

AAUW THE PHOENICIAN

American Association of University Women - Phoenix Branch

February 2015

**The General Meeting is
Tuesday, February 20th
Dinner 5:30PM, Presentation 6:30PM**

The Speaker is Heidi Huusko



She will present a brief overview of Common Core Standards with a hands on activity followed by Table Discussions.

Mrs. Huusko is a teacher who has been in the field for nineteen years and is presently teaching common core math at Oakwood in the Peoria District. She is a math coach, grade level chair, and highly qualified in both math and science.

Her background includes teaching in an Eskimo village in Alaska, a school in Dallas Texas that had mostly disadvantaged students and her present position is with the Peoria School District.



In addition to her teaching duties she coaches the Oakwood cross country team and is presently the junior varsity coach for Cactus High School and in the spring will be coaching the Oakwood women's



basketball.

She is a graduate of Moon Valley High School and ASU. She was on the swim and basketball teams. She is married and has two lovely daughters.

She is a member of the Phoenix Branch of AAUW.

THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR RSVP

We need your RSVP as promptly as possible and no later than Friday before the meeting. The number can be changed as late as noon on Monday before the meeting. **If you must cancel, please call before noon Monday or YOU WILL BE CHARGED THE \$15. The branch must pay for the number reserved.** New reservations may be added before noon Monday.

Please be considerate and RSVP ASAP to Sue Zeigler 602-992-8145 or SueZee85028@aol.com

Dinner is \$15 and is at 5:30p followed by our speaker at 6:30p. Meetings are held at the Luther Life Center at the Beatitudes, 1616 W. Glendale Ave. Phoenix, AZ. Please enter the Beatitudes at the gate by the flag pole. Visitors are welcome. Menu: **Arugula & Watermelon Salad, Herbed Roasted Pork Tenderloin, Red Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Italian flat Beans, Dinner Roll, Carrot Cake.**

A vegetarian option is available.

Board Meeting

The Board Meeting will be at 1:15pm on **Wednesday, February 4th**. The meeting will be held at Phoenix College. We can lunch in the Culinary Café beforehand at 11:30am. Contact Barbara Presler for information or directions bpreslerlv@aol.com 602-463-5088.

The 2015 AAUW Bridge Marathon will begin in March 2015. New players are always welcome. If you are interested in joining, please contact Mary Palsma ([602-803-3617](tel:602-803-3617)) marypalsma@yahoo.com. Cost of the marathon is \$15 per year with profits going to our Phoenix College Scholarship.

Things to Do

Morning Book Discussion



Orphan Train, by Christina Kline

Discussion is on **Friday, February 6th and 20th at 9:30am**. Contact Mary Beth Lemons for information or directions: mlemon1@cox.net 602-510-1544.

Evening Book Discussion



A Tale for the Time Being by Ruth Ozeki Evening book discussion is **Wednesday, February 18th**. The discussions are regularly scheduled for the **3rd Wednesday of each month, 7pm** at the Orangeaire Villas Club House. Contact Rita Christina for information or directions: ritachristina@cox.net 623-872-6448.

World Travelers

Upcoming world travelers meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month, Noon to 2pm. Everybody is welcome. Bring a sack lunch to Carolyn Baker's for directions or information call 602-277-5032.

On **Thursday, February 12th at Noon**, AAUW's World Travelers will have Linda and Dennis Eaglestone relating highlights of their trip to Turkey

Coffee and Conversation

We will be meeting on **the last Saturday, February 28th** at Scott's Generation Restaurant and Delicatessen, 5539 N 7th St (NE corner of Missouri & 7th Street) the agenda is VISITING. Come one, come all, and bring friends. Join us at **9AM**.

Saturday Matinee - Noon Classics

Saturday February 14th at 12:30 "TAI-PAN". Based on James Clavell's best selling novel. A flamboyant romantic adventure focusing on Hong Kong rival traders exchanging China's silver for opium and pitting father against son.

