tahoe, depending on the weather. This will eliminate the parking problem during those snowy winter months.

The May/June meal will be hosted by **Jan Potter** and **Dianne Lange**, details to be determined.

Kym Pipkin and **Jamie Casey** will host a beach party in July/August, details to be determined.

A suggestion was also made to include a little bonus trip to Reno to attend a cooking class, and perhaps lunch, at "Nothing to It".

The list of 2019-20 Gourmet group is posted on our website.

<https://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/interest-groups/gourmet/>

Gourmet Group welcomes all members. If you're interested in joining, please contact Linda Larish (llarish@sbcglobal.net) or the hostesses.



Hostesses **Ann Yuhas**, **Pat Castellucci** and **Johnnie Lee Don** invite the "Gourmets" to join in the first of 4 events this year: an Italian-Themed dining event @ **1pm** on Sunday, **October 20th** @ 633-A Lariat Circle, Incline Village.

RSVP's must be to johnnieleedon1@gmail.com or 775-832-8089 by **Oct 7th** in order to plan the dishes.

surmount our insatiable appetite for Mexican drugs as well as why do Mexican cartels love our gun laws.

We meet on the third Tuesday of each month and a reminder email will be sent one week prior to our meeting. Those members who wish to purchase a 2020 book at a discounted price, bring a **\$26.00** check (payable to Linda Schwoob) to the October meeting. Contact Linda for details: lschwoob@yahoo.com

North Tahoe AAUW website:

<https://northtahoe-ca.aauw.net/>

AAUW California website:

<http://www.aauw-ca.org/>

User name: **member**

Password: **aauwca** (case sensitive)



CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- 04: Friday Neters
- 10: Leadership and General Meetings
- 15: Great Decisions
- 20: Gourmet
- 29: Book Group
- 30: Bridge



GREAT DECISIONS

The **October 15th** meeting for Great Decisions will be held at **Linda Schwoob's** home on the west shore from **10 am until noon**. Linda will be our moderator.

The subject will be "**U.S. and Mexico**". We will discuss the U.S relationship with Mexico, AMLO, the new Mexican president and issues with NAFTA. Lots to think about and talk about as our partnership with Mexico is currently being tested. How do we



PETRA “CHEERS FOR CHARITY”

On June 20, 2019, **Petra at Northstar** again provided us with a very enjoyable evening dining at their restaurant while raising funds for the mission-based programs that we are passionate about!

Petra provides a program, *Cheers For Charity*, to several non-profits in our area. We are fortunate to be able to take advantage of this fundraiser, while enjoying a wonderful evening of socializing, drinks, dinner and, maybe best of all, s'mores around their fire pit. Petra generously **gives back 50% of the cost** (before tax and tip). We made **\$522.50** which we are able to use where needed most for our programs.

Thank you to those of you who supported this fundraiser and hopefully, even more will be able to attend next year! It's REALLY fun!!

Linda Larish – Petra fundraising organizer



