

AAUW THE PHOENICIAN

American Association of University Women - Phoenix Branch

January 2016

General Meeting January
Dinner 5:30PM, Presentation 6:30PM

Linda Hallman, AAUW National CEO



For 25 years an association innovator, Mrs. Hallman is an expert in creating extraordinary membership experiences and cultures, organizational strategies, alliance building, and fundraising. She will speak on AAUW's Legal Advocacy.

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 in 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: Cucumber & Tomato Salad, Stir Fry Ginger Beef, Fried Rice, Sugar Snap Peas, dinner roll and Peanut Butter Pie.**

A vegetarian option is available.

General Meeting Review for December 15th
Katie Hao Lee, from
Chrysalis Women's Shelter



Sue Zeigler, Co-Membership Vice President with Katie Hao Lee

Chrysalis Transforming Lives

Mission Statement

Leading our community to broad-based solutions to prevent domestic abuse.

Vision

Stop Terror in the Home.

More than 34 years ago, a woman opened up her home as a safe house for both women and children who had been victimized by domestic violence. The shelter was appropriately named Chrysalis – defined as the growth that creates an independent being.

As usual for our December meeting members and guests brought gifts for the shelter.

A Special Addition to the December Meeting

Fiona Lowe, a senior at Ironwood High School displayed her senior project. Her intent was to tell a story through photographs and chose the timely but difficult theme of teen age problems. The photographs, done in stark black and white, creatively exhibited some of the dark times many teenagers experience; bullying, cutting, body image, suicide, etc. There was a handout describing the display. Although dark in nature, the story came to life in her photos. She plans to pursue this photography interest as a career. Presently Fiona is president of the photography club at Ironwood and is the daughter and granddaughter of two AAUW members, Heidi Huusko and Gretchen Peniska.



Marilyn Schiedat Co-Membership VP, with Heidi Huusko and Fiona Lowe. Part of the display is pictured.

Things to Do

Movies, Museums & Theater

December M M & T Event

Lunchtime Theater at the Herberger

On Thurs. Dec. 3rd., eleven AAUW members & guests went to see the "Fruitcake Follies" at the Herberger Theater's Lunchtime Theater on the Kax Stage. The musical presentation about Christmas was entertaining, with an unusual slant on the holiday season. The six singers & dancers, accompanied by the piano player, were all very talented, and the original songs were interesting and unique. After the show, six of us met at Starbuck's for coffee and conversation.

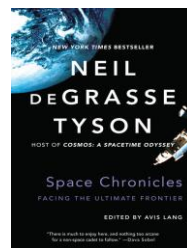
There will not be a "Movies, Museums & Theater" event in January. But our activities will resume in February, probably on a day of the last week of the month. An email will be sent out to the membership early enough in Feb. to be able to plan ahead. If you do not have email,

but want to receive a phone call each month about our events, please contact Kay Baughman at 260-414-7469.

Board Meeting

The November Board Meeting will be at 1pm on **Wednesday, January 6th**. If you want to have lunch in the Phoenix College Café, meet at 11:30. The meeting will be held at in the OSW Bldg Room 106. For information or directions contact Barbara Presler bpreslerlv@aol.com or 602-463-5088. Board meeting attendance is open to the membership.

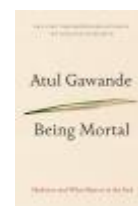
Morning Book Discussion



Space Chronicles by Neil deGrasse Tyson

For information about the book discussion, group and its location please contact Mary Beth Lemons: mblemons1@gmail.com or (602) 510-1544. Discussion is On **Friday, January 8th** and on **Friday, January 22nd** at 9:30am.