*These movies are not classic movies, they are movies of classic books. Beverages and popcorn are provided. Feel free to bring along any munchies or crunchies to enjoy and share and/or your own brown bag lunch. **Please contact Roberta (602)689-0774 by the prior Thursday to attend so that she can make sure that she has adequate seating and you can get directions to her home.**

GREAT DECISIONS STUDY PROGRAM



The Great Decisions study group is meeting again this year at Mary Beth Lemons' residence, 6825 N. 29th Ave. at 1:00pm. Snacks will be served, but please bring your own beverage.

1st Meeting: Wed.Feb. 11

Topic: Russia & the Near Abroad
Leader: Dot Fields

2nd Meeting: Wed. Feb 25

Topic: Privacy in the Digital Age
Leader: Gretchen Peniska

Beginning in March, we will return to our regular schedule of meeting on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month.

The study materials have been ordered and will be \$24.40 per participant.

Contact Dot Fields 602-253-1643, or E-Mail dotfie@cox.net with questions.

"Movies, Museums and Theater,"

The first event of the new AAUW interest group is planned for Thurs., Feb. 19. You may have read about this in the recent newsletters. We will be attending a live, stage performance of March on the Kax Stage at the Herberger Theater. This venue is called, "Lunch Time Theater," and lunch can be ordered from their service, "Put A Fork In It Catering." You can also bring your own food. The time will be approximately 11:30 to 1 p.m. Tickets are \$6.00. Bring a guest with you if you wish. Here is a brief description of the play:

MARCH - The year 1963 proved to be a tragic, dramatic and groundbreaking year in the history of Civil Rights. The March on Washington, with an attendance of 250,000 men, women and children of every race, collected to peacefully protest injustices -- unfair job practices, discrimination and segregation. Women were instrumental in the planning of the March, yet noticeably absent on the list of speakers, which included Dr. Martin Luther King. *March* explores the explosive infighting behind the curtain during the planning of this historic event. Written by Larissa Brewington. Produced by Grey Matters Productions

The deadline for reserving a ticket and ordering lunch is Thurs., Feb. 5. If you will call or email Kay Baughman, you will receive a copy of the menu, directions to the Herberger, and other necessary information. Cell phone number is: [260-414-7469](tel:260-414-7469) / Email address: Kaybaugh@Aol.com.

Kay is still looking for a partner to be a co-contact person to help be in charge of the group, since she is a part-time resident.

AAUW National Convention June 18-21, 2015
Prepare to attend the AAUW National
Convention June 18-21, 2015 – San Diego,
California – Sheraton Hotel and Marina.



Looking for a new Phoenician Editor

Would you like to take over the position of Phoenician Editor? It is not really difficult or time consuming. I just have many things in my life right now and would love to give this one to someone else.

Let me know. I would be happy to help someone get started.

Mary Beth 602-510-1544 or mlemons1@cox.net.

The General Meeting January 20th

The speaker was our own Sara Presler
CEO of Arizona Foundation for Women



She spoke on the origin and many functions of *The Arizona Foundation for Women (AFW)*

Congratulations Amanda



Amanda, our server at dinner, is expecting a baby boy in February. Many of the branch members brought or sent gifts and gift cards. Her husband came to help get the treasures home.

Legislative Day

Wednesday, February 25th, 2015-9am to 2pm



You will find it very satisfying to attend Legislative Day. If you care about what happens in Arizona and would like to make a difference in the outcome, it will be very helpful to know your 3 legislators or even have a relationship with at least one. They may not be of your party, and then it's more important. One of mine was thanked by me for voting against a very bad bill, 1062, and for another break from the party to approve the Medicaid Extension. She knows me now and when I call I may even be able to encourage her to try to get other seatmates to vote right. [You have power.](#)

All branches will need to report the names of those attending from their Branches. If you wish to have lunch, the basement cafe at the tower is now a Blimpies, but highly recommended is the DES Cafeteria across the street from the House – just ask anybody for directions. If you don't wish to attend the legislative session which begins at 1, you could simply go home. Committee meetings are sometimes held as early as 8 am and run through 11 am. We will have a program and guest speakers from 9 am to 11 am. Branch members will be, phoning, writing cards, notes, or letters to their legislators and setting appointments during the 11am to 1 pm time frame. At 1 pm the legislative Session begins. We will have a "Palm Card" like we did last year, that we can hand to our representatives. There was a discussion about speakers and that we try to have a panel on Q and A regarding what is happening in the four areas we are working on this year. Since our conference call, Jane Adrian, our President has invited and received confirmation that Dr. Anne Schneider will "moderate our informative session and provide training and insights prior to members meeting with their legislators". More to follow.

