

# AAUW THE PHOENICIAN

American Association of University Women - Phoenix Branch

June-Summer 2015

## The General Meeting is

Tuesday, June 16th

Dinner 5:30PM, Presentation 6:30PM

The Speaker is Mary Jo Pitzl, she will present the legislative wrap-up focusing on education This is her fourth year to present our program



Mary Jo has worked as the legislative and politics reporter at The Arizona Republic since 1980. She has been at The Republic through momentous news events, countless redesigns and numerous editors – and has lived to tell about it.

She has covered numerous beats, from Scottsdale police to universities, Gov. Fife Symington to the environment. Previous watchdog projects have included continuing coverage of the state's budget crisis of 2008-2011, a critical look at new arsenic standards and an examination of the loopholes and exemptions that riddle Arizona's tax code.

A native Nebraskan, she studied at the University of Nebraska and earned degrees in Journalism and French.

Mary Jo lives in central Phoenix and she is the current caretaker for a home in one of Phoenix's historic neighborhoods. When she's not tracking the latest policy debate or traipsing around the statehouse, she enjoys gardening, hiking, singing with a women's community chorus and running a journalism contest that promotes the best work in the western states.

## Installation

The newly elected board members will be installed:

President Elect – Emily Jurmu

Co-Vice-Presidents- Membership –

Marilyn Schiedat and

Sue Zeigler

Corresponding Secretary – Carolyn Baker

## THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR RSVP

We need your RSVP as promptly as possible and no later than Friday 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.** Also 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:

**Strawberry Spinach Salad, Glazed Salmon, Garden Orzo, Roasted Vegetable, Dinner roll, Banana Cream Pie Strawberry Shortcake**

A vegetarian option is available.

## Board Meeting

The Board Meeting will be at **1pm on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**. The meeting will be held at Barbara Presler's home. **These meetings are open to all members that want to attend.** Contact Barbara Presler for information [bpreslerlv@aol.com](mailto:bpreslerlv@aol.com) or 602-463-5088.

## 2015-2016 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL is due

See page 3 for forms – Completed forms only need to be submitted with a check if personal information has changed.

## Looking for a new Phoenician Editor

It is not really difficult or real time consuming. I would be happy to help someone get started. Mary Beth 602-510-1544 or [mlemons1@cox.net](mailto:mlemons1@cox.net)

## Things to Do

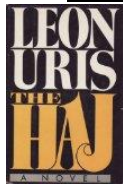
### Morning Book Discussion

The morning group will not have a book to discuss.

**At 9:30am on Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> the meeting will be in Mary Beth Lemons' home.** The group will present books for next year. Contact Mary Beth Lemons for information or directions: [mlemon1@cox.net](mailto:mlemon1@cox.net) 602-510-1544.

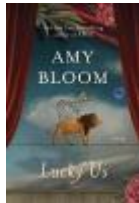
**At 9:30am on Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup> the meeting will be in Carolyn Baker's home.** The group will vote on the 9 books for next year. Contact Carolyn Baker for information or directions: 602-277-5032.

The book for September is *The Haj* by Leon Uris

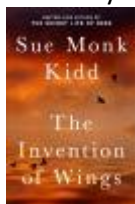


### Evening Book Discussion

Evening book discussion is at **7pm Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>** *Lucky Us* by Amy Bloom



**At 7pm Wednesday, July 1<sup>th</sup>**  
*Invention of Wings: A Novel* by Sue Monk Kidd



And at **7pm Wednesday, August 19**  
*The Lowland* by Jhumpa Lahiri



The discussions are regularly scheduled for the **3rd Wednesday of each month**, in the home of Dorothy Ward. Contact Dorothy Ward for information or directions: [uniquedorothy@cox.net](mailto:uniquedorothy@cox.net) or 602-246-1246.

## World Travelers

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, June 11<sup>th</sup> at Noon**, AAUW's World Travelers will have Roberta Rowland telling about her trip to Peru.

### Coffee and Conversation

We will be meeting on **the last Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>** 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**.

Coffee and Conversation will continue meeting July 25<sup>th</sup> and August 29<sup>th</sup>.

### Saturday Matinee - Noon Classics

This group will not be meeting again until fall. Watch the September Phoenician and the 2015-2016 Directory for information.

### GREAT DECISIONS STUDY PROGRAM



The final meeting was in May. The new year will begin sign up around December 2015 and the meetings will begin in February 2016. The contact will be Dot Fields 602-253-1643, or E-Mail [dotfie@cox.net](mailto:dotfie@cox.net) with questions.

### Movies, Museums & Theater

There will not be any events during the summer. We will resume our monthly gatherings in the fall. Please plan to join us! Thank you to all members who have attended and enjoyed getting together for our cultural outings this year.

Contact: Kay Baughman  
Kaybaugh@Aol.com  
623-742-7388  
260-414-7469

**The General Meeting May 19<sup>th</sup>**

Program Vice President Sara Presler introduced her friend **Jamescita Peshlakai** a former legislator and leader.



She is a former Arizona state Representative, (Az-7), Veteran, US Army, Member of Navajo Nation. She spoke on Serving others as a Navajo, and on Women Leader issues affecting greater Arizona and Native American Communities.



There was a good attendance and we all enjoyed the program. It was informative and entertaining.