Evening Book Discussion



Being Mortal: medicine and what matters in the end by Gawande Atul. Evening book discussion is Wednesday, January 20th. The discussions will be in the home of Dorothy Ward at 7pm.. Contact Dorothy Ward for information or directions: uniquedorothy@cox.net or 602-246-1246

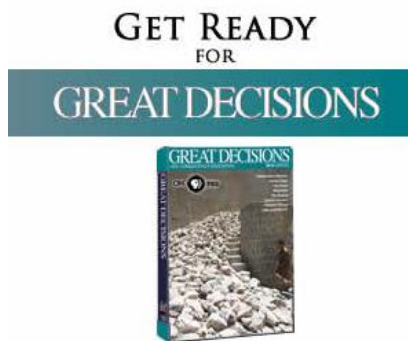
World Travelers

World Travelers will meet at Carolyn Baker's home on the 2nd Thursday each month. **Thursday, January 14th** noon to 2pm Candace Englert will tell about her son's wedding and other travel in Turkey. Please contact Carolyn Baker for directions or information: 602-277-5032.

Saturday Matinee - Noon Classics

January's matinee has been cancelled due to out of town travels.

SATURDAY, at 12:30p, February 13th. EXODUS will be the movie made from Leon Uris' epic book, a powerful historical drama and international best seller which chronicles the plight of postwar Jews in their fight to establish a homeland in Israel, with Paul Newman, Lee J. Cobb and Sal Mineo, 1960, Color. It is 3 1/2 hours, on 2 video cassettes. We'll take a brief intermission between cassettes. Expect to be here until about 4:30pm. We'll have more food than usual, so come for lunch.



Remember that Great Decisions will be the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month February through May.

If you are interested please let Gretchen Peniska know at poncachief1@cox.net or 602 793 4313.

Coffee and Conversation

We will be meeting at Scott's Generation Restaurant and Delicatessen, 5539 N 7th St (NE corner of Missouri & 7th Street) on the last Saturday of each month at 9AM. On **Saturday, January 30th**, the agenda is VISITING. Come on, come all, and bring friends. Join us on at 9AM.

The Scholarship Committee

The Scholarship Committee, composed of Dot Fields, Gretchen Peniska and Debra DeVault has selected two Phoenix College students to receive scholarship awards for next semester.

The recipient of the Martha Hoyt Memorial Scholarship of \$750 is Adriana Miramontes, a 21 year old Education major who is the first member of her family to attend college. Adriana is a member of Future Teachers Assoc.

and Phi Theta Kappa at Phoenix College, works part time as a host in a restaurant, and volunteers at Herrera Elementary School and at Halo, an animal rescue shelter while maintaining a 3.5 GPA.

The recipient of our AAUW Endowment Fund of \$800 is Marci Meir who also is an Education major. Marci, 31 years of age, is an Air Force veteran. Her husband is also a full time student and they have two daughters in grade school. With family duties and school work, she finds time to volunteer at her children's school and still maintains a 4.0 GPA.

Both girls have accepted our invitation to attend our January dinner meeting, so you members will have an opportunity to meet them. It is through your generous gifts and support of our fund raising events that makes these scholarships possible. You are to be commended!

Dot Fields, Chr.

Fund Raising for 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. This past year we earned \$147 dollars through this program.

Attached is the information on how to register your Fry's V.I.P. for this benefit. If you have registered it is time to renew your card to this program. If you have not registered this is a great time to do so. Thank you for participating.

- We are getting ready for the spring fund raiser on April 9th. The flyers and details will be in the February newsletter. If you would like to help please contact Mary Beth Lemons or Kathleen Preece.

Membership

Phoenix Branch is looking for new members. Everyone in the branch should take some responsibility to help build the branch. Attached is a poster that can be copied to give out to prospective members or put up on a public bulletin board if you know of a place that will give you permission to do so. Sue Zeigler, also has copies if you prefer to get some from her.

**It is time to renew the registration of your Fry's V.I.P. card
Or if you have not been registered be sure and get registered
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.

AAUW Phoenix Branch Organization **34523**

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.

Connect with Us

American Association of University Women

AAUW Phoenix Branch

<http://phoenix-az.aauw.net>

Our Mission

Advancing equity for women and girls through advocacy,
education and research.