Additional Information:

Information about our Speaker/Moderator:

Anne L. Schneider (PhD, Indiana) joined the School of Politics and Global Studies in August 2008. She came to ASU in 1989 and served until 2004 as Dean of the College of Public Programs and Professor in the

School of Justice Studies. Her long-time interest has been in research and teaching about the role of public policy in a democracy. Her current projects include work on the kinds of "policy experiences" people have, and how these direct experiences with policy impact their political voice. Dr. Schneider continues to study the Arizona legislature and writes a newsletter, Arizona Legislative Alert: Shining a bright light for socially-just public policy in Arizona for the Valley Unitarian Universalist Congregation and the Unitarian Universalist Arizona Network.

legislativeadvocacy@vuu.org

Harriet Young filled in for Karen English and gave us a training session in writing to our legislators.

Communicating with your Legislator(s): Notes from Harriet Young's presentation

Prior to any visit, send a note congratulating legislator on his/her election. Indicate you look forward to meeting/seeing him/her. Your visit should not be the first time the legislator has heard from you/AAUW. Introduce yourself. Tell a little about yourself so they get a sense of you and your organization. Let them know how many members are in your branch. Be sure to indicate there are 170,000 members nationwide. Tell them how many are in state organization, too.

Re visit: You will get 15 minutes, if that. If he/she tries to dominate conversation, say "I'm so glad to talk with you but we want to talk about why I came to see you..."

Prep for meeting – know bill #, your district, past voting record of legislator; your position and if you oppose, state why succinctly.





Get them on record...Often they do not have time to read legislation and are just following party leader's recommendation. Ask questions. If he/she can't answer, ask legislator/staff to do more research (and provide the research which supports your position.) After visit, keep track of who you saw and send a thank you note repeating what was said.

We will be meeting in the Historic Senate in the Capitol Museum.

Please RSVP for Legislative Day. We need to know soon so we can organize people in the same district. Please call or email Carolyn Maxon, 480-483-8267 cjmaxon@cox.net

Dorothy Ward has put together a list of the members Arizona Legislative Districts. The list is on the last page of this newsletter.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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8	9	10	11 Great Decisions 1pm Contact : Dot Fields	12 World Travelers 12n-2pm Contact: Carolyn Baker	13 	14 Saturday Matinee 12:30pm Contact Roberta Rowland No later than the prior Thurs if you are going to attend
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22	23	24	25 Legislative Day 9am-2pm Contact : C.Maxon	26 	27	28 Coffee and Conversation 9am Scott's Deli, 5539 N 7th St Contact: MB Lemons

SAVE THE DATE



8th Annual 'Garden Party'

Elegant Champagne Brunch

Saturday, April 18th, 2015

10:30AM - \$25

Have you registered your Fry's V.I.P card

TO BENEFIT AAUW PHOENIX BRANCH SCHOLARSHIPS

We have registered with Fry's Food Stores to have our members, friends and relatives use their Fry's V.I.P. cards at time of purchase to earn money that will be used for our scholarships. The instructions to register your V.I.P. card are below. If you need help, please contact Mary Beth Lemons mlemons1@cox.net or 602-510-1544.

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NOTE: I followed these instructions and I am now signed up.

PLEASE NOTE: Before you can link your Fry's V.I.P card to an organization, you must have an email address.

STEP 1: Creating an Online Fry's Account

*NOTE: If you already have an online Fry's account, skip to #2

*Go to <http://www.frysfood.com/>

*Select 'Register'.

*Under Sign-In information, enter your email and create a password. (Write down your email & password—will need it in step 2)

*Select 'Use Card Number'.