**Membership Renewal**

It is again time to renew your membership. Please make sure you submit your check before June 30th.

If you have any changes needed for the directory use the attached form. If there are no changes of your information, you do not need to complete and send a form with your check.

If you would like a new picture, or you do not yet have a picture, please contact Mary Beth Lemons so we can have one for the directory.

**AAUW - PHOENIX BRANCH  
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2014-2015  
Make Check payable to AAUW and mail  
along with completed form to:**

**AAUW**  
Mary Beth Lemons  
6825 N. 29th Ave - Phoenix, AZ 85017

**Dues Structure**

National Dues	\$49 (\$46 is tax deductible)
State Dues	\$ 9
Branch Dues	<u>\$14</u>
TOTAL	\$72

Donations are welcome for National EF/LAF and/or Local Phoenix College Scholarship.

**Donation amount:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Donation for:** \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

Phone and/or Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Month and Day: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

I would be interested in participating in . . .  
 Book Discussion Group  Day  Evening

Membership Committee

Directory Committee

Great Decisions Group  
(Foreign policy study group - Eight sessions)

Public Policy Action Committee

Program Committee

Scholarship Committee  
(Raises funds and awards local scholarship[s])

Bridge:  Marathon  Lessons  Games  
 Mah Jongg:  Lessons  Games

Ways & Means (fund raising)

World Travelers Discussion Group

Last Saturday Morning Coffee & Conversation

Educational Foundation-National

## *In Memory of*

### Mary Jacobson Palsma

January 16, 1942 - May 15, 2015



Mary Jacobson Palsma, 73, passed away peacefully on May 15, 2015. She received her BS and MS in Secondary Education from Northern State University in Aberdeen, SD. She and her husband Wayne married in December 1967 and moved to Phoenix, AZ in 1972. Their son Robert was born in November 1973. She spent 28 years teaching mathematics and English at Bourgade Catholic High School in Phoenix and was very active mentoring student clubs, organizing the semi-annual Blood Drive, and supporting the School and students in so many ways. She was a member of AAUW for over 50 years and one time Phoenix Branch president. Some of her greatest passions were playing bridge and traveling. She chaperoned countless student trips to Europe and traveled the rest of the world after she retired. With sad hearts and lots of tears we said good bye to our beautiful, gracious, kind Mary on Saturday, May 23, 2015. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations to AAUW Scholarship Fund or Bourgade Catholic High School.



The last event Mary attended was the Spring Brunch fund raiser for the Phoenix College Scholarships. Here she is with last year's recipient Valerie Ramirez and daughter Rebecca. Mary was the Scholarship chairman for many years.

### Sylvia Zelda Ulan

June 22, 1937 - May 14, 2015



77, of Phoenix passed away on May 14, 2015. She graduated from Oneonta Teachers College and taught elementary school in the Albany school system for a few years. Looking for a change and more opportunities, she moved to Tucson, Arizona to teach and attended the University of Arizona to earn her Master's degree in Education. Sylvia also taught in Ray, Arizona, a small rural mining community in Pinal County that no longer exists. While attending the UofA, through mutual friends, she met her future husband, Leon Ulan. They married in 1962. Soon children came along, Deborah born in 1963 and Paul in 1967. Sylvia worked the family business as a licensed insurance agent and real estate broker side by side with Leon. She also served as the office manager and bookkeeper. Dedicated to her community, Sylvia was an active member of Temple Emanuel and was a proud member of its Sisterhood. She also volunteered with the Girl Scouts, PTA and attended classes for a Masters in Judaic Studies. In 1981 the family moved to Scottsdale and Sylvia started her involvement with the Phoenix chapter of National Council of Jewish Women where she would serve in all capacities including president. She also volunteered with Women in Community Service, Church Women United and Brandeis. Sylvia had a love for books and reading that she shared with her children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews and family friends. When she moved back to Tucson she combined her love for books and community involvement when she chaired the first Tucson Brandeis book and author luncheon, an event that continues to this day. Her community involvement included political campaigns at all levels and advocating for women's rights and women's issues. - Contributions are suggested to National Council of Jewish Women, 1011 West Las Palmaritas Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85021:



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	1	2	3 	4	5 <b>1 Book Discussion</b> 9:30am Contact: MB Lemons	6 <b>Board Meeting 1pm</b> Contact: Barb Presler
7	8	9	10	11 <b>World Travelers</b> 12n-2pm Contact: Carolyn Baker	12	13 
14 	15	16 <b>General Meeting</b> Beatitudes Life Cntr Contact: Sue Zeigler Dinner 5:30 pm Speaker 6:30pm	17 <b>Book Discussion 7pm</b> Contact: Dorothy Ward	18 <b>AAUW National Convention Begins</b>	19 <b>1 Book Discussion</b> 9:30am Contact: Carolyn Baker	20
21 <b>AAUW National Convention Ends</b>	22	23	24	25	26	27 <b>Coffee and Conversation</b> 9am Scott's Deli, 5539 N 7th St Contact: MB Lemons
28	29	30 	<b>Notes:</b>			

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





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**Have you registered your Fry's V.I.P card – Fry's has informed us that 15 households shopped with them supporting AAUW Phoenix Branch - 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](mailto: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.