In principal and in practice, AAUW values and seeks a
diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full
participation in this organization on the basis of gender,
race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin,
disability or class.

Questions? Call 602-992-8145, Sue Zeigler or email mschiedat@yahoo.com or suezee85028@aol.com



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AAUW Phoenix Branch Abbreviated Board Meeting Minutes -- December 2, 2015

Fundraising – Brunch and other: G. Peniska reported that a date for the Spring Brunch is still pending. The entertainment for the Brunch has not yet been finalized. Discussion followed regarding how to raise more funds for scholarships, since the brunch is our main fundraising activity. Other branches charge more for their fundraising events and have more members involved in the process. The Board expressed a preference for doing the traditional Spring Brunch rather than an author's lunch. Those who attend (and those who cannot attend) the Brunch and the monthly dinners will be encouraged to make a donation to the scholarship fund.

Deborah Spotts will give us scholarship donation cards and envelopes which we can distribute at the Brunch. S. Zeigler had previously given her some of our branch publicity fliers, which she has put in the school lounge.

Membership/Reservations: S. Zeigler, in absentia, expressed concern that some members are making reservations for the dinners and not showing up, and also not paying for the dinner that was reserved for them. She suggested we begin charging quarterly for the dinners. After some discussion, the Board decided to continue with the current system.

Programs: D. Ward has arranged for a speaker for our April general meeting. Jack Burns, Arizona Public Affairs Specialist for the Social Security Administration, will speak on the subject of Social Security Solvency.

G. Peniska reported that her granddaughter, Fiona Lowe, a student at Ironwood High School, is having difficulty in finding a venue to display her photographs, as required for a school project. She asked the Board for permission to display the photographs at the December general meeting. The Board granted approval and also suggested that the membership should be encouraged to display their artwork, and other projects, at future meetings.

Publicity: M. Schiedat has sent out publicity for the January general meeting. The speaker will be Linda Hallman, who is the chief officer at National AAUW. Phoenix City Council member Kate Gallego will speak at the February general meeting, if her schedule permits.

Phoenix College: Deborah Spotts reported that our scholarship check went to the Scholarship Foundation. For the scholarship money to be tax deductible it has to go through the Foundation, which is a 501(c)3 organization. The scholarship money then goes to the student's account. Any excess amount goes to a debit card to be used by the student for miscellaneous expenses. Deborah indicated that for the last few years all scholarship applications for Phoenix College have been in a single on-line system.

Scholarship: The Scholarship Committee reviewed the applications individually, but came to the same conclusion regarding the selection for this year's candidates. The introduction of the scholarship candidates will be at the January general meeting.

For the Good of AAUW: B. Presler is looking for members to attend the January ICC meeting. AAUW will be recognized and will have an opportunity to talk about branch activities. It will be held on January 9 at 11:30 a.m. at Karsten Golf Club.

B. Presler also requested that a nominating committee be formed, to meet in January to select a slate of candidates for next year's open Board positions. She asked the Board to be ambassadors, seeking out members to be in leadership positions.

B. Presler reported that Legislative Day will be on February 23, 2016.

**AAUW PHOENIX BRANCH
TREASURER'S REPORT
December 2, 2015**

BEGINNING BALANCE: 17,021.82

RECEIPTS:

National Dues	
State Dues	
Branch Dues	
Dinner Meeting	540.00
Fry's Fund Raiser	
TOTAL RECEIPTS:	<u>540.00</u>
SUB TOTAL	<u>17,561.82</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

1227	Maricopa County College Foundation	1,500.00
1228	AAUW National Dues	245.00
1229	AAUW AZ Dues	54.00
1230	The Beatitudes	468.00
1231	The Beatitudes Employee Fund	46.80
1232	The Beatitudes	468.00
1233	The Beatitudes Employee Fund	70.20
1234	Mary Beth Lemons Ink & Printer Repair	152.06

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS: (3,004.06)

ENDING BALANCE: 14,557.76