*Enter your Fry's V.I.P Card Number, last name and postal code.

*Under 'Select Your Preferred Store' enter your postal code.

*Select 'Find Stores'.

*Choose your store then select 'Create Account'.

*You will then be prompted to check your email for a confirmation email.

Click the hyperlink in your email to finish creating your Online Fry's Account.

*Continue to step #2 to register for the Fry's Community Rewards Program of your choice.

STEP 2: Register for the Fry's Community Rewards Program

*Go to <https://www.frysfood.com/topic/community?activePage=community-rewards-2>

*Select 'Sign-In'.

*Enter your email and password then select 'sign in'. (This will be the email and password you created in step 1)

*Select 'My Account then select 'Account Settings' from drop down menu.

*Click 'edit' under Community Rewards. If prompted, enter personal information.

*Under Find Your Organization: Enter the NPO number or name of organization then select 'search'. (You can get the NPO number from your organization)

*Under Select Your Organization: Select box next to your organization

*Then select 'save changes'.

*If you have registered correctly, you should now see your organization information listed under 'Community Rewards' on your Account Summary page.

AAUW Members' Legislative Districts

AAUW Legislative Day at the Capitol will be February 25, 2015.

The purpose of this list is to help members know who is in his/her district.

<u>Name</u>	<u>AZ Leg. Dist.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>AZ Leg. Dist.</u>
<u>Winona Aldridge</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>Carolyn Maxon</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Souad T. Ali</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>Deloris McCoy</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Lennie M. Andrews</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Annette Mellott</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Ann Anthony</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>Adrienne Miklas</u>	<u>19</u>
<u>Joanne Babich</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>Corky Mote</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Carolyn Baker</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Kelly Munkittrick</u>	<u>04</u>
<u>Barbara Bailey</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>Kate Offenberger</u>	<u>23</u>
<u>Kay Baughman</u>	<u>Reg. in Mich.</u>	<u>Mitzi Olivere</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Linda Blackwell</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Georgiana Palmer</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Mary Ellen Bloomburg</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Mary Palsma</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Margaret Brittingham</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Gretchen Peniska</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Linda Byers</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Suzanne Petersen</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>Dixie Carpenter</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>Laura Pogue</u>	<u>18</u>
<u>Rita Christina</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>Esther Pratt</u>	<u>21</u>
<u>Clark-Wright</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>Kathleen Preece</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Debra DeVault</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>Barbara Presler</u>	<u>27</u>
<u>Linda Eaglestone</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Sara Presler</u>	<u>04</u>
<u>Eric Ehst</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Valeria Ramirez</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Sue Enright</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Carol Rogers</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Rockel Etienne</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Linda Rosenthal</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Sybil Eppinger</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Rachel Rowland</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Dot Fields</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>Roberta Rowland</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Deborah Finkel</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Jodi Russell</u>	<u>29</u>
<u>Jessica Gonzales</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>Melissa Sanderson</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Sue Guardino</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Dana Saylor</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Judith Hards</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>Marilyn Schiedat</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Marty Horne</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Louise Slotta</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Dorothy Hull</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Nan Steiner</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Heidi Huusko</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>Joyce Tatham</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Sue Johnston</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Louise Thompson</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Leslie Jones</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Kathleen Tokar</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Emily Jurmu</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>Mary Alice Tuttle</u>	<u>04</u>
<u>Luisa Kaufman</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>Sylvia Ulan</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Mary Keenan</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Ellyn Ventura</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>LaVerne Koll</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Gina Vesco</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Kae Knight</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>Dorcas Walker</u>	<u>28</u>
<u>Marge Krohn</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Glenda Walker</u>	<u>24</u>
<u>Sharon Kurtz</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>Dorothy Ward</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Mary Beth Lemons</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>Mimi Weinberg</u>	<u>15</u>
<u>Mia Lorenzen</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Peggy Wollenman</u>	<u>30</u>
<u>Elizabeth Manera</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Pat Zajicek</u>	<u>22</u>
<u>Anne Mardick</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>Sue Zeigler</u>	<u>28</